

PAWS to Consider...

Healing Pet Therapy Services

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PAWSPrints

Growing – Growing - GROWING

Have you noticed the growth in PAWS recently? Ok, maybe it's not so recent – maybe it's been more like “continuous” from our very beginning. But have you really stopped to think about where we used to be?

If you think that we started 11 years ago with 21 teams and 10 places to visit in New Castle County and we have grown to over 400 actively participating teams visiting over 150 sites in the four state area...

If you think that we started with one volunteer staff member, ½ bedroom, and a computer and now we have 6 full-time and 4 part-time staff housed on the entire first floor of a house...

If you think that we started with visits for elders and folks with disabilities and we now provide therapy team visits to well over 500,000 people a year through over 20 different programs...

Seems pretty clear...PAWS has been growing in all aspects to address the needs of members, teams, and site – but our potential to grow beyond what we're now able to do is limited by the space and number of staff we now have.

So what are we going to do about that? Something has to give and we'd like to keep control of what that is and how it happens. The why is clear – the “what” and “how” and “when” needed a plan.


After much thought, consulting, and planning, we're confident that NOW is the time to address increasing requests and needs. We can step up to the next level in delivering pet-assisted therapy to more who need our therapy visits. Expanding is a good thing and enables PAWS to change more lives for the better. To guide growth, increase our visibility and accessibility, and ensure long-term success and sustainability, we've developed our Expansion Plan.

We have submitted grant requests to the Longwood and Welfare Foundations (and other grant requests will follow) for partial initial start-up funding to be used over 3 years for a 3 phase project. This funding will support PAWS as follows:

- 1 – expand our services by increasing the number of highly trained teams with strengthened local recruitment, training, and site placement
- 2 – strengthen staff resources to support expansion by hiring a full time training coordinator, part time administrative assistant, and part time trainer and community development staffer
- 3 – relocate PAWS headquarters to a more visible and accessible site which provides the space we need to accommodate staff and training needs

I'm pretty excited about all this. To be a bit more clear – I'm ecstatic about it. This is such a marvelous opportunity for this once tiny little organization to make a bigger difference in our world. We can increase the size of our pawprint to reach additional populations that we cannot help right now. We can do a better job where we already visit and improve customer service to our own therapy teams (that's YOU) and nonPAWS clientele.

This is BIG for PAWS. But be clear - it isn't a “PAWS staff is just going to do go this” type of thing. We can only succeed if we have your blessing and your ideas and concerns and suggestions – you are key to our success. We can do this and will succeed in doing it well, so please know we want YOU to be part of this, as you are part of everything we do. Hope you will invest in PAWS' future with your curiosity, your ideas, and your assistance.

We can do this! Lynne 

PS: Please contact Ro LeNoir or me for details of the Expansion Plan or with ideas and suggestions.



2 Volunteer Recognition Events

This year we're making it easier for you to attend the biggest party of the year – which is for **YOU!**

Volunteer Recognition Celebration North and South



Please come!

You'll receive a snail mail invitation for either

Saturday, April 23rd – Christiana UMC or

Saturday, May 14th – Seaford Library

Everyone is invited – you, family, friends, and PAWS pups.

GIFTS.....SURPRISES.....LITE LUNCHEON FARE

Please RSVP by April 16th (north) or May 7th (south)

and send a good photo of your therapy pet

PAWSforPeople.org/recognition or 302-351-5622

IMPORTANT EVENTS TO PUT ON YOUR CALENDAR FOR 2016



Just in time for Mother's Day, we have a **Silpata Fundraiser, April 4-11**. Everyone who places an order will be entered to win these beautiful earrings! Visit the special PAWS for People website at <http://sild.es/15Sb> and treat yourself or someone special to some beautiful jewelry or a handbag or scarf.

Our friends at **J. McLaughlin** are holding a special fundraising day for PAWS for People on **Thursday, April 28th from 3:30-6:30**. Special thanks to Jenni Brand for serving as our hostess for the day. Join us to spruce up your Spring Wardrobe and support PAWS for People at the same time.

J. McLaughlin

J. McLaughlin is located at 4001 Kennett Pike #136, Greenville, DE 19807. Hope to see you there!

**BARNES
& NOBLE**

We have been invited back to host Mother's Day and Father's Day Gift Wrapping at the **Christiana Barnes & Noble**. We will need both therapy teams and gift wrappers **April 30 & May 1, 7 & 8** for Mother's Day and **June 11, 12, 18 & 19** for Father's Day.

We have once again been selected as a charity of choice by the **Diamond State Roller Girls**. They will be donating 20% of their net profits from their **March 13th, April 10th, and May 15th** bouts to PAWS for People. We will also have an information table at each bout and hold a fundraiser at the May 15th bout. If you have never seen Roller Derby in action, you are missing the fun. Consider joining us at 5:30 on any of these Sunday evenings at the Christiana Skating Center and help support PAWS.



WE 
VOLUNTEERS

Volunteer Appreciation Celebration

NORTH - Saturday, April 23rd --- 11:30 AM

SOUTH - Saturday, May 10th --- noon

Wag-n-Walk
Saturday, October 22nd -- 9:00 AM
Delcastle Recreation Center



Jingle Bell Brunch

Saturday, December 3rd -- 11:30 AM

New Therapy Teams

(since January 1, 2016)



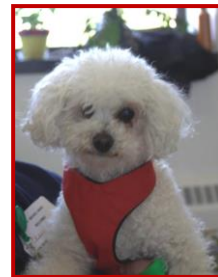
Karen Atkins and Saint - Lab
Jillian Bielicki & Frankie - Boxer
Mary Alice Carroll & Tucker - Lab
Debbie Crook & Daisy - Redbone Coonhound
Hannah Crook & Daisy - Redbone Coonhnd
Matt Davis & Phoebe - Bouvier
Fran Davis & Phoebe - Bouvier
Natalia Duchini & Cocoa - Chocolate Lab
Megan Dunleavy & Murphy - Lab Mix
Scott Fones & Deno – Labradoodle
Emily Gildea & Honey - Golden Retriever
Debra Jones and Noel – Golden Retriever
Karen Lunning & Sophie – Chihuahua-Yorkie
Coonhound
Joseph O’Leary & Tara Belle - German
Shepherd Dog
June Peterson & Bigbee - Maltese
Eric Reeder & Elroy - Yellow Lab
Timothy Reeder & Elroy - Yellow Lab
Jack Ruane & Ghost - Samoyed
Jennifer Ruane & Ghost - Samoyed
Nancy Snyder & Gracie Mae - English
Springer Spaniel
Christina Summa & Jax - Pembroke
Welsh Corgi
Lisa Tellup & Tazzie - Golden Retriever
Stephanie Trimmer & Maxx - Pitbull Mix
Richard Trzyzewski & Ellie - Chow Mix
Jennifer Waigand & Kea - Bernese Mtn. Dog
Anne Webb & Sassy - Chocolate Lab
Jayne Werbrich & Noodles - Maltese
Amanda Werbrich & Noodles - Maltese
Beth Wieners & Violet - Chihuahua-
Pekingese Mix
Nancy Weinstein & Honey - Golden Retriever

NEW DOG - CURRENT MEMBER

Buster – Karen Reeder
Cooper – Donna Combs
Ella – Diane Peralta
Kitty – Clara Wyatt
Lucy – Diane Murphy
RJ – Charlotte Kosiek
Robbie – Becky Cronin
Spirit – Christine Lewandowski

In loving memory of...

Goldie Barry, star of Goldie’s gang and beloved by library and school readers as the mascot of PAWS for Reading. Stephanie Barry and her family rescued Goldie about 3 ½ years ago and in that time Goldie became a regular at the Terry Center and a visiting dignitary at all the libraries and school programs. A gentler pup we’ll never find.



Buttons Kedda, a tiny white poodle, visited with Karen for years at the Kirkwood Highway Library. His blindness helped a lot of kids learn compassion and acceptance. Buttons and Karen joined PAWS in April of 2010.



Please welcome Laura Garver to the PAWS clan. Here’s some info about her you should know. There is a more detailed bio on the website.

Laura Garver, our new Administrative Assistant in the PAWS Office, is thrilled to be here at PAWS! She has many years of customer service experience and she enjoys being part of the small office team. Laura helps with logging Volunteer Visits & Hours, Membership updates, and lots of other little things! She, her husband, their son and two rescue cats live in Hockessin, DE.

**WITHOUT CONTINUAL GROWTH AND
PROGRESS,
SUCH WORDS AS IMPROVEMENT,
ACHIEVEMENT, AND SUCCESS
HAVE NO MEANING.**

~ BENJAMIN FRANKLIN

♥ Julie O.M.

Spring is in the air here at the PAWS office! We have been working hard to get our local and satellite orientation and training schedule to accommodate potential teams. Now, we need your help to get new teams to fill up our classes.

Do you have a friend, family member, or co-worker that would like to become a PAWS for People Pet Therapy Team? Tell them to follow these easy steps to get started!

1. Go to PAWSforPeople.org
2. Click on the Volunteer tab
3. Select Become a Therapy Team
4. Create a Profile and complete the Application
5. Wait for one of our amazing intake representatives to contact you!

That is it! Once approved yours truly will invite them to one of our Orientation classes. Referring a new team is one of the easiest ways you can help spread the word about PAWS for People!

~ Julie Haytas, Office Manager

INSURANCE – the good guys

Thank you to Arthur Hall Insurance, the insurance carriers we have been working with for about a year. Thanks to Bob Hackett, board member and Senior Vice President of Arthur Hall Insurance, we get super coverage, sponsorship of our Jingle Bell Brunch, and we also get to work with Ted Blake, our local rep, who is always there with the answers to our questions.

Here's an email response from our favorite insurance man responding to the eternal question: Is our team covered by our insurance if they are visiting at a non-PAWS site?

“Lynne, As long as Mary is acting as a volunteer for PAWS for People then your insurance would still cover her. The liability coverage extends through all 50 states. A signed agreement certainly helps spell out the responsibilities of each party but is not necessary in order to start coverage at that location.”

This means that AS LONG AS PAWS KNOWS ABOUT YOUR VISITS BEFOREHAND, PAWS insurance covers you if you are acting as a volunteer for PAWS, even if it isn't an official PAWS site.

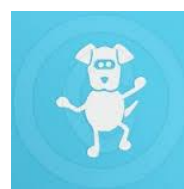
Please remember you need PAWS' approval FIRST!

Master's Certification



If you have served 100 (or more) visiting hours and think your PAWS skills and knowledge are pretty good, please consider applying to become a Master's Certification team. This is

PAWS' highest level of certification and is an accomplishment and an honor to achieve. Want some info about this? Contact Lynne at lrbinson@PAWSforPeople.org.



DOGGIE LANGUAGE

You know you've wondered just what exactly your pet is thinking? What's going on in their furry little heads as they blink lovingly at you?

PAWS is creating a whole PAWS University class about dog body language, but as a little tease, we'll offer you a teensy bit of dog body language that would be helpful for you to know during visits.

What does a yawn signify when a dog is visiting? TENSION (really!)

FREE EYE EXAMS FOR THERAPY PETS

VSCD, in conjunction with ACVO and Stokes Pharmacy are hosting their 9th annual ACVO/Merial National Service

Animal Eye Exam Event in May, to screen the eyesight of service and therapy animals who dedicate their lives to serving the public. You can register by contacting the ACVO at www.ACVOeyeexam.org by April 30 to qualify, and after registering, call VSCD at 302-322-6933 to schedule your pet's eye screening.





Unleashing PAWS Magic

What does expansion mean
to new sites?

PAWS has always been very thoughtful about opening new sites. We aim to find the perfect balance between team availability and site need. And oftentimes this means heading outside of where we typically visit (like our new sites in Philly!) We were able to open them as both the teams and the sites had needs that could be perfectly matched. And sometimes it means that we just have to wait awhile until the PAWS stars align, as they often do.

As you note new site openings, you can be assured that we are confident that PAWS is able to meet both the needs of the local teams as well as the sites, and that we are providing the same high-quality standard of service at the new locations as well as supporting the existing partnerships.

We are happy to announce a renewed partnership with the **Cecil County Library – Elkton Branch**, in April. We are also opening the **Havre de Grace Library** as a PAWS for Reading site at their new building in June. Reading teams have just begun supporting students at **Springer Middle School** in Wilmington. And we're hoping to partner with **Robin's Nest**, a program for teen girls, in Sewell, NJ, later this spring, as well as open the **Dover Public Library** this summer.

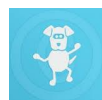
~ Stephanie Barry, Associate Director

TRAINING---DOG---TRAINING!



Puppy PAWS is about to be launched – a class for PAWS and non-PAWS folks and their “puppies” who are young and have a lot to learn, but are aspiring to eventually be certified PAWS dogs.

We're working out the details of the class now, so watch the newsletter and our eblasts, plus the website of course, for the grand opening.



DOGGIE LANGUAGE

Which part of a dog's body talks to you?
Eyes, ears, nose, mouth, position of head,
tension in body, hackles, legs, and tail. (Did you
get them all? There are more!)

ADVANCED TRAINING

Thursday, May 5th
Saturday, October 8th

Save the dates – we are still negotiating where and when. If this training applies to you, you'll get an email invitation and we'll worry about RSVP's from there.



PAWS UNIVERSITY

April

- 13 Nemours Prep
- 27 First Visit Assistant

May

- 4 PAWS for Reading
- 18 Creative Connections (yes, 2 in 2 months!)
Or maybe dog cognition

June

- 8 Courthouse Companions part 2
- 22 Reading Dog Body Language

July

- 6 Autism Initiative
- 20^t Nemours Prep

August

- 10 Thinking Outside the Box
- 24 Learning How to Say Good Bye (Bereavement)

September

- 7 PAWS for Reading
- 21 First Visit Assistant

October

- 12 Nemours Prep
- 26 PATHS - Hospital Visiting

November

- 9 PS PAWS
- 30 PS PAWS

December

- 7 Thinking Outside the Box



The Racine Report

I'm very excited to get some of our NEW Social Gatherings underway!

Thank you, everyone, for your great feedback. I have received over 75 replies and am using your responses to decide where to schedule different events.

I also loved the new ideas that were sent to me, such as a day for PAWS dogs to swim together, Yappy Hour, and PAWS Picnic! The suggestions of places where we may be able to hold events were especially helpful in my planning.

You should be hearing from us shortly with some dates and times for you to meet other PAWS volunteers and their pets. We are organizing these events because we want you to feel connected to other members in your area and also to say THANK YOU for the amazing things you do in the community.

Please reach out to me by phone or email if you have any questions or new ideas!

Thanks for all that you do!

~ Racine Boyle, Volunteer Coordinator

**GROWTH IS NEVER BY MERE CHANCE;
IT IS THE RESULT OF FORCES
WORKING TOGETHER.**

~ JAMES CASH PENNEY

The Power of a Pet Visit

Sylvie and I went to DelTech to visit with about 15 nursing students, several of whom recognized us from sessions they had attended while studying at DBH. Their testimonials were detailed and heartfelt. I found their comments especially interesting because these students had been observing this group of patients all week. They mentioned that one patient who had not spoken to anyone in their days of observing was not only talking to Luka and me, but seemed quite relaxed and chatty. Another who was not very pleasant to those around him was very engaged with Luka and smiling. Good to hear.

Janice Baldwin-Hench and Sylvie



With a Little Help from our Friends

Lynne has shared how people's needs and requests for pet therapy continue growing – and PAWS needs to be there to help! We're busy working on

building and strengthening our capacity to change more lives in the expanding PAWSprint! We're exploring new funding opportunities which are essential to sustain successful expansion.

Thanks to our Friends, PAWS for People is strong and successful. We are grateful for your tremendous support the past 11 years and we'll continue to rely upon everyone ~ our long-time, new, and 'soon to be made' friends to successfully expand!

PLEASE HELP US...

it's easy, fun, and really needed!

- Be an active PAWS ambassador - increase community awareness by spreading the word about PAWS
- Visibly represent PAWS with your and your pet's PAWS wear – it's a super conversation starter
- Identify opportunities to increase our financial support – your personal connections can open doors to new matching gifts, in-kind donations, business partnerships, sponsorships, grants, and new supporters
- Share your ideas with PAWS - help us create great new fundraising events or campaigns
- Email or call me – I'd love to hear your ideas and you just might *win a PAWS treat!*

PAWS' 2015 year-end appeal featured our life-changing work and the incredible response of so many of you certainly has changed many lives!

Thank you for opening the envelope or email message, reading it, and generously responding.

Thank you for valuing and supporting the work of over 400 PAWS volunteer pet therapy teams who reach well-over 500,000 people annually. *Thank You for being a life-changer!*

~ Rosemarie LeNoir, Development Director

Growing.....

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Our need for more SPACE

As you read earlier, PAWS has good, solid plans for expanding our basic model of testing and training, adding teams to our wonderful corps, and finding a training space. That's our topic for here →SPACE.

We would LOVE your help in finding a space that is big enough to house several staff members, allow us to hold some of the smaller events we run, AND have a HOME where we can train any time we want – weekdays, weekends, daytime, evenings – whenever we have a need.

That space needs to be in a safe neighborhood with lots of parking and have the right PAWS-y kind of feel to it. No, I take that last one back. We can give any place a nice PAWS-y feel.

We may have to rent or lease commercial space. But if we think creatively, we can consider the options of sharing space with someone or (my personal favorite) accept the gift of somebody's space.

We're thinking between 2500 and 3000 square feet with the possibility of a large area for training and events and also the possibility of having several staff members working in office-y space.

Please call me if you know of an area that might work OR know someone who knows of an area that might work. We don't have an OK, MOVE AHEAD yet, but we need to explore our resources.

Maybe you will know of a delightful place that will help us out.

Please keep us in mind. Thanks, Lynne

The Power of a Pet Visit

A great time was had by all last night despite the pending tornado! After an overview of the program and benefits, I set up some quick role play for the girls to do and the session was well received.

There's always a good story and the happy ending is that as a result of our visit, a little 11 year old girl with what I guessed could be Down's syndrome is going to finally be able to get her own dog!

During the overview I talked about some dog types briefly, big vs. little, shredders vs. non-shredders etc. In the end, the little girl's mother told how her daughter has always been allergic to dogs and was not able to have one. But tonight she did not show one sign of a reaction and she had been very close to my dog for an hour! The mother was amazed and was committed to researching possible dog choices for her daughter. She had not thought it was ever going to be possible for Eve!!

At the end of the night, the girls gave Rintoo a toy to take home! It was his favorite kind of toy and he showed his gratitude by then ignoring the girls to play with his new toy!

Thanks for reaching out to me for this opportunity!

Kim Miller and Rintoo

AND another...

The Power of a Pet Visit

Dear PAWS,

Hello!

I would like to thank your organization for visiting children's hospitals like Nemours. Our family frequently visits Nemours for doctor visits. My son is a dog lover. Seeing one of your dogs is the highlight of our visit. In October, we were lucky to have one of your dogs with us as my son had his blood work drawn. It was a great comfort and distraction.

Thank you for all you do!!

Marla Guse, parent

ENGAGING EXPERIENCES



Spring arrived early and Community Events are popping up everywhere. We would love for you to join us as we go out and about to share the magic of PAWS for People with others as only our therapy teams can. You help us make new connections every day!

Participating in events is a great way to meet other therapy teams, interact with other pet lovers in the community and spend some additional time with your pet. Check out the event section of the newsletter and watch your inbox for new and exciting opportunities.

In addition to our community events, we also have some **Fundraisers** happening this **Spring**. Please check the first couple of pages of this newsletter for more details.

Thank you so much for your gifts of time, talent and treasure which greatly benefit the programs of PAWS for People. I am honored to work beside you in this amazing organization.

~ Clarice Ritchie
Community Engagement Coordinator



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Donations happily accepted.

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**WE NEED 4 HUGS A DAY FOR SURVIVAL
WE NEED 8 HUGS A DAY FOR
MAINTENANCE. WE NEED 12 HUGS A DAY
FOR GROWTH.**

~ VIRGINIA SATIR

Pet Care Corner



Catnip is Good for Dogs

This common herb offers a range of natural health benefits to canines.

Known for its distinctive heart-shaped leaves, delicate pearl-colored flowers and of course its tremendous appeal to felines, catnip actually first gained popularity as a favorite tea leaf in early 16th century Britain. Also used as a home remedy for a variety of human ailments, catnip is a versatile herb that can benefit canine wellness in many different ways:

1 – help him relax

Catnip can be a safe and gentle way to reduce canine anxiety during stressful situation. A mild relaxant, catnip takes the edge off when pooches start to stress out. (It might take up to 30 minutes to become effective – administer ahead of the stressful event.)

2 – tame tummy troubles

As a member of the mint family, catnip has historically been used as a digestive aid in humans, soothing ailments such as heartburn and flatulence.

3 – relieve motion sickness

4 – keep pests away

Recent studies show catnip makes an effective insect repellent. Check out your pet store for a catnip oil spray and try it out.

Animal Wellness, Winter, p. 36-7

PAWS UNIVERSITY

We are busy developing new courses and improving our current courses so you can learn more and be better prepared to do deep and meaningful visits.

Bereavement – Keri Collins-Mooney is adding a few components to the workshop material she presented at the Annual Conference. **August 24th**

Dog Body Language and What it Means – wouldn't you like to know what your dog is thinking? He's telling you A LOT – but it's all through body language. **June 22th**

PAWS PATHS – Pet-Assisted Therapy in the Hospital Setting – ready in the fall

Dog Cognition – what emotions is your dog feeling and how do they solve problems and operate in their world? Come learn and share your own experiences.

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Pet Care Corner



Swimmer's Ear in Dogs

Otitis Externa is the scientific name for "Swimmer's Ear," an infection that affects the outer canal of the ear to the eardrum. Dogs are especially susceptible to infections because their ears often capture warm air and moisture, an environment in which many bacteria and organisms grow. When your dog develops an ear infection, make sure their ears are properly cleaned. In fact, the best way to prevent ear infections is to regularly clean your dog's ears. If the ear infection is serious enough, vets may even prescribe antibacterial medication to combat the infection and inflammation. Most importantly though, keep an eye on the infection. If the infection is improperly treated, it can develop into more serious health complications.

A Round of APPLAWS

We have many people & groups to thank for helping us:

THANK YOU



- Everyone who has been volunteering extra time to work at our community events and GET THE WORD OUT
- Donna Ianire, Aileen Murray, and Pat Kerrigan for their consistent, reliable AMAZING volunteer work here in our office
- Our TEN University of DE interns who are writing programs, doing research, and even making a promotional video
- Peter Morrow and Joanne Reilly from Welfare Foundation and Longwood Foundation, respectively, for taking the time to talk with us about our expansion plans

The Power of a Pet Visit

Dear Eileen and Petey,
Thank you so much for visiting my dad with Petey. He loves you and Petey so much. You put a smile on his face.

And thank you for the back scratcher and shoe horn. What a perfect gift. Dad's back is always itching,

Love, Carolyn

RESEARCH...

Genetic Sequencing of cats
Scientists recently completed the first ever genetic sequencing of a cat. Now, researchers at the University of Missouri are searching for ways to fund the genetic sequencing for more cats through a project called "99 Lives." The researchers say that cats suffer from many of the same genetic diseases as humans and if scientists can sequence the genes of more cats, they can gain a better understanding of how to treat these diseases in cats and in people.



Some of the diseases cats and humans share:
Obesity, diabetes, asthma, urinary tract infections, cancer, heart disease, and infectious diseases.

Feline Wellness – feline.genetics.missouri.edu/99lives

DOGGIE LANGUAGE

What if your dog falls asleep during your visit and someone wants to pet her?

Even if the dog is relaxed enough to be sleeping, she may become startled at the touch of a stranger and wake up less than happy. YOU do the initial contact to wake her before you allow petting.



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**Lynne Robinson,
Executive Director**

A nonprofit, volunteer organization serving
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Our mission is to lovingly provide elders, children, and
folks with disabilities individualized, therapeutic visits
with a gentle, affectionate pet.

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Especially for you...
**Volunteer
Appreciation
Celebrations**

Local Area Gatherings
just for fun
Additional sites to visit

The inside story on PAWS' growth



PAWS Community Outreach Events

This Spring we have many opportunities to be out in the community spreading the word about PAWS for People and pet therapy. We hope to see YOU enjoying some of them! Check the events listed below or go to the website calendar for updates and details. To sign up, email critchie@PAWSforPeople.org or call the office (302-351-5622).

APRIL

- April 2 ~ **All 4 Paws Open House (benefiting PAWS for People)**
Newark, DE, 1:00pm – 4:00pm
- April 7 ~ **Appoquinimink Special Services Fair**
Middletown, DE, 5:30 – 7:30pm
- April 8 ~ **Perryville High School Special Needs Art Class**
Perryville, MD, 11am – 2:30pm
- April 9 ~ **Woofstock @ Bellevue Park**
Wilmington, DE, 10am – 2pm
- April 9 ~ **Haddonfield Pat-a-Palooza**
Haddonfield, NJ, 12pm – 4pm
- April 10 ~ **National Guard Ceremony**
New Castle, DE, 12pm – 4pm
- April 14 ~ **DE Cares Family Partners**
Georgetown, DE, 5:30 – 7:00pm
- April 16 ~ **PetValu Meet & Greet**
Mullica Hill, NJ, 11am – 2pm
- April 16 ~ **Walk for Autism – Cape Henlopen**
Lewes, DE, 9:00am – 1:00pm
- April 18 ~ **DeStress University of De**
Newark, DE, 6:00pm – 8:00pm
- April 19 ~ **Job for Delaware Grads Event**
Dover, DE, 10:30am – 2:30pm
- April 19 ~ **DE Cares Family Partners**
Dover, DE, 5:30pm – 7:00pm
- April 21 ~ **Wesley College Health Fair**
Dover, DE, 10:00am – 2:00pm
- April 23 ~ **Walk for Autism – Fox Pt Park**
Wilmington, DE, 11am – 2pm

APRIL (continued)

- April 27 ~ **DeStress Penn State University – Brandywine Media, PA, 12:00pm – 2:00pm**
- April 29 ~ **DeStress Rowan University**
Glassboro, NJ, 5:00pm – 7:00pm
- April 30 ~ **DeStress University of Pennsylvania**
Philadelphia, PA, 12:00pm – 2:00pm

MAY

- May 1 ~ **WJBR's Pet-a-Palooza @ Carousel Park**
Wilmington, DE, 12:00pm – 5:00pm
- May 2 ~ **DeStress Caesar Rodney High School**
Dover, DE, 7:30am – 8:30am
- May 8 ~ **Canine Capers @ Point-to-Point**
Winterthur, DE, 11:00am – 4:00pm
- May 14 ~ **Paws and Applause Dog Show**
Wilmington, DE, 12:00pm – 4:00pm
- May 14 ~ **Share Your Care @ North East UMC**
North East, MD, 10:00am – 2:00pm
- May 14 ~ **Christiana PetSmart Adoption Event**
Christiana, DE, 10:00am – 4:00pm
- May 16 ~ **DeStress University of Delaware**
Newark, DE, 6:00pm – 8:00pm
- May 21 ~ **Concord Pet Meet & Greet**
Dover, DE, 11:00am – 2:00pm
- May 29 ~ **Newark Farmer's Co-Op Newark Natural Foods**
Newark, DE, 10:00am – 2:00pm

