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Meet Luna

Hi guys, my name is Luna and I'm a 3 year old Shar-pei mix with a lot of love to give. I'm a petite girl and make the perfect sized dog for your home and family! I love to be dressed up and really love my fleeces! I enjoy walks, hikes and adventures and do well on them. I'm all about meeting new people and getting attention. They say I sound like a little pig when I get love and belly rubs. That sounds kind of cute, right?? I'm good while around children who know how to be calm and respectful. People at the shelter don't know if I'm house trained but I know I'm a fast learner. Could you be my new family? (YOUNG, FEMALE, MEDIUM SIZE, BLACK)

Upcoming Events:

Bark in the Park -October 26th!

Adoption events at Petco in Simpsonville on Fairview Rd, 11 - 3 pm on September 13th & November 8th.

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Luna & Friend Meet Casper

Have you ever seen a more gorgeous feline? Please say hello to Casper. This 4-5 year old guy is a huge love bug and really enjoys being petted! Unfortunately his owner passed away and now Casper is looking for a new person that will love him unconditionally like his previous owner did. Casper is up to date on shots, neutered, and litter box trained. Wouldn't you love to adopt him?

If interested in meeting Casper, please contact Bill at bisuburton@bellsouth.net or 864-238-6531. That goes for Sylvester & Amber too on pg 7.

HOW LONG DOES IT TAKE FOR A CAR TO GET HOT?

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Community

What have you done for your community today?



HOG DAY with Ogletree Deakins Law Firm

A wonderful group of volunteers who love animals decided to help at the shelter. They assisted in moving gravel and play pens that were in the field for the dogs. They also cleaned up the dog igloos and cleaned out the flower beds. They spread mulch and seemed to enjoy every minute of the day helping CCA help our animals in need. At the end of a very productive work day, the volunteers played with socialized the pupples :)

It Takes a Village

It started out as one of the hottest days of late spring in Seneca, SC. Tammy made a trip to a residence to buy 4 wheeler parts. Stepping out of her vehicle, she noticed a little brown lab mix chained underneath the mobile home, trying to find relief. Perhaps she had dug a hole in the dirt to feel coolness against her skin. Concerned, Tammy spoke with the owner, a lady in dire straits, on fixed income. Her power had been disconnected and she was trying to "rehome" her 3 dogs for a fee in the hopes that it would help her situation. Tammy took pictures and posted a desperate plea on FB in search of anyone who could help. Dawn, a friend of mine in Myrtle Beach answered the call and started tagging others. On June 18th, I was one of those she tagged. All animals in need speak to me. But, this little girl....well she spoke a little louder. A little more desperately. The need was great. The need was two-fold.

I was terrified of this unspayed girl falling into the wrong hands. Another chained soul. Bred to death. Alone and forgotten. I shared the post on FB, pleading for help. I prayed that God would send the right people. I could not do this alone. Within a day and a half, I received a message from Angela with a phone number to call. That number led me to Kim, across the miles, a kind and generous person. A fast becoming friend. The help this little chained pup needed had arrived. Little did I know, the events would fall into place so quickly. So perfectly. On June 21st, through donations, the power was restored for this precious family. On that day I met Sarah, another precious friend across the miles. Kim asked me to choose a name for the little chocolate girl. I chose Lexi, in honor of Sarah and in memory of her son Alex. On June 24th, Lexi was off the chain, transported to Foxnest by Concerned Citizens for Animals volunteers. Can you imagine the gratefulness and relief that filled Lexi's heart? On June 25th, I received a text from Sarah, she had an interested adopter. I voiced my concern, I didn't want Lexi's name to be changed. I had nothing to fear. Lexi would keep her name. A name that resonated and touched the hearts of many. On July 7th, I received pictures of Lexi with her new, very proud mom, Marcy Choate. The smile on Lexi's face told the story. A story of how complete strangers came together to save one more precious, deserving soul. With clear eyes and full hearts. It took a village

Many thanks to the following: Tammy Galloway Dawn Algieri Concerned Citizens for Animals & CCA volunteers Sarah Massios Marcy Choate, Lexi's proud new mom And of course, Lexi, the little chocolate lab girl Peace for today Hope and Prayers for tomorrow. Paula McAlister

~The Cherokee Wolf~ NOTE: With help and donations from many, power was restored, three dogs will be completely vetted and two will be rehomed. And maybe a few more people are

aware of their neighbors in need.



HITCHING A RIDE

Dixon had a tough start as he was abandoned on someone's property. The kind property owner let Dixon "hitch" a ride to the shelter to have a chance to find his forever home. The little guy was a bundle of love and energy! He did, however, have a few health issues that took a few weeks to overcome. His soft fur, big soulful eyes, and outgoing personality stole the hearts of all the volunteers who met him. It wouldn't take long for Dixon to find his new home. Nicole saw Dixon's picture on Petfinder so she made arrangements to meet him. Dixon put on his charm to show her and her two children just how much fun and love a puppy could provide. Thank you Nicole, Salina, and Grayson for welcoming Dixon with open arms and making his dream of a home come true! He loves being part of your family.



SWEET LITTLE BERKLEY

This little dog was found in downtown Greenville. He was posted on many websites, but no one came forward to claim this little old guy. When he was taken to the vet we were told that he had bad teeth and the vet's best guess was that he was around 10 years old. He was a fortunate pup as one of the vet techs took to him right away and wanted to give him a loving home. Thank you to Tasha Shaver and your family for giving this sweet boy a place to retire.





HOME SWEET HOME

Molly had been abandoned but luckily, the kind people who had been feeding her contacted CCA. The kind couple had tried to get Molly to a safer place as she was near the edge of the woods but she would just run when approached. One of CCA's loyal volunteers, Kelley Teal, who had experience trapping dogs, volunteered to help rescue Molly. It took just one day before Kelley was able to gain Molly's trust. Molly did test positive for heart worms but CCA had faced that before and would make sure she received the necessary treatment. She was posted on CCA's Facebook page and the Medlin family fell in love with her from just that picture! Molly now has 6 acres to explore as well as two canine siblings and two children to share her life! Thank you, Daniel, Jenny, Lukas and McKayelia Medlin for giving Molly a furever home.

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In April, Michelle O'Connor set out to drive more than nine hours to meet Hugo at the CCA shelter. The below story is from Hugo's new family, who renamed him Fonzie. Thank you so much, Michelle, for sharing!

On Saturday, April 6, we drove over 600 miles - a nine-hours drive - from Baltimore, MD to Simpsonville SC to meet Hugo at CCA's shelter. Why? I saw Hugo online and his pics just melted my heart. I had to meet him! So, how did I end up driving from Maryland all the way to Simpsonville to meet a pup? Well, I used to live in SC and was both a CCA volunteer and Board member, so I already knew what a wonderful organization CCA is and how much care and compassion they have for their animals. When I wanted to adopt, there's nowhere else I'd go.

When we arrived at the shelter and Renee brought Hugo outside, I immediately knew it was a match. We spent some time making sure he was comfortable with us, and then we hopped back in the car for the nine-hour drive back home. After over 600 miles and many stops, we made it back to Maryland around 4:00 am on Sunday. Hugo's personality really lit up the ride home. He was such a cool little pup who made us so happy, we decide to call him "Fonzie" aka Arthur Fonzarelli from Happy Days!

One of the most comical stories I can share about Fonzie is when we opened our pool about a week after we brought him home. The cover was taken off, and, as is typical, the pool was all green and black algae. Well, Fearless Fonzie jumped right into the center of the pool! I was fully clothed, but without a second to spare, jumped right in after him. I assumed he could not swim, and I was right! We both got out of the freezing cold water covered in algae and headed right in the house for his first bath! On the bright side, at least he's not afraid of water! (I did subsequently buy him a doggie life vest for his future swimming adventures.)

Fonzie is great in the car and has become a real traveler! He's been to seven different states so far: SC, NC, VA, MD, DE, PA & WV. A few weeks ago, we took Fonzie to Ocean City, MD. He loved taking walks on the boardwalk and watching all of the people and doggies, too! He has such a pleasant personality for a dog who started with a troubled past.

Fonzie's "sister" Layla is a senior Weimaraner who was also rescued/adopted from SC many years ago. Now that Fonzie has been part of our family for a while, I can tell you those 1,200 miles were a trip very well worth it. Not only do we love Fonzie, but we love CCA and how pleasant they were to work with. Thank you CCAL

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BROTHER AND SISTER ADOPTED TOGETHER

Hooray for Flint and Jade, now Cooper and Cali. These two sweet pups have been adopted together. They now have a big yard and plenty of room to grow. Already a bonded pair, they will always have each other. A big thank you to Michael and Debbie Baker for giving them such a loving home.

ALL IN THE FAMILY

Jackson was one of the six pit mix pups featured in our last newsletter. In May a group of volunteers came to work at the shelter for Hands on Greenville Day. One of the volunteers fell in love with him but she could not adopt him. However her brother Collin was looking for a puppy and Jackson happened to be the perfect fit! Not only does he have a new home, he also has the new name of Jax. That family connection resulted in a home where Jax is living the high life and loving every moment! Thank you Collin Pulley and Emma Smith for giving Jax his dream come true.





We are so excited to announce that our sweet boy Nitro, now Archie, found his forever home and is an Emotional Support animal! This sweet lab mix was found living at a post office. The employees contacted CCA for help. He was very skinny and heart worm positive but with time, care and love, became a healthy boy ready for adoption. Lauren Mathews had been looking for the perfect fur baby to bring into her family. It was pretty much love at first sight with his new mom. He is thriving as an emotional support animal and has done a great job learning things that help Lauren with daily tasks. We absolutely love it when we adopt our animals that are in our care. We love even more when other people realize how amazing they are as well. The fact that Archie is now an Emotional Support animal shows what kind of temperament and love he has and willingness to help provide a calming support!

From Archie's new mother...

He has been the greatest addition to our family. While his new name is Archie, he is still the same sweet pup. So many new pieces of his personality are coming out and he's always there to make me feel better. I am SO thankful for CCA

And CCA is so thankful for Archie's new family.

Maverick had been at CCA for close to a year when I decided my house and family might be a great fit for him. Even though he was a wild one, I thought that when he got into a stable home environment and developed a routine he would settle down and be a great family dog. Boy was I right! I took him home for a couple of visits, he did great. In no time at all Maverick knew when to go to bed, knew where to do his business and most importantly, he knew the baby was different. He is deliberately careful and gentle with the baby and within a week of him being at my house.

I think it is worth noting that I believe Maverick's behavior is the result of the love, training and attention he received from the many volunteers associated with CCA. He was not locked away in a cage, he lived in a good size pen with a sheltered doghouse. His medical needs were seen to, he always had people who genuinely cared about him close by. He was hardly ever alone, always had people or dogs close by so he did not become cold and defensive. I believe this is why he will be a loved and admired member of our family for many years to come!



Go Maverick! And thank vou CCA!!

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In loving memory of Elinor Mowbray's cat, "Little Boy" Rascal.
In loving memory of Paladin, John & Anne Mowbray's dog.

James & Freda Alverson In loving memory of Cupid and Sammy Sosa, Bett & Chuck McCleskey's sweet

cats.

Sandy Cogen & Family In memory of my dear friend Louise Hostetler.

In loving memory of Tommie Miller.

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birthday April 26th.

Janet Jones In honor of Peggy & Lewis Layton for their love of all creatures,

especially cats, dogs and horses.

Vance & Linda Bettis In honor of Kim Ledford, Donna Huckaby & Joan Douglas.

Nathan & Leslie Smith In memory of my sweet lab mix Macy. She was my first dog and I used

CCA's low cost spay/neuter_program with Macy 12 years ago.

Mrs. B. D. Bishop In memory of our daughter - Tammie Lee Robertson - taken by a

drunk driver.

Joann Brink In memory of KoKo Musto.

Kim Ledford In memory of Lynn & Craig Wilson's special little boy, Gizmo.

Chuck Fischer In memory of Diane Hilderbrand.

Linda Blackwell In honor of Betty Way.

Anonymous In memory of Leroy Brown, whose life was saved by CCA's feral cat program.

Betty Way In loving memory of adorable 18-year old kitty, Sarah, who had a

heavenly home with Odell & Sadie Suttle and loved staying at Happy

Way in their absence.

Toni Leonard In memory of my cat Tarzan.
Mike & Mellissa Madden In memory of Sam Alex.

Susan Keilitz

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Betty Way In loving memory of Mary Roensch. She and her family did many loving

deeds to aid God's creatures in addition to adopting kitties Boots and

Socks from Happy Way and boarding with us.

Paul & Grace Vani In memory of Sam Alex.

Betty Way In loving memory of adorable Benji, Gracie, who had a heavenly home

with Sheila Findlay. In memory of Sam Alex.

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Gus

Amber Please say hello to Amber. This little Torti is about 2-3 years old and as sweet as can be! She was rescued in the Simpsonville area.

Prada

Say HELLO to some CCA Adoptables

Scared and Alone

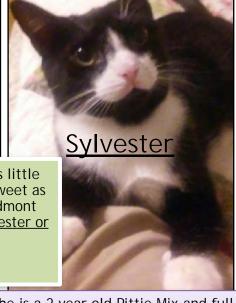
Sweet Gus was found sitting on a porch while the homeowners were on vacation. A neighbor spotted him and took him in while trying to find his owners. Posts and flyers were handed out with no success. The neighbor was unable to keep him so she contacted CCA for help. Gus is a 12 week old Shepard mix. This sweet little pup is just a love, enjoys the water, playing with other dogs, and great with kids. Gus is ready for a loving family to call his own.



Meet Ruby This super sweet girl is a 2 year old Lab mix. Her favorite things to do: curl up next to you, ride in the car and play in her kiddie pool. If you are wanting a water dog, Ruby is your girl! She is also a very smart girl and has picked up on a few commands quickly! Ruby absolutely loves people and would do best with older children. She is not a huge fan of other dogs so she will need to be the only dog in the home. She is spayed, up to date on her shots, and housebroken!



Please say hello to Sylvester. This little guy is roughly 2 years old and as sweet as can be! He was rescued in the Piedmont area. If interested in meeting Sylvester or Amber, please contact Bill at bisuburton@bellsouth.net or 864-238-6531.



This amazingly sweet girl is Prada. She is a 2 year old Pittie Mix and full of life. Prada is energetic so she would need a family with an active lifestyle as she loves to go on walks as long as she is in her harness! She is a huge fan of giving kisses and gets excited to see her human as well as her 4 legged friends. Miss Prada loves to play with other dogs but knows when to calm down at the right time. She plays well with puppies and is very gentle when interacting with them.

Prada is up to date on shots, spayed, and micro-chipped. She would love for you to come by to say hey!

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Quinn

Joey

A Sad Goodbye

This was not easy. I could have gone on and on about Amazing Aspen.

Our sweet senior boy, Aspen crossed the Rainbow Bridge on June 30, 2019. He was 13 years of age when he was diagnosed with TTC, Transitional Cell Carcinoma amongst a few other ailments. The decision to help Aspen cross the Rainbow Bridge did not come easily but we saw that his pain was possessing every minute of his life, even with the Gabapentin... and another surgery, radiation, etc., was not an option. Our last act of love to Aspen was to allow him to cross over and be in peace.

Aspen was born at CCA and lived many years there as a popular resident with all who met him. He was the dog with the biggest smile and the biggest heart. When we became foster failures with Aspen we never would know that this faithful loving dog would change our lives. He was my best friend and he was always my shadow. I never knew what it was like to go the bathroom alone until Aspen had to leave us. I miss having him sit with me every night on the couch to relax and I never thought I would say this, but we miss his snoring at night. You will forever be in our heart my sweet Aspen --- run free for you're no longer in pain. We miss you so very much! Forever in our hearts, Lori, Helmut & Heather





Traveling with Pets

by Patty Pologruto | Jun 14, 2019 | Blog

Checklist for Traveling with Pets

__ Microchip and ID Tag. Be sure these are up to date with your current contact information. For extra assurance, add your destination, trip dates and cell number on your pet's collar and carrier. Keeping a photo of your pet on your phone or in your luggage is a good idea for emergencies.

__Harness or Restraints. Dogs can enjoy the back seat of a car with a safety belt, car seat, harness or restraint. Look for systems that fit existing seat belt buckles or baby seat connections.

__ Crate or Carrier. Invest in a travel crate. Be sure any crate or carrier is well ventilated and large enough for the pet to stand and turn. Secure the crate so it does not slide, slam or tumble over.

__ Medications and Supplements. If your pet takes medication and/or supplements, be sure to have enough for the trip and beyond. Consider supplements with CBD to lessen a pet's anxiety. Try CBD products at home prior to traveling to monitor reactions and determine dosage and timing.

__ Food, Water and Bowls. Pack plenty of food and cold water. Travel bowls, including travel versions that collapse, are handy for roadside stops and in-car snacks.

__ Poop Bags or Litter, Pan and Scooper. Be ready to clean up after your dog or scoop cat poop. An air freshener is recommended if you set up a cat box in a vehicle. Pet wipes, towels and garbage bags should also be in a pet's pack.

- ___ Bedding and Toys. Bring along a pet's favorite blanket, pillow and toys.
- __ Leash and Collar: Bring along a back-up leash and collar in the event one breaks.
- ___ Vaccination Paperwork: In case of an emergency or if stopped by an authority, it is good to have records handy, such as proof of rabies vaccination.
 - _First Aid Kit: Include pet supplies in your car's first aid kit.

Reminders and Tips

Walk a dog or play with a cat to tire them a bit before a road trip. The exertion can encourage napping in the car. Never leave an animal in a car on a hot day, even for a few minutes. In fact, it's now illegal in some states to leave animals in hot cars.

Never put a dog in the back of a pickup truck. Animals in the back of pickup trucks are in danger from debris, winds and falls. About 100,000 dogs die each year from jumping from a vehicle or being unrestrained during an accident.

A dog should never stick its head outside a car window. While dogs love sniffing fresh air, their eyes are exposed to dirt, rocks and dust and wind can cause ear irritation and damage. Dogs have even come down with lung infections from riding with their heads out of car windows.

Rest stops are a good place to walk a dog and allow it to relieve itself. Stretching and exercising for pets and humans are essential on long drives.

For more information on traveling with a pet, visit the American Association of Veterinarian's Website: https://www.avma.org/public/PetCare/Pages/Traveling-with-Your-Pet-FAQs.aspx.

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Who We Are

Founded in 1980, Concerned Citizens for Animals is celebrating 39 years of improving the lives of homeless animals in the Upstate. Through our shelter operation, and a variety of community service programs, CCA offers a second chance to neglected, stray and abandoned animals.

As the oldest no-kill shelter in the Upstate, CCA provides treatment, sterilization, care, and a safe haven for its residents until loving homes are found. Prospective homes are screened, references are checked and home visits made to ensure the animals are placed with responsible, caring individuals and families.

CCA's Feral Cat Program employs the TNR (trap, neuter, and return) process to assist feral cat colony caretakers in maintaining the health of the colony and curbing the colony's growth. Our Low Cost Spay/Neuter Program is effective in alleviating animal suffering by reducing the number of unwanted canine and feline births in the Upstate.

The combined efforts of an involved management team, a dedicated caretaker and an active volunteer force create a powerful influence in the lives of the animals in our care and those in the community we serve.

Mission Statement

CCA shall not euthanize any animal unless it is beyond medical care, and suffering would be the permanent result of medical treatment.

CCA shall operate an animal shelter for abandoned, sick, injured, or otherwise homeless animals.

CCA shall maintain an adoption program to permanently place homeless animals in qualified homes.

CCA shall maintain a low-cost spay/neuter program for the community.

CCA shall strive to prevent or stop any abuse, neglect, or otherwise inhumane treatment of any animal.

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