

Making a Difference
Four Paws at a Time



P.A.W.S.
of Michigan

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TEAM PAWS: “THANKS FOR THE MEMORIES, MARIE BURBO”



Marie Burbo's goal was to teach young people the importance of treating others, animals and the environment with kindness, compassion and respect. Marie founded TEAM PAWS, the P.A.W.S. of Michigan teen group with her daughter Amber and three other students on September 4, 2008 (Marie's late mother's birthday) for teenagers thirteen to eighteen. In five years this group has grown to an average of twenty students meeting twice a month at the party room of Woodhaven Bowling Lanes. Marie says, "We have learned many things

together and become friends. We have CHANGED and ACCOMPLISHED many things because of the greatness that is in each of us." TEAM PAWS contributions are too many to list, but a brief overview includes: designing their own T-shirts, bottle feeding baby kittens, collecting over 500 pair of used jeans for the Aeropostale "Jeans or Teens" campaign, shopping for P.A.W.S. food bank, annual Earth Day clean ups, activities with and for the residents of Applewood Nursing Center, V-SNAP fund raisers at Wendy's, volunteering at Woodhaven's PetSmart's Santa photos and adoptions and making donation jars for P.A.W.S.

Beth Ferda will be replacing Marie this fall as the TEAM PAWS leader. We would all like to thank Beth for taking over this important job and wish her luck in her new endeavor.

Marie would like to thank P.A.W.S. of Michigan for letting her run with the idea of TEAM PAWS. After all, "Our youth of today are the adult volunteers of the future. Please teach them the way."

FUNDRAISERS

Grosse Ile Fun Run: Raised \$302.25 for P.A.W.S. as we participated in this fun event that benefits the Grosse Ile Animal Shelter

Adopt-A-PAW: We raised \$345 plus sold a lot of P.A.W.S. merchandise at our first ever Adopt-a-PAW event held at Eve's Poodle Salon in Lincoln Park. Thanks to Lana and Terra for organizing and to Eve's for being such a wonderful host.

Leanna's Annual Yard sale: Raised a total of \$1176, which went to benefit three of our special needs animals: Xena, Leah, and Sasha . The sale also raised \$566 for Frankie, a very special dog. This was a huge event that took many volunteers. Thanks to Leanna and everyone who helped!

Michelle and Velda's yard sale: Raised \$507 for Xena, our heart-worm positive dog. Thank you Michelle and Velda!!

Wyandotte Street Fair

The Precious Pet Photo Contest was a huge success!

Due to the community's generosity, P.A.W.S. of Michigan raised approximately \$5400.00! Proceeds included the Precious Pet Photo contest as well as donations, the sale of merchandise, crafts and ID tags sales during the street fair. Every penny raised helps us in our mission to end animal homelessness. We so appreciate the support. To view the winners visit our website: pawsofmichigan.com
Interested in knowing how much your pet raised? Email Sara Dean at sara@pawsofmichigan.com.

Special needs animals get special help and very special sponsors

P.A.W.S. of Michigan helps many animals get a second chance at finding a loving, "forever" home. Every animal receives complete vet care before being matched with his or her new family, including age-appropriate vaccines, fecal tests and deworming, heart-worm test (dogs) feline leukemia/FIV "combo" test (cats), and the all-important spaying or neutering.

But sometimes animals find their way to us with more extensive needs. The last several months have brought a number of animals with serious, chronic medical needs. Their stories are below. All are available for adoption, and despite (or maybe because of) their special medical needs, they seem to have extra love to give. If you are interested in adopting one of these special animals, please visit our website at pawsofmichigan.com.

Frankie lived in a local animal shelter for eleven months, the victim of a court case. Even though Frankie wasn't involved in the case, he was stuck at the shelter until it was settled. When P.A.W.S. was able to take him, our veterinarians determined he has a serious heart condition. We had hoped that he would be eligible for a pacemaker and raised the money for the surgery, only to get the devastating news that one of Frankie's heart valves leaks, and so he couldn't have a pacemaker implanted. Sadly, there's nothing we can do about Frankie's condition, and it will likely prove fatal. He is currently on medication that will help him maintain a good quality of life for as long as possible. The

medication is expensive, but Frankie is worth it. Frankie is making good use of the time, and he's a happy, friendly two year old guy who shows no external signs that he's ill.



Frankie

Sponsors for Frankie

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| Kathleen Abbott | Ashley Madis,
Cat Trees by
Design |
| Melissa & Steve
Adcock | Shari McCain |
| Anonymous (8) | Merrille Mitchellle |
| Kelly Baker | Cheryll & Wilfred
Owens |
| Bobbie & Delores Bentley | Tammy Parton |
| Diane Braden | Elaine Pi |
| Rebecca Braden | Nancy Pierce |
| Starr Brady | Mike Poupore |
| Stephanie Brandt | Terry Povlich |
| Leanna Cachia | Janet Reno |
| Brigitte Caullay | |
| Hannah & Bernadette
Caullay | |
| Janet & George Choike | Suzanne Rogers |
| Patti Christie | Kelly Sack |
| Rhonda Cochenour | Lisa, Jim, Mackey,
& Sprouts Shay |
| Becky, James, Riley
& Axle Craig | Patricia Shrum |
| Kim & Dan Crudo | Cindi & David Stefanic |
| Jeff Czich | (2) |
| Billy & Kandace Dandy | |
| John & Rose Darin | Kim Struthers |
| Diane Desrosiers | Kathi Svenson |
| Eve's Poodle Saloon
donation jar | |

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| Vern Felty | Ricky & Bonnie
Thornton |
| April Fodor | Jennifer Watkins |
| Melissa Francis | Nancy Werle |
| Frank Golden | Sheila White |
| Lana & Jerry Golden | |
| Tamun Guy | |
| Nicole Hughes | |
| Philip & Beth Ideson | |
| Jim & Annette | |
| Jeff & Deanna John | |
| Pam Johnston &
the Audette Tiger Tribe | |
| Kris & Jay Jordan | |
| Kerry Kamalay | |
| Linda Lee | |
| Lisa Lesley | |

Anastasia was found on a hot day taped inside a box. As if that weren't bad enough, this sweet 6-month old girl had a broken paw. Again, P.A.W.S. raised money for her surgery, hoping the paw could be repaired. Unfortunately, when time came for surgery, the doctor determined that the paw had been broken for quite some time, and so could not be repaired. We made the decision to amputate Anastasia's leg. Fortunately, she hasn't let this slow her down nor has it slowed her ability to give or receive love. Anastasia is all healed from her surgery and HAS BEEN ADOPTED!!!!!!



Anastasia



Snowball

Sponsors for Anastasia

Stephanie Anderson	Michelle Land
Elaina Axelrod	Linda Lee
Daniel Bernadine	Tracie Lelekatch
Michelle Blair	Stephanie Lenz
George, Leslie and	Kelly Martin
Kelley Capek	Margaret
Sue Church	McManus
Sherri Conaway	Denise Montgomery
Tony Cox (3)	Jaime Daskevicz-LaPere
Denise Montry	Elizabeth Nash
Suzanne Doute	Cindy Orlandi
Rob Dyszewski	Carol Parker
Jeff Czich	Nancy Pierce
Eco Stuff by Don	Elisa Puglia
Jessica Garofali	Kathleen & Gary
Jill Headon & Carol	Runkel
Wymer	Elizabeth Simon
Jenn Hnizdor	Leon Sinclair
Melissa Hum	Bridgett
	Ventimiglia
Rebecca Jansen	
Tara Johnson	
Julia Johnston	Wavelength Video
Pam Johnston	Linda Wilson
Patricia Lalinsky	Crystal Woodside
Jennifer Lanczynski	Lori Young

Snowball is a beautiful and affectionate year old cat. She is also blind. She gets around well in a small area, but needs someone with a lot of patience for her and her condition.

Leah and Butterscotch both have diabetes. Sometimes cats can “reverse” this condition, but for now, Leah and Butterscotch are insulin-dependent. Leah is approximately 10 years old, and Butterscotch is also a senior cat. The supplies for diabetes can add up financially, but cats can do quite well on insulin and live long lives.



Leah

Sponsors for Leah Lois Schippling
Jeff & Laura
Clinansmith (2)

P.A.W.S. provides heart-worm treatment for 4 dogs

Our wet Michigan spring and summer has produced a bumper crop of voracious mosquitoes. For humans, this means annoying swarms of biting mosquitoes when we venture outside. For dogs, the consequence goes well

beyond annoyance and can, in fact, prove fatal.

Heart-worm is a parasitic worm that lives in the heart of an infected animal. It is spread when an infected mosquito bites a dog. The disease is easily prevented by administering a monthly oral or topical treatment which your veterinarian can prescribe. Sadly, many dogs never receive this preventive medication, and as a result are vulnerable to contract heart-worm. Heart-worm treatment is prolonged, costly, and can be very dangerous, even fatal, for a dog undergoing treatment.

P.A.W.S. has taken four heart-worm positive dogs into our program in the past few months. Two of the dogs, Sadie and Moose, successfully received treatment. Sadie has been certified "heart-worm free" and was adopted by her wonderful foster family. Moose has completed treatment and will have one final retest in a few months. Two more dogs, Xena and Charlie, are in the process of undergoing treatment. Once they complete treatment they will also be looking for their permanent homes. If you are interested in applying to adopt Xena, Charlie, or Moose, please visit our website, pawsofmichigan.com.



Xena

Sponsor for Xena Lois Schippling



Charlie

Sponsor for Charlie Eileen & William Hobson

OTHER ANIMALS WITH GENEROUS SPONSORS

Sponsor for Brinkley Cathy Palazzolo

Sponsors for Emma Jeff & Deana John
Cathy Palazzolo

Sponsor for Parvo Puppies Nadine Ritz

Sponsor for Jasmine, Chai and Chamomile Kathleen Todd

PAWS IN THE PARK

SAVE THE DATE: Saturday, September 14 from 11am-3pm

P.A.W.S. of Michigan is taking over Young Patriots Park in Riverview, MI.

For the last five years P.A.W.S. of Michigan has held P.A.W.S. in the Park, a dog walk and pet lovers festival that

features: a pledge-based stroll around the pond with people and their pets, a nature walk, event t-shirts, micro-chipping, animal adoptions, contests, raffles, a silent auction, music, refreshments, vendors and much more. It's one of our largest fundraisers of the year!

VENDORS NEEDED

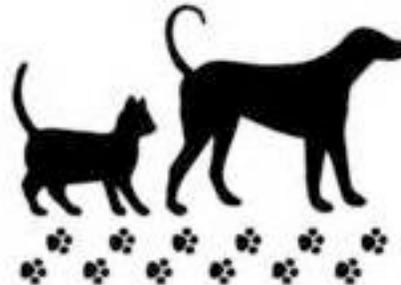
We have room available for vendors who want to advertise their business and help our worthy cause. Vendor space is only \$25.00, all profits remain with the vendor (unless you'd like to make a contribution to P.A.W.S.).

Registration is encouraged so your dog can participate in the contests and games that will be held throughout the day, such as the Best Kiss Contest, the Best Bark Contest, the Peanut Butter Licking game and Musical Sit. Pre-registration is \$20 and is open until September 11th, which includes a free t-shirt and goodie bag of special items from the sponsors. Registration after September 11th, or on the event day, is \$30. The event application, including the pledge form, can be found online at www.pawsofmichigan.com. While pledging is not necessary, attendees are encouraged to collect pledges much like other pledge-based walks. The top pledge money raiser will be honored as the Grand Marshal and will win an award as well as four tickets to The Henry Ford. Other pledge awards can be found on the pledge form. Online registration, printable pledge and registration forms, and a complete schedule of events can be found at www.pawsofmichigan.com. If you have

any questions, please email Sara Dean at pawsinthepark@pawsofmichigan.com.

Scoopable litter needed!

P.A.W.S. foster cats are in need of scoopable litter. To make a donation, please email Michelle Land, our Cat Coordinator, at michelleL@pawsofmichigan.com

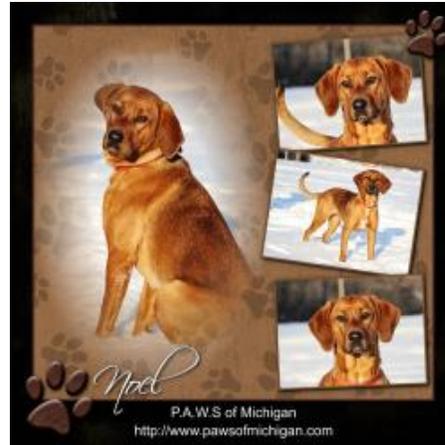


HAPPY TAILS

“Greg and I adopted Marla, now named Bella. We loved Tina, her foster “mom.” She did a great job of taking care of Bella and was so patient with all of our questions. We are so happy with Bella and how well mannered she is. We are just so in love with this little pup. Thank you for such quality care you gave our Bella. Thank God for people like all of you.” April and Greg

“My friend passed away in February. Her name was Audi (MinPin). She was twelve years old. She loved my dad to death. He passed in June. We didn't want

flowers so people made donations. I recently received a donation in my dad's honor. I want to donate to P.A.W.S. of Michigan in his name, William Lawson. One day, I was really missing Audi when I saw a double rainbow. I knew my dad and Audi were together. My husband recently surprised me with a picture from the News-Herald. It was Petunia. We adopted her from you through foster mom Leanna. We love her to death." Signed Sandra & Petunia.



"When we adopted Noel in March - I was suffering from severe anxiety and depression. My best friend knew he had to do something. Knowing the emptiness I was feeling after losing my twelve year old chocolate lab in September, it seems he knew what to do. Noel was welcomed into our home with open arms. She is so calm and tender, and also vivacious and funny. She gauges my mood and adjusts her actions. It wasn't long after she got here that she was next to me on the couch or in the bed.

She is pure, real love and I needed you to know that our love for her is a great love. She is awesome. Now I can't imagine my house without loads of coon hound hair, toys all over the floor and slobbery kisses.

Christy

Adoptions and Surgery Stats

2013 adoptions through

July 24, 2013: 159

2013 surgeries at the PAWS Clinic through July 24, 2013: 2984

Surgeries at the PAWS Clinic since September 19, 2011: 9679



Donations

Donations to the General Fund

501st Legion

Anonymous (3)

Anonymous from Macy's East (3)

Anonymous from UPS

Bennett Elementary School

Charlene Davidson

Linda Kay Franks

Roger Jones (3)

Lear Corporation

Leslie Malloy

Robert Merrow

Norma Mitchell
Denise Montgomery
Monica Raj (2)
Diane and Raymond Rito (3)
Pamela Stevens
Nicole Summitt (initiated Microsoft
Corporation Matching Gift)
Felicia Szczepanski
Wines for Humanity
Mary Wuerker
Ryoko Yamasaki

General Donations in Memory

<i>From</i>	<i>In Memory Of</i>
Corky & Curk Bellew	Monkey and Sable
Larry & Janice Frazier	Kevin D. McClelland
David Frisk	Mya
Eve & David Howell	Boo Boo
Ina & Leonard Jamula	Michael Courtney
Audrey Johnson	Heidi
The Kolniak Family	Princess
Sue Labell	Tramp (2)
Sandra Palumbo & Petunia	William Lawson
Pat Harrington	Betty Ross Hyde
Linda Muzyczka	Betty Ross Hyde
Sheila White (sponsoring Frankie)	Betty Ross Hyde
Michael and Carolyn Williams	Betty Ross Hyde

General Donations in Honor

<i>From</i>	<i>In Honor Of</i>
Marlene Scheele	Diane Desrosiers

Donations to the V-SNAP

Corky & Curt Bellew

Chuck & Mary Giles
Patricia Love
Monica Raj

Donations to the V-SNAP in Memory of Valerie Koths

Anonymous (2)
Nina Castelluzzo
BASF Corporation
Frank & Yumi Dalton
Juanita Davis
Robert & Betty Dodge
Dale & Louise Hinzmann
Leota & Lonny Hottum
Helen & Hubert Huebl
Frances Hyvonen
Audrey Johnson
Kenneth & Phyllis Johnson
Richard & Karen Koths
Shirley Koths
James & Karen Kulp
Jennifer Lutz
Michael & Evelyn Maillard
Shirley & Larry Medler
Nancy Moore
Christine Nowak
Roberta Paja
Gloria Lakatos, Debi Lakatos, & Donna Plitz
Thelma Poet
Margaret Potter
Sandra Romska
Alice Salo
Joyce & Arnold Schapen
Roland & Mary Anne Theide
Alexandra Ward
Sylvester & Mary Ellen Zell

In Kind Donations

Eve's Poodle Salon
Feed Rite Pet Supply
Randy Gibson
Tracy Graunstadt
Margaret Kasson
Kathleen & Gary Runkel

Southgate Animal Hospital
Joe Voszatka

Annual Board of Directors Elections

Donations to the Pet Food Bank

Corky & Curt Bellew
Loretta Yeager (2)

The annual Board of Directors Elections will take place at our annual meeting on November 20, 2013. Four seats are open for two-year term beginning January 1, 2014.

Donations to The PAWS Clinic Fund

Corky and Curt Bellew

To be eligible to run for a seat on the Board or vote in the election, you must be a Member in Good Standing (i.e. dues current) as of September 20, 2013. To become a member, visit the membership page under the "How you can Help" tab on our website, pawsofmichigan.com or email kris@pawsofmichigan.com. If you have a question as to your membership status, please email Kris.

Family Memberships

Corky & Curt Bellew
Sara & Keith Dean
David Frisk
Chuck & Mary Giles
Lana & Jerry Golden
Eve & Dave Howell
Kris & Jay Jordan
The Kolniak Family

Self-nomination forms will be available at our September general meeting (September 25) and are due no later than the October general meeting (October 23). If you would like to receive a copy of our Bylaws, please contact Kris.

Individual Memberships

Pat Burns
Linda Duval
Rob Dyszewski
Verne Felty
Kerri Kamalay

Senior Memberships

Patricia Love
Judy Michalak

Pet Memberships

Cody Bellew
Abby & Bailey Dyszewski
Sparky Giles
Skip Frisk
Star & Comet Kolniak
Millie Michalak

**Dogs can't add or subtract.
But they sure can multiply.**
Please spay/neuter your pet.



