



Greetings!

All the snow over the past 60 days has certainly been tough for everyone, including the SPCA!! If we never, ever, see snow again, it will be too soon.

Thankfully, there was one upside to all that snow. It was soooo deep, that **Abbey, the Welsh Corgi**, lost in the Wayside area of Stafford, got snowed in. It became too deep for her to move about and she got stuck under a low deck. Her mother, Cynthia Diaz, was a searching dynamo. After days of working with the SPCA, recruiting volunteers, posting flyers, knocking on doors, setting traps with Animal Control & searching, Abbey was finally reunited with her family. Tired, hungry, scared, but suprisingly unharmed, **she is back in her mothers arms.** Special thanks to **DogsfindingDogs.com** for search & behaouiral advice, and to **FindToto.com** for the computer automated phone blast to the entire residential area where we tracked Abbey to.



QUICK LINKS

- [Our Website](#)
- [Donation Pledge Form](#)
- [Donation Funds Sheet](#)
- [Presents for Pups Flyer](#)
- [Adoptable Pets](#)
- [Interested in volunteering?](#)
Please [click here](#) to download our volunteer interest form. Fill out and return via [e-mail](#) or fax to (540)288-9194.

Featured Adoptable Pet!



Shiloh - 2 year old female shepherd mix with the biggest heart! She was rescued from a shelter in West Virginia and is currently thriving in her temporary home! She needs to go to a only dog home and to a family that is ready to be LOVED



On the Adoption Front: Thanks to the help of our supporters (and Petfinder.com), we were able to find permanent homes for Caesar, Jayla, Polar, and Ella! Polar (our first ever Dogo, rescued & fostered by Drue, is pictured below) along with the rest of the furry crew.



Polar Bear after a bath !



Caesar & Mommy

on. She is spayed and up to date on shots, and absolutely ready to be the newest addition to your family! The SPCA will provide 2 free training sessions by Bill Thomas to help adjust Shiloh into her new home & help her adopters learn all her skills & abilities.

Rabbits Free to a Good Home



We are assisting in efforts to find homes for 4 baby rabbits approximately 3 weeks old. Please [click here](#) to view the pictures and descriptions of the rabbits available. If you can help, please call (540) 658-0991.

Bookkeeper Needed

The SPCA Needs Bookkeeping Help. The Stafford SPCA purchased Quickbooks for



Jayla with new family



Ella & her new brother

We have continued our efforts in placing coin donation boxes throughout the community, and have been actively working with local businesses for fundraising ideas and events! We will be posting our Spring & Summer calander of events shortly.

Last weekend, we reached out to all of you, for immediate help for a local family whose house caught fire. Their home was lost, family was hurt, and they needed

Nonprofits (2010) and while both Bill & Drue have experience with QB Pro, seting up our chart of accounts, AR, AP, cash & inkind deposit / donation flow is kicking Bill's butt. Is there a volunteer out there with experience in QB for Nonprofits that can help with our setup & teach Bill and others how to properly & accurately use the tools & resources of this robust platform ? Please call Bill @ (540) 842-9936 if you have the skills & the time to assist.



Girly Update

Girly has come through her surgery at [Hartwood Animal Hopsital](#) and thanks to their amazing staff, she is recovering well -- one of the vets even took her home to look after her immediately after surgery! She is doing well, but she has lots of healing left to do and is still anxiously awaiting her new home!

temporary housing for their 11 dogs. In what I can only describe as an immediate & impressive outpouring of support, YOU, our SPCA community, stepped up. In one day, we received over 40 emails offering to take these dogs in. Thanks to Colonial K9 and to all of you, we were able to get all of the dogs placed temporarily, in warm, safe, loving homes.

Special Thanks go to Shane & Melissa Cory for taking in the Great Dane puppy Charlotte from the fire. This beautiful pup was not only displaced by the fire, but she is also profoundly deaf. The Cory family (and their 2 massive Neufies) have been patiently working with Charlotte, and taking her to the Vet to help in her recovery. All of the dogs were tragically affected by the fire. One died of heart failure, and another from a stroke. The stress that the poor animals suffered in the fire is enormous. Charlotte was taken to the Vet because her eyes were bleeding. One side of her face lost whiskers, eye lashes & some fur. While the skin didn't blister or char, the eyelids & membranes all suffered trauma. The Cory family stepped up to cover the initial costs, but the SPCA is asking for donations to help reimburse the Cory family for their generosity, and help pay for Charlotte's future care as she recovers.



Thanks to our generous donors, we were able to raise almost \$750 so far, out of what will be approximately \$2,000 in care (ultra sound, surgery & recovery care). Robert and Sarah Payne from the [PA Dutch Tea & Spice Co.](#) located in downtown Fredericksburg, have pledged to donate the last \$250 towards Girly's care!! Thanks to Robert and Sarah, this means we only have \$1,000 left to go after the \$750 we have already collected!

Don't forget that Girly is still waiting for her forever home!

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Shelby the Sheltie Rescue Done Right



**Shelby was rescued
just before the first**



Charlotte & Co.

The Stafford SPCA rescue & emergency response efforts like these, can truly make an impact in the community. In order for us to continue to help treat these animals, we will also continue to ask for donations to help cover the costs of veterinary & emergency care. If you can help, even just a little bit, with Charlotte, Girly and our other animals in medical / veterinary need, please send donations to: *The Stafford SPCA, 140 Andrew Chapel Rd., Stafford, VA 22554* and include a note to apply the donation to the *Angel Fund*.

As always, we cannot thank everyone enough for their help and continued support! Without you, and without your generosity, we wouldn't exist.

We will be sending out another e-mail by this coming Monday with more Lost and Found animals in the area, and other animal updates! Please keep an eye out for this, so we can help reunite these poor babies with their families.

December blizzard, after having been a stray, for 6 months in the woods behind the Wawa on US # 1 in Stafford by the Post Office. After 2 months of love, lots of food, and tons of attention, Shelby was finally ready for her new home. Special thanks goes to [Hartwood Animal Hospital](#) for bringing her back to full health & vigor, and also to [Gone to the Dogs Pet Salon](#) on 610 by Arbys for getting her all groomed & beautiful. They did an awesome job !!

Caring for
Creatures



Sister Shelter Damaged by
Blizzard

Little Girls, Animals & Valentines

The Cruea family called the Stafford SPCA on Valentines day, to drop off some Doggy supplies. Their little girl had a birthday party, and all she asked for was



food & toys for the puppies & kitties at the SPCA. Her friends and their families all chipped in, and they loaded up the SPCA Hummer. What a great gesture, and what a generous example from such a young lady. She looks great in her Valentines Day outfit too !

Horses in URGENT Need

The pictures below are just a few of a large number of horses that need immediate homes! Currently, they are in Caroline County (Milford). They have all been recently vet checked and are just anxiously awaiting their new homes. Some of them have been malnourished, and some have melanomas. If you can help, please call Brad Sullivan (540) 718-5810 or Deputy Bullock @ the Caroline County Sheriff's Office at (804) 633-9041. While horses are not standard fare for the Stafford SPCA yet, there is very little time to try and help these animals. Please spread the word.



Cavalier - 20 year old Dark bay mare. No white

[Caring for Creatures](#), a Palmyra based all breed rescue, suffered heavy damage as a result of the blizzard. While Palmyra may seem like a bit of a drive from Stafford, they are one of the very few shelters that take in FIV and Feline Leukemia positive cats. They also care for over 1000 animals at their location. CFC is a resource for each and every animal rescue in this area, and if you think you can provide some support, I encourage you to do so. Please click on the link and read their story.



Stafford County Animal Control

[Link to adoptable Dogs](#)

[Link to adoptable Cats](#)

This is a courtesy link. The SCAC does not use Petfinder or any of the other free Animal Search Sites. We will continue to post these links to try and help SCAC adopt more.



Oxford Road- Chestnut gelding 5 year old has 2 back socks and a star



Parade - 18 year old Dark bay mare with star. Has a cribbing collar on



Pink-A-Boo-6 year old Medium colored bay mare. Not Broke



Victoria- 6 year old Dark Bay mare no white. Not broke to ride

Lost Cats!



Shadow Cat Advocates

The Stafford SPCA works very closely with [Shadow Cats](#), both to feed & care for Feral cat populations in the Stafford & Fredericksburg area, but also to help place friendly & loving cats into homes. Please lick on the link above to view some of the amazing kitties that Shadow Cats has to offer. Bill is a big fan of Slurpee. He is a full contact cat. The harder you pet him, the harder he rubs against you. He turns nose rubbing and head butts into an art form. Bill would adopt him personally except his wife is terribly allergic. You can reach Cari Bartz directly at (540) 226-0050.



Joshua's Journey

5 year old little boy, raising money for a \$15,000 Seizure Dog.



Mozart seemingly vanished on September 13, 2009. He is a neutered gray cat, tuxedo pattern-white chin, chest, belly, four white feet and a white-tipped tail. He is the love of Jane Divine, a staunch animal rescue supporter. She has searched tirelessly for Mozart, and many of you have seen her flyers, the ads in the FreeLance Star that still run to this day. A reward is offered for information leading to his return. Lets see if we can make a miracle happen for a lady who has certainly earned a happy ending of her own, after all she has done for all the other animals over the years.

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This is Thai!
He is 1.5 years old, and un-neutered. He has been missing for about 2 weeks



Joshua Howell is a 5 year old little boy, diagnosed with a number of debilitating disorders, including autism & seizures. His mother Caitlin (a one woman fundraising force of nature these days) has launced [Joshua's Journey](#) and the entire community has rallied around to help raise \$15,000 to purchase "Aiker" a specialty seizure alert & rescue dog. This is a wonderful little boy, with hard working parents, who could use our help & support. Come on out to some of the fundraisers. Have some fun, eat some good food, and help raise a little \$\$\$.

SPAY & NEUTER

We are pleased to announce that [St. Seton's Orphaned Animals](#) has been granted funding for a low cost Spay and Neuter program.

This grant covers anyone in the geographic areas of Stafford, Spotsylvania, and Fauquier counties. The surgery is \$20/animal, unless you are on public assistance, then it is free.

We definitely encourage everyone to use this program and help reduce the overpopulation of dogs and cats.

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Stafford/Grafton Village area. He is not used to the outdoors - if spotted please call: Penny Mitchell at (540)295-6923, or e-mail: nygiants1@aol.com

Found Cats



This beautiful little lady went for quite a ride. Apparently she crawled up into the engine compartment of a Walmart employee at the Ferry Farm Walmart in Southern Stafford. The young man drove all the way home before he noticed the sounds of the cat crying under the hood. Amazingly, she survived the trip completely unharmed, but I doubt she wants to repeat the experience. The family of the young man is caring for her, and will keep her while we find an adoptive family, but we want to use all efforts to find the kitty's family before we move on to adoption efforts. Does anyone recognize this little girl ? She is an absolute cutey, and with those markings someone should recognize her. Please contact Bill at (540) 842-9936 if she is yours, or if you know who she belongs to.

Call: 540-752-PETS(7387) for assistance.

Snow Plow Help Supporters Came Through!



Special thanks to Fred & Tanya Howell of [Utility Professional Services](#). Fred brought his big old Suburban, and NASCAR like driving skills to help knock down the snow on the SPCA hill. Even the SPCA Hummer couldn't handle all that white stuff. Thanks Fred !!!

Found Dogs



**5-month old,
Female,
Labrador
Retriever Mix
found near
Route 1 and
Woodstock Road
(near Taylor's
Grocery) in North**

**Stafford on Thursday, 11 February, at 7pm.
Please contact Stafford Animal Shelter at
540-658-7387 if this is your little puppy, or if
you would like to adopt her. She is super
sweet, smart, house broken, and good with
people and other dogs.**

**This beautiful female Pitt
was found on January 9,
2010 on Williams St. at
6:00PM in Fredricksburg.
She is 50lbs, between the
ages 2 - 4 years old.. Very
friendly, sweet and in
good health. The lady
who found her tried to
locate her owner, with no
success, and she has no microchip. Please
contact the SPCA if you think you know who
she belongs to.**





This young man showed up in North Stafford a few days ago. He is a male, lab / coonhound mix. They have nicknamed him "Walter the farting dog" because of his flatulent nature (he was very hungry, ate like a fiend, and is now the 2nd largest natural gas producer in the world - behind OPEC). If you recognize this pup, and can help get him back with his family, we would really appreciate it. Please contact Becky Jablonski
540-659-1591 (home) or 540-220-7441 (cell)

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