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Tonight!

- **GREAT PRIZES TO BE DRAWN!** Bring a bag of dry cat food to donate to feral cat feeding programs. You get 1 raffle ticket per bag donated. Prizes drawn at 7:30 PM.
- Buy our NEW Mardi Gras long-sleeved T's (\$20 regular / **tonight only \$15**)
- Special Sale on PA Christmas T's • Tonight only: **\$10**
- Bring money to purchase your Mardi Gras reservations (**\$30** pp / cash bar)
- Buy your Valentines, tonight only, beautifully handmade by Geri Esposito (**\$5** each)

All these specials will be available at the back of our meeting room, from 6-6:30 PM, **BEFORE** the meeting begins! Come early.

A G E N D A: JANUARY 30, 2016

I. FINANCIAL REPORT

- A. Final sales for PA's Christmas Ts and Cards
- B. Special Donations: End of Year, IGIVE & Amazon, Others
- C. Total Proceeds from fall fundraising:
 1. Bicycle Poker Run
 2. Oyster Fest
 3. OktoberFest & Grand Strand Realty
 4. Great Clips
 5. ProActive Realty
 6. Photos With Santa
 7. Memorial Fund . . . many well-known rescues crossed the Rainbow Bridge this year!
 - a) Molly, special pet of Van and Linda Tyner
 - b) Potter, cherished by Pam. and Currie Bachelor
 - c) Daisy Mae, loved by Chris Gillis
 - d) Maizie, nurtured by Nicole and Mike Depauw
 - e) Gabe, King of Belk's Charity Sales, chauffeured by Jane Lanzillo
 - f) Tai, companion of Ellen Lehrer

II. Raising Funds: It's Our Mission!

- A. Robyn Beliveau of the Brunswick Chamber of Commerce presented Paws-Ability with a \$500 check for the work our volunteers did at the entrance gates of the Oyster Festival last October. Attendees set a new record, exceeding 34,000 guests over the 2-day festival.
- B. We present checks to local rescue groups who foster cats and dogs, nurse them back to health, and find good "forever" homes for them!
 1. Gracie's Hope - Fighting Heartworm - funded by someone who lost a dear pet to heart worm
 2. Furever Friends, Leland
 3. Adopt An Angel
 4. RACE
- C. Intake and adoption statistics from our rescue groups

III. 2018 . . . Kicking Off the New Year!

- A. Time to Renew Your Membership
 1. Note: Due to insurance liability, our records must show current membership confirmed for all volunteers.
- B. Support PA with beautiful, handmade Valentines by Geri Esposito
- C. Mardi Gras: Tuesday, February 13, 2018
- D. Great coverage in the Brunswick Beacon, and elsewhere
 1. Beginning a "History of Paws-Ability"

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2. Led by Creative Specialist Sue LoBuono: Would you like to help?
 3. Watch for any article that includes Paws-Ability. Clip & bring printed material that includes or affects Paws-Ability.
- E. Cat House program
- F. Raffle tickets drawn for great prizes! Thanks for donating to “*food for ferals.*”
1. Carolyn Wright
 2. Ellen Lehrer
 3. Patty Brisson
 4. Holly Shannon
 5. Diane Kreuzberg
 6. Pat Able

IV. Tonight’s Speakers: Deb Fincher and Jim Baumgarten • “The Realities of TNR”

V. UPDATES

- A. Papa John's Pizza: PAWS30 = 30% DISCOUNT with another 20% donated to Paws-Ability-on-line orders only.. This offer is good at all Papa John’s in New Hanover and Brunswick Counties, all year!
- B. Pet Education Program (PEP)
- C. Stella’s Touch • Anne VonDerHeide, Chair
- D. Unchainbrunswick.com & AFAR: Advocate For Animal Rights: Led by Madge Mateo

VI. MARK YOUR CALENDARS

- A. Annual Business Expo, Brunswick Chamber of Commerce, Saturday, February 3rd
- B. Annual Mardi Gras 4 Paws Party, “Fat Tuesday” February 13, 2018 at Jinks Creek Waterfront Grille, OIB. A few volunteers needed. Sign up sheet available tonight.
- C. WoofFest - Saturday, April 7, 10 - 3, Southport
- D. 2nd Annual BandFest, Sunday, June 3 - Sunset Beach Waterfront Park
- E. Sunset at Sunset, - Saturday, October 6, 2018, Sunset Beach
- F. 8th Annual Bicycle Poker Run - Saturday, October 13, 2018, OIB
- G. 39th Annual Oyster Festival - Saturday & Sunday, October 20 & 21, 2018, OIB
- H. OktoberFest. - Saturday, October 27, 2018, Calabash
- I. Photos with Santa. Dec 1, 2018.

VII. VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES • VOLUNTEERS NEEDED! You have chosen to be part of PA. Look over the list of volunteer needs. What do you do well, and enjoy doing? Sign up sheets will be available at our meetings prior to each event. Sign up tonight to volunteer for the Expo and for Mardi Gras. If you need additional info, contact the event chair below or contact Janie Withers. We need you! Thanks for participating.

Event	Chairperson	E-Mail
Business Expo: Saturday, Feb 3	Mercy McCurdy	Marineteach@gmail.com
Mardi Gras: Tuesday, Feb 13	Janie Withers	janiewithers@paws-ability.org
WoofFest, Saturday, April 3	Mary Beth Mount	mbs6042@gmail.com
PA Newsletter	Ellen Lehrer	lehrere@atmc.net
Paws-Abilities History	Sue LoBuono	slobuono@yahoo.com
Hope Harbor	Debbie Eckert	debeckert@gmail.com
Stella’s Touch	Anne VonDerHeide	annevdh@atmc.net
Cat House Project	Janie Withers	janiewithers@paws-ability.org
AFAR / Unchainbrunswick.com	Madge Mateo	AFARNC@gmail.com

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Future meetings:

- Tuesday, Feb 27, 6:30 PM @ OIB Town Hall - Regular membership meeting
- Tuesday, Mar 27, 6:30 PM @ OIB Town Hall - Regular membership meeting

Your Notes:

Tuesday, January 30, 2018