



# Paw Prints

**H**ave a moment to spare, we'll take it! The Clarenville Area SPCA is always searching for volunteers. We often hear people say they would love to volunteer but can't bear to see the animals with no homes and they fear they would end up owning pets that they are not in the market for. There are many more ways you can volunteer. We need volunteers to help us with fundraising events, planning and helping with the annual dinner, dance and silent auction, helping by collecting the cat canisters and counting change, baking goods for the bake sales, and many many more volunteer opportunities that does not include any direct animal contact. So, if you're in the market and have an hour to spare, please....give us a call. ☺

There are also many volunteer opportunities that does involve direct animal care. Some are:

- 2 hours of evening shelter duty each week.
- Dog walking anytime the shelter is open.
- Fostering animals that are stressed in the shelter environment and need the peace and quiet of a real home
- Visiting the animals to give love and attention.

Once you walk in the shelter door and hear the purrs and see the tails wagging, you'll be hooked!

Interested? Pick up that phone and call today...we'd love to have you join our wonderful group of volunteers. Together we can make a difference!

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**"You cannot look at a sleeping cat and feel tense."**

Reader's Digest, Jane Pauley

### Shelter Viewing Hours

Monday to Saturday

11 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Sunday

1 p.m. to 4 p.m.

**Cost to operate the shelter:**

**\$100,000 annually!**

## Upcoming Fundraising

~ Saturday, May 7 ~

### CAR WASH

at Canadian Tire Gas Bar, Clarenville starting at 10 a.m.  
*Weather permitting.*

We'll make your vehicle shine!

*We are cognizant of scratches to your vehicle and are putting measures in place to prevent this from happening.*



~ Sunday, May 15 ~

### SRPING GARAGE AND BAKE SALE

at Clarenville Events Centre.  
Doors open at 10 a.m.

*Entry fee of \$2 or a donation of canned dog or cat food.*

To donate items, please call the shelter or drop them off during regular business hours. No clothing or footwear.



~ Sunday, June 12 ~

### WALK FOR THE ANIMALS

at Elizabeth Swan Park  
at 4 p.m.

Prizes for highest sponsors to be announced. Refreshments will be provided and also treats for the four-legged participants too!

**Pledge sheets are available on the web site or from the shelter.**



Visit the SPCA web site to learn more about Troy, Blue and Phoenix and all their friends at the shelter.

Groups and individuals continue to regularly donate the basic necessities to the shelter. Donations of canned pet food, laundry detergent, kitty litter, paper towels, bleach, garbage bags, and disposable gloves all significantly help to keep the cost of running the shelter down.

Thanx to everyone for your donations!

# 2nd Annual Dinner and Dance

Mark your calendars for the second annual **Paws for a Cause Fundraiser** planned for **September 2011**.

The first event was held last fall and it was an exquisite evening of fabulous food, entertainment and a wonderful array of silent auction goods/services. Thanks to the generosity of the business community, over 80 items were auctioned and over \$5600 was raised for the spay/neuter fund. To date **41** animals have been spayed/neutered from these proceeds.

For the second annual event.....you will walk into a beautifully decorated banquet room and enjoy a gourmet 3 course meal with lovely entertainment. You'll have fun winning great items on the silent auction event and have the opportunity to win a cash prize. End your evening with a dance. It's a night of just so much fun! We are so excited about it! You will also receive a tax receipt for a portion of your ticket cost.

Many local businesses have the SPCA cats sitting on their counters waiting to collect your loose change. Every penny counts!

PLEASE SUPPORT THE BUSINESSES THAT SUPPORT YOUR LOCAL SPCA!



Diesel, a 5 year old "hound" dog. This cute fellow was living on the end of a chain and was seized by the SPCA. He is now warm, happy and has a full belly thanks to the shelter workers and volunteers.



He did have one problem which needed to be taken care of as soon as possible. Because Diesel was not neutered, he had developed a peri-anal tumor which needed to be surgically removed

Diesel had his surgery in early April and is doing extremely well! A plea was posted on the SPCA web site for Diesel and the animal supporters, as always, answered the call and donated over \$600 for his operation. Diesel sends love, woofs and tailwags to all who helped!!!! ☺

Diesels Foster Mom said that Diesel is a wonderful dog! He is great in the house, quiet, housetrained, well mannered and loves to sleep on the couch! He has been great with my 2 dogs and is perfect with my cats! The even better news.... He has since been adopted to his forever home!

*The surgery ended up costing less than the donations.  
The remaining donations will be used for the next needy animal.*



## ~ Damon ~



Damon was recently seized in Clarendville by the SPCA and the help of the RCMP.

This was the second time that the SPCA has investigated Damon's living conditions. The first time, although his living conditions were not great, by law they were acceptable. The second time, Damon was found tied on in an inadequate dog house and it was -8 degrees.



His dog house was full of snow except for one spot and that was where he was lying. His food dishes were empty and filled with snow. He had lost considerable weight since the first visit with his ribs visibly showing. What a shocking shame!

Damon was brought to the shelter where he got a full belly, warmth and exercise. He was doing well in the shelter environment. What dog wouldn't after those horrible living conditions? Are you ready for more good news?.....Damon has also been adopted!

**Literally and truly, if you have donated a baked good, purchased a ticket or put a coin in our cat canisters, YOU have helped Diesel and Damon get out of their terrible situations.**

**THANK YOU!**

## Changing with the Times

With the cost of producing this newsletter ever increasing, the board has decided that this will be the last SPCA newsletter.

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The SPCA web site is updated on a daily basis and it is hoped that our many supporters will refer to it often.

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If you have received this newsletter by mail, please give us your email address. Several times a year, SPCA supporters are notified by email of upcoming events and activities.

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Bookmark the Clarendville Area SPCA website and visit often at [www.clarendvilleareaspca.ca](http://www.clarendvilleareaspca.ca)

