



**Colonial  
Capital  
Humane Society**

www.colonialcapital.org



# AnimalLetter

February - March 2012



## Callie & Saturn: A Match Made in New Bern



"Love me, love my BFF," says Saturn, who actually is Callie's niece.

Callie and Saturn spend almost all their time together. Callie is actually Saturn's aunt but has acted as her mother, including nursing her when she was a kitten. Now, they are simply BFFs.

"We thought the bond between Callie and Saturn might be broken when they were both placed at our shelter, but it wasn't," says CCHS volunteer and member Ann Hughes Thomas.

"Callie is more docile but very loving and Saturn is younger and full of life. You will frequently see these two eating together at the same bowl and lying in the sun grooming each other."

Abandoned by their owner, the kitties were cared for by a neighbor until CCHS could

take them. Both Callie and Saturn would make great pets. Callie will adjust to almost any home and Saturn would adjust due to her close relationship with Callie. This match made in New Bern will do best in a home without other animals.

### In This issue:

Adoptions	1
Donations & Tributes	2
Happy Endings	3
Go to Peddler's Depot: Now!	4
Don't Throw That Box Away	5
What Is Animal Hoarding?	5
Join the CCHS Campaign: Each One Reach One	6
Looking for Their Forever Homes	7
She Shows It's Better to Give	8
Did You Know...?	8
Announcing the CCHS Student Membership	9
Volunteer with CCHS	9
Farewell to a Special Volunteer	9
New & Renewing Members	10
The CCHS Kitty Committee	10
Scenes from the Kitty House	11
Membership Information	12



### CCHS Donation Wish List

- paper towels
- Fresh Step scoopable litter
- toys
- pillowcases
- dog food
- Earthborn Holistic dry cat food

Donations can be dropped off at Petsense, next to Harris Teeter in New Bern.

We are especially grateful for monetary donations toward our veterinary bills for spaying, neutering, immunizations, and illnesses.

Please send checks to CCHS at P.O. Box 326, New Bern, NC 28563.

**Thank you!**



### Adoptions

December 1 - January 25

#### Dogs

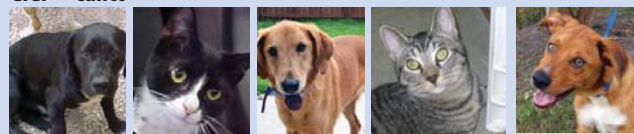
- Gus—Basset/lab
- Homer—Pointer mix puppy
- Humphrey—Walker hound
- Muttley—Bulldog/mastiff
- Rosie—Retriever/setter
- Tanner—Meeki
- Tilly—Feist
- Tori—Meeki
- Travis—Shepherd mix

#### Cats

- BB—DSH grey kitten
- Butter—DSH buff kitten
- Frick—Tuxedo
- GiGi—Calico

- Kimmie—DLH brown tabby
- Ladyann—Ragdoll adult cat
- Maola—DLH black/white kitten
- Martin—Grey tabby kitten
- Miller—DLH black/white kitten
- Mr. Bojangles—DLH black adult
- Sidney—DLH kitten
- Sinatra—DSH white kitten
- Sunny—orange/white short-hair
- Thunder—DSH black kitten
- Trinket—Brown tabby kitten
- Walt—DSH black kitten

DSH = domestic short-hair  
DLH = domestic long-hair



Gus Frick Rosie Martin Travis

### Upcoming Events

#### February 18

Family Fun Day  
(see article, p. 10)

#### April 21

Adopt-a-thon /  
Membership Drive  
at Petsense

Adopt-a-thons will also be held frequently at Petsense on Saturdays from 10am-1pm. If you're in the neighborhood, stop by Petsense. Dog-a-thons are held outdoors and cat-a-thons are held inside.



## DONATIONS & TRIBUTES



*Our costs can be staggering; your additional gifts have kept us afloat. Thank you for your generous support of Colonial Capital Humane Society. Please know that every gift is greatly appreciated.*



### December & January Gifts to CCHS

Ralph Albano, *Patron*

Julie Anderson

Randy Anderson, *Sponsor*

Alan Barnhill, Grass Masters of New Bern

Margaret Bagg, *Sponsor*

Sandra Barta

James Beck, *Patron*

Fran Bennett, *Patron*

Keith Bennett & Elizabeth Benson, *Patron*

Christopher Blythe, *Patron*

Jacqueline Borrelli  
*in memory of Illona Wolf*

Craig Brake, *Sponsor*

Jeanne Cooney, *Sponsor*

Lila Cotton, *Sponsor*

Jennifer Coventry, *Sponsor*

Craven Pathology Associates, *Sustainer*

Georgia Crawford

William & Helen Dams, *Patron*

Linda Dannemann

Ruth Ditolla

Diane Donald, *Sponsor*

Douglas Donald

Dr. Carolyn Dressler, *Sponsor*

Christopher Duckworth

Diana Dunn, *Sponsor*

Stephen Durci, *Sponsor*

Barbara Ellis, *Patron*

Teresa Elshaug, *Sponsor*

Patti Fleming

Milton & Jennifer Gold, *Sponsor*

Rosemary Griffin, *Patron*

Beverly Guernier

Jerry & Lynda Hobbins, *Sponsor*

Christa Hooper Wood, *Patron*

Barbara Maurer, *Patron*

Hallie McGaughey, *Sponsor*

Jill Merritt

Rande Moolenaar

June Morris, *Patron*

Pals for Paws, *Patron*

Linda Plourde, *Patron*

Dianne Powell

Frank & Laura Rooney

Wendy Rosen

Lynda Sadler

Mary Sanders

Lisa Scarborough

George Scott

Willard & Mary Bell Seidenfield, *Patron*

Julia Smithwick

Nancy Sorenson, *Patron*

Joseph Stuppiello

Dick & Agnes Turk

Stuart & Christie Upson

Al Vaughn

Maggie Volney

Susan Von Bewhren

Carmen & Helmut Weisser, *Sponsor*

Gary & Debbie Williams

Wesley Winn, *Sponsor*

Louis & Gail Zarrello

### The Cost of Love

We talk about the tremendous costs involved in saving and maintaining our animals. But what are those numbers, really? You can imagine the vet bills associated with well over 100 rescued cats and dogs at any one time, but did you know that it costs \$1,800 *each month* to keep our cat shelter going? Those expenses never vary. We depend on and are very grateful for your continuing additional gifts.

**Thank you.**

Frank Horne, *Sponsor*

James & Susan Huff, *Sponsor*

Ron & Cindy Jones, *Sponsor*

Albert & Vickie Kindler, *Patron*

Elisa Kirby, *Sponsor*

Teresa Kruske

Jean & Nick Laurora

Judith Lloyd

Jackie Lockey

C.D. & Anne Marks, *Patron*

Amanda Mathes, *Patron*

Errors? Please write: [bjf1966@gmail.com](mailto:bjf1966@gmail.com)

**Thank You, Petsense!**  
for your continuing support



**pet  
sense**  
FACTORY DIRECT

2025 S. Glenburnie Rd.  
(next to Harris Teeter)  
252-636-0460

Colonial Capital Humane Society  
thanks

**Furniture Fair**

for continued sponsorship of  
the "Be Kind to Animals"  
CCHS monthly ad in the  
New Bern Sun Journal

## HAPPY ENDINGS—REPORTS FROM OUR ADOPTIVE FAMILIES

### *A Reversal of Fortune of the Best Kind*



Frick became Frisky and life became fabulous with new mom Wendy.

In June 2011, the Humane Society of the United States' Animal Rescue Team helped rescue nearly 700 cats living in deplorable conditions in a so-called animal sanctuary in Florida. The cats were mostly in filthy wire pens throughout the property, and a great number were underweight and suffering from upper respiratory infections, parasite infestation, and other critical ailments.

Many did not survive. Those that did were treated and then transported to humane societies throughout the U.S. that had offered to help. Colonial Capital Humane Society accepted 10 cats, who found life much more to their liking at our cat shelter.

Among the very lucky cats was Frick, and his luck was *just beginning*.

"Several years ago, I adopted a tuxedo cat, Monkey," relates Frick's new mom, Wendy. "A couple years later, I adopted Mama Kitty, also a tuxedo, from Colonial Capital.

"In December, I was on the CCHS website and saw Frick's picture. I knew that I could not live my life without him. Now I have three tuxedo cats and lots of love.

"Frisky has helped me beat the winter doldrums. To say he is active is an understatement. He is a voracious eater, making up for lost time, and he loves to run. One common victim of his sudden flights is the garbage can, which is knocked over frequently.

"Most of all, Frisky is a kisser. He loves to kiss me, over and over again, and never tires of it."

CCHS never tires of the wonderful Happy Endings our dogs and cats are able to have, thanks to your donations and belief in Colonial Capital Humane Society and the wonderful people who adopt our cats and dogs. 🐾

### *Tilley and Tilley Find One Another*

Tilley, found on the side of a road, had already had two litters and wasn't even two years old. CCHS rescuer and volunteer Lisa Lee took Tilley into her home to foster her and noted that this girl likes to play—a lot.



Tilley has the upper jaw in this wrestling match over a toy ball, but only because Bear is lying down.

Meanwhile, another Tilley, so nicknamed by her dad when she was small, was looking for a companion pup for her other dog, Bear. That "Tilley" is Kathleen.

"Bear is young, too, and needed someone to play with and wear him out!" says Kathleen.

"We saw Tilley's picture online and wanted to add this little girl to the family. Tilley was a good fit because she is a small dog and already house and crate trained.

"Tilley and Bear play together, run together, and snuggle when it gets cold. This has worked out just as we hoped, because those two sleep much better after a day of playing and running.

"A squeaky tennis ball they received for Christmas is getting a real workout. Bear squeaks it and turns in circles so Tilley can't get it. Eventually, she just jumps on him... and the wrestling begins!

"They are so much fun to watch, and they make me laugh. Tilley is a love and demands lots of affection. I am glad our family is able to give that to her!" 🐾




Tilley has decided that a water view is way better than the side of a road.

## IT MAY BE FEBRUARY. IT MAY BE COLD. BUT HERE'S WHAT'S HOT!

**T**his beautiful one-of-a-kind (at least in these here parts) antique dressing table and mirror date from the early 1900s. It currently is being offered at the CCHS booth at Peddler's Depot in New Bern. There are many treasures to be found, as CCHS member and volunteer Linda Clark will attest, and whenever you find yourself on Trent Road, plan to stop in to see for yourself. Merchandise changes continually.

Meanwhile, member and volunteer Mary Sanders doesn't seem to think a little cold weather should stop **yard sales**, so do be on the lookout for the next sale on E. Thurman Road (near Taberna). Yard sales, especially of the caliber coordinated by Mary, Sharon Foley, and Linda Clark, are a huge effort.

We're always on the lookout for more items to continue our success at Peddler's Depot and at our yard sales. **Please take a look in your attic, shed, or dresser drawers** for high-quality items that can be turned into cash for our companion animals, such as artwork and other decorative items; jewelry; furniture; toys; small appliances; kitchen items; and more.

Call Linda Clark at 252-633-0250. If you can deliver items to us, great. If not, one of our fantastic volunteers may be able to pick them up from you. 

### Come See Us at Peddler's Depot! 2302 Trent Road 252-637-7001



## Are You Due to Renew?

Please take a look at the date above your name on the mailing label of this newsletter. That is your membership renewal date. If you are due (or overdue) to renew, please do so today. Use the form on the final page.

## Caring Is Always in Season.



A gift of notecards (10 for \$10) and/or a poster (\$15)—for you or someone else—is also a gift to the companion animals of Colonial Capital Humane Society. Purchase them Monday through Friday at Neuse Veterinary Clinic, 2819 Neuse Boulevard, New Bern (252-637-7128), at Peddler's Depot, or, call and leave a message at 252-633-0146.

## Advertise in *AnimaLetter*

*AnimaLetter* is published December, February, April, June, August, and December. Ads may be submitted either as a pdf or Adobe InDesign packaged file. Formats requiring graphic design time also are acceptable for a \$10 service fee. All ads will be submitted via email pdf for approval prior to print.

- Ads will appear in black and white in the printed version of *AnimaLetter* and in color for the online version.
- Rates are: business card (2x3.5), \$25; eighth page (3.75x2), \$35; quarter page (3.75x5), \$45; half page (7.5 x 5), \$75. A discount is available for multiple placements (6 or more). All sizes except business card may appear as horizontal or vertical.
- Reservations and artwork due 15 days prior to publication. **NEXT DUE DATE: March 15.**

Direct questions and ad reservations to Beverly Foster, 252-672-1653; [bjf1966@gmail.com](mailto:bjf1966@gmail.com).

## DON'T THROW THAT BOX AWAY...WITHOUT CUTTING OUT THE BONUS POINTS!

When you have dozens of cats, you go through a lot of litter. Ask any of the CCHS volunteers who provide twice-daily "maid and dining service" at the CCHS no-kill cat shelter, and you will learn just how much litter is used. In fact, it's one of the major costs associated with our cat care.



Each box of Fresh Step, the litter used at the CCHS

shelter, offers Paw Points that can be cut out of the side of the box.

If you use Fresh Step, **please cut the Paw Points area out of each box and save them in a zip-lock bag.** When you have accumulated a few, please drop them off at the **CCHS bin at Petsense** (next to Harris Teeter in New Bern).

A CCHS volunteer will then enter the Paw Points code in our account at the Fresh Step website. When points accumulate, we can then get coupons for free litter. CCHS needs free litter.

Thank you for helping our kitties have fresher steps and helping our cat shelter smell sweeter. 🐾

## WHAT IS ANIMAL HOARDING?

We hear about someone who has a lot of dogs and/or cats. Is that hoarding? Maybe. It's easier to identify hoarding on a larger scale, but there are basic ways to define it.

In June 2011, owners of the eight-acre Haven Acres Cat Sanctuary in Alachua County, Florida were arrested in one of the U.S.'s top three cases of cat hoarding, according to the Humane Society of the United States (HSUS). Nearly 100 of the 697 cats seized had to be euthanized because of severe health complications. (This is the case that resulted in 10 cats coming to CCHS.) The owners probably had good intentions but ran out of funds as the cats continued to pour in.

A year before, on a smaller scale but no less grisly, 28 cats were found living in a Columbia, Missouri motel room amid overflowing litter boxes. Urine and feces covered a tarp on the floor and a thick stench of urine hung in the air. "The litter boxes were so full, the cats weren't even using them anymore," said an Animal Control supervisor. "The bathtub was overflowing with empty cat food cans and trash." There was no food or drinkable water in the room. The woman who owned the cats no doubt felt she was saving them.

In 2008, the ASPCA reported that they found more than 20 Pomeranian dogs in a couple's one-bedroom apartment in New York City. The canines were severely matted and the apartment was covered with filth and debris. The couple insisted that the animals were well cared for, despite physical evidence to the contrary, and refused to surrender them.

So how can we define whether someone simply has a lot of animals or that person is a hoarder? Hoarding can be defined as:

- The inability to provide even minimal standards of



nutrition, sanitation, shelter, and veterinary care, with this neglect often resulting in starvation, illness, and death.

- Denial of this inability and the impact of that failure on the animals, the household, and the human occupants of the home.

According to HSUS, nearly 250,000 animals are victims of animal hoarding each year. This abuse differs from other types of animal cruelty in that the perpetrators don't always accept or recognize the cruelty they inflict on their animals. They believe they are saving or rescuing the animals they imprison.

Hoarding places a tremendous strain on already-overburdened animal shelters, which cannot deal with an influx of hundreds of animals, many of whom are usually in dire need of medical attention.

If you suspect a case of hoarding based on the factors shown here, report it to your local animal shelter. 🐾

## HAVE YOU STEPPED UP TO THE "EACH ONE REACH ONE" CHALLENGE?

No? Well, why not? It's easy enough. It doesn't even cost anything. Let's see what happens when some of our forgotten little ones receive the Top Cat or Top Dog treatment.



- Do you use email? *and/or*
- Do you have a Facebook page? *and/or*
- Do you Tweet? *and/or*
- Is there a bulletin board at work, church, the place you work out, your grocery store, etc.?
- Do you care enough to help one of our dogs or cats find a forever home?

*That's all it takes!*

The CCHS "Each **One** Reach **One**" campaign continues in February. If you can do even **one** of the things listed above, it means **one** of our beautiful dogs and cats is **one** step closer to finding a new forever home.

Here's what you do:

- **Easiest:** Send an email to [bjf1966@gmail.com](mailto:bjf1966@gmail.com) and say whether you want to help a dog or a cat.

### OR

- Go to [www.colonialcapital.org](http://www.colonialcapital.org).
- Click on "Pets" at the top of our home page.
- Then find and click on "See Pets for Adoption."
- **Select the dog or cat that most appeals to you.**
- Email [bjf1966@gmail.com](mailto:bjf1966@gmail.com) and ask for a page-size poster to be sent as a pdf file and/or jpg.
- Print out the pdf file and post it, or attach the jpg file to an email or Facebook entry.

"Each One Reach One" spokescat Peaches.

—Below is an example of what would appear on a poster—

## Please Help Gillikin Find a Forever Home!

*Gillikin is a 9-year-old grey-and-white medium-hair domestic kitty who was saved by Colonial Capital Humane Society in October 2010. Gillikin's owner passed away. The owner's family decided they didn't want to take care of this wonderful companion and abandoned him. A neighbor took pity on the poor bewildered cat and cared for him until CCHS was able to take him in.*

Please help Gillikin to find a new and wonderful life in a forever home by *applying to bring him into your own home, identifying other prospective adoptive parents, or providing financial support to CCHS's work.*



Colonial Capital has many other cats living at their no-kill shelter and dogs being cared for by foster parents. All CCHS cats and dogs are (or will be, when old enough) spayed or neutered and are up-to-date on their shots.

Contact Colonial Capital at 252-633-0146. An online adoption application can be found at [www.colonialcapital.org/application.html](http://www.colonialcapital.org/application.html).

## Thank you!

The mission of Colonial Capital Humane Society is to rescue and relieve the suffering of abused, abandoned, and stray animals; provide for their care until forever homes can be found; and create greater public awareness of the importance of spaying and neutering and humane treatment of animals. CCHS is an all-volunteer membership organization that:

- maintains a no-kill facility for cats;
- provides loving foster homes for dogs;
- neuters all cats and dogs in its care;
- provides appropriate medical care as needed;
- works hand in hand with other agencies to help ensure that current pet owners are able to have their pets neutered;
- explores all avenues leading toward adoption; and
- helps less fortunate families by providing food to their animals.

### Colonial Capital Humane Society

P.O. Box 326

New Bern, NC 28563

[www.colonialcapital.org](http://www.colonialcapital.org) ♦ 252-633-0146 ♦ [adoptions@colonialcapital.org](mailto:adoptions@colonialcapital.org)



## Pets Looking for Their Forever Homes!



**Jersey**

Jersey, an 18-month-old Pit, just loves people and other dogs. Sweetie, a 4-year-old Labrador retriever, just completed obedience training! Brody, 2, is a Boxer/Lab mix who loves to curl up and cuddle or go for a jog with you.



**Sweetie**



**Brody**



**Jesse (2.5, best cat EVER)**



Athena is a beautiful, vocal long-hair torti. She would do best in a home with no other cats or dogs. In return, she'll give you a great deal of love. She craves attention and will follow you around seeking contact and conversation.



**Dixie (11, declawed)**



**Susie Q (2, a "perfect pit"; easy-going & gentle)**



**Sadie (3, very sweet)**



**Peaches**



**Buddy**

Peaches is still waiting! She has been with us for 3.5 years. Look! She's reaching out to you. Buddy is 7.5 years old; his owners moved away. Buddy is one of several declawed cats at CCHS. Tatter is about 8 years old and is ready for a much better life than she has had. She wants to be an only pet.



**Tatter**

These are only a few of our great cats and dogs. For adoption information on these or any of our other dogs and cats, please visit [www.colonialcapital.org](http://www.colonialcapital.org). A few of our cats are also at **Petsense** next to Harris Teeter in New Bern.

# It's Better to Give Than to Receive: She Shows How It's Done

An inspiring New Bern girl makes an ordinary birthday into something quite extraordinary.




Kayla Harris shows off a bounty of presents...not for her, but for the cats at the CCHS shelter.

Like any child, Kayla wanted a party to celebrate her ninth birthday. But she made a special request of her guests. Kayla's invitation specified *no gifts for her*, but rather gifts for the kitties of Colonial Capital Humane Society.

Kayla's friends honored her request and brought gifts of food, litter, scratching posts, treats, shampoo, and oodles of kitty toys. Kayla's mother, Mary Katherine Harris, told us that Kayla was as excited opening the kitty gifts as she had ever been opening gifts of her own.

Kayla loaded all of the gifts in a wagon and delivered them to a neighbor who is fostering kittens for CCHS. When the

neighbor asked why Kayla decided to ask for gifts for the cats at our shelter, she replied, "Me and my friends have homes and toys. I wanted the kitties to have special things, too."

Thank you Kayla, for brightening the lives of the kitties in our care and for touching the lives of every volunteer and member of Colonial Capital. 

**"It is more blessed to give than to receive,"** is a passage many of us remember from Acts 20:35. We enjoy giving gifts to relatives and friends, as well as donating to our favorite charities, without expecting anything in return except perhaps a "thank you." But do you remember having a birthday party and when your guests left, there wasn't a single gift for you? Kayla Harris does.

## Buying a Home?

### Please remember these folks.

Jennifer Johnson and Steve Williams of Prudential Clear Water Realty of New Bern are continuing to contribute a portion of their sales to Colonial Capital Humane Society. Their preferred mortgage lender, Becky Flannery at Wells Fargo of New Bern, also donates \$300 from every closing. CCHS thanks these caring professionals and encourages everyone to use their services!

Their contact information:

Jennifer Johnson 252-626-3804  
jennifer@prudentialclearwater.com

Steve Williams 252-671-9097  
steve@prudentialclearwater.com

Becky Flannery 252-636-8207  
becky.flannery@wellsfargo.com



## Did you know...

- Dogs don't like rain because the sound is amplified and hurts their very sensitive ears. (Their hearing is 10x more acute than ours.)
- The longest lived dog, according to the *Guinness Book of World Records*, was an Australian Cattle Dog, named Bluey, who lived to be 29.
- An adult dog has 42 teeth.
- It is a myth that dogs are color blind. They can actually see in color, just not as vividly as humans. It is akin to our vision at dusk.
- If never spayed or neutered, a female dog, her mate, and their puppies could produce over 66,000 dogs in 6 years!



**Chasin' Tails Doggie Spa**  
Quality, Compassionate, Low-Volume Grooming  
**Rachel Peterson**  
Pet Stylist  
813 D street Unit 2  
Bridgeton NC 28519  
252.474.0101  
Chasintailsgrooming@gmail.com  
http://chasintailsdoggiespa.webs.com

## ANNOUNCING THE COLONIAL CAPITAL HUMANE SOCIETY STUDENT MEMBERSHIP



**Colonial Capital Humane Society**  
**Student Membership 2012**

---

**is a member in good standing.**

*The mission of Colonial Capital Humane Society is to rescue and relieve the suffering of abused, abandoned, and stray animals; provide for their care until forever homes can be found; and create greater public awareness of the importance of spaying and neutering and humane treatment of animals.*



Colonial Capital Humane Society frequently receives calls from students (or their parents) who wish to make a difference in the lives of abused and abandoned animals.

A new membership category is now open to students ages 18 or under. The annual dues for

this membership is \$10. A membership form can be found on the last page of this issue.

"We want to recognize these caring and responsible young people with their own discounted membership level," says CCHS President Leslie Geiter.

"Student members receive a membership card recognizing their support of Colonial Capital. They receive an email link to a full-color version of AnimaLetter for each issue. And they receive email notice of activities and events in which they may wish to participate."

CCHS can't wait to welcome students who want to join us in our mission: *to rescue and relieve the suffering of abused, abandoned, and stray animals; provide for their care until forever homes can be found; and create greater public awareness of the importance of spaying and neutering and humane treatment of animals.* 🐾

### CALL FOR VOLUNTEERS

*Colonial Capital Humane Society has no paid employees. Our organization is run entirely by volunteers, and help is always appreciated. If you would like to have a stronger role in our mission, please contact us about one of the positions listed here. Our volunteer coordinator is Mary Martha Rose, 252-639-0136, mary.m.rose@jones.nc.gov.*

**Cat Trailer Weekly Shift, AM or PM**—Get up close and personal with our cats. Unless they are ill, new to the environment, or have difficulty adjusting, our cats have free rein over their shelter as well as a screened-in outdoor enclosure. They are cared for twice daily by volunteers. Duties include cleaning litter boxes, providing fresh water, keeping food bowls full, changing bedding and other linens as needed, checking for possible illnesses, sweeping and cleaning as necessary, and, of course, playing with our kitties. Expect to spend about 1.5 hours and select either a morning shift (7-10 a.m.) or an evening shift (4-7 p.m.). Contact: Ann Hughes Thomas, 603-505-0080, ahughesthomas@gmail.com.

**Kitty Laundry**—We need volunteers to pick up one or more bags of laundry outside the cat trailer each week, or even just twice a month, and then bring it back when clean. Contact Mary Martha Rose, 252-639-0136, mary.m.rose@jones.nc.gov.

**Foster Parent**—Our very young kittens, cats with adjustment difficulties, and all of our dogs are in foster care. Apply to be a foster parent by filling out a form that is available at [www.colonialcapital.org](http://www.colonialcapital.org). We appreciate your patience after you submit your application, as it can take several weeks for a volunteer to get back to you.

Can you think of another way you could add value to what we do? Contact us! Thank you.

### FAREWELL (FOR NOW) TO A VERY SPECIAL COLONIAL CAPITAL VOLUNTEER: KIM DAVIS

Kim Davis, originally from Asheville, came to our area in April 2007 with her husband Chris, who is a Marine Prowler pilot. She wasted no time becoming an integral member of Colonial Capital Humane Society. Fostering a CCHS companion animal, she also saw a need for better visibility and applied her graduate degree in marketing from ECU to take over *AnimaLetter*, get the word out about our mission and our animals, and organize dozens of events.

She joined the board of directors and became a liaison with other organizations, all the while showing up at nearly every adopt-a-thon and other CCHS happening. When she became pregnant, the pragmatic Kim had all of her contingency plans in place, but the reality is that instead of just one CCHS volunteer we had two, because baby Stella soon became a regular at meetings and events, too.

"Kim is one of the kindest persons I know," says one CCHS member, summing things up for everyone. "But she is not afraid to stand up for herself and others, including animals. She has always worked very hard to make new members feel welcome and has a wealth of information about our organization. She also happens to have the cutest baby in the world."

Kim is leaving New Bern for Yuma, Arizona early in February. We're told that she may be back in 3 or 4 years. She also will continue to try to help CCHS long distance. Meanwhile, we thank you, Kim, for being an amazing CCHS member and volunteer. 🐾



# NEW & RENEWING CCHS MEMBERS

THANK YOU FOR JOINING OUR  
RESCUE MISSION.

## December

Margaret Bagg  
Bryna Coonin & David Talbert

Ruth Ditolla

Dr. Carolyn Dressler

Patti Fleming

Rosemary Griffin

Beverly Guernier

Christa Hooper Wood

Ron & Cindy Jones

Kittie Lane

Patricia Nicholson

Wendy Rosen

Nancy Stone

Stu & Christie Upson

## January

Dena DiGeloromo

Teresa Elshaug

Jerry & Lynda Hobbins

Gary & Debbie Williams

Errors? Please contact: [bjf1966@gmail.com](mailto:bjf1966@gmail.com)

### Does your mailing label read "nonmember" or "adoptive parent"?

You may have received a short-term complimentary subscription. Won't you please consider joining CCHS as a member?


## DO YOU HAVE A SPECIAL LOVE OF CATS? JOIN THE CCHS KITTY COMMITTEE



At the CCHS January meeting, member Wendy Chapman announced the establishment of the CCHS Kitty Committee. This group will hold separate adopt-a-thons just for cats and work to get the word out about these wonderful companions. If interested in helping or joining the Kitty Committee, contact Wendy at 252-675-2710 or [coastalcatz@embarqmail.com](mailto:coastalcatz@embarqmail.com).

### Look for the CCHS table at

## Family Fun Day February 18

Family Fun Day is February 18, 10am-5pm, at the New Bern Riverfront Convention Center. The event is presented by A Dog's Dream Dreamer's Foundation to benefit local animal rescue groups and organizations, including CCHS. We will have a table there, so please stop by and say "hi." This carnival-style event features bounce houses, games, prizes, a raffle and silent auction, and a dunk tank. Scheduled to be up dunking are the mayor, Gina from Bob 93.3, Heather from 95.1 WRNS, and personalities from WCTI News Channel 12. There will be an all-ages talent search, where productions companies will be looking for local talent. Low-cost on-site day care is provided by The Childcare Network. 



## DOVE LANDING KENNELS, LLC

### Deluxe Overnight Accomodations

Fully Covered Outdoor Runs  
Dog Wash • Climate Controlled  
On-site Training

Alecia Williams, Owner,  
ABCDT  
Also Available: In-home dog  
training and pet sitting

3744 Whortonsville Rd, Merritt, NC  
**252-249-3034**  
[www.dovelandingkennels.com](http://www.dovelandingkennels.com)

# Scenes from the CCHS Kitty House



"Can you see me better, now that I'm climbing up your leg?"



"I am indeed a princess, and don't you forget it."



"This is me, taking a dim view of your dumb whisper-down-the-lane game."



"Did somebody say those two magic words: FANCY FEAST?"



"OK, maybe I'm a little scared of heights."



"Can you believe that all I used to do was cover in a cage and spit and hiss?"

## Sun Journal

The weekly ad space in the New Bern *Sun Journal* featuring two of our animals ("CCHS Presents...") is donated to CCHS. We appreciate this added visibility to our cause.



### AnimaLetter

Published every two months by  
Colonial Capital Humane Society  
P.O. Box 326, New Bern, NC 28563  
252-633-0146 cchs@colonialcapital.org www.colonialcapital.org  
Newsletter Editor: Beverly Foster, bjf1966@gmail.com


President and Treasurer: Leslie Geiter  
Vice President: Kathi Gaddy Vann  
Secretary: Beverly Foster

#### Board of Directors

Kim Davis                      Mary Martha Rose  
Lisa Lee                        Steve Stelma, DVM  
Lynn Perry                     Steve Williams



AnimaLetter printed by  
The UPS Store  
1822 S. Glenburnie Road  
New Bern, NC 28562



Colonial Capital Humane Society  
 Post Office Box 326  
 New Bern, NC 28563

Non-Profit Organization  
 U.S. Postage Paid  
 New Bern, NC 28563  
 Permit No. 356

**Next Meeting:**  
**February 23, 6 p.m.**  
 206 Craven Street  
 Call for details  
 (252) 633-0146  
 www.colonialcapital.org



# Colonial Capital Humane Society

**Please help us with your membership or tax-deductible contribution.**

**NAME(s):** \_\_\_\_\_ **PHONE:** \_\_\_\_\_

**ADDRESS:** \_\_\_\_\_ **E-MAIL:** \_\_\_\_\_

**CITY:** \_\_\_\_\_ **STATE:** \_\_\_\_\_ **ZIP:** \_\_\_\_\_

MEMBERSHIP	CONTRIBUTION
<i>I am a:</i> <input type="checkbox"/> New Member <input type="checkbox"/> Renewing Member	<input type="checkbox"/> Patron: \$50
Membership Type: <input type="checkbox"/> Individual: \$25	<input type="checkbox"/> Sponsor: \$100
<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Student (18 &amp; under): \$10</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Sustainer: \$500
<input type="checkbox"/> Family: \$40	<input type="checkbox"/> Benefactor: \$1,000
<input type="checkbox"/> Senior (65 or older): \$15	<input type="checkbox"/> I would like to donate: \$ _____

I would like to make a donation in honor/memory of: \_\_\_\_\_

(include the name and address of the recipient of your gift)

Please detach and mail to: Colonial Capital Humane Society, P.O. Box 326, New Bern, NC 28563