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Newsletter of the Chatham Animal Rescue & Education

www.chathamanimalrescue.org

C.A.R.E. is an all-volunteer non-profit rescue organization saving stray, homeless and abandoned animals of Chatham and neighboring counties of North Carolina.

Millennium Milestone - Nearly 1000 Adoptions!

Join us in celebrating CARE's upcoming 1000th adoption since our web site was launched in January 2001! We anticipate turning the counter on our web site some time between August and September. Congratulations and a heartfelt thanks to all who have helped make this tremendous accomplishment possible...our foster homes and volunteers, veterinarians and their staff, and of course, the many adopters who will have provided loving homes for 1000 stray and homeless animals!

Princess Boinka
in February



Princess Boinka
Today

her shoulders or haunches. Her fur crawled with lice, her ears were filled with ticks, and open wounds freckled her wobbly frame. Blood work showed her to be heartworm positive. After being taken into CARE's foster system and receiving medical attention, heartworm treatment, and lots of TLC from her foster family, now 6 months later, the Princess is in good health, having filled out to a weight of 110 pounds. Even better, Princess Boinka is going to her new home in a few weeks. We wish to express our deep gratitude to all of our supporters, and particularly those who contributed to CARE on behalf of Princess Boinka. It is through your donations that we are able to help restore the health of such neglected animals. Thank you for making possible a fairy tale ending for one very special dog!

Success Stories



Cecelia
Adopted 2002



Buzz
Adopted 2003



Blake
Adopted 2002



Biscoe
Adopted 2003

A Happy Ending

Fairy Tale Come True for the Princess

Princess Boinka, a St. Bernard, was surrendered to the Chatham County Animal Shelter in February 2003 because her owners "couldn't afford to feed her anymore." One look at the poor girl made one wonder if they fed her at all. With a head and paws befitting a 130 pound dog, the typical weight of a full-grown female Saint Bernard, she weighed in at a mere 45 pounds. Her ribs were visible from across the room; there was barely any muscle on

Ins and Outs



Between April and June 2003, CARE took into foster care 159 animals, and adopted out 112.



The Cost of Saving A Life

People often ask us why we charge so much in adoption fees. CARE's adoption fee for a sterilized cat is \$95 and for a sterilized dog is \$135. It may surprise you to know that these fees do not come close to covering the real costs of rehabilitating stray, homeless and injured animals. This is because the majority of cats and dogs who find their way to us are not initially in good physical condition, and require varying levels of medical care to make them truly healthy and adoptable....the kind of animals you would want to adopt. While adoption fees help defray some of the costs of basic medical care, which includes vaccinations, sterilization, FeLV/FIV test in cats and heartworm test in dogs, deworming, flea/tick and heartworm preventatives, they do not completely cover these expenses, or the more extraordinary costs for treating heartworm disease, parvo or traumatic injuries. Although we receive some discounts on veterinary care, our monthly medical bills typically exceed \$3000. We depend on donations from animal lovers to fully cover our costs. So, next time someone asks, tell them that our adoption fees are actually a bargain, especially when considering the pricelessness of the lifelong friendship that is gained!

Did You Know?



Within 7 years:

- 1 cat and her offspring can produce **420,000 cats!**
- 1 dog and her offspring can produce **67,000 dogs!**

Each year, 4-6 million animals are euthanized in the U.S. due to overpopulation. Please, urge everyone you know to...

...Spay/Neuter Their Pets!

Low Cost Spay/Neuter Options

SNAP Mobile at Chatham County Animal Shelter, Rt. 64W, Pittsboro, Sept. 2 and Oct. 14. For appointments and schedule, call (919) 783-SNAP.

Carolina Mobile Spay-Neuter Clinic at Pittsboro Farm & Garden, Rt. 64, August 20. Call (919) 906-SPAY (7729) for appointments.

Safe Haven for Cats North Raleigh. Sterilization of stray and feral cats only. No pets. For appointments, call (919) 872-1128.

A Donation Of..

- \$25 will feed a litter of kittens
- \$50 will FeLV/FIV test 2 cats
- \$75 can help spay/neuter 1 cat
- \$100 can help spay/neuter 1 dog
- \$250 will treat 1 dog for heartworm

Won't you consider helping us make the difference in the life of an unwanted, injured or abused animal?

Success Stories



Benny
Adopted 2003



Abbie
Adopted 2002



Apollo
Adopted 2001



Bandit
Adopted 2002

Wish List

We welcome tax-deductible donations of the following items. Call 542-5757.

- High quality kitten, puppy, dog, cat food
- Dog fencing or runs
- Animal crates, cages or cat traps
- Office equipment, including color printer
- Pottery, arts & crafts for sale at the Pittsboro Street Fair

Want To Help?

Do you love animals? Are you looking for a gratifying way to spend some of your free time? C.A.R.E. invites you to join us in bringing new hope to stray and homeless animals. There are many ways **YOU** can contribute to this worthwhile cause. We always need help with...

- Adoption days
- Cat or dog fostering
- Fundraising & events
- Graphic and computer design
- Humane education programs

To volunteer, call Karen McMaster 542-5757.

☛ **L**ink your Food Lion MVP card to C.A.R.E. at www.foodlion.com and a percentage of each purchase will be donated automatically!

☛ You can include C.A.R.E. in your United Way giving by writing us in!



A Perfect Match!



C.A.R.E. Events

➤ August 16 and/or 17

Cary Petsmart Adoption Day Cats and kittens for adoption. Crossroads, Aug. 16 & 17, 12pm-4pm

\$5 Rabies Clinic Aug. 16, Chatham Animal Shelter, 9am-12pm.

➤ August 20

Carolina Mobile Spay-Neuter Clinic at Pittsboro Farm & Garden, Rt. 64. For appointments, call (919) 906-7729.

➤ September 2

SNAP Mobile at Chatham Co. Animal Shelter Landfill Co. Rd, Pittsboro. For appointments, call (919) 783-SNAP.

➤ September 13

Phydeaux Adoption Day Dogs/puppies for adoption. 103 Weaver St, Carrboro. 11am-3pm. (919) 960-3606.

➤ October 4

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➤ October 11

Phydeaux Adoption Day Cats/kittens for adoption. 103 Weaver St, Carrboro. 11am-3pm. (919) 960-306.

➤ October 14

SNAP Mobile at Chatham Co. Animal Shelter Landfill Co. Rd, Pittsboro. For appointments, call (919) 783-SNAP.

➤ October 25

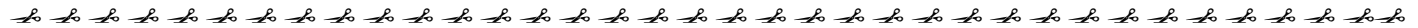
Pittsboro Street Fair Come out and join us and show your support! Raffle, crafts and other CARE items for sale. Downtown Pittsboro 10am-4pm.

Jeremy was rescued last September, along with 7 other cats and dogs, from a situation of extreme neglect. At first, he was fearful, but obviously was longing for human attention. A month after becoming a CARE foster pup, he was adopted by his new mom, Cynthia Lieberman of Danville, VA. Cynthia says, "There isn't a doubt in my mind that a little angel whispered CARE into my ear one evening as I searched the internet for a rescue to share my life with. I had wanted to adopt for about a year- seeking just the right companion to love, care for and share life's wondrous mysteries with. Jeremy has been a true Godsend in my life- we have bonded immensely and since the moment I brought him home he has brought hours of laughter, comfort and unconditional love. We have so much fun discovering tiny frogs, watching the birds and the squirrels, 'discussing' what the heck the ants could possibly be doing, chasing lightening bugs and butterflies, and one of my personal favorites- pondering the amazing light of that full moon.... The hours, days and months of patience, understanding, cuddling and socializing have paid off. Looking into those big brown eyes, I told my little 'Woobie' that I would never ever hurt him or never let him down- I believe he truly understood...."

Jeremy and I have become a true duo- and most important of all a terrific role model for my students in Danville. He is so happy, loving and wonderful with the children. I sneak in as much humane education as I possibly can, and talk about the importance of treating animals with respect, in addition to proper care. I am looking forward to spending many happy years with my baby and I am so thankful that I came across Chatham Animal Rescue during my search. They are wonderful people with tremendous hearts and we will always remain your biggest supporters."

Thanks ...

To all our wonderful volunteers, fosters, and supporters, especially Hill Creek Vet, Tri-County Vet, Chatham Vet Service, Kelli Ferris, J. Knox Tate IV, Architect, Dani Winslow, LABMED, Lab Rescue of NC, Cary PetsMart, Phydeaux Pet Shop, Barbara Long/Paw in Hand, Pittsboro Farm and Garden, New Horizons Trading, Lowes Foods, Food Lion.



Yes! I want to support the mission of Chatham Animal Rescue & Education (C.A.R.E.) to save stray, homeless and neglected animals.

Enclosed is my tax-deductible gift of:

\$25 _____ \$50 _____ \$100 _____ Other _____

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Thank you for giving us ... another chance! 



Yuri Miss your teddy bear, but think you're too old for a replacement? I am the ultimate living, breathing furry hunk of love and affection, just waiting to be your best friend and constant companion. At 2 years old, I am a good-natured goofball, who loves hanging out with my favorite person and playing with my toys and canine buddies. I would love a home with a fenced yard and another playmate or two or a human who is home a good bit of the time.



Maya Classic Brown Tabby female, 2 years old, in search of a guardian who will understand and appreciate my slightly shy personality. I am really a coy sweetheart, but one who prefers to relax in close proximity to you rather than lounging on your lap. I love a good head and neck scratch and will reward you with a vibrant purr and a contented look. When I'm feeling especially amorous, I will take a long stretch before you, signaling my desire for affection. I prefer a quiet home and adore other felines.

Buddy Sawyer Exceptionally handsome male Golden Retriever/Great Pyrenees mix in search of a forever guardian. I have Addison's disease, a chronic disease that can be treated with medication. However, my affectionate, loyal, and slightly goofy nature is certain to win you over. I love people, am extremely bright, well mannered, and have had formal obedience training. Because I am full of energy, my forever person should be a strong leader and enjoy playing a good game of catch. I would thrive with a job, whether that be agility, obedience or keeping my guardian company all day. I wear a constant smile and would make a wonderful companion for someone who is looking for a gorgeous, smart, large, loving fellow.

