



# HOMeward BOUND

FALL 2015

# rescue tails

**236**  
ANIMALS ADOPTED  
TO DATE IN 2015\*



## BARKTOPURRFEST AT WOOFs

### HOMeward BOUND WV HOLDS 1<sup>ST</sup> ANNUAL FALL FESTIVAL

What a great day at Barktopurrfest 2015! It was a crisp, fall day full of goodies and costumes. Our costume contest, sponsored by Clear Mountain Bank, was so much fun. We enjoyed seeing all of your costumed pets and kids.

Visitors were able to purchase from our bake sale, enter raffles for some great prizes, play games and get their photos taken with their pets. A pet bandana vendor was selling her products and temporary tattoos were being done at the Cattoo Purrlor. Clear Mountain Bank and M-SNAP was also there to talk about their services.

We want to thank all of our new student volunteers with WVU Paws that showed up to help make the day a huge success!!! And, thank you to Woofs Canine Accoutrements for your support for rescued pets!



## FEATURE PETS



### MEET CAMO & JENNER

**Males | Age: 10-11 months**

Camo is laid back and does his own thing but also enjoys romping and playing with the others. He is independent, but likes to play and curl up in your lap for a little nap.

Jenner is a love bug and likes to snuggle. He has a cute little raspy meow. He also loves to romp and play with the others.

For more info or to adopt Camo or Jenner, send a message to [contact@HomewardBoundWV.org](mailto:contact@HomewardBoundWV.org).



## UPCOMING EVENTS:

- Barnes & Noble Gift Wrap Event - Nov. 28 & Dec. 19
- Pet Valu Adoption Events - select Saturdays
- Holiday Shopping Expo - Dec. 12 & 13
- Morgantown Mall Adoption Events - TBA
- and more...

\*This number does not include animals transported for rescue.

# THE HOLIDAYS ARE UPON US...

## KEEP YOUR PETS SAFE!

### Be Careful with Seasonal Plants and Decorations

• Oh, Christmas Tree: Securely anchor your Christmas tree to keep it from falling and injuring your pet. Keep pets out of tree water which may contain fertilizers and stagnant tree water becomes a breeding ground for bacteria.

• Avoid Mistletoe & Holly: Holly, when ingested, can cause pets to suffer nausea, vomiting and diarrhea. Mistletoe can cause gastrointestinal upset and cardiovascular problems. And many varieties of lilies can cause kidney failure in cats if ingested.

• Tinsel-less Town: Kitties love this sparkly, light-catching “toy” but a nibble can lead to a swallow, which can lead to an obstructed digestive tract, severe vomiting, dehydration and possible surgery.

• That Holiday Glow: Don’t leave lighted candles unattended. Pets may burn themselves or cause a fire if they knock candles over.

### Avoid Holiday Food Dangers

• Skip the Sweets: Do not feed your pets chocolate and anything sweetened with xylitol. Make sure to keep your pets away from the table and unattended plates of food, and be sure to secure the lids on garbage cans.

• Leave the Leftovers: Fatty, spicy foods, as well as bones, should not be fed to your furry friends. Pets can join the festivities in other fun ways that won’t lead to costly medical bills.

• Careful with Cocktails: Be sure to place unattended alcoholic drinks where pets cannot get to them. If ingested, your pet could become weak, ill and may even go into a coma, possibly resulting in death from respiratory failure.

### Plan a Pet-Safe Holiday Gathering

• A Room of Their Own: Give your pet his own quiet space to retreat to—complete with fresh water and a place to snuggle.

• New Year’s Noise: Noisy poppers and fireworks can terrify pets and cause possible damage to sensitive ears. Be sure to secure them in a safe, escape-proof area as midnight approaches.

• Confetti Catastrophe: As you count down the new year, keep in mind that strings of thrown confetti can get lodged in a cat’s intestines, if ingested, perhaps necessitating surgery.



**Benefits of adopting an older pet.**

- They take less time to train** - They have already been toilet-trained and are likely to know the basic commands.
- You get to skip the naughty puppy/kitten stage** - Older pets are less likely to chew or scratch things that they shouldn’t. Instead, you get an obedient pet that is ready to love you unconditionally.
- They are lower maintenance** - Older pets lead less active lifestyles and are already accustomed to being alone for prolonged periods of time.
- You can give them a second chance at a life full of love** - Older pets can often live longer than expected when they are shown the right amount of love and care. You can change an older animal’s life by adopting it into your home.
- They can change your life** - Pets can give you what you didn’t even realise you wanted: companionship. Older pets crave companionship, so they are perfectly content to curl up with you while you watch TV.

**NOVEMBER IS  
ADOPT A SENIOR  
PET MONTH**



# THE COMMUNITY PAINTS FOR A CAUSE

## HOMEBOUND WV HOSTS A FUNDRAISER WITH IPaint PARTIES AT THE TEA SHOPPE

Art and animal enthusiasts alike gathered at the Tea Shoppe at the Seneca Center to learn how to paint the “Scary Cat Trio” painting offered by iPaint Parties. Guests were provided all of their supplies and learned step by step instructions in completing the Halloween themed picture during the class.



Another painting party is planned for after the holidays. If you would like to attend, keep watching our website or Facebook page for more details. You can also visit [ipaintparties.com](http://ipaintparties.com) to see more of their events.



**HOW TO ADOPT:**  
Check out our website for current adoptable pets.  
**HomewardBoundWV.org**

Adoption applications can be found online and emailed to us at [contact@homewardboundwv.org](mailto:contact@homewardboundwv.org) or mailed to P.O. Box 80, Arthurdale, WV 26520.

We can also be found at adoption events at PetValu in Morgantown on most Saturdays from 12-4pm or at Petco on Sundays from 1-5pm.

**petvalu** **petco**

Other special events are held throughout the year. You can stay up to date on our website or by following us on Facebook & Twitter.

**HOW TO DONATE:**  
Funds to support the programs and activities of Homeward Bound WV come from fundraisers, memorial gifts, donations, and grants.

Tax deductible donations can be made on our website at: **HomewardBoundWV.org**

or by check to:  
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**Thank you for your support!**