

**VISIT US AT OUR
UPCOMING
EVENTS!**

**Transfer to
Spay/Neuter** –
Wednesday,
November 9th, RAS to
Barron's

Shop 'Til You Drop –
Sat Nov 12th, Tony &
George's, 11:00am –
2:00pm

**IRHS Monthly
Meeting** – Tuesday,
November 15th,
6:30pm King William
Ruritans Bldg.

Vendor Fair –
Thursday, November
17th, 6:00pm –
8:00pm, C&F 14th
Street Branch

**Tappahannock
Farmers' Market** –
November 19th, 9am-
1pm

**Christmas On The
Town** – Sunday, Dec
4th, downtown West
Point



4 PAWS THRIFT
801 Main Street
West Point, VA
804-843-2902

Open
Thursdays & Fridays
10:00 am – 5:00pm
Saturday
10:00am – 3:00pm



IRHS and 4 PAWS News

November 2016

A NOTE FROM OUR PRESIDENT

It is the season to be thankful. As the President of Indian Rivers Humane Society, I am especially thankful for our volunteers. Without volunteers, we would accomplish nothing. And our volunteers who help trap feral cats, transport them to the vet, and provide after-surgery care are very much appreciated.



In the first 4 months of our fiscal year (June-September), we've already neutered 62 feral cats. And I know there were a couple of colonies being worked on in October which will probably be half again as many. In our fiscal year that ended May 31, 2016, we neutered 198 ferals. We are on a record pace for this year.

**RECORD
BREAKER**

Kitten season apparently lasts all year. We have not seen a decline in the number of kittens found in colonies or in the animal shelters.



We take in as many kittens from the colonies that can be tamed, as well as many from the shelters. Our fosters are fantastic with housing them and taming them and getting them ready for their new homes. We have fosters with kittens, teen-agers and adult cats.

You've heard me talk about the benefits of our foster program. We can never have too many fosters, and the need is great to foster cats or dogs. It is so beneficial to the animals to have that nurturing, safe place before they make their way into their permanent home. And it is so rewarding to the foster to be able to see these

animals come out of their shell and blossom.

“To foster an animal is a great GIFT and act of KINDNESS.

The animals hold a special place in your HEART and you make a world of DIFFERENCE in their lives!”

If you can help us with our fostering program, or help trap and transport feral cats, or help in our 4 Paws Thrift Store or any other program we have, I would be very thankful.



Happy Thanksgiving!



Anne

Meet Forest

Forest was trapped as part of a colony needing to be neutered. He had a healed broken leg.



He had surgery for the leg which had to be amputated. The healing process has gone well and Forest is now looking for a “special someone” to give him his “forever” home.



Forest needs to be an inside pet. He plays well with toys and likes to sit in a warm lap at the end of the day. He is slow to warm up to other cats as he knows that he is at a disadvantage.



To meet Forest and see his sweet personality, contact Joan at 757-870-6883.

ALL THINGS CATS

November is Adopt A Senior Pet Month

10 Reasons Senior Cats Rule

When senior cats are adopted, they seem to understand that they’ve been rescued, and are all the more thankful for it.



A senior cat’s personality has already developed, so you’ll know if he or she is a good fit for your family.

“I’m an individual”



You can teach an old cat new tricks. Senior cats have the attention span and impulse control that makes them easier to train than their youthful counterparts.



A senior cat may very well already know basic household etiquette like not attacking your feet at night or climbing up your pants leg.



In particular, senior cats are often already litter trained and are less likely to “forget” where the box is.



A senior cat won’t grow any larger, so you’ll know exactly how much cat you’re getting.



Senior cats are often content to just relax in your company, unlike younger cats, who may get into mischief because they’re bored.



Speaking of relaxing, senior cats make great napping buddies.



Senior cats often know that scratching posts (not furniture) are for scratching and toys (not hands or feet) are for biting.



Senior cats are some of the hardest to find homes for — so when you adopt a senior cat, you’re truly saving a life.



Kathy



Highlights from the October Tappahannock Farmer's Market! 🐶🐱🐾🐾🐾🐾🐾🐾

George, from the Essex Shelter, looking for a family to love

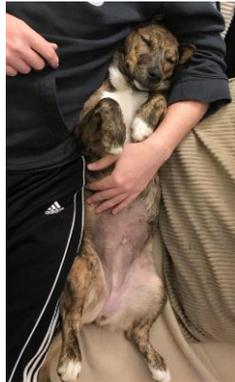


Cocoa and Butch from the Essex Shelter looking for their "forever" homes



UPDATE ON FOSTER DOG "AIMEE" (Now Cricket)

Aimee was adopted in October and is fitting in wonderfully with her new family



Aimee (Cricket) and her new sister, Piper, are great buddies already

Highlights from the Messiah Lutheran Creationfest
at Messiah Lutheran Church, Mechanicsville, October 8th



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**Indian Rivers Humane Society
Presents
Shop Til You Drop**

11:00AM TO 2:00PM
TONY & GEORGES RESTAURANT
SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 12

The Restaurant will be open for lunch with three (3) delicious lunch specials



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31 BAGS



ORGAMI OWL JEWELRY
INTIAL OUTFITTERS
TASTEFULLY SIMPLE
MARY KAY



PAINTED GLASS (Linda Armistead)

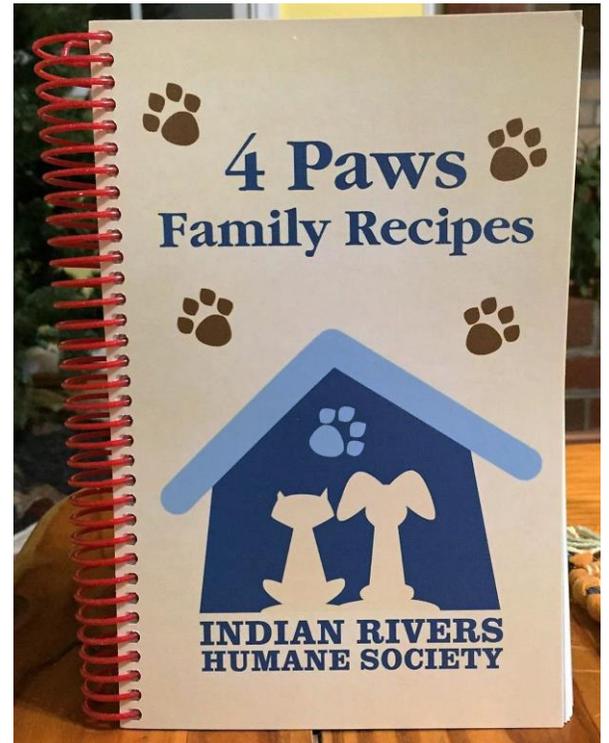
PROCEEDS will benefit the Spay/Neuter Programs of Indian Rivers Humane Society



Homeless dogs and cats will also be there looking for their new "forever" families



We still have available some of our 4 Paws Cookbooks. Included in the 497 recipes are roughly 25 recipes for cat and dog treats. The books are \$20 each.



If you are interested in a cookbook, they will be available at our upcoming events: Shop Til You Drop 11/12; Vendor Fair at C&F Bank 11/17; Tappahannock Farmer's Market 11/19; and Christmas on the Town 12/4. They are also available at our 4 Paws Thrift Store.

If you would prefer to order on-line, you can send \$25 (includes shipping) to our PayPal indianrivershumane@yahoo.com. Be sure to include your name and mailing address.



IRHS friend Jenn Drazenovich dressed as a cat lady for her office's Halloween celebration. She won candy and a Starbuck's gift card! Way to go, representing the kitties, Jenn!



ALL THINGS DOGS

The following are available at RAS



Cinnamon 4-5 years old



Major 3 years old



Bridge 2-3 years old



Reese 6 years old



Burgundy 2 years old

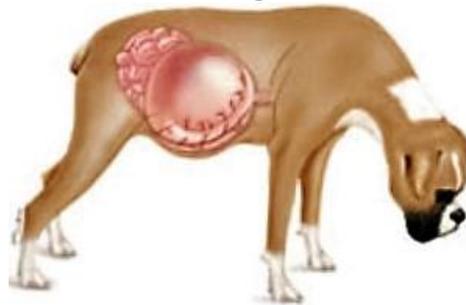
With Thanksgiving fast approaching, the ASPCA has some tips to keep your dog safe during the feast.



Make sure any turkey fed to your dog is boneless and well-cooked. Never give them poultry bones.



Do not feed raw yeast bread dough, as this can cause bloated drunken pets which could become life-threatening.



Do not give them cake or cookie batter that includes raw eggs.



Do give them a chew bone or tidbits of turkey and vegetables inside a food puzzle toy to keep them occupied while you enjoy your dinner.



Small pieces of turkey, a taste of mashed potato or even a lick of pumpkin pie shouldn't pose a problem. Just don't let them overindulge, as it could cause upset stomach or diarrhea, or worse, pancreatitis.



It is best to keep pets on their regular diet during the holidays.

Anne

Happy Thanksgiving Celebrate with your pets, but keep them safe.



We're never too old to love and be loved.

November is
Adopt a Senior
Pet Month.



November is
pet diabetes
month

November is
Pet Cancer
Awareness Month.



November is National Senior Pet Month



My face may
be white, but
my heart is
pure gold.
There is no
shame in
growing old

November 6-12, 2016



National Animal
Shelter and Rescue
Appreciation Week

November 17

National Black Cat Day



National
Cook For
Your Pets Day

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