

Making a Difference  
Four Paws at a Time



P.A.W.S.  
of Michigan

Summer 2014

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## Litter Mates Reunite at Ann Arbor PetSmart's Pet Hotel

P.A.W.S of Michigan foster, Leanna, rescued a mother and 5 puppies when the puppies were just a couple of days old! The owner said she no longer wanted them. Once they were weaned, P.A.W.S. of Michigan Board Member and Co dog coordinator, Velda, took all 5 puppies and kept them adopted. They were all adopted December 2012.

One of the puppy's (Sara now named Lulu) owners recently sent Velda this amazing email. "I hope all is well with you. We are doing very well and so is Lulu :) I wanted to tell you a fun story about Lulu and her brother...

Lulu is at the Pet Hotel at the PetSmart in Ann Arbor for a few days this week while I visit my mom in Illinois. She enjoys the doggie daycare very much. Anyway, last time she was there, they told me she played with a dog named

Louie, who looked just like her. Apparently, they were best friends.

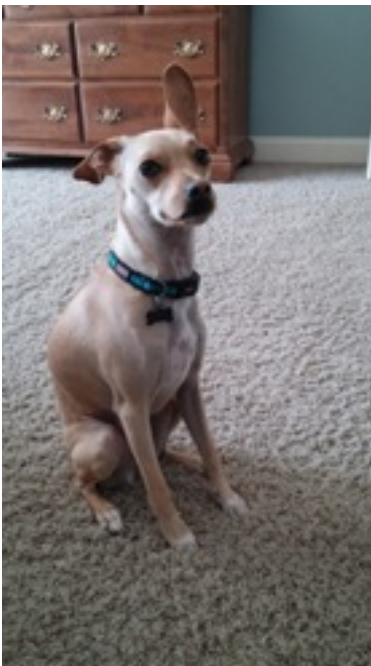
When I dropped Lulu off today, I asked about Louie. They said his human dad works at the PetSmart in Ann Arbor, so they would check with him. I just checked on Lulu and the person at the desk told me that Louie is Buttons...Lulu's brother! No wonder they had so much fun together. Louie's owner is going to try to bring him to doggie daycare this week so the dogs can play while Lulu is there.

Just thought I would share. Lulu brings Randy, Alexandra, and me a lot of joy. She is a great little dog."





**Sara's brother Buttons now  
named Louie**



**Lulu today**

## **Precious Pet Photo Contest at Wyandotte Art Fair was a Great Success**

**Results are in for the Precious Pet Photo Contest!!! Thanks to everyone who entered and everyone who voted!!! Proceeds from the photo contest entries and voting, our merchandise, crafts and ID tag sales totaled \$5,263.00. The funds go to our General Fund assisting in the care of the approximately 30 dogs and 80 cats currently in our foster program.**

**A huge thank you to the numerous volunteers who assisted with set-up, staffing the booth and tear down. We couldn't have done it without you!**

**Special thanks to:**

- **Scott S. and the team at Pet Supplies Plus in Woodhaven for their generous donation of prizes for the winners! We appreciate your support!**
- **Anne G. for donating so many handmade catnip toys over the week! They are always a big hit!**
- **Joe V. for letting us use his garage once again for overnight storage during the contest! It is invaluable to us!**
- **Sara D. and Stephanie D. co-chairs of the event**

**1st place winners:**



**Dog- Chubbs Ditner- raised \$109.27**



**Other (rabbit)- Steve-Oh! Pasternak raised \$19.43**

**2nd place winners:**

**Dog- Stewie Curry- raised \$101.11**

**Cat- Gizzy Sweet- raised \$28.78**

**3rd place winners:**

**Dog- Stamper Butler- raised \$53.82**

**Cat- Buddy Soltesz- raised \$21.60**

**If you want to know how much your pet raised in the contest, please email [sara@pawsofmichigan.com](mailto:sara@pawsofmichigan.com).**



**Cat- Louie Gerlica- raised \$95.17**



**Saturday, September 13, 2014**

**Get Ready to Party!!!! The Seventh Annual PAWS in the Park will be held from 11-4 at Young Patriots' Park in Riverview. This year's contests include: BEST - dressed, wag, handshake, bark, ears, eyes, trick, kiss, owner/doggie dance and a Judge's Choice.**

**The Games:**

**Musical Sit- just like with your kids except you have to get your dog to sit**

**Peanut Butter Licking- you have the handle of a spoon in your mouth and your dog licks the peanut butter off the bowl of the spoon**

**Hotdog Bobbing- which dog can eat all their hot dog bits in the shortest period of time?**

**ONLINE REGISTRATION AVAILABLE**

**Registering has never been easier! For \$20 you will receive a free event t-shirt and a free goodie bag filled with fun stuff from our sponsors, and your dog will be able to participate in the**

**dog walk around the pond and the contests and games.**

**To register online, there is an added fee of \$3.95 from Active.com, but you don't have to worry about postage and printing the form. If you would like to register online please visit:**

**<http://www.active.com/riverview-mi/walking/races/paws-in-the-park-2014?int>**

**If you do not want to register online, use the form at the end of the newsletter or visit our website ([www.pawsofmichigan.com](http://www.pawsofmichigan.com)) for a registration form and mail it to: PO Box 2184, Riverview, MI 48193. Page one is the registration form and page two is the pledge form, which is just like gathering pledges for a cancer walk except it's for animals. Gathering pledges is not required, but it is encouraged as another way to help us raise money to further our mission to end animal homelessness.**

## Tea Party Held to “Raise the Roof” for a New PAWS Clinic



P.A.W.S. of Michigan President Sara Dean and Board Member Kim Vowles

The PAWS Clinic is bursting at the seams. They recently completed the 16,000th spay and neuter since opening. On Saturday, May 31 beautiful weather welcomed Steeped Tea representative Sue Vernier to the “Raise The Roof Tea Party for the PAWS Clinic. The event raised nearly \$1,000.00 toward expanding the clinic and helping community members get pets spayed and neutered for a reasonable price.

Tables were sponsored and the centerpieces donated to be raffled off along with other wonderful baskets.

### Table Sponsors & Centerpieces:

- Monguagon Chapter of The Daughters of the American Revolution

- P.A.W.S of Michigan Board Members
- All Star Maintenance
- Bill’s Outdoor Care
- Family Ties Getaway
- Pinky’s Persian Palace and Hood’s DoitBest
- Bunjik Family
- River Rouge Animal Shelter
- Donna Stitt and Angie Welton
- Kris Jordan
- Splish Splash Pet Wash
- Louise K. Salon & Spa, Louise K. Studio Salon.

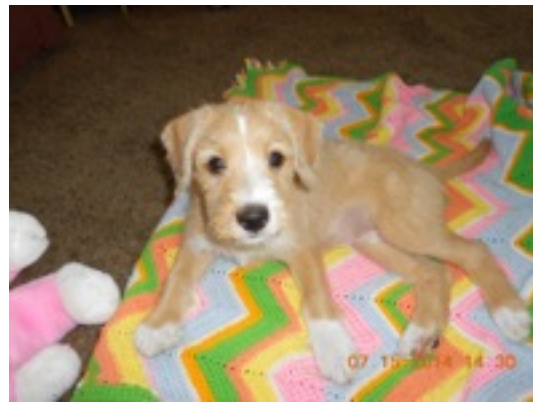
### Raffle Baskets/Items donated by:

- Jen Orleman
- Lisa Rockwell
- Verne Felty
- Chrissy Romano-McGill
- Lana Golden
- Terra Muscat
- Gina Angellotti
- Friends of Companion Animals
- Sue Vernier

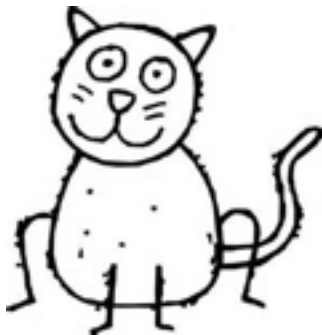
PAWS Clinic employees and co-hostesses Terra Muscat and Jennifer Orleman, who volunteered to organize the event said, “We were thrilled with the support we received from the community and are very thankful to each of you.”



## Happy Tails



Donated raffle items



Sadie

“Sadie has made our home her home already. She has checked out every inch of our house.

Thank you for Sadie. You just don't know how much happiness she has brought us already.

Sincerely,

Tim Macomber”

## New Co Cat Coordinator

Kimberly Vowles will be working with Cat Coordinator Kathy Koebel with our ever increasing cats to be rescued. Kitty kisses Kim, for making a difference four paws at a [time](#).

**“The girls said they Love, Love, Love her (Lola). We're not giving her back!!!!**

**Thanks  
Cindy”**



**Lola and “her girls”**

**“I just wanted to let you know how much we appreciate you sending the information to us about Brownie, she was heaven sent by a wonderful person who cares.**

**The people at the rescue were also wonderful and understanding people. They were very sympathetic with Linda's grieving over our last little one and did not push her on the adoption. Linda almost backed out because she is still in the grieving process, but she did not want to miss such a great opportunity to have such a beautiful little girl.**

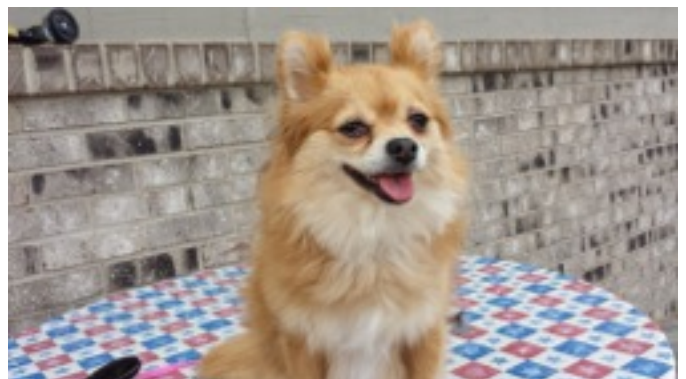
**God will bless you for what you have done.**

**Brownie is the sweetest little girl and is very well behaved, loves to play, cuddle and explore. She is 8 pounds**

**and appears to be very healthy except for the cherry eye. I will have this condition checked out to see if there is anything that we can do for her, but it does not seem to bother her and we love her regardless of the condition. Big difference from the issues we had with Sadie Sue and Katie. I cannot find anything wrong with her at all, even if I could find something, it would not make a difference at this point. She loves to sleep with me and does not get up until I do in the morning.**

**We are so happy with her, it's hard describe how happy we both are for her filling the void we have had here since we lost our last baby. She is a good eater, never goes potty in the house and lets us know when its time to go out. She loves to explore my 5 acres and does not need a leash at all. She comes when I call her and does not wander away. It's only been since Saturday and she feels right at home. We give her the run of the house and she loves it. This is an amazing little girl and at 2 years old, I am sure that we will have many wonderful years together.**

**VERY HAPPY HERE IN MILFORD, MI!!  
Thanks again,  
Terry & Linda Adams”**



**Brownie**

## **“Hope” Fund Recipient Claire Finds a Fur-ever Home**



**Claire**

**Claire is a P.A.W.S. “HOPE” Fund success story. She had ear polyps that required surgery by a specialist, and months of medication. Even though Claire was very sick and had difficulty breathing until the polyps were removed, she was spunky through the whole ordeal, endearing her to both Kim, her foster mom, and to Megan, her Fur-ever home mom. Megan met and fell in love with her before the ear polyps were diagnosed, and waited several months until Claire was healthy and ready to be adopted. The P.A.W.S. “HOPE” Fund paid for her medical expenses. The “Hope” Fund, named after Hope, a Pomeranian/Chihuahua mix puppy who suffered from a neurological disorder, helps us pay the veterinary expenses of special needs animals – like Hope – who are brought into our program. Often the expenses for these animals are high and ongoing.**

**The “Hope” Fund helps us assist those who may otherwise never get a chance. You may donate to the “Hope” Fund online at [pawsofmichigan.com/donate](http://pawsofmichigan.com/donate), or by mailing a check to P.A.W.S. of Michigan at PO Box 2184, Riverview, MI 48193. Please indicate that donation is for the “Hope” Fund. All donations to P.A.W.S. of Michigan, are tax-deductible.**

**We are so happy share this update on Claire:**

**“Claire is doing very well! She has gained a little weight and is looking very healthy. She gets along great with my dog and all the other cats. She loves to climb the carpet tower and jump out from underneath the couch at unsuspecting passersby. She's very sweet and cuddly. My family is very blessed to have her in our lives. Thank you for bringing this sweet little girl into my family! We love her very much.  
Megan”**

**If you have any “Happy Tails” to share please email details and a picture to:**

**[lisa@pawsofmichigan.com](mailto:lisa@pawsofmichigan.com)**



## **P.A.W.S. STATS**

**Total adoptions since we formed in August 2007 through July 31, 2014: 1,588**

**2014 Adoptions through 7/31/14:  
56 cats/kittens  
66 dogs/puppies**

**Total spays and neuters at the PAWS Clinic January 1, 2014 through July 31, 2014: 3,911 (including 836 feral cats)**

**Total spays and neuters at The PAWS Clinic since it opened in September 19, 2011 through July 31 2014: 16,281 (including 836 feral cats)**



**April 24 through July 31, 2014**

### **Donations to the General Fund**

Dale Adams, in memory of Kira  
Chris Adamson  
Anonymous Donor (9)  
Corky & Curt Bellew, in memory of Monkey and Sable  
Gary Albu  
Laura Allen  
Craig and Molly Berner

Pamela Czopek  
Linda Duval  
Robert Dyszewski, in memory of Casey

### **Donations to the General Fund Continued**

The Estate of Jill Fox  
Julia Funds, for pregnant cat from Taylor shelter  
Sue Labell, in memory of Tramp (3)  
Jill and William Headon  
Gayle Hernandez  
Rachel Hess, in memory of Gable  
Karen Kolniak, in memory of Princess and Moe  
Bradley Kummmler  
Kim Kuwabara  
Dean Lynn (3)  
Ronda Podhola  
Diane Rito (3)  
Riverview Community Schools "Casual Clothes for a Cause"  
William Roche  
Darlene Rudnick (3)  
Emily Shefferly\*  
Nicole Summitt\*  
Lorrie Tanton (3)  
Mary Wuerker (3)  
Sheila White, in memory of Pete Phillips  
Ryoko Yamasaki  
Joyce, Mocha, & Lucy Zanley

\*initiated matching corporate donation

### **Donations to the V-SNAP**

Corky & Kurt Bellew  
Debra Diederichs, in memory of Donald Dzieciolowski  
Kris & Jay Jordan, in memory of Steve & Dianne Paul  
Judy Koths, in memory of Valerie Koths  
Judy Michalak

Lori Toon (2)

### **Donations to the Pet Food Bank**

Corky & Curt Bellew  
Chuck & Mary Giles

### **Donations to the Clinic Fund**

Dahlia Abraham, in memory of Lucey and in honor of helping the Wyandotte shelter  
Corky & Curt Bellew  
Robert Dyszewski  
Robert & Mariana Merrow (3)

### **Donations to The "Hope" Fund**

Kim & Dan Crudo  
Rob Dyszewski  
Lana & Jerry Golden  
Jessica Kidd, in memory of Donna Kidd  
Jonathan Kidd, in memory of Donna Kidd  
Tara Sturgis Memorial Fund

### **In Kind Donations**

Feed Rite Pet Supply  
Anne Gmoser  
Southgate Animal Hospital

### **Family Memberships**

Corky and Curt Bellew  
Sara and Keith Dean  
Lana and Jerry Golden  
Rachel Hess  
Eve and David Howell  
Kris and Jay Jordan  
Kerry Kamalay  
Karen Kolniak  
Sharron McDougall-Dey  
Ronda Podhola

### **Individual Memberships**

Gina Angellotti  
Robert Dyszewski

Larry Glanz  
Judith Mittino  
Sarah McCarthy  
Jerry Osborn

### **Senior Memberships**

Linda Duval  
Chuck Giles  
Mary Giles  
Judy Koths  
Judy Michalak  
Sheila White

### **Pet Memberships**

Cody Bellew  
Abby and Bailey Dyszewski  
Sparky Giles  
Star and Comet Kolniak  
Millie Michalak  
Drew Podhola

### **Sponsorships**

Velda Bohler, for Barney

### **Other Ways to Help P.A.W.S. of Michigan**

- **AmazonSmile**
- **Shopping at Kroger**
- **Dime Drive**
- **Rescue Me Magazine and Ready, Set, Rescue**
- **Tag It Forward**
- **BarkBucks for Rescue with BarkBox**
- **Donate Used Ink Cartridges and Old Cell Phones**

Please visit our website  
[www.pawsofmichigan.com](http://www.pawsofmichigan.com) for  
specifics about ways you can help



The Monguagon Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution sponsored one of the tables for the PAWS Clinic "Raise the Roof." Several members contribute pet coupons which are passed out at our general meetings. Foster families then use these coupons for their foster animals. Unused coupons are gathered at the end of the meeting and passed back to the DAR.

The coupons are part of a larger activity in which DAR members clip a variety of coupons for active military families. Expired (up to six months) manufacturer's coupons may be used by our military families. If you are a coupon shopper, please bring any expired manufacturer's coupons to the next General Meeting and give them to Lisa Lesley. They will be sent to our military families



**P.A.W.S In The Park September  
13, Young Patriot's Park**



**TEAM PAWS:  
Country Christmas  
December 20-21 Trenton  
Cultural Center**

## PRE-REGISTRATION

Entries must be received by 9/10/14

(Please print neatly)

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Dog's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City/Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

1st Pet, w/shirt \$20 \_\_\_\_ Add Pet \$5 \_\_\_\_

Additional shirt \$10 \_\_\_\_

Shirt Size: \_\_S\_\_M \_\_L\_\_XL \_\_2X\_\_3X

## EVENT DAY REGISTRATION \$30

**\*Proof of current rabies vaccination is necessary\***  
**WAIVER**

Considering the purpose and objectives of this endeavor, the rules, procedures, care and protective measures taken by P.A.W.S. of Michigan, the City of Riverview, and permission extended to me to enter my dog(s) to participate in this year's PAWS in the Park, I hereby take full responsibility for my health, physical ability and that of my family and dog(s) to take place on this special event. Thus, I waive any and all claims against P.A.W.S. and the City of Riverview. This waiver specifically includes claims against P.A.W.S. volunteers, staff, et al, along with members of the PAWS in the Park board members, vendors and others assisting P.A.W.S. in this event. This waiver also includes any claims by my family, heirs, their assigns, executors, et al for any accidental injury I/we may suffer while taking part in this event. I further agree and promise via this waiver that I, my family and pet(s), will abide by the rules set forth by P.A.W.S. of Michigan.

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Participant Signature

Date

**MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO:**  
**P.A.W.S. of Michigan**  
**PO Box 2184, Riverview, MI 48193**

