

We are heartbroken to share that our beloved Valerie did not survive her courageous fight. The incredible vets at Auburn Vet Hospital worked tirelessly with her until the end, and they all said she was a true fighter. Valerie likely had lymphoma, but she faced every challenge with a strong will to live.

Valerie started her journey with NCHS as a bottle baby, and she quickly became a cherished member of our family. Her resilience and spirit touched everyone who knew her.

In honor of Valerie, we would greatly appreciate any financial donations to help us cover the medical expenses accrued during her time with us. Your support will ensure that we can continue to provide the best care for all our furry friends in need.

Donate here: https://givebutter.com/NCHSmedical

#### **Dog Team Updates**

We are starting off the new year with a team update! Angie Whitlock is stepping in as Dog Team Director as Lauren Reece is moving on to other endeavors. As we seek to increase engagement through growing our foster base and adoption numbers, all new fosters and volunteers are invited to a Dog Team meeting on Mon. February 17 at 5:30 pm at Pokey's Place. We hope to see you there!

This month, we are spotlighting our handsome Prince! He has tried the single life and has decided he'd prefer to be a family man. He is a superb and handsome guy who loves people! His eyes let you know he wants to please. He enjoys riding in a car and has been professionally trained. He would love an active family with adults or older children to show him lots of attention.

If you think your family would be the perfect happily ever after for this handsome guy, apply today at www. nchsrescue.org!



#### VISION

Our vision here at NCHS is that one day all adoptable pets will have a safe and loving home and altering pets will be the norm to help pet overpopulation end in Coweta County.

#### **MISSION**

Our mission in 2024 is to advocate for animals, support the community, and enhance pet/owner relationships through spay/neuter programs, fostering, and adoption services. We will participate in the community education and outreach; help injured & sick animals that would otherwise be euthanized in Coweta County.

Though we are NOT Coweta County Animal Services, we work closely with the organization and many more to make as much impact as we can.

We also host a Pet Food Pantry to support our Coweta Residents who need a little extra help with dog and cat food or litter for the month! This is held the first Saturday of every month at 11am at our building, Pokey's Place!



Looking for a way to show some love to the animals in our care? NCHS is in need of cat food and dog food donations! Additionally, we are in need of cat clumping litter, especially ahead of kitten season! Please see the list below for more information on our specific needs:

#### **Dog Food:**

Hills Science Diet Sensitive Stomach

#### **Cat Food:**

- Wet Food: Purina Pro Plan Kitten, Fancy Feast Kitten, Purina Pro Plan Adult, Blue Buffalo Tastefuls Adult, Sheba Perfect Portions
- Dry food: Adult: Purina Pro Plan Complete Essentials, Diamond Maintenance Cat, Purina One Plus Sensitive Skin & Stomach, Hills Science Diet
- Kitten Purina Pro Plan, Hills Science Diet
- Purina Pro Plan Hydra Care



### Meet Our Board of Directors

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### POKEY'S PLACE UPDATES FOR 2025

We are incredibly grateful to everyone who donated to help us make much-needed updates to Pokey's Place last year. As we continue our mission to create a nurturing environment for the dogs and cats in our care, we aim to keep the momentum going. To support this ongoing growth, we are seeking to raise \$7,500 to upgrade our building's exterior lighting (for example the outdoor shed needs lighting as do the dog play yards) and clean the gutters. These updates are essential to provide a safer space for our dog-walking team and protect our building from water damage.

Your generosity makes a world of difference. Thank you for helping us create a better place for our furry friends! You can donate here: https://givebutter.com/PokeysUpgrade

### **Adopt & Foster**

Scan our QR codes below to ADOPT or FOSTER today









Love animals but can't adopt yet?
Consider joining the Dog or Cat Team!
You'll experience all the joy and companionship without the long-term commitment. Here's what awaits you:

- 1. Monthly Meetings: Connect with fellow animal lovers and share your passion.
- 2. Adoption Events: Be part of finding forever homes for adorable pets.
- 3. NCHS Events: Spread awareness and make a difference at various fundraising events.
- 4. Fostering: Provide temporary love and care to animals in need.

Join the team and be a hero for our furry friends!





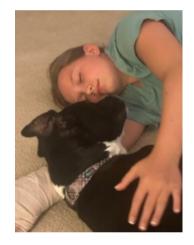
This month we want to highlight a remarkable young supporter of NCHS, Caroline Larkey, an 8th Grader at Lee Middle School in Newnan, pictured above with her dog Holly. For the past three years each Christmas, Caroline, with her grandfather's help, has used her money to donate food, blankets, and toys to the Coweta County Animal Shelter, and this year expanded her donations to include NCHS. She and her family have also been active supporters of NCHS fundraising events in 2024.

Caroline has always been an animal lover, as Holly can attest, with plans to pursue her passion in her future. "I want to go to the University of Georgia to become a veterinarian and hopefully one day work at Disney's Animal Kingdom as a vet."



When not helping animals, Caroline is an A student, an All-Star Cheerleader, having competed at the US National championship level and recently made the JV cheer team at East Coweta High School as an 8 th grader.

From all of us, and all of the animals under our care at NCHS, we wish Caroline every success in current and future endeavors and thank her for her caring and generous spirit.



#### HOW CAN YOU HELP?

Thank you for your continued generosity and support. We could not do any of this good work without you! To learn more about our events, volunteering and donating, please visit us online at <a href="https://www.nchsrescue.org">www.nchsrescue.org</a>.

Choose to donate from one of our online Wish lists, give to our Pet Food Pantry, or

make a monetary donation!

Cuddly.com

Amazon Wish Lists:

Cat/Dog/Pokeys Place

<u>Paypal</u>

Pet Food Pantry Wish List

Give Butter

Venmo







# VOLUNTEER SPOTLIGHT

Clarice Marinello

"Volunteering with NCHS for the past few years as part of the Cat Team has been an experience close to my heart.

One of my key roles is to help new volunteers find their perfect fit with us. Everyone has a unique gift, and NCHS wants our volunteers to be passionate about what they do. From fostering and organizing files to simply spending time and playing with our feline babies, there are many ways to get involved.

Clarice is so important to NCHS because she brings dedication, passion, and a deep love for animals to everything she does. Her ability to connect with both volunteers and the community helps create a supportive and nurturing environment for our cats. Clarice's commitment to the welfare of our furry friends makes her an invaluable member of our team.

You can usually find Clarice at the Newman
PetSmart on Saturdays from 1-4 pm. While there,
she shares with people all the amazing things
NCHS does for our community, like our spay and
neuter program, and we also facilitate adoptions
on this day.

Everyone loves stopping by to say hi to the cats in the cat room at PetSmart. Clarice is the one who ensures our feline friends are cared for and played with during their stay at PetSmart