



CLAYTON COUNTY HUMANE SOCIETY

FALL 2018 NEWSLETTER

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President's Corner

Welcome to the 20th anniversary of CCHS! Having come into CCHS only two weeks after the doors officially opened, I have had the pleasure and the honor of working with wonderful people over the years, and seeing happy endings for so many animals. Our Board of Directors, our staff, our volunteers, our adopters, and our supporters should all be so proud of the remarkable work that has been done in that tiny little building on N. McDonough St.! We have maintained steady adoptions over the years, expanded our services to our animals and to the public, and even opened a thrift shop to help sustain our work. It has been a great twenty years, and it has taken the love, time and talents of so many to make it all work so successfully.

But it has not always been "rosy"; the endings have not always been happy. And that side of things needs to be recognized and addressed also. The world is not always a kind place for animals. Humans are often the "saviors" for animals, but humans can also be an animal's worst nightmare. Those of us who love animals must be their protectors, and we must be vigilant in the face of all the evil awaiting innocent animals. First, we must take care of our own animals, giving them shelter, nourishment, love and protection. We must spay and neuter so that we can control the numbers of homeless or unwanted animals who suffer alone and unloved. But we must always be aware of the many animals who don't share our homes. Please never turn a blind eye to stray animals; try to help that dog on the roadway or that cat hanging around the dumpster. Your kindness and concern could turn a potential tragedy into a miracle. Even if you can't take on another pet, there are things you can do to help that poor animal. "See something, say something" applies to animals too, not just to humans. If you witness a neglect or cruelty situation, SAY SOMETHING. Call for help and don't stop until you get that help!

We must not forget about the animals who might not be a part of our "everyday" lives. Wildlife and exotic animals are being threatened every day, and are currently facing existing legislation and pending legislation, which threatens their very existence. Even protections for endangered species are in danger! Please keep a close eye on local, state, and federal ordinances, laws, and pending legislation. NEVER be afraid to call your local leaders, state Senators and Representatives, or U.S. officials! Speak up for animals because they can't speak up for themselves. Participate in elections, and make your vote count in the defense of innocent, vulnerable animals. Animals don't change the world.....but we can change their world. It is up to each of us whether we change it for the better.....or for the worse.

Robin Rawls

ResQ Me BBQ and Yappy Hour was a big success!

In May of this year, we held our first CCHS ResQ Me BBQ and Yappy Hour, at the historic Warren House in Jonesboro. Jack, Laura, and Sarah Farrar (owners of the Warren House) were our most gracious hosts, and the event was a huge success!

We began the festivities with delicious appetizers, provided by our CCHS volunteers, then we enjoyed a fabulous dinner (catered by Tammi Duncan of OB's BBQ). We also had a wonderful DJ, and many attendees danced the night away! Throughout the evening, guests were invited to enjoy guided tours of the beautiful house. Located throughout the house, were photos and bios of many of the precious CCHS animals who are looking for loving homes and families.

We were thrilled that the night provided CCHS with a profit of \$9322! All of this was only possible because of the many generous sponsors for the event, and the CCHS volunteers who came out and worked so hard to make the evening such a success, and we sincerely thank everyone who made this event possible. We look forward to having a second ResQ Me event in 2019!

Two By Two Thrift Shop update

Thanks to the tireless efforts of our awesome volunteers, the generous item donations from our supporters, and our valued shoppers, Two By Two Thrift Shop is thriving in 2018! If you visit our shop regularly, you know what I mean when I say "it's not your average thrift store"....it's always full of nice items at great prices. You might find anything from kitchen goods to men's new leather shoes. Maybe the next week, it's beautiful framed artwork or an exotic collection of elephants. There's always wonderful home décor, small furniture items, jewelry, books and cool stuff for your pets. If you have not shopped with us, come in and visit to see for yourself. If you are a regular shopper, come often so you don't miss anything!

Two By Two always need your gently used donations. Home décor, small furniture items, home goods, books, toys, all sell well, but we take pretty much anything in good shape or good working order, except for clothing.

If you would like to volunteer to work at Two By Two, we would love to have you! Contact Gwen at 404-432-9986 or lyle.gs@gmail.com for more info on donating or volunteering.

When you support Two By Two Thrift Shop by volunteering, donating and/or shopping, your gift directly benefits the animals of Clayton County Humane Society. It's ALL about the ANIMALS!

Gwen Lyle



Pasta For Paws Event Details



4th Annual Pasta For Paws is right around the corner!

CCHS is hosting our 4th Annual Pasta For Paws on Saturday, Oct. 13th, at Morrow First United Methodist Church! We are so excited and we are looking forward to another huge success! We already have commitments from several sponsors, and at the request of one of those sponsors, we are introducing a brand new sponsorship level! This new sponsorship level is the "Double Platinum" level of \$2000!

Included in our event will be a delicious dinner including salad, spaghetti with meat sauce OR a meatless sauce with roasted vegetables, bread, dessert, and a drink. (Our desserts are homemade by volunteers, and have been absolutely DELICIOUS in our first three dinners!) There will also be a silent auction, and this is a major part of this fundraising effort! Items are already being collected, and we have some great things to bid on. We have gift certificates, gift baskets, stained glass artwork, African artwork, framed prints, and much more! We are SO EXCITED to share that we have footballs, football jerseys, and baseball caps signed by the University of Georgia's own iconic football coach, VINCE DOOLEY!! We will also have live bluegrass music provided by The Rhythm Ramblers Band! There will be face painting for the kids (or fun loving adults). There will be a merchandise table with CCHS sweatshirts, t-shirts, hats, magnets, and dog/cat related crafts. And this year, students from a local elementary school will be making dog and cat themed Christmas tree ornaments which will also be available for purchase. Throughout the afternoon and evening, there will be drawings for free door prizes! This event is lots of fun for the whole family! Please join us to help the animals!

Tickets are on sale now! They are available on our website at: www.claytoncountyhumane.org or at the Two By Two Thrift Shop (open Wed. thru Sat. 10am until 5pm). Tickets are only \$12!

If you would like to become a sponsor, make a dessert, or if you have something to donate to the silent auction, please contact us at: info@claytoncountyhumane.org and we will put you in contact with the proper committee.

Karen Kelly



**Clayton County Humane Society Presents its
4th Annual Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser**



Saturday October 13, 2018

4:00pm - 8:00pm

**Morrow First United Methodist Church
5985 Jonesboro Rd., Morrow, GA 30260**



Live Bluegrass Music from The Rhythm Ramblers 4pm-7pm



Tickets on Sale Now!

Two By Two Thrift Shop: Wed thru Sat 10:00am - 5:00pm

OR

Visit our website: www.claytoncountyhumane.org

Min. Donation of \$12 per meal

All Dinners include:

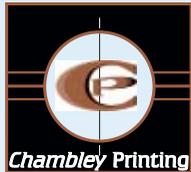
**Spaghetti (Meat or Vegetarian)
Salad • Bread • Drink • Dessert**

Special Adoption Request



Avalanche is a solid white domestic shorthair. He is approximately 8 years old. He originally came into CCHS in August, 2010. Avalanche is a sweet boy, and he gets along with his many feline "roommates" at the shelter. We are making a special adoption request for Avalanche because we believe that his health is at risk the longer he remains at the shelter. He had some issues with "crystals" in his urinary tract, but this was easily remedied by providing him with a special dry cat food, specifically for cats with this type of problem. As long as he is fed the proper diet, this condition is easily controlled. However, he spends a great deal of time in his cage and he has gained too much weight as a result of

inactivity. The shelter cat room is crowded, and though he is allowed to roam freely if he wishes, he tends to retreat to his cage, most likely to stay out of the crowded conditions in the cat room. We believe that he would do much better in a home, where he didn't have to compete with so many other cats.....one or two other cats would likely be just fine, but the 35+ cats at the shelter may just be too much for him. This guy has spent far too much of his life in a shelter. If you might be willing to share your home with this gentle boy, please contact Robin at: robin@claytoncountyhumane.org There is a special adoption fee in place for Avalanche.



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