

# P WS & Purpose:

PAWSAFE RESCUE ROUNDUP  
SUMMER 2024 NEWSLETTER



## Mission Statement

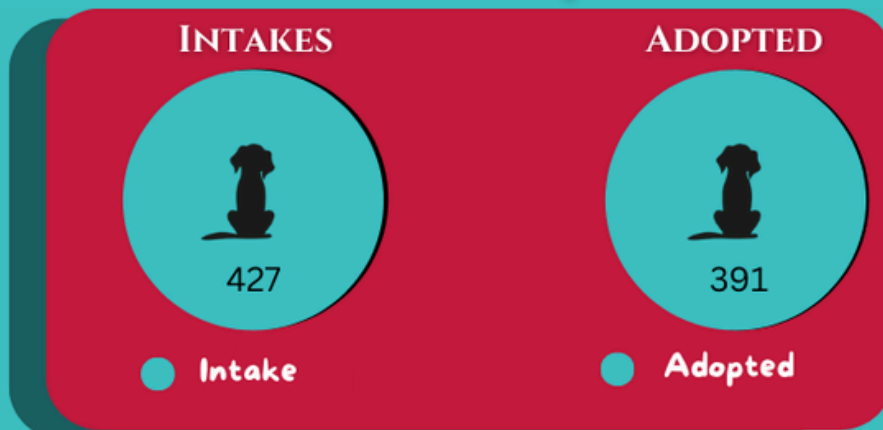
Since its inception in 1995, PawSafe has been driven by a passionate group committed to ending the unnecessary euthanasia and suffering of companion animals. Through their dedication to aggressive spay/neuter initiatives, rehoming efforts, and comprehensive education programs, PawSafe Animal Rescue relentlessly pursues a future where every adoptable companion animal finds a loving, responsible home, free from abuse, neglect, or ignorance.

Pawsafe is a not-for-profit 501(c)(3) organization. We rely solely on our community for support. Find out how you can become a part of the PawSafe family.

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Thank you for your support.

## Quarter in Review: April-June 2024



# Dogs/Puppies available for adoption!



**Buster**



**Katrina**



**Johnnie**



**Mars**

**See all dogs!**

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 **PawSafe**  
Animal Rescue

110 Sandy Beach Rd, Ellington CT  
348 Old Colony Rd, Eastford CT  
Stormville, NY (Foster based)



# Team Spotlight:

SHELLEY STARK-SHELTER COORDINATOR

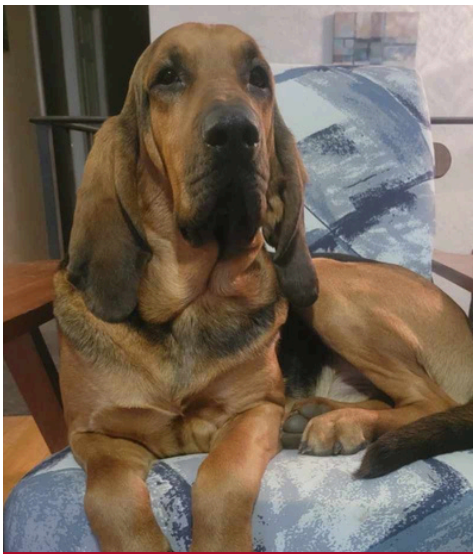


I first learned about Pawsafe through a random Facebook post. They had just opened in Ellington and were looking for kennel help. I've always wanted to work with animals, but my full-time job prevented me from working the hours they needed. Nevertheless, I decided to visit and check it out. There, I met Diane, who suggested I could volunteer when I had time. I was hooked instantly.

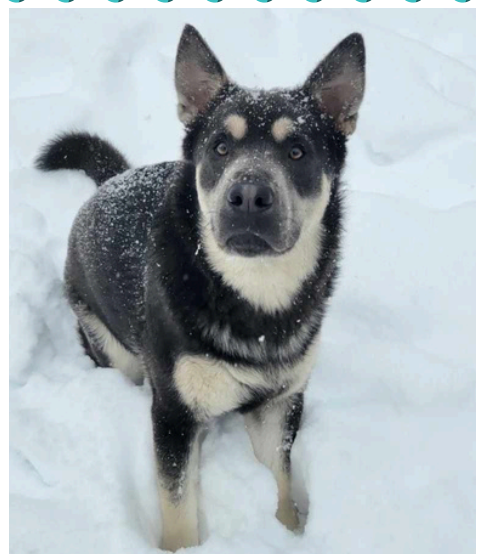
I began by visiting dogs in the kennel and taking puppies home for short breaks. Then, I unexpectedly lost my job, which turned out to be a blessing in disguise. I was able to dedicate more time to helping with adoption events, transports, and even assisting Diane with paperwork and behind-the-scenes work, which I really enjoyed. Apparently, I did well, because a couple of months later, I was offered a position as the shelter coordinator, and I still hold that role today.

This has been the most fulfilling, heartbreaking, and rewarding job I've ever had. I've learned so much and genuinely feel like I'm making a difference in the lives of these dogs, puppies, cats, and kittens.

Working with fellow animal lovers is truly amazing. You don't realize how well you click with people until you share the same passion. Everyone at Pawsafe—coworkers and volunteers alike—is here for the same reason: the animals.



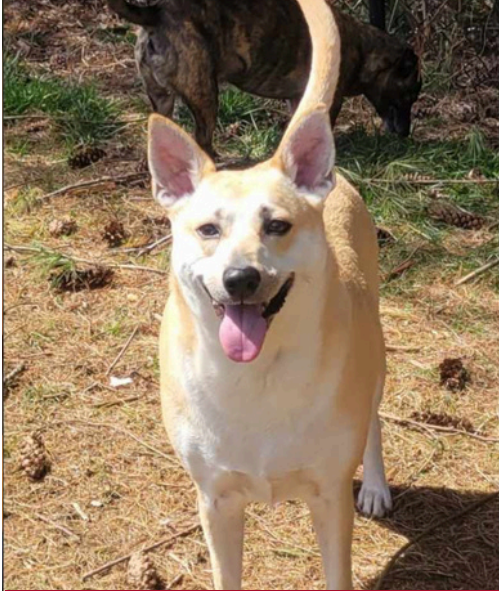
**Gunner**



**Bowen**

As for my own dogs, they are all foster fails from Pawsafe. Each one fills a different piece of my heart, ranging from 30 to 120 pounds. Buddy, my first foster fail, is my soul dog. He came to me by chance and never left. Rico reminded me so much of Buddy that I had to keep him too. Gunner, my bloodhound, was my dream dog. I jumped at the chance to foster five bloodhound pups when they were found abandoned. Bowen is a puppy from a feral mom whose litters I've fostered over the years. I knew it was only a matter of time before I kept one. Ruby was my first pregnant foster, and I was there for the birth of her puppies and their adoption day. I cried for days when she was adopted. Years later, she needed to be rehomed, and it felt like fate when she came back to me.

How do I not have my heart broken every day? Rescue work is not for the faint of heart. You have to focus on the ones you can help and save. Seeing them experience love and happiness when they are adopted into their own loving homes makes it all worthwhile.



**Ruby**



**Rico**



**Buddy**

SHELLEY'S 1ST DOG



**SILVER**



# Fostering & 'Failing' At It's Best!

GAIL SMITH JACKSON

Once upon a time in New York State lived a woman whose children were now in high school and college. She wanted to give back and work in dog rescue. This journey began about 14 years ago when, as a working mom with pets and a horse in boarding, she became a dog walker – her first foster fail.



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Did you know?!



Dogs have a special gland called the apocrine gland located in their paws, which helps them leave their scent behind when they walk. This gland is more active in their paw pads, and the scent it produces is unique to each dog. When dogs scratch the ground after going to the bathroom, they're not just covering up their mess; they're also marking their territory with these unique scents. This behavior serves as a way of communicating with other dogs, indicating their presence and establishing their domain.



## Reminder!

Don't forget to provide your dog with plenty of physical and mental stimulation. Regular walks, playtime, and interactive toys help keep your pet happy and well-behaved. A stimulated dog is a healthy and contented companion!





## Adoption Events



**July 6**  
Hebron Farmers  
Market  
9-12pm

**July 12**  
Stafford Main  
Street Music  
night  
6-8pm

**July 14**  
Ashford Farmers  
Market  
25 Tremko  
Lane/Pompey Hollow  
10-1pm

**Aug 9**  
Stafford Main  
Street Music night  
6-8pm

**Aug 11**  
Tolland Farmers  
Market  
46 Tolland Green,  
Tolland  
10-1pm

**Aug 18**  
Enfield Farmers  
Market  
9-1pm

**August 8**  
Elicit Brewing  
Dogs days of  
Summer  
Manchester, CT  
1-5pm

**September 8**  
Elicit Tattoo Pop  
Up & Adoptions  
165 Adams Street  
Manchester  
12-4pm

**Sept 13**  
Stafford Main  
Street Music  
night  
6-8pm

**BRONZE**

