



# PAWS AND CLAWS

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## MISSION

*The prevention of cruelty to animals, the relief of suffering among animals and the extension of humane education to the public*

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## Go Dog Go!

The Inaugural Southeast Volusia Humane Society *Go Dog Go! 5k and Fun-Run* was a huge success. Thanks to our dedicated staff, board members, sponsors, volunteers, generous donors and participants, we've raised over \$7,000 for the shelter. And just when you thought the news couldn't get any better, a few of our dogs found forever homes during the event!

This furred-fiesta proved to be more than just walk in the park. Our volunteers raffled off wonderful

wares, Barte provided soulful sounds that cut through the cold, sponsors



NSB Mayor Sally MacKay with shelter dog, Diesel

provided us with enticing prizes and participants

provided us with unforgettable memories. Kelly Blackwell added Hollywood stardom with some of the canine cast of the hit movie *Marley and Me*, and completed her entourage with a porcine piano player. *Go Dog Go!* helped to show that you can support your local humane society and have a lot of fun while doing it.

You proved it and we hope you'll help us to prove it again next year at the 2nd Annual *Go Dog Go! 5k and Fun-Run*. Hope to see you there!

## Shelter Stats

January, 2009 saw the following:

- In the 17 days in January the shelter was open, 30 dogs were adopted and 21 were returned to their owners. Also 24 cats were adopted and 2 were returned to their owners.
- Volunteers worked at the shelter for 325 hours in January, saving the shelter an estimated \$3,250 in labor costs.
- The feral cats now have new kennels separate from the adoptable cats.
- The shelter replaced an old, leaking hot water heater with a new 40 gallon tank with a timer for \$85.00.



Pine street was very busy on January 17

*We are responding appropriately to the times — tightening up !!!*





**THANKS TO OUR SPONSORS**

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**TOP DOG**







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**BIG DOG**













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**GOOD DOG**

Sam's Wholesale Club  
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Volusia Memorial  
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Doody Calls  
V.I.P. Pet Resort  
BARTEE- The Soul Man  
Silly Willy's  
Riverside Bank  
Merk's Bar & Grill, New Smyrna Beach  
N.S.B. Visitors Center

 Tropical Enterprises

## FROM THE PRESIDENT

SEVHS is blessed and counts its blessings daily during this most difficult economic time in our country that few of us on the board and at the shelter have ever experienced. We are responding appropriately to the times — tightening up! The care and well being of all the animals in our care is the number one priority — all other projects and spending that can wait, will wait. Food donations are still coming in regularly, monetary donations have, of course, decreased

and volunteers have been so very generous with their time at the shelter. And we are all thrilled because monthly adoptions have not slacked off; in fact, we are thrilled that the monthly numbers have increased over last year's. The shelter has been invited to and has sponsored many different events over the last few months — new and exciting endeavors for us all. SEVHS has a really proactive progressive Board of Directors that is focus-

ing on and dedicated to moving the shelter forward every day. We are also so fortunate to have such a wonderful, compassionate and dedicated staff at the shelter that maintains the day-to-day operations of a humane society. On behalf of the Board of Directors, thank you Executive Director, David Fox; Animal Care Manager, Susie Soule; Physical Plant Manager, Tom Fiello; Animal Care Staff, Larney Holmes, Debbie Swiderski, Jane Dunne, Melissa Scheerem, Whitney Deese, and Tony Booth; Adoption Coordinator, Brenda Luksan and Volunteer Coordinator, Lori Lee.

# VOLUNTEERS



Volunteering at SEVHS is both easy and fun.

To become a volunteer you must first fill out a volunteer

## Learning about a new dog in the kennel

application which can be done online or at the shelter. There is special training required for certain jobs at the shelter. All volunteers who will be assisting with the dogs must attend at least one training class. These classes are held every Saturday from 10 to 11 am. If you have not

taken a class yet, please contact Lori.

Volunteer opportunities available include working with the animals, shelter upkeep, office duties, pet therapy, and helping with special events.

*If you would like to be a SEVHS volunteer, please call Lori L. Lee at 386-428-9860.*

**Spaying and neutering your dog or cat is required by law in Volusia County**

## DID YOU KNOW THAT

- All animals are held for a minimum of 5 days to allow time for an owner to identify and take them home.
- Spaying and neutering of all animals is required and partially paid for in your adoption fee.
- Southeast Volusia Humane Society has been in existence for more than 50 years in the same location and building.
- Before adopting a cat or kitten, you may request to have a leukemia test done prior to adoption.
- All adoptable dogs over 4 months of age are checked for heartworm disease and started on heartworm medication prior to being adopted.
- A special package is given with each animal over 5 years of age.

## FURRY FRIENDS VISIT

People always enjoy and benefit physically and emotionally from touching and petting an animal. Dogs and cats bring smiles and laughter especially to the people who live in care facilities.

Each week twelve volunteers take our shelter dogs and

cats to visit the residents of nine local area facilities. Both the dogs and cats are on their best behavior when they go on these visits. Sometimes the dogs try to show off their tricks to impress the residents. Always they snuggle up close to their

new elderly friends for a pat on the head or a scratch on the back. The cats purr their loudest when petted.

If anyone is interested in joining this special volunteer team, please call the shelter.



**Cane, a great dane mix asking to be petted**

Southeast Volusia Humane Society  
1200 South Glencoe Road  
New Smyrna Beach, FL 32168

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

**Saturday, March 7:** Grand reopening of Smyrna Dunes Park to dogs from 8AM to 10AM. Refreshments will be for sale with profits going to SEVHS. SEVHS will have dogs for adoption at the park.

**Saturday, March 28:** Spring Fling, a mini pet festival hosted by the Halifax Veterinary Center at 1734 Dunlawton, Port Orange from 10AM to 3PM. Dogs and Cats from SEVHS will be there available for adoption.

**Saturday, July 18:** Annual Dog Days Special at Radosta Photography in Port Orange



## Yes! I Want To Help The Animals!

**Attention Members:** You will not be receiving yearly renewal reminders. SEVHS has converted to a donor system instead of having both members and donors. We appreciate your membership and hope you will continue to support the shelter as you have in the past.

Here are examples of how your donation can help our animals:

\$500 sponsors an animal from intake through adoption

\$75 pays the adoption fee for a lower income family

\$250 pays for pre-adoption care for an animal

\$25 pays to vaccinate an animal

\$100 pays to spay or neuter a shelter animal

Any amount you donate will be appreciated

I would like to donate \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Enclosed is my check made payable to the Southeast Volusia Humane Society, 1200 South Glencoe Road, New Smyrna Beach, FL 32168

If you prefer, you can donate online by going to our website, [www.SEVHS.com](http://www.SEVHS.com), and donating through PayPal

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