

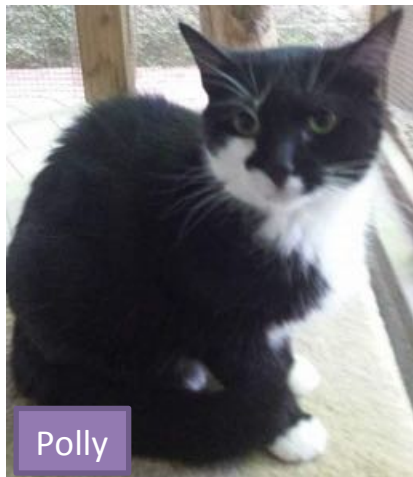
PawPrints



Featured Adoptables

Chester is unique looking both coming and going. His different eye colors and corkscrew tail are not features normally seen in a hound mix. His tail straightens out when he barks but curls back up when he's not! Chester is young and very gentle. He loves his walks and enjoys constant attention. Chester would be a great family dog and could be counted on to let you know when company's coming. He is great with people and is very calm on a leash. Chester loves to play but might just want to hang out with you all day! He's up to date on shots, micro-chipped, and neutered.

This lovely girl is **Polly**. We are told that she is about a year old, spayed, and loves children. Polly came to CCA after being found on the side of the road. She was nervous at first but has blossomed. She enjoys being around other nice cats and people. She would also be very happy to be the only cat. This reserved lady sure will make your heart melt when you meet her and know her story. She is up to date on shots, spayed, and litter box trained.



Upcoming Events:

Oct. 28, 2017

Bark in the Park!



1ST & 3RD weekend of the month Cat adoptions at Petco in Simpsonville on Fairview Rd, 11 - 3 pm

1st Saturday of the month Dog adoptions at Petco in Simpsonville on Fairview Rd, 11 - 3 pm

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CCA benefitted greatly from **St. Joseph's Catholic School** community volunteer day on April 28th, 2017. Thirty five students and four teachers helped process items at our Second Chances Thrift Shop in preparation of the upcoming grand opening in July.



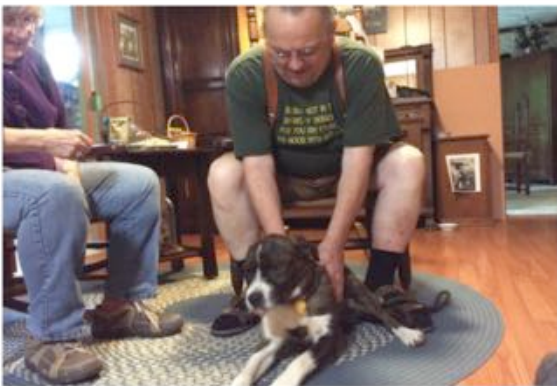
HOG DAY with Raymond James



This is the 4th year Raymond James has come to the shelter for spring clean up as part of Hands on Greenville volunteer work day. They worked on trimming bushes, hauling pea gravel and washing igloos. After all the work was finished, the kids played with puppies, which is a great help in socializing them. THANK YOU!!

GIZMO GETS HIS WISH!

Gizmo knew from the start that Alice and Raymond Sprague were the human parents he'd been hoping for. During their first meeting at the shelter, while Raymond and Alice were sitting on a bench chatting about their other pets, Gizmo stretched out at Alice's feet, pretending to be asleep. He really was just trying to discover if they wanted to take him home with them. They made that important decision on Friday, April 28. They submitted an adoption application and began to prepare their cats for Gizmo's arrival.



Gizmo made the long trip to his new home on Monday, May 1. Alice and Raymond, clearly sensitive to the needs and interests of their furry friends, had prepared Chloe, the Boss Cat, and her younger friend, July, to accept Gizmo. Printed and placed over Chole's food dish was a large picture of Gizmo!



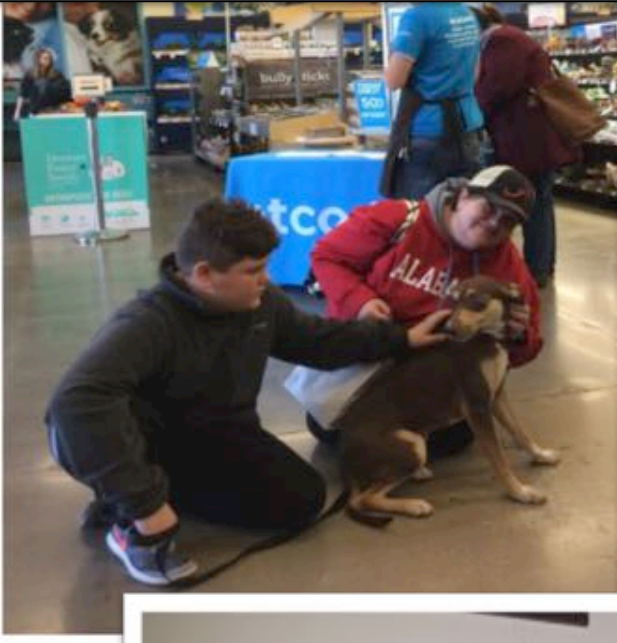
Progress reports that Alice has shared lets us know that Chloe, Gizmo, and July are romping together, although Chloe still occasionally exerts her authority. The photo tells it all: Gizmo got his Christmas wish, a forever family. Lucky guy!

It's Summer Time!

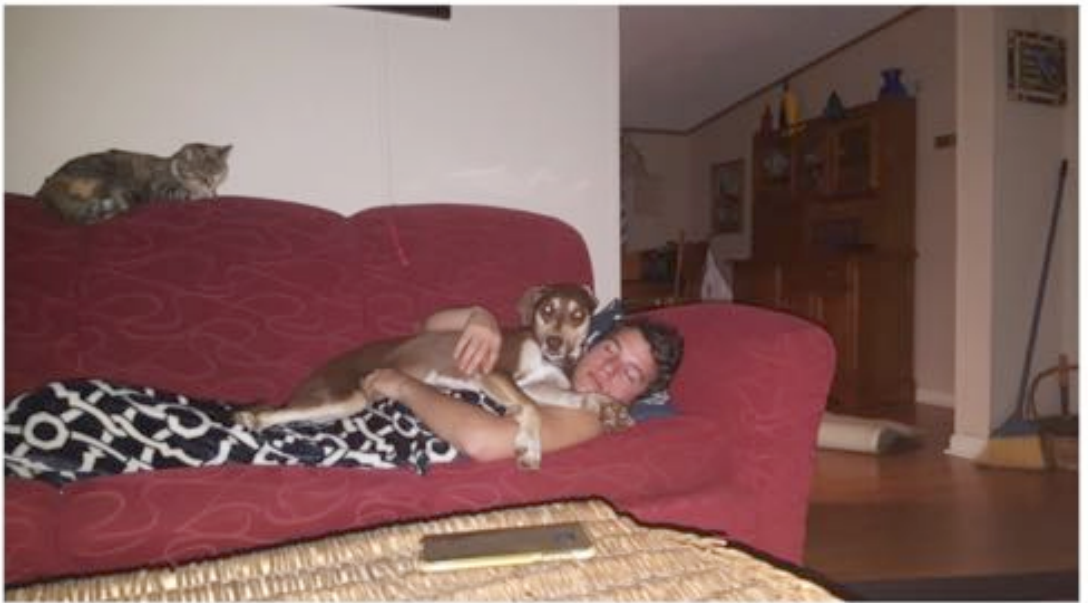
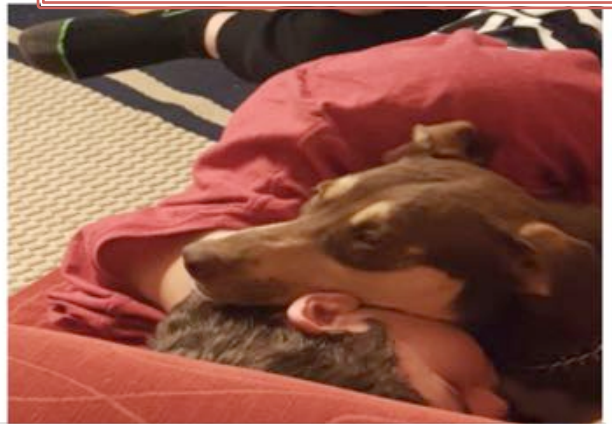
If a picture is worth a thousand words, then these tell the story of Summer.

Summer came to the CCA shelter in October and soon established herself as an eager playmate and companion to several other shelter canine residents. In January, she caught the eyes of Cyndy Cooper and her sons, Justin and Josh. After a couple of off-site visits with the Coopers, Summer decided she found the human family she had been looking for. So, on January 28, after buying this little girl all manner of toys and treats, Cyndy and Josh took Summer home to Pauline with them.

Now, Summer spends her days romping the wide, open fields of the Cooper homestead, letting Josh and Justin catch up with her. Then after they are all good and tired, she settles down for a quick nap with one of them. Summer has the wonderful family we've wanted her to have. Thank you, Cyndy, Josh, and Justin!



A special thank you to Steve, Terry and Nick for fostering Summer until her forever home was found.





Worth The Wait Norm finally goes home!

Norm was very patient as he knew he could find his forever home. Since he had a long list of requirements for his owner to meet in order to be sure everything was to his liking, Norm had waited for a while. One Sunday afternoon Norm gave his stamp of approval to his new dad, Jim Miller. Norm sat on the bench with Jim and showed how affectionate and well behaved he was. In fact, he wanted to go home with Jim that very day. Within a few days Norm was escorted to his new palace! He is enjoying two walks a day, a large backyard, gourmet food, a ride in the car at least three times a week, and sleeping with his dad. Yes, he is properly

restrained during his car rides! Norm has decided that good things do come to those who wait.

PS As one of the volunteers who helped Norm and his two puppy siblings transition from living on the streets where they were found to living in the security of the CCA shelter, I am so thankful to Mr. Miller for picking Norm to adopt and giving him the life he deserves and waited so long to have. Sir, you rock!

How Can I Help? Shop Amazon!

Are you an Amazon shopper? Millions of us are! **AmazonSmile** is an easy, automatic way for you to support CCA every time you shop. It's at no cost to you because the AmazonSmile Foundation will donate a portion of the purchase price to us. (Visit their website for full details.) Just go to AmazonSmile and shop from tens of millions of items eligible for donations to CCA. There's no need to set up a new account because your existing Amazon account will work just fine. Your shopping cart, wish list, registries, and other account settings are also all the same. Shopping for a cause doesn't get any easier than that!



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Hope



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Memorials and Honorariums

Betty Armstrong	In memory of Janice Ayers.	Andrew & Anne McAuley	In memory of Janice Ayers.
South Carolina State Lodge Fraternal Order of Police	In memory of Jan Ayers.	James Miller	In loving memory of Tommie Miller
Jan McCoy & Sue Burgess	In memory of Jan Ayers.	Julie Dunlap	In memory of Jan Ayers.
Nancy Woodard	In memory of Janice Ayers by one of her "G.R.I.T.S." friends.	Dean & Jean Thomas	In honor of Michelle Collins.
Milt & Susan Lylerly	In memory of Kim Ledford's sister, Janice Ayers.	Richard & Lynn Smith	In memory of Jan Ayers.
Mary Thomas	In memory of Catherine Hubbard.	Richard & Jane Myers	In memory of Jan Ayers.
The Buckner Family	In memory of Jan Ayers.	Val Magin	In memory of Jan Ayers.
Bill & Sue Burton	In memory of Jan Ayers.	Dale & Marlene Adkins	In memory of Janice Ayers, for the "puppies and kitties" I often heard Jan speak of so lovingly.
Tracy & Renee Franklin	In memory of Jan Ayers.	Susan Willis	In honor of Bill Burton.
Francis & Elaine McGuire	In memory of Hamlin "Vippie" Harritos, who lost her battle with cancer 1-23-17. We will miss her friendship. She was a very special person.	Bonnie Whitfield	In memory of Angel.
James Miller	In honor of Tom & Betty Way.	Joanne McCoy	In memory of Wahoo.
James Miller	In memory of Milt & Susan Lylerly's "Noah."	The Vandeweghe Family	In memory of Sandy Harpootlian.
Tamarra Martz	In memory of Janice Ayers.	Bobby & Teresa Howard	In memory of "Velvet", our 22 year old black cat that we called our "guard cat" even though she looked like a kitten.
Von & Linda McCaskill	In memory of Jan Ayers.	Lara Larson	In honor of Ella Emery's birthday.
Von & Linda McCaskill	In memory of Jessie, canine daughter of Shirley & Ken Koehler.	Chris Dieterich	From Charlie's brother at Pet Haven.
David & Alice Geisler	In memory of Sandy Harpootlian, a longtime friend and co-supporter of CCA. We grieve her untimely loss with her family and the CCA community.	Mike Wyatt	In memory of Janice Ayers.
Brad & Mary Carr	In memory of Lucy, beloved basset hound of Scott Warren & Don Weekly.	Keith Haffner	In memory of Jan Ayers.
Anonymous	In memory of Clemson Spot, sweet community cat from The Clemson House and in honor of Linda Gahan and Von McCaskill, who faithfully cared for him.	Paula Ely	In memory of Sandy Harpootlian, a true lover of all of God's creatures.
Ernest & Margaret Scott	In memory of Jerry Matteson	Carol Mitchell	In honor of Shari Bevins Mattingly on her birthday.
Tom & Betty Way	In loving memory of Jo Matteson's husband, Jerry.	Marcy Dimmick	In loving memory of Jan Ayers. Her light is bright and everlasting in the hearts of her family and friends.
Tom & Betty Way	In loving memory of dear sweet Sandy Harpootlian, who was devoted to CCA and animals.	Tom & Betty Way	In loving memory of Latte, sweet dog of Cindy & Wes Bailey.
Cathy Campbell	In memory of Jan Ayers.	Tom & Betty Way	In loving memory of Tom, Monica, T.J. and Aubrey Holland's dog, Angel, who Mom Way rescued as a mere puppy close to death's door with mange and who had a heavenly home with the Hollands for 17 awesome years!
Annaellen Hughes	For my "Ellie".	Kent & Lynn Davis	In memory of Peaches, who was a pretty good pit bull.

Memorials and Honorariums continued

David Colvin & Son	In memory of Melody Colvin, CCA volunteer, 11/11/45-4/22/10.	Rick & Diane Saint	In memory of Jan Ayers.
James & Melissa Benton	In honor of Tom & Betty Way.	Joanne McCoy	In memory of Ms. Susan Lineberger's 3 cat babies Boo, Pearl, & Prissy.
Mrs. Thomas G. Greaves, III	In honor of Mrs. Betty Way.	Carolyn Helms	In memory of Lorna, beloved cat of Shirley Twiss.
Elinor Mowbray	In memory of Gypsy, beloved dog of James and Freda Alverson.	Tony & Michelle Collins	In memory of Jan Ayers, our dear friend. She was one of a kind. She's irreplaceable.
Jerry & Diane Johnson	In memory of the life of Jan Ayers.	Susan Chappell	In memory of my wonderful and loving cat, Charlie, who was a joy to me for over 14 years.
Anderson Area Crime Stoppers	In memory of Janice Ayers, the wife of one of our board members.	Lee & Anne Sneed	In memory of Jan Ayers.
Our Daily Bread	In memory of Janice Ayers, the sister of our president, Richard Ledford.	Donna Huckaby	In memory of Jan Ayers. Jan will be missed by us all including all the animals! Her new best friend "Penny" also helped with this memorial.
Tom & Betty Way	In loving memory of Kim's sister, Jan Ayers.	Kim Ledford	In memory of Fluffy, aka Big Fluff, 16 yo feline of Anne & Lee Sneed.
Sandra Adcox	In memory of Jan Ayers.	Donna Huckaby	In memory of Flake, faithful canine companion of Sam Rogers and Megan Wilkerson
Kenneth & Kathi McClure	In memory of Saluda Dunlap.		
Anonymous	In memory of a campus community cat who became known as Spot McCaskill. Spot was fortunate to have loving care and the safety of an indoor home throughout his golden years.		
Marcy Dimmick	In memory of Saluda Dunlap.		

Adoption of Sweet little Sparky

Little Sparky (now known as Cooper) was taken out of a very bad home situation. He was only 12 weeks and had a very rough start in life. CCA posted him right away on our Facebook site and within 24 hours potential adopters had begun to contact us. Dennis and Kim Weathers had recently lost their dog and really wanted to give Sparky a wonderful loving home. With their dog Harley, they welcomed him with open hearts. During the first home visit, their dog Harley bonded with Sparky right away and we knew this was just the right home for him.





Dixie

Dixie came to CCA in February at four months old. We had just finished fostering a Doberman female for CCA who was adopted out to a wonderful family. Missing our foster girl, Summer, we offered to foster Dixie until a home could be found. We already have one dog we adopted from CCA, Bonz, a Shepard Boxer mix as well as two rescue cats. Well, after two hours with Dixie, we became foster failures! Her bright and bubbly personality along with her affectionate nature (and her size) won us over.

At the time she joined our household, both cats were significantly larger than her. She was a little larger than Bonz's head. It was so sweet the way the two dogs took to each other. Big brother Bonz is patient and kind with Dixie. He tolerated her chewing on him and following him everywhere. The funniest thing to watch is Dixie chasing Bonz and vice versa. They wrestle and play together as equals. Our younger cat, Jobu, will wrestle and play tag with Dixie. In the beginning she had to learn her manners with the cats. Our older cat Georgie thinks dogs are worthless and has little interaction with Dixie. She is a little bigger than the cats now at 8 months old. Dixie's favorite toy is a squeaky rubber duck. And she will play and play and play with that thing. We have to take it away sometimes because the darn thing can get irritating.

Our little Miss Dixie sees herself as the household protector. She sits on the cat ledge looking out the window and alerts us to anyone walking down the street. Our front yard is fenced and the dogs have free reign of the space. Dixie will bark and carry on as if she was a very large dog with a squeaky voice. One of our neighbors has nicknamed her Rambo. Her feisty personality allows her to think she is a much larger dog. My son has a black lab and a Ridgeback mix. She will run in the middle of the pack and play with them. Dixie has no compunction about stealing a toy from any of their mouths. At times, she will get downright possessive and snarl at the big dogs. And guess what.....they back away!

Yes, our sweet girl is spoiled. She sleeps under the covers. Min Pins have very little body fat and get cold easily. She loves to snuggle and give doggie kisses. We have recently enrolled her with Off Leash K9 for training. She is catching on very quickly. I can't imagine our household without her. My husband summed her personality up with this statement, "Everyday she is like a child on Christmas morning". A rescue pet can bring so much to your life. We know, we have four of them.



Prince now known as Astro

Prince was found tied to the gate at the shelter. He had injuries to his paws and a few medical issues. He is such a sweet handsome Shepard mix! When Prince went to see the vet, Vicky, a tech in the office, was very interested in him since she had two boys. Once on the mend, Prince came back to the shelter and we began looking for the perfect home. It was not long before Vicky contacted us about fostering Prince. Once in their home they knew he was the pet they had been looking for. Prince is now part of a loving family with Vicky and Jim Donnelly along with their two boys.

A long time coming. The adoption of Blue

This sweet blue tick hound was brought to CCA after his owner passed away and there was no family to take care of Blue. He is such a sweet boy that he stole our hearts from the start. When Mary and Danny Thomas expressed an interest in adopting Blue our hearts raced. He is now in a very loving home with two siblings, Tbow and Beamer, to keep him company.

In order to prepare Blue for his new home Off Leash K9 Training addressed several issues. From the beginning, they knew he was a smart, sweet and willing to please dog. With Blue being a hound his instinct was to catch small animals so he had to become accustomed to having a cat in the house. Blue has come a long way and we could not be more pleased.

Life's a Beach...

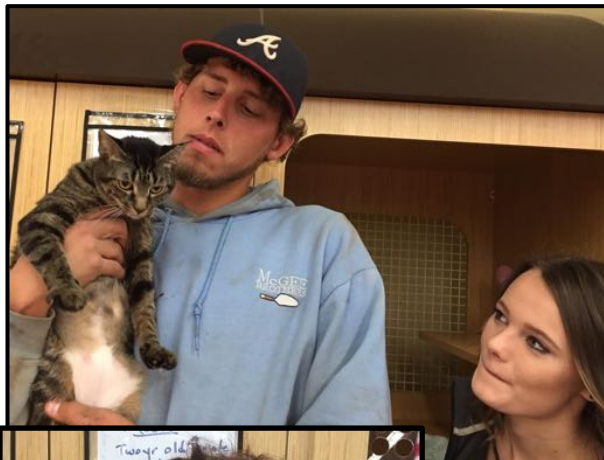
Well, that wasn't always the case for Bouncer. His start in life was actually downright miserable. Bouncer had been chained outside a known drug house to alert the owner if anyone approached the area. Fortunately, a mail carrier noticed the new security system immediately, along with an empty water bucket. Providing water and food daily, the mail carrier became the dog's new best friend. One day the owner walked outdoors and was surprised to see the carrier. The barking alarm had not sounded. It wasn't long before the owner offered the dog to the carrier. The three legged dog, whose leg was supposedly lost from the bite of a wild animal, was soon safe and sound in the CCA shelter. Shortly thereafter, the aptly named Bouncer caught the eye of Ken Hawkins, and in Ken's words, this is the rest of Bouncer's story...

"He loved to ride. He loved the beach. He liked playing catch with a tennis ball. He won the Heinz 57 contest at Holden Beach. He would eat anything except shrimp and lobster. If you gave him either, he would chew it with his lips held up so they would not touch it. He was our baby."

CCA is forever grateful to Ken and his family for giving Bouncer more than a decade of love and exceptional care. Good bye sweet boy...life is truly now a beach...we should all be so lucky!



A big THANK YOU to our
PETCO adoption team!



Brothers Staying Together

Philip and Lil 'bit came to CCA on a Saturday morning. They were a bonded pair of brothers, together their entire lives. In five hours, they were adopted together by the wonderful Tiburzi family who fell in love with them at first sight. The brothers say THANK YOU to their new family.

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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 destroy 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.

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