



# THE PAW REPORT

By Animal Protection Society of Person County

APS is a non-profit organization functioning as a county-wide humane society that is independent of Person County government.

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## Become a Member

**Become a member,  
Save a furry friend!**

**Membership is only  
\$15!**

Members are welcome but not required to attend APS meetings and special events.

Members receive a membership card, demonstrating their dedication to animal rescue!

## Upcoming Events

**APS at Personality with the "Kissing Booth"**  
Saturday, August 27  
Uptown Roxboro

**Cause for Paws Vendor Fair**  
at Palace Pointe this summer! More details coming soon!

**Monthly Meet & Greets at PetSense**  
1st Saturday of each month unless noted on our Facebook page!

## Fostering Saves Lives

Many families will say it's too difficult to foster a pet. Unfortunately, the reality is that if families are not willing to foster, the pet will be "put-down" if not adopted from the shelter, especially in high-kill shelters. Fostering really is the link between shelters and "forever" homes!

### From an APS Foster:

**"To know we are saving a life feels great and it seems like the dogs really know they have been saved. From the moment the dogs are pulled from the shelter, given necessary vet care and brought into our home, you can see them relax each step of the way. It is sometimes hard when the dog leaves for a forever home, but we know they are in a perfect home and now we can foster and save another. And since the APS covers all expenses that are involved with having a foster pet in the household, we don't have to worry about that aspect of adding to the family during the foster period either".** - Robyn and Dave Handy

If you would like to learn more about fostering for APS, visit our website ([apsofpc.org](http://apsofpc.org)) or talk to an APS member! We hope you'll join our Foster Family and help save lives!

**From Shelter to Foster Family ... A Beautiful Transformation!**



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### View Adoptable Pets

[www.petfinder.com](http://www.petfinder.com)

(enter zip code to narrow your search)

### Visit us online

E-mail: [apsofpc@gmail.com](mailto:apsofpc@gmail.com)

[www.apsofpc.org](http://www.apsofpc.org)

[www.facebook.com/apsofpc](http://www.facebook.com/apsofpc)

### Contact Us

Post Office Box 291, Roxboro  
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### Join Us

Meetings held 1st Tuesday of every month at 6 p.m. at Roxboro Presbyterian Church near Biscuitville!

THANK YOU TO  
OUR DONORS!

## AVAILABLE PUPS



Daisy



Luna



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## In 2015, APS Helped 35 dogs and 73 cats Find New Homes

APS works with all sizes and varieties when it comes to dogs and cats. From kittens to large dogs, our members have worked hard to ensure the best opportunities for adoption of these pets.

We are proud to announce a successful 2015 and hope to do even more in 2016. **How can we accomplish this task? With your help, of course! Donations, active members, new foster families, and wonderful “forever” homes make APS a great and successful organization!**



Mardo with his new dad, 4/15

## Storm Anxiety & Tips on How to Help Your Pet

According to [www.pets.webmd.com](http://www.pets.webmd.com), thunderstorm phobia in dogs is real, not uncommon, and shouldn't be ignored, experts say. The anxiety often gets worse throughout the season as storms become more frequent.

"Most of the time they don't grow out of it on their own, and many will get worse with time if nothing is done," says Matt Peuser, DVM, a veterinarian at Olathe Animal Hospital in Kansas.

Why does storm phobia happen? What can you do if your dog suffers from it?

- 1) Reward calm behavior year-round** - practice getting your dog to settle on command. Put a special "inside" leash on the dog and practice having the pet lie at your feet while praising the calm behavior.
- 2) Give the dog a safe place where he can go in a storm** - an open crate, a basement where the dog can't hear or see what's happening outside, an interior room with music playing, or a bathroom. Let your dog decide: Notice where he goes during a storm, and if possible, allow access to it.
- 3) In the winter, desensitize your dog to the sounds of a storm** - play a CD of thunder recordings at low enough levels that don't frighten your dog, while giving him treats or playing a game. Gradually increase the volume over the course of several months, stopping if your dog shows any signs of anxiety.
- 4) Ask your veterinarian for advice** - the doctor may have more ideas for behavior modification and can assess whether medication may also be needed.

<http://pets.webmd.com/dogs/features/dog-storm-phobia>

## APS OBJECTIVES

Promote spay/neuter to reduce the overpopulation of animals  
Placement of unwanted animals into responsible, loving homes  
Educate public on responsible pet ownership  
Rescue animals in danger of being euthanized