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I'm with **First Mate Dog Rescue**! To meet me, send an email to FirstMateRescue@yahoo.com or visit our website at www.firstmaterescue.com. You can also find us on Facebook and Instagram!

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Hi, friends! I'm a sweet little girl who is ready to learn and love! At 9-months-old I'm still very much a puppy - full of energy, curiosity, and affection! Just look at me sitting so nicely for my treat. I'm already showing everyone what a smart girl I can be! I came to the shelter as a "stray," and although my previous family was eventually located, they never came back for me. So now I'm looking ahead and hoping

there's a family out there who will choose me and make me part of their lives for good. I'm a very sweet, active girl who would love a family willing to give me plenty of exercise, playtime, and some obedience training. I'm still learning my manners and don't always realize how big and enthusiastic I am, so the shelter thinks a home without small children would be the best fit for me. I'm already spayed, micro-chipped, dewormed, vaccinated and on flea prevention. I've had a bit of a bumpy beginning, but I'm young and my whole life is waiting for me. I just need someone who is ready to teach me, love me, and let me grow into the wonderful dog I know I can be. My ID number is **A523041** and you can find me at the New Hanover Sheriff's Office Animal Services Unit. Adoption hours are Monday through Friday from 11am to 3:30pm and on Saturday from 8am to 11:30am. For more info, call 910-798-7500.

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Hi, I'm **Duke**, and if you're looking for a best friend who believes every day should be an adventure, I think we should meet! I'm an affectionate, athletic young guy who loves getting out and exploring. Hiking, jogging, trips to the park - or just following my nose to see what's interesting - I'm ready to go wherever you are! I'm smart, playful, curious and quite the comedian. Fetch is one of

my absolute favorite things, and I'll happily chase that ball again and again. When playtime is over, I'm just as enthusiastic about giving kisses and soaking up affection from my favorite people. The shelter is still getting to know how I feel about other dogs, but they already know I have a big heart and a whole lot of love and fun to share. Let's meet at the New Hanover Humane Society. Adoption hours are Monday through Friday from 10am to 2pm and you can also call 910-763-6692 with any questions.

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without needing to be the center of attention. I also LOVE my walks with volunteers. Give me a chance to put my famous Hound nose to work, and I'm happy as can be! I'm heartworm positive and will need continued treatment after adoption, but don't let that fool you - it doesn't slow me down one bit. I'm ready to enjoy life and find the family who will give me the care I need. I'm easy-going, affectionate, social, and just an all-around wonderful little Hound girl. Please call 910-937-1164 or 910-455-0182 with any questions or for information. P.S. I love going for rides in the car and am house-trained, too! ♥

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flawless litterbox habits! My favorite pastime is lounging in a hammock by the window where I can watch the birds, but I'm also playful, curious, and full of silly kitten antics.

I can be a little shy when we first meet, but once I feel comfortable, you'll hear my sweet purr and I'll happily invite you to join me for playtime and naps. I love other kittens, too, and I'm happy to share my toys and even my food because having a friend makes everything more fun. I am spayed, up to date on kitten vaccines and microchipped, so I'm all ready for a forever home of my own - could it be with you? Apply for me at www.friendsofelines.org/adopt and click on the Adoption Application tab on the lower right corner. You can also email friendsofelines@aol.com or call 910-232-7741. Hope to see you soon! ♥

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I'm **Slim Jim**, a 3-year-old neutered male Hound mix with a heart full of love and energy! I'm always ready for fun - walks, playtime, adventures, you name it. I'm a happy, social pup who gets along great with other dogs and I'd love a furry friend to hang out with. If you're looking for a loyal adventure buddy



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Great News! My adoption fee has been generously covered by Invoke Staffing as part of their support for senior dogs like me! My name is **Gizmo** and I'm a 10-year-old boy who is full of personality and love. I'm dog and kid friendly and am ready to be the best friend you've ever had. I'm medium in size with a short tail and I'm cute as can be. To meet me, call 910-799-5638,

email carolinaboxer@carolinaboxerrescue.org or apply for my adoption at www.carolinaboxerrescue.org. ♥

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I'm **Ember**, a 5-year-old Lab. I'm a large girl at 82 pounds but that gives you all the more to love, as I see it! I was brought to the shelter because, after having lots and lots of puppies, my humans had no more use for me. Thankfully, Monty's Home saw I would make a great family pet, and I am learning the basics in their training program



to do just that and so much more. I can even catch a ball! What FUN that is. All those years of mothering didn't take the puppy out of me, that's for sure. Fill out an application at www.montyshome.org or call 910-259-7911 for more info. ♥

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while it took some time for me to adjust, it wasn't long before my sweet and playful side began to appear. I started chirping at my toys, enjoying catnip pawties, and finding that sometimes, life changes are ok. I am spayed, vaccinated, litterbox-trained and in great health. Apply for my adoption at www.rescueconnectnc.com. You can also send an email to rescueconnectnc@gmail.com or call 910-302-7290 and one of my pals will get back to you. ♥

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UNFORGOTTEN SOULS RESCUE



Who needs a shadow when you could have me, **Modello!** If you're looking for a sweet companion who loves cuddles, playtime, and a good nap, I may be the one you've been waiting for. At 2-years-old, I'm a mixed-breed boy who loves to snuggle and I'm happiest when I can be close to my people. Give me a stuffie and I'm ready for some fun, or let

me settle in for a cozy nap and I'll be perfectly content. When I'm feeling playful, I especially enjoy a good game of tug-of-war with my canine friends. And here's one of my great qualities - I genuinely enjoy having other dogs around. I love doing zoomies in the yard while my dog friends chase me, turning playtime into a tail-wagging, joyful event. If you're searching for a loving, playful dog who enjoys people, canine pals, cuddles, and the simple pleasures of everyday life, I'm ready to meet you. Please apply at www.theunforgottensouls.com/adopt, or send an email to theunforgottensouls@gmail.com. You can also find more of my photos on our Instagram and Facebook pages: www.instagram.com/unforgottensoulsrescue and www.facebook.com/unforgottensoulsrescue. ♥

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If I sound like a pup you could love, I'd very much like to meet you! I'm with Southeast German Shepherd Rescue, so visit www.southeastgermanshepherdrescue.com or email sgsrtrreasurer@gmail.com with any questions. Or you can find us on Facebook!



Hi there! I'm **Betty White** (on the left), and the lovely girl snuggled up beside me is my sister, **Ruby Rose**. We may not be sisters by birth, but as far as we're concerned, we're family! Ruby and I have been

together since we were just tiny kittens, and now, at about 4-years-old, we're still the best of friends. We've grown up side by side, shared countless naps and cuddles, and we'd really love to spend the rest of our lives together, too. I'm the more outgoing one of our little duo, while Ruby likes to take her time getting to know new people. But once she decides you're a friend, watch out - there's a serious snuggle bug hiding underneath that shy exterior! And when you have BOTH of us feeling comfortable and affectionate? Well, that's twice the purrs, twice the cuddles and twice the love. We think we make a pretty irresistible pair. Just look at us - we even know how to squeeze ourselves into the same cozy bed! We are both spayed, vaccinated and litterbox-trained, and we're ready to trade our shelter bed for a comfy spot in a home of our very own. So, what do you say? Is there room in your heart and home for two sweet sisters who already know they belong together? Please visit us at Southport Oak Island Animal Rescue (SOAR).

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◀Hi there! I'm **Jess**, a 4-month-old Hound mix pup who's mastered the art of puppy dog eyes. Don't be fooled by my ASPCA-esque gaze - I'm a bundle of energy and joy! I'm always getting into mischief with my furry foster bros, and my 'who, me?' face will have

you wrapped around my paw in no time. If you're ready for a sidekick who's always down for a good time, a snuggle fest, or a game of 'make my human laugh', then I'm your gal! ♥

►Believe in yourself, believe in me! I'm **Maple**, and I know I'm meant for greatness - a forever home where I can shine my light! I'm a 6-year-old Lab mix girl who is playful and fun. I thrive on human connection, so I'm looking for a home where I can be the center of attention, no other furbabies preferred. My foster family is helping me become the best version of myself, and I just know I'll make some lucky human's life richer with my love and devotion. I'm easy-going in the house, great in the car, love toys and have a zest for life! Pick me, and let's create a lifetime of unforgettable memories! ♥



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►Hi everyone, my name is **Calypso**. I'm the mama of those 9 beautiful puppies pictured on this page. I'll soon be ready to let my little family move on to their forever homes and it will be my turn to find my new place. I'm a Husky mix and my foster Mama says I'm the best gal! I am gentle with my foster family when they help me with my babies and I love giving them kisses. I should be ready to go to my new foster or foster-to-adopt home in a few weeks. I do have heartworms BUT Freedom Bridge told me to tell you that they pay for everything and that I'll be just fine! So if you're looking for a gentle, sweet, beautiful girl who is good with kids, then don't turn the page, I'm right here! ♥



◀Hi there, I'm **Bodhi**, a fun-loving mixed-breed boy just 2½-years-old! There are three things I love in life: beach sunrises (just kidding, I'd rather do zoomies all day), snuggling on the couch with a bowl of water and a side of sports, and being the ultimate chill buddy - solo or with the squad. Oh, and I've got manners...most of the time...I'm a guy, after all!

I love to play, hang with my humans, I enjoy other pups and I'm just an all-around fabulous fellow waiting for my very own family. Could that be you and yours? ♥

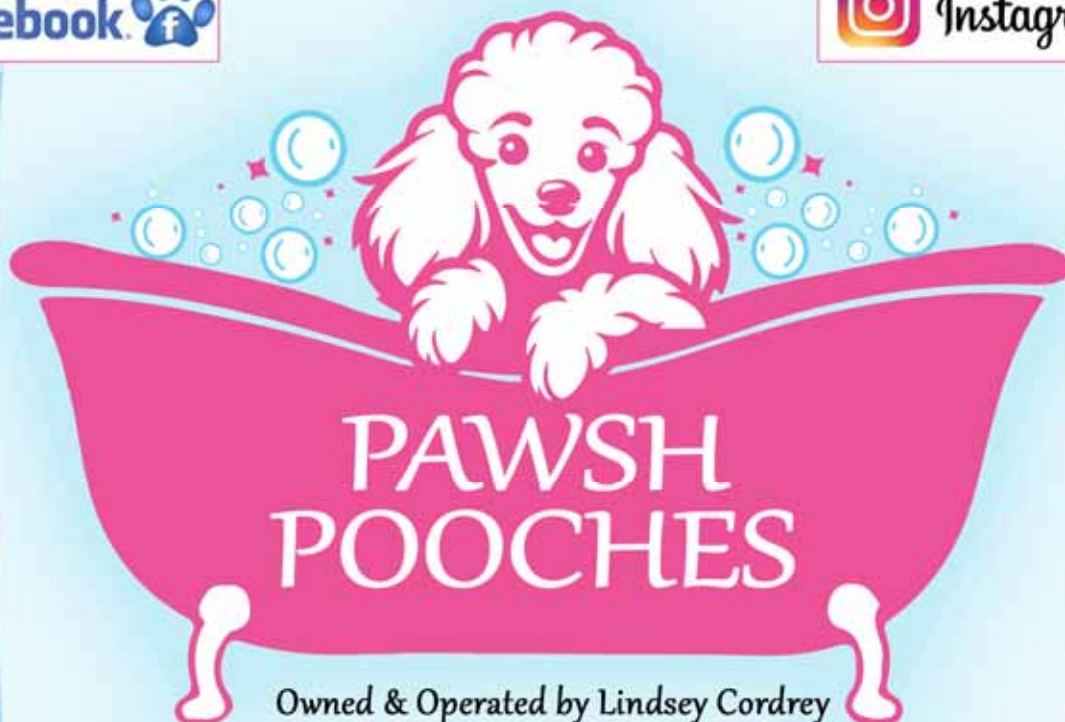


►We're Calypso's puppies, also known as **Ocean's 9!** (Our mom is pictured on this page.) 7 boys and 2 girls, our names are salty-water themed. Not sure who our Papa (or PaPas) was/were but we're all incredibly cute! We are ready to go to our foster or foster to adopt homes and we're about 10-weeks-old. Are you ready for some puppy love? ♥



◀I'm **Miss Dolly**, a 4-year-old Hound mix who's back with Freedom Bridge after a brief stint as a free spirit. I'm a total sweetpea, but also a bit of a scaredy-pup - people and pup pals make my tail wag, but the great outdoors still gives me the zoomies...in a bad way. With a fenced yard and a BFF to show me the ropes, I'll be back to my old self in no time! Interested in helping a cutie like me gain confidence? ♥

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► Hi! I'm **Sally** and I was rescued from an apartment complex where my mama, Suzie, gave birth. I'm a tiny fluff of Tabby and white fur right now, but I am the sweetest and most gentle baby girl. At 7-months-old, I enjoy pouncing on other kittens and my own tail. I appreciate affection and am learning that people's laps are the coolest place to nap. If you'd like to meet me soon, please call my pals at 910-599-2755. ♥



► I'm **Alina**, a sweet teenage girl who is less than a year old. A beautiful Tortoiseshell, I was once a lonely stray relying on the kindness of neighborhood residents. Thankfully, I was rescued by CAT and am now ready for a forever home. I'm a certified, professional lap kitten! The moment you sit down, I'll happily hop right into your lap to cuddle. I'm incredibly loving, I thrive on attention, and I have a non-stop purr motor that will melt your heart. Call 910-599-2755 so we can meet! ♥



► I'm **Max**, a handsome orange and white marble Tabby who is an outgoing little love bug. I will totally steal your heart with my sweet personality! I love purring, snuggling and cuddling, but I'm also always ready for play-time. Give me a jingle ball or turn on the laser, and I'm off chasing my next adventure! My favorite place, though? Right beside my sister Hope (also featured on this page). We love to play, chase, wrestle, explore, and snuggle together. Our bond is so sweet, and we're hoping someone will open their heart and home to both of us. Call or text 910-599-2755 to meet! ♥



► Hi! I'm **Hope**, a gorgeous Calico girl with the most unique orange and gray Tabby colors. I'm a little ball of energy with a HUGE personality! Confident and outgoing, I'm always ready for fun. I LOVE playing with my toys, exploring, and especially jumping in and out of boxes! I'll keep you smiling with my silly adventures and then happily settle in with my brother Max (also pictured on this page) when it's time for a recharge. We're the perfect pair so why not adopt both of us? Please call 910-599-2755 to meet us soon. ♥



► I'm **Jerry**, a super-active and playful kitten on the go. I'm mostly white with brown and gray Tabby patches and although I'm the only survivor of my litter, I am healthy, fearless and I even befriended the giant dog at my foster home. I am super-affectionate, loving and I purr all the time. Since my giant dog friend is not up for adoption,



I would love to be welcomed to a home where there is another cat who would be my playmate. That way we can run, play, and tumble. We kittens need company and I am ready! To meet me, call my friends at 910-599-2755. ♥



▲ I'm **Celine** and this is my sister, **Cindy**! Just 4-months of age, we were rescued in downtown Wilmington and bottle fed by our foster mom. Although we've now outgrown our baby stage and are very playful kittens, we still like to be cradled like babies, and we purr up a storm when our tummies are rubbed. We get along great with the other cats, but love each other the most, so we hope to be adopted together. Call 910-599-2755 to meet us! ♥

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From the sunny shores of St. Croix all the way to Paws Place Dog Rescue, I've got quite the story, and I'm ready to start my next chapter! My name is **Marina** and, at just 5-months-old, I'm a sweet Hound mix girl who is as

affectionate as they come. I love people, playing with my favorite toys, and soaking up every bit of attention I can get. Toss me a toy and I just might bounce right back with it before happily climbing into your lap. And if you sit down for some cuddles? Well, don't be surprised if I decide your lap is my new favorite spot! I'm still growing, but one thing is already full sized: my heart! I'm playful, loving, full of puppy personality, and I'm ready to bring plenty of tail wags, cuddles, and love to my future home. Come on over to Paws Place and meet me! We're open Tuesday through Saturday from 10am to 2pm. No appointment is necessary! Please call 910-845-7297 or email info@pawsplace.org with questions.

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Hello there, everyone! I'm **Prince Shiloh**, an adorable black-and-white kitten with a sweet face and a very distinguished black goatee. And yes, as my name suggests, I'm royalty! I even have my very own throne on the back of the couch, where I can keep an eye on my kingdom - and collect pets from everyone who walks by. I'm a playful, affectionate boy who loves people and enjoys being right in the middle of the action. I also do wonderfully with kittens smaller than me and

make a terrific playmate. I'm always happy to chase toys, wrestle with my kitty friends, explore my surroundings, and then settle in for some attention from my favorite humans. I think I have the perfect combination of playful kitten energy and loveable sweetness. All I need now is a furrever kingdom of my very own, complete with people to love me, toys to play with, and, of course, a suitable throne! If you're looking for a handsome little prince to rule your heart, I'm ready to reign! To meet, apply at www.friendsofelines.org/adopt and click on the Adoption Application tab on the lower right corner. You can also call my pals at 910-232-7741 or email friendsofelines@aol.com.

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◀Hi there! I'm **Lyra** (AF16658), a 3-year-old beauty with gorgeous tiger-point markings that make me look a lot like a Lynx Point Siamese. I may have a Mystery History, but one thing seems pretty clear - I've known love before,

because I'm an affectionate girl who knows just how to steal a heart! I'm sweet, lovely, and quite the looker, if I do say so myself. Stop by and say hello - but fair warning: once we meet, your heart may be mine! ♥



◀I'm **Leo** (AF14237), the shelter's Lion-Hearted brave boy who is having to start over and find a new best friend at the ripe young age of 3. I'm looking for a home that will build up my confidence, work out my energy, and enrich my life with learning and loving. I am neutered, vaccinated microchipped, and ready to begin a new chapter in life with someone just like you. Please come over to meet me - I'm a fantastic boy! ♥

▶Hi, I'm **Bugle**, (AF16702), a precious 8-week-old girl from the Snack Attack Litter! My brothers, Frito and Tostito, and I are waiting to meet you. I'm a playful sweetheart who's ready to fill your home with kitten fun, cuddles, and lots of love! And here's a little secret



you should know - kittens are usually happiest with a kitty buddy, so maybe you could take home two snacks! ♥

▶Hi! I'm **Pepper Jack** (AF16921), a handsome 5-month-old boy and proud member of the Big Cheese Litter! My brothers Colby Jack, Munster, Mozzarella, and I may think we're big boys now, but we're still sweet little cuddle bugs at heart. I'm at the perfect age for playing, exploring, snuggling, and bringing lots of kitten fun into your home. Like most kittens, I'd be especially happy with another kitty sibling. ♥



◀Hi, I'm **Penelope** (AF15665), a 7-year-old, 65-pound gentle girl with a heart as big as I am! I'm sweet, easy-going, and have a terrific personality that makes me a wonderful companion. I'm a perfect lady on the leash and love going for leisurely walks with my people. One of my favorite things is rolling around in the grass and enjoying the simple

pleasures of life. Please come over and get to know me! ♥

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◀I'm **Slate** (AF15975), a handsome 5-year-old Shepherd mix boy who arrived at the shelter due to being bullied by a small dog in the home. I'm now looking for a loving family who has a dog that is compatible with me, or no other dog would be fine, too. No cats, please! You can't tell from my glamour shot, but I need to lose a few pounds. We can go for walks together! ♥

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BIG DOG ALERT: Hi friends, I'm **Dallas**, and I'm a tall guy! I might even have a little Great Dane in me or I could be a tall Lab mix. I am a 2-year-old, 76 pound puppy. I love dogs and need at least one other dog in my life to thrive. I get along with dogs of all sizes and ages although seniors are annoyed by my abounding joy. Paradoxically, I am very calm and chill for such a young pup. I seem to do well with cats that don't run away. I love taking a dip in the doggie pool and splashing in the rain

and puddles, but I don't really care for baths. How funny is that? I am good on a leash. I am not fond of getting in cars and my foster mom is working on that. I am not very food driven, but I am eating a salmon food diet to make my coat shiny. My foster mom defines me as A KEEPER which means she'd keep me if she could. So, I got a personal reference from a dog trainer - Sam, my foster mom, is a dog trainer. She's telling you how awesome I am because I got someone to fall in love with me already. Meet me and you'll fall in love with me, too. Please call Jill with Animal Ally Action Fund at 910-620-3783 to set up a day and time.

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I'm **Peppermint Patty**, a confident, playful little girl with a big personality and an even bigger heart. I absolutely love to play and will happily entertain myself (and you!) with my antics. When I'm comfortable, I'm also incredibly affectionate - I enjoy being carried, getting kisses from my foster parents, and curling up to sleep on my foster dad. I can

feel overwhelmed in busy environments like adoption fairs, where I may seem a bit dramatic - but it's only because I'm scared. Once I'm back in a calm setting or with someone I trust, I quickly settle down and show my true, sweet nature. I may be a little shy when meeting new people at first, but I warm up quickly once I realize I'm safe and loved. I have been well-socialized, even spending time in an office where I've met new people and other cats. Give me a moment to feel safe, and you'll be rewarded with a loving, playful, and deeply devoted companion whose true colors - and stripes - are absolutely beautiful. Just 1-year-old, I am healthy, spayed, up to date on vaccines and litterbox-trained. To meet me, call Susannah with Adopt-An-ANGEL at 910-381-8926.

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up at you with my beautiful brown eyes, it just makes you melt! I know simple commands and respond well to training, especially if there are treats involved! I'm ready to play and cuddle with my new family, so I hope you'll visit me soon at Brunswick County Sheriff's Animal Protective Services. It's open from 10am to 5pm Monday through Friday and on Saturday from 10am to 2pm. If you have questions, call my shelter friends at 910-253-1738. Oh, if you have another pup, bring him or her with you for a supervised meeting to make sure we have "chemistry".

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If you're looking for a lap cat (who is totally chill unless it's time to play with other cats), I'm your gal! My name is **Fiona** and the first thing everyone notices about me is how adorably I look up at the people I love. My previous foster parents were a retired couple and I was obsessed with them, but I missed having cat buddies! I'm quite playful and enjoy romping around like a kitten,

though I'm around 1 to 2-years-old now. At my current foster home, I love both older cats and younger kittens alike. I love to groom the little ones and probably see myself as their mentor-in-mischief. I would love to be a companion to your current cat, or join your home at the same time as another cat friend! If you'd like to meet me, please go apply at www.friendsofelines.org/adopt and click on the Adoption Application tab on the lower right corner. You can also contact my pals by emailing friendsofelines@aol.com or by calling Friends of Felines at 910-232-7741.

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car rides, time with my people, and naps on the couch. I'm looking for an active, loving feline-free home where I can be part of the family. My ID number is **A523428** and you'll find me at the New Hanover Sheriff's Office Animal Services Unit. Adoption hours are Monday - Friday from 11am to 3:30pm and on Saturday from 8am to 11:30am. For more info, please give them a call at 910-798-7500.

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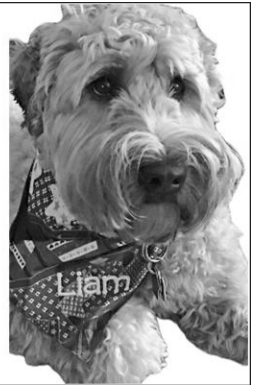
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be great! I love playing soccer with my tennis ball, and am a happy pup. I bet you'd like to know where to find me! I'm with Southeast German Shepherd Rescue, so please visit www.southeastgermanshepherdrescue.com or send an email to sgsrtreasurer@gmail.com with any questions about me. You can also find us on Facebook!

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◀ At just 6-pounds, I'm a 3-year-old Chihuahua boy named **Nico**! I can be shy at first, but I'm working hard to build my confidence. I'd love a patient family to give me the time, space, and support I need to come out of my shell at my own pace. With kindness, patience, and plenty of love, I will continue to blossom into a loyal and loving

companion. I'll learn the world can be a safe, happy and loving place, and you can be there to see me shine. ♥



◀ Hi there! I'm **Falcon**, a 6-month-old Lab mix boy who is sweet, goofy and playful. I've got a big personality and a love for saying hello to everyone I meet. I'm always ready for a new adventure, whether that means exploring the fall leaves, making new friends, or simply enjoying some cozy time with my favorite people. If you're looking for a fun-loving friend to make your autumn days brighter, I'm ready to spread my puppy wings and fly straight into your heart! ♥



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▶ At 2-years-old, I'm a sweet Chihuahua boy named **Desi**. I can be a little shy at first, but with kindness, patience and time, my sweet personality begins to shine. Once I feel safe, I love staying close to my people and thrive on all the love and tenderness that they can give me. I've officially completed my heartworm treatment (yay!) and am now ready for cozy naps, cuddles, and a family who will let me blossom at my very own pace. ♥



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▲ I'm **Timi**, a sweet 6-year-old Chihuahua mix boy. I may be a bit shy at first but, once I get to know and trust you, I'll be your little shadow, happily following right by your side wherever you go. I also love curling up in your lap and enjoying plenty of cuddle time. Let's meet soon! ♥



◀ I'm a 6-month-old Lab mix boy named **Eagle** and I'm always ready to make you smile. I have a BIG heart and a fun personality that makes me impossible not to love. I especially love jumping right into your lap for snuggles and I also enjoy soaking up all the affection I can get. I'm just a goofy little love bug who is ready for crisp Fall adventures, cozy days and plenty of love with a family of my own. Please make room for me and all the

love I have to share. We'll have a perfect Autumn! ♥



◀ I'm **Amelia Ear-Hart** and I'm ready to soar right into your heart! At 5-months-old, I'm a truly adorable Hound mix puppy girl who is playful and gentle. I'd love nothing more than to curl up in your lap for cuddles. With fall adventures, toys, treats and

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◀My name is **Rocky** and I'm a 5-month-old solid black teenage kitten. I am a HOOT! Look at me tilt my head at you all cute. I might have some Siamese in me. Look at my pointy features. I am a lot of fun. I am super friendly and as adorable as can be. I am neutered, vaccinated, litterbox-trained and microchipped. Please call Jill at 910-620-3783 to arrange a meeting, ok? ♥

▶I'm **Iggy**, a 6-year-old spayed Tabby girl with an amazing personality. I am so friendly and sweet! I am definitely a social cat - not a scaredy cat at all. I can fit in with other cats, but I am afraid of dogs and small kids. I came into the shelter with another cat and he got adopted. If you would like to meet me, please reach out to Jill at 910-620-3783. ♥



▶LITTLE DOG ALERT!

I am **Skippy**, only 19 pounds, and they think I'm a Rat Terrier or Jack Russell mix. I am about 4-years-old. They are just starting to know my true personality since I was quite sick. I am turning more active and I am feeling much better and wanting to fetch. I am a fetch-a-holic and can easily fetch a small toy 22 times in a row just jumping off the couch in your living room. I like to have people around, so someone home a lot is helpful. I was one of 15 small breed dogs that was dumped on Project Rd in Brunswick County that the shelter trapped a few weeks ago. So, I am great with dogs. I am ok with older kids too, but still learning to adapt to a cat. I am neutered, microchipped, vaccinated and heartworm negative. Please call Jill at 910-620-3783 to meet me! ♥



◀My name is **Bean**. I am a drop dead gorgeous teenage Russian Blue kitten. I am about 5-months-old. I am wonderful with cats, kids and I believe I could adjust to a dog since I am young enough. I was a stray originally, but I have been raised in a foster home so I am super social and friendly. Do you know how rare Russian Blues are and what a find I am? Even better,

I'm already neutered, up to date on vaccines, litterbox-trained and microchipped. There's nothing left for you to do but adopt me! Call Jill at 910-620-3783 so we can meet soon. ♥

▶SENIOR ALERT! I'm

Bailey, a 10-year-old fella who does well with nice cats and older kids, but I am not fond of dogs. I would LOVE to be your only pet. I am a sweetheart who loves the finer things in life like canned food, predictability, and TV on a couch. I showed up at someone's house during the snowstorm and tried my best to adopt that family, but their cats didn't like me. I am neutered, up to date on vaccines, microchipped, negative for FIV and FeLV and ready for a nice home. I do have the beginning stages of kidney disease and I eat special prescription KD Food. I will need a patient person to adopt me because I do not transition well and you need to give me several days to weeks to adjust. Call Jill at 910-620-3783 to meet me. ♥



◀I'm **Sally**, a young 2 to 3-year-old Hound who weighs about 40 pounds. I can be playful and fun when I want to. I am curious and smart. I am crate-trained, good with other dogs and cats and older kids. I want to be with people and I cry when I am left alone. I can be quite vocal so no apartment living for me. I tested positive for heartworms and my friends here at AAAP are treating me.

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But somehow, I'm still waiting.

I'm a 5-year-old sweet black fuzz ball who loves being scratched, brushed and loved on. I'm healthy, playful, spayed, vaccinated, microchipped and litterbox-trained, and I'd prefer to be your one and only kitty.

People sometimes overlook me for kittens or cats with flashier coats, but those people don't know what they're missing! I promise there's something very special underneath this little black coat.

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But a cat's coat color tells you **nothing about the love, companionship or personality hiding underneath it**. Black cats are every bit as affectionate, playful, silly and devoted as cats of any other color.

So, when you're looking for your next feline family member, take a second look at the little black cat you might otherwise pass by. **Sometimes the pet who is easiest to overlook is the one who has been waiting the longest for someone to finally see them.**



Let's end Black Cat Bias
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Hi there! My name is **Layla** and I'm hoping my next best friend is reading this. I'm 7-years-old, and if you asked my family, they'd tell you I'm one of the sweetest, most loyal dogs they've ever known. I love my people with my whole heart. I'm happiest curled up next to you on the couch, going for walks, playing outside, or just being wherever you are. Belly rubs? Yes, please. Treats?

Even better. This is the hardest thing my family has ever had to do. They love me more than words can say, and if love alone could fix everything, I'd be staying right where I am. But sometimes life changes in ways none of us expect. My family now has very young children, and I've learned that I don't do well with the unpredictability that comes with toddlers. I need a calm home where I can truly relax and be the best version of myself. It's not anyone's fault - it's just who I am. I'm looking for a home without any other pets or young children. I'm healthy, spayed, microchipped, up to date on vaccines, and my skin allergies are well managed with Apoquel. My family will send me home with plenty of medication, food, treats and all my favorite beds and blankets to ease my transition. If you're looking for a loyal best friend who will greet you with a wagging tail every day, keep you company on walks, and love you with her whole heart, I might just be your perfect match. My family only has one wish - that whoever adopts me loves me even half as much as they do. If you do, I promise you'll have a best friend for life. My email is homeforlayla19@gmail.com and I can't wait to meet you!



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My name is
Salem
(AF16554)!

My bestie is Winston, pictured above. He and I are looking for a soft place to land, hopefully together. We enjoy lounging in bed and leisurely walks. I'm 5-years-old and am

an adorable Beagle. Come meet us at **Brunswick County Sheriff's Animal Protective Services**, or call **910-253-1738** for answers to any questions.





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I'm also showing signs of being a natural retriever, and since I'm still just a youngster, I have plenty of time to learn all kinds of tricks and become the wonderful companion I'm meant to be. If you're looking for an active, playful, silly girl to share adventures with, come meet me! I'm ready to go-go-go right into my forever home! Let's meet at the New Hanover Sheriff's Office Animal Services Unit. Adoption hours are Monday - Friday from 11am to 3:30pm and on Saturday from 8am to 11:30am. For info, call 910-798-7500.

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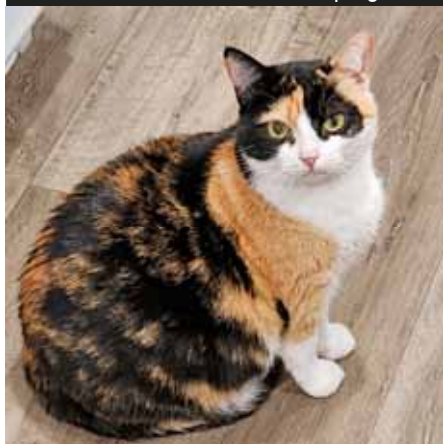
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but once I know I'm safe and can trust you, my sweet and silly personality really starts to shine. And let me tell you, I LOVE a good belly rub! Squeaky toys are another one of my favorite things. Give me a fun toy, a little patience, and some time to warm up, and you'll be well on your way to winning my heart! This fall, I'm hoping to find someone special to share cozy days, fun adventures, belly rubs, and lots of love. Let's meet at Paws Place. It's open Tuesday through Saturday from 10am to 2pm. No appointment is necessary! Please call 910-845-7297 or email info@pawsplace.org with questions.

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Ash

Hi, I'm **Ash**, a 4½-month-old little black panther with sleek fur, bright eyes and a sweet personality. I can be a little shy when we first meet, but give me a little



Penny

time to know you and you'll discover my secret - I'm actually a big cuddle bug in a tiny kitten body! And that adorable sleepy girl you see curled up in her cozy bed? That's my little friend **Penny**. She's 3½-months-old and is a beautiful dilute Calico with the

cutest little peach-colored markings. Penny can be a little shy at first, too, but she absolutely loves other kitties, so having a feline friend around makes her very happy. When Penny isn't busy demonstrating her expert napping skills, the two of us have plenty of kitten energy! We're playful girls who especially love toys on strings. Dangle one in front of us and suddenly we have important kitten business to attend to! Penny and I think we'd make pretty wonderful pals for life, so if you happen to have room in your heart and home for two sweet girls, we'd love to grow up together. But we understand that sometimes there's only room for one, and we can be adopted separately, too. We're both spayed, vaccinated and litterbox-trained, so all that's missing is a home to call our own. Whether you fall for a little black panther who turns into a cuddle bug or a darling dilute calico who loves kitty companionship - or maybe you fall for both of us - we hope you'll call Sharon from The Ruffian Foundation at 910-262-8890 to set up a meeting!

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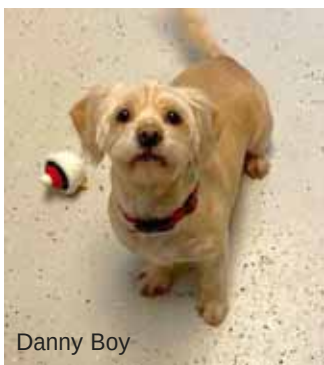
◀Hi, I'm **Lizzie!** At 11-months-old, I'm a brown Tabby girl who is bright and bouncy! With my warm stripes and curious eyes, I'm a little ray of sunshine who brings happiness everywhere I go. I'm always the first to discover new toys, the quickest to pounce on a moving feather, and the star of every zoomie session. Once I'm done exploring, I love to curl up close, purring myself into the softest little ball. I am good with cats and friendly

dogs, and I'm already spayed, vaccinated and litterbox-trained. If a sweet, spirited girl is your desire, here I am! ♥

▶I'm **Rue**, a 3-year-old Tabby girl with lots of personality packed into my sturdy frame.

I would thrive as the queen of my own castle, where I can enjoy a calm, predictable home without other pets. I enjoy lounging and soaking up quiet companionship. If you're looking for a loyal feline friend who prefers a one-cat household and will reward you with her presence and personality, I may be your girl!

I am spayed, vaccinated, litterbox-trained and ready to join you on that ride home! ♥



Danny Boy



Little Bit

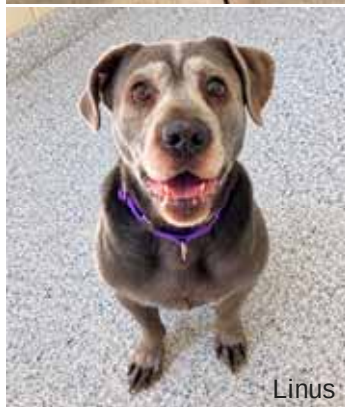
▲I'm **Danny Boy**, a purebred Glen of Imaal Terrier, and this is my best friend, **Lil Bit!** She's a Chihuahua. We are small pups who lost the only home we've ever known when our mom passed away. Through all the change and heartbreak, we've stayed by each other's side every step of the way. We're a bonded pair, so we're looking for a loving home where we can stay together forever. We're as adorable as can be, so hurry over to meet us today! ♥

▶Hi, I'm **Bodie**, a 3-year-old Pitbull boy with a big heart and a brand-new appreciation for life! I recently had an intestinal obstruction removed through surgery. I had been feeling awful and lost quite a bit of weight, but those days are behind me! I'm feeling great, eating like a champ, and happily making up for lost time. And if there's a Pup Cup involved, even better! Everyone says I'm incredibly sweet and loving, and I have a way of stealing hearts wherever I go. I recently visited

a brewery where I was surrounded by lots of people and other dogs, and I had a wonderful time socializing and soaking up all the attention. I am heartworm positive, but please don't let that scare you away. The shelter is taking care of my treatment so I can put that behind me, too. Happy days are ahead - could they be spent with you? ♥



Maggie



Linus

◀Hi, I'm **Maggie**, and the handsome fellow below me is my best friend, **Linus**.

We're both 10-year-old Lab mixes, and more than anything, we're hoping to find a home where we can spend our golden years together. Life took an unexpected turn when we lost our home and ended up in a shelter. We were running out of time, but thankfully, Pender County Humane Society stepped in and gave us a second chance. Now we're waiting for someone special to give us the happy ending we deserve. At our age, we're not asking for much - just a soft bed (or two!), gentle hands, plenty of love, and a family who will spoil us silly. We've already been through the hard part. Now we'd like to spend the rest of our lives knowing that we're safe, cherished, and home. We're house-trained, up to date on our

vaccines, spayed/neutered, and heartworm negative. Best of all, we come as a package deal - you get twice the love and two grateful hearts. Please give Linus and me the chance to grow old together in a home of our own. We promise to make every day you give us count. ♥



Hi, I'm a handsome little guy, about 1-year-old, and I'm hoping my next adventure leads me straight to you! I came to the shelter as a stray, and you'll notice the tip of one of my ears is missing. That's a little sign from my past - it means I was once part of a TNR program, where I was neutered and returned outdoors. But I've discovered that being loved by people is pretty wonderful! I can be a quiet, shy

boy when we first meet, but start petting me and before you know it, I'll be resting my head right in your hands, soaking up all the affection. It turns out I'm quite the sweetheart once I know I'm safe. I've spent enough time taking care of myself. Now I'd really love to know what it feels like to have a home, a full food bowl, gentle hands to rest my head in, and someone who will love me forever. My ID number is **A524144** and I'm at the New Hanover Sheriff's Office Animal Services Unit. Adoption hours are Monday - Friday from 11am to 3:30pm and on Saturday from 8am to 11:30am. For more information, call 910-798-7500.

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will find people who will love me as much as they do! I'm a 1-year-old mixed-breed and I'm a pretty big boy! I love life and would enjoy a home with a fenced yard so that I can do my zoomies. I'm good with older kids, I think you call them teenagers, and I play well with other pups. I'd do best in a feline-free home, and would be happy with a doggie sister but I'd also be fine as the only furry one in the household. I'm currently getting some training so that I get better with manners and I LOVE it because I enjoy learning! To meet, call Freedom Bridge Animal Rescue NC at 843-614-0231 or please send an email to my rescue friends. It is freedombridgeanimalrescuenc@gmail.com.

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► Hi, my name is **Happy Hazel**, and I'm a gorgeous 4-year-old Russian Blue mix! I may be bashful at first, but once I warm up to you, I'm incredibly sweet and friendly. I enjoy the company of other cats and do great with kids. I've not been around dogs yet, but I might get



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heading off on an adventure, I'd love to be your little shadow. I'm not asking for much - just someone who will love me, include me, and let me be the devoted little friend I was born to be. I'll happily be your cuddle buddy, couch companion, and sidekick. Give me your heart and I promise: "I will always love you!" Call Pender County Humane Society at 910-259-7022 and they'll be glad to tell you more about me and how we can meet.

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◀Hi! I'm a happy, playful Pit Bull mix boy who's about 8-months-old. I came to the shelter in mid-July, and everyone is surprised that no one came looking for me since I'm such an outgoing pup with a tail that never seems to stop wagging. I'm a fun-loving fellow who adores toys, treats, and everyone I meet. I'm neutered, full of happiness, and hoping the next person who comes looking for me will be the one who takes me home. Be sure to ask for me - my ID number is **A522348**. ♥



◀Hi, I'm a sweet 1-year-old girl who already knows "sit," "easy," and "off," and I'm working on "come," too. I can be a little bouncy and excited when we first meet, but give me a few minutes and I'll turn into your little Velcro girl! I take treats very gently, and while toys haven't really caught my attention, anything involving food definitely has. I'm spayed, young, loving, and ready to stick by your side.

My ID number is **A523681**. Come and meet me soon! ♥



◀Hi! I'm a 1-year-old Blue Heeler boy who came to the shelter as a stray. No one came looking for me, but it's clear from my behavior that I was someone's dog before. I'm an active, energetic herding dog, and being a Blue Heeler is a big part of who I am, so the shelter is looking for an adopter with current Blue Heeler experience. I need someone who understands the breed and can give me the exercise, structure, training and positive outlets that will help

me thrive. My ID number is **A524221**. Come and meet me! ♥

►Hi, I'm a sweet little 3-month-old girl (**A524123**) who came to the shelter as a stray. I may be a bit shy at first, but underneath my timid exterior is a gentle sweetheart just waiting to feel safe and loved. I arrived with a small upper respiratory infection, but I've been treated

and I'm feeling much better! I was also recently spayed and have received my first series of kitten vaccines. I've got a whole life ahead of me - could I spend it with you? ♥



A524181, a boy



A524182, a girl

◀Hi there! My sibling and I were left at a restaurant when we were much too young to be away from our mama. Thankfully, the wonderful shelter staff took us in, cared for us, and helped us grow into the happy, playful kittens we are today! We're

2-months-old, already fixed and microchipped, and we've received flea prevention and deworming. We've come a long way from those scared little babies who needed help. We're ready for the best part of our lives - safe, loving homes where we can grow up knowing we'll never be left behind again. Could that be with you? ♥

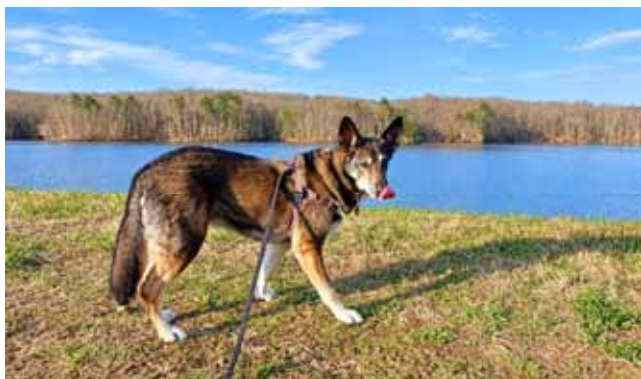


◀Hi, I'm **Freckles** (A522616), a 7-year-old girl with a big heart and a serious talent for cuddling!

There's nothing better than curling up with someone I adore - or rolling right over for a belly rub. And I'm not shy about asking for one, even if we've only just met!

I love everyone, including kids, and I've done great at doggy daycare, too. I'm a dream on the leash, a wonderful passenger in the car,

and I'm always happy to head out for an adventure. One of my volunteer friends recently treated me to a shopping spree, a nice walk, and a special treat, and I loved every minute of it! Why am I still here? I'm an overlooked gem! ♥



My adoption fee is sponsored! Hi everyone, it's me, Lily, and I'm still waiting for my forever family to say, "You belong with me." At 5-years-old, I have officially entered my Lover Era. I am sweet, affectionate, gentle, and happiest when I'm spending time with my favorite person. While some dogs dream of adventures, my version of a perfect day is much simpler: a nice walk, a little squirrel surveillance, some couch snuggles, and being close to the people I love. I also enjoy showing off my impressive ability to catch popcorn midair. I've never met a stranger. Adults? Friends. Kids? Friends. Visitors? Also friends. If I could write a song, it would probably be called "Please Pet Me Again." I'm with Southeast German Shepherd Rescue, so visit www.southeastgermanshepherdrescue.com or email sgsrtreasurer@gmail.com with any questions. You can also find us on Facebook!

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I'm **Peanut**, a sweet, 22-pound boy with a short, red coat and a Dachshund-like face, though my body tells another story! I'm low-energy, calm, and enjoy lounging in the sun, curling up in my bed, or going for gentle walks. I'm friendly once I get to know you and enjoy snuggling occasionally, though I'm just as happy quietly

observing my people from my cozy spot. I'm blind in my left eye and have limited vision in my right, which makes stairs a bit tricky, but I'm learning quickly with a little help and patience. I do well around other dogs, though I mostly keep to myself, and I haven't been around cats. I'm learning house-training and do best on a strict schedule. I am crate-trained and when I need to go out, I'll let you know. I'm looking for a calm, patient home where I can safely navigate my world, enjoy my favorite bed, and share gentle companionship with people who understand my needs. If you're looking for a chill, loving pup who will quietly brighten your days and enjoy your company, I could be the perfect addition to your home! Please apply at www.rescueconnectnc.com. You can also call 910-302-7290 or email rescueconnectnc@gmail.com.



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Terry is our personal assistant and she'll be happy to answer any questions and arrange a time for us to meet.

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◀I came to Cat Tails with a really ugly eye infection. It was so bad that the vet had to remove that eye even before I was big enough to be spayed. I don't remember what it was like to have two eyes, but I sure was glad to not have the pain anymore! Now, I'm all healed, spayed, happy, playful and ready to be your best friend and loving companion. When you come in, please ask for me, **May**. ♥



Archie



Asia

◀My name is **Archie**. I am a fine-looking Tuxedo but I never get any attention because of my sisters. **Asia** is a beautiful Calico and **Adele** is a gorgeous long-haired



Adele

Calico. We were living under the deck at a nice home but the homeowner was moving. She discovered our hiding place and said we had to leave for our own safety. She brought us to Cat Tails. We are about 6-months-old and I'm just waiting for the girls to get adopted or me to be adopted. Either way, I'll finally get more attention! ♥



Neptune



Nina

◀We are 3-month-old sisters. I'm **Neptune**, the Tabby and this is **Nina**, the Tabby and white. I'm so friendly! Nina is too, but she's slower getting to know you. We have the cage in the lobby of Cat Tails so we greet everyone who comes into the lobby. We run up to the front and reach through the bars to see who will pet us. I wish we knew how to yell, "Adopt me!" or "Take us home!" But at least we can type and tell you right here! ♥



Dunkin



Donut

◀We are brothers. We have been together our whole lives and we like it that way. We don't want to be separated

so we're looking for someone who truly wants two kittens and doesn't want to do that whole introduction thing. Also, we were raised in a foster home so we know how to behave in a home. I'm **Dunkin**, white with a little black, and my brother is **Donut**, white with a few tabby markings. Like everyone else on this page, we are fixed, up to date on necessary vaccines and litterbox-trained. Come meet us – we won't even make you gain weight! ♥



Oakley



Otis



Omar



Otto

▲ Oh, what a great litter we are! I'm **Oakley**, a black Tabby and the only girl, and these are my brothers, **Otto** who is gray and white, and **Otis** and **Omar** who are gray Tabbies. We are 3-months-old and ready to go. We think everything is a toy and when one of us plays, we all play. When one of us sleeps, we all sleep. Now, all of us would like to find new forever homes. ♥

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Halloween Safety for Pets

Halloween is a night of costumes, candy, glowing pumpkins and plenty of visitors at the door—but for our pets, all that excitement can bring some unexpected dangers. Strange costumes, unfamiliar noises, tempting treats and frequently opened doors can turn a fun evening into a stressful or even hazardous one for dogs and cats.

A little preparation can make all the difference. Whether your pet will be joining in the festivities or spending the evening safely tucked away from the action, taking a few simple precautions can help ensure Halloween is filled with treats—not tricks—for every member of the family.

Here are some important ways to keep your pets safe this Halloween:



Candy and Food Hazards

-  **Hide the stash:** Keep all chocolate, candy, gum, and treats completely out of your pet's reach.
-  **Watch out for toxins:** Chocolate, raisins, and artificial sweeteners like xylitol are extremely toxic and can be fatal to dogs and cats.
-  **Discard wrappers:** Plastic wrappers and lollipop sticks cause dangerous choking hazards or intestinal blockages if swallowed.



Decorations and Home Safety

-  **Use flameless lights:** Swap real candles in jack-o'-lanterns for battery-operated lights so pets cannot knock them over and cause a fire.
-  **Secure cords:** Keep electrical cords for lights and animatronics elevated or taped down to prevent chewing and electric shocks.
-  **Skip fake cobwebs:** Artificial spiderwebs and small decorations pose choking risks or can entangle curious cats and wildlife.



Costumes and Stress Relief

-  **Test costumes early:** Only dress up your pet if they enjoy it, make sure it does not restrict movement or breathing, and never leave a costumed pet unsupervised. Try a festive bandana if they dislike full outfits.
-  **Create a calm space:** Place your pet in a quiet, secure room away from the constant ringing of the doorbell and strangers in strange outfits.



Check Identification

-  Ensure your pet wears an up-to-date ID tag and has a current microchip just in case they slip out an open door while greeting trick-or-treaters. 

A safer Halloween is a happier Halloween for everyone! 



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▲ Hi, I'm **Charles**, and I'm 2-years-old and about 50 pounds of sweetness, loyalty, and hope. My life hasn't always been easy, but I'm ready for a fresh start - and I'm hoping it might be with you. I'll admit, I can be shy when I first meet someone. But once I trust you, something wonderful happens. That shy boy begins to disappear, and you'll discover a devoted companion who wants nothing more than to be close to the people he loves. One thing that really helps me come out of my shell is having another dog around. I absolutely love other dogs. I'm also crate-trained and house-trained, neutered, up to date on my vaccines, and heartworm negative. I just need someone who will give me the time to realize that I'm finally home. Give me that chance, and I'll give you my entire heart in return. ♥



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◀ Hi, I'm **Callie**, and I've been waiting for my forever home for over two years. I'm not sure why it's taking so long, because everyone here says I'm an absolute doll baby! I've been such a good girl during my long stay, but more than anything, I'm ready to trade kennel life for a home and family of my very own. I'm 3-years-old, a Pit Bull mix, and one of my favorite things in the whole world is giving kisses. My dream home would be with an active family who will include

me in their adventures and give me plenty of time to play. I LOVE playing ball, and when playtime is over, you can often find me stretched out in the backyard soaking up the sunshine. I do well with other dogs around my own size, but I'll need a cat-free home. Those little furry creatures are just too tempting to chase! I'm already spayed, heartworm negative, up to date on my vaccines, microchipped, dewormed, and on flea prevention. In other words, I'm all ready for the most important part of my journey - the day someone finally says, "Callie, you're coming home." ♥



◀ I'm **Indi**, a 1½-year-old, 25-pound Mini Double Doodle boy with a gentle soul and a sweet, sensitive personality. I can be shy when meeting new people, so I'm looking for a patient family who will give me the time and space I need to feel safe and build

confidence. I have medium energy, I'm crate-trained, and I have experience with a fenced yard. I'm vaccinated, microchipped, on monthly preventatives, and my neuter's scheduled. Now I just need someone to give me the chance to blossom! ♥



◀ Hi, I'm **Toby**, a 1½-year-old, 26-pound Terrier mix looking for a family to call my very own! I can be a little anxious in new surroundings, but give me some time to feel safe and you'll see what a sweet, fun-loving guy I really am. I love playing with toys, going for walks, hanging out with other dogs, and I'm great with kids of all ages. I'm house-trained and crate-trained, and I'd especially love a home where someone is around often so I can be

your loyal little sidekick. I'm vaccinated, microchipped, heartworm and fecal negative, with my neuter appointment scheduled. All I need is a little patience and lots of love, and I'll be your very best friend, ready for a life of adventures! ♥

► I'm **Marley**, a 1½-year-old mini Double Doodle weighing about 25 pounds, and I'm a whole lot of personality in one adorable package! I'm outgoing, playful, mischievous, and full of energy, so I'd love an active family who will keep my busy brain and body entertained. I'm crate-trained and enjoy a fenced yard, but I'm still working on my leash skills and will need a patient

family to help me practice. With consistency, structure, plenty of exercise, and lots of love, I know I'll grow into an incredible companion. I'm vaccinated, microchipped, on monthly preventatives, and my neuter is scheduled. If you're looking for a fun-loving little guy who will keep you smiling, I just might be your perfect match! ♥



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Hey, y'all! I'm **Jada**, the pup with a permanent smile! Just got the scoop from my new vet - I'm a young'un, only 2-years-old! Who's counting, anyway? I'm a social butterfly who loves people, snuggles, and being the life of the party!

After 99 days in the county shelter, I'm living my best life in a foster home with 4 furry friends and learning to be a pro at being a pet! I'm an active gal who loves to play tug-of-war, chase balls, and get my paws wet! Oh, and bath time? I'm the first one in the tub, ready to get this

paw-ty started! I LOVE swimming sooo, if you're looking for a friend to do splash time with you...well, that's ME! I'm house-trained, know my basic commands (sit, stay, shake, and sometimes roll over - don't worry, I'm still working on that one), and I'm eager to please my future hooman! I've got tons of potential and would love to find a person who's familiar with my breed, so I can really thrive! Call Freedom Bridge Animal Rescue NC at 843-614-0231 or email freedombridgemeanimalrescuenc@gmail.com to meet me!

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Hi, everyone! I'm **Star**, a beautiful 2-year-old, 50-pound girl with a personality that just might make me the STAR of your life! My foster home is a farm, and I settled right into farm life, where my entourage includes dogs, cats, horses, goats, cows - and I've even been known to have a friendly chat with a chicken! Despite my star status, I'm definitely *not* a diva. I'm happiest rolling around in the dirt, splashing with my friends in the pond, and then stretching out in a chair for a little sunbathing. I adore being with my people and furry friends, and I'm so good about sticking close that

I don't require a fenced yard. When we head out on the town, I'm friendly, happy and well-mannered with everyone. Every now and then, I can become a bit nervous or unsure but, with love and encouragement, I quickly regain my confidence. I'm house-trained and crate-trained so I've already mastered two important leading-lady skills! Apply for me at www.freedomgermanshepherdrescue.org and an adoption coordinator will be assigned to you. You may also call Freedom German Shepherd Rescue at 919-670-5905 or email info@freedomgsrescue.org.

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◀I'm **Andy Griffith**, 1 to 2-years-old and just under 50 pounds of certified good boy. I love people, adore kids, am dog friendly, and can even share my home with dog-savvy cats. I've got the perfect mix of zoomies outside and snoozies inside and will happily spend my days playing, exploring, then curling up wherever my people are. If a sweet and gentle companion is your heart's desire, look at me! ♥



◀I'm **Winnie**, a 2½ to 3-year-old Anatolian Shepherd girl. At 78 pounds, I'm truly a top-tier "easy dog" who LOVES everyone I meet. I'm gentle with kids, dog friendly, I can live with dog-savvy cats, and I'm also perfectly happy as your one-and-only. I'm house-trained, great left out alone during the workday, wonderful in public, and I love walks, car rides, and adventures. With my

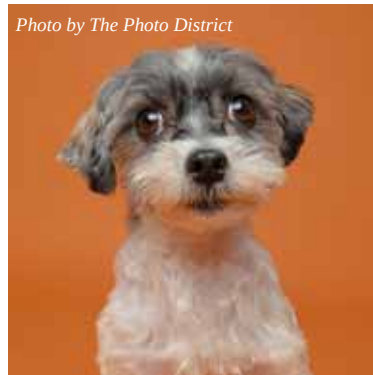
easy-going, lower-energy personality and incredibly sweet disposition, I'm just as happy exploring with you as I am snoozing on the couch! Could I be your girl? ♥



◀Hello there, my name is **Ruby**! At 2-years-old and 54 pounds, I'm an incredibly sweet, mellow girl who's equally happy adventuring or snoozing by your side. I'm house-trained, crate-trained, great in the car, wonderful on leash, and I love meeting new people and kids. I'm dog-friendly with proper introductions but would also be perfectly happy

as your one and only. With my easygoing 3/10 energy and adventurous side, I could make an AWESOME beach or boat companion! Let's meet soon. ♥

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◀I'm **Cassie**, a 5 to 6-year-old Shih Tzu/Maltese mix who weighs in at about 7 pounds. I'm the sweetest little mix of cuddly, sassy and silly. I love soaking up praise, snuggling with my people, and making friends with other tiny dogs. I'm crate-trained, doing great with my potty routine, cat-friendly, and learning more every day. I'll thrive with a patient family, respectful kids 12+, and lots of love. ♥



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◀Hi, I'm **Tater Tot**! At 5-years-old and nearly 70-pounds, I'm a Lab mix boy who is sweet, easy-going and the perfect mix of adventure buddy and couch potato. I love swimming, fetch, hiking, and walks, but I'm just as happy curling up with my people and pretending I'm a lap dog. I am affectionate, loyal, goofy, and full of personality. I am house-trained, leash-trained, great in public, excellent in the car and have lived peacefully

with both dogs and cats. I've also worked with trainer EZK9 on mealtime resource guarding and have made great progress. My adopter can also attend monthly EZK9 alumni sessions with me to continue reinforcing all that I've learned. Could I be your perfect first mate? ♥



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◀Hi there! I'm **Rudie**, a 4-year-old, 53-pound sweet, affectionate boy who loves being with my people. I'm dog friendly and would especially love a canine sibling to share my days with, though a home with a flexible schedule would also be a great fit. I'm happiest when I have companionship, a yard to explore, and lots of love from my humans. I'm a loveable, loyal Treeing Walker Coonhound and I'm ready

to find my forever family. Could that be you? ♥

Get Your Pet Ready For Game-Day and Halloween and Help Rescued Dogs

Halloween is quickly approaching, and Monty's Home Animal Lovers Thrift Store at 401 Hwy 117S in Burgaw has Halloween costume options for your furry friends in many sizes, for HALF the price that you would expect to pay retail! To add to the Fall fun, it's also football season! While at the store, choose a bandana to represent your favorite NFL or college team. The store carries a full line of all NFL and many college team's bandanas for only \$10! Fall seasonal bandanas are available as well for only \$5 each! Show your support for your favorite teams while helping to support Monty's Home's rescued dogs being trained in the Pawsitive Partners Prison Program. (Proceeds help to support the needs of the rescued, prison-trained dogs available for adoption.) The store is open every Wednesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday from 10am to 5pm. For more info, please email info@MontysHome.org or call 910-259-7911.



Fall in Love at Pumpkins & Purrs

On October 11, from Noon to 4pm, Beauty and Blooms is hosting the 2nd Annual Pumpkins and Purrs event at 1540 South 2nd Street in Wilmington, NC. All 4 Cats will be in attendance with adoptable kitties, and the street will be shut down to make room for local vendors, activities, and plenty of festive fall fun for everyone. All proceeds go to All 4 Cats. For more info, contact Beauty and Bloom at 910-833-5661 or email beautyandbloom@yahoo.com.

Meet Adoptables from Animal Ally Action Fund at Unleashed Southport

Visit Jill Jones, volunteers and adoptable pets from Animal Ally Action Fund at Unleashed in Southport on the 1st and 3rd Saturday of every month from Noon to 4pm. In October, adoption fairs will be October 3 and October 17. They will have a small assortment of dogs and cats available for adoption. Unleashed is in the Wal-Mart Shopping Center in Southport. All foster pets are spayed/neutered, vaccinated, and microchipped. Dogs are tested for heartworms, treated if necessary and come with a 6 month supply of heartworm/flea prevention, a leash, martingale collar and anti-pull harness. Adoption fees are: Cats \$60 and Dogs \$150. Call Jill Jones at 910-620-3783 to meet adoptable animals any other time or to donate to the cause.

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RescueConnect is looking for transporters! Animals in their care need rides for a variety of reasons: to pick an animal up from a shelter where they have been pulled, to take them from foster homes to vet appointments, and to take them to partner groups for adoption. All you need is a secure vehicle and a desire to help! Drivers are needed that can help with both local transport and longer trips. To volunteer, visit www.rescueconnectnc.com, put your cursor on 'Volunteer' and click on 'Transport', or call 910-302-7290 for more information.



FURR NEEDS HELPERS:

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Animal Ally Action Fund Announces New Location For Cat Foster Program

The Animal Ally Action Fund is announcing a major transition for its homeless cat program. Following the closure of PetSense in Shallotte, Pet Supplies Plus in Bolivia has stepped forward to serve as the new partner for the rescue's adoptable foster cats. For over a decade, PetSense Shallotte was a cornerstone partner for the animal rescue community. Before permanently closing its doors on September 27, 2026, the store housed hundreds of rescue cats in its display cages, helping them find permanent families. Throughout the entire partnership, PetSense generously donated 100% of all food and kitty litter used in the store, while its staff provided essential daily labor to clean cages and facilitate adoptions.

In response to the closure, community donors rallied together to raise \$3,500 to purchase the store's existing cat habitat. On September 21, 2026, the habitat was officially relocated to its new permanent location at the Pet Supplies Plus on Midway Road in Bolivia.

This new partnership ensures that the vital foster cat program will continue uninterrupted, providing a seamless transition for local rescue efforts.

"We are so excited and thrilled for this new partnership," said Jill Jones, spokesperson for the Animal Ally Action Fund. "The store is only 8 minutes away from Adam's Folly, where our foster pet program is mainly based. It will be incredibly easy for us to support this store, handle adoptions, and refill cages as cats find their forever homes. This is a tremendous gift to us and the homeless pet community. We truly do believe that when one door closes, another one opens."

The Animal Ally Action Fund extends its deepest gratitude to PetSense Shallotte for their decade of service, to the donors who funded the habitat purchase, and to Pet Supplies Plus in Bolivia for stepping up to protect local homeless animals.

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Fight Puppy Mills:

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Lower Costs:

Adoption fees are much lower than buying, typically covering spaying/neutering, vaccinations, and microchipping.



Health and Behavior Assessment:

Shelters often provide valuable information on a pet's personality, temperament, and health history.



Ready-to-Go Companion:

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If you have questions, please call 910-457-6340.



▲ Hi, I'm **Natalie!** I was born on April 1, 2026, and I'm a sweet little Calico girl with lots of love to give. I adore people, am friendly to other cats, and I'd be so happy to have a family of my very own. I'm spayed, vaccinated, and litterbox-trained, so I'm all packed and ready to go! If you are looking for a friendly and affectionate girl to brighten your days, we might be a purrfect match! ♥



◀ As you can see, I love perching in a window sill to look out at the fascinating world! Do you have a spare window at your house? Maybe you need a kitty like me to put it to use! My name is **Duder** and I'm a 6-month-old Tuxedo boy who is neutered, up to date on vaccinations and litterbox-trained. I get along well with other felines and I

adore being with people. Nothing would make me happier than becoming your newest, beloved family member. Let's meet! ♥



◀ I'm **Bullet**, a classic Treeing Walker Coonhound mix boy with beautiful brown eyes. At just 4-years-old, I'm ready to bring my loyal and friendly nature home to a new household. I love to play with other dogs so, if you have one, please bring him or her to the shelter for a meet and greet with me! I'm already neutered, up to date on vaccinations and micro-chipped, too. Won't you

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