

PAWS & EFFECT

Upcoming Events

November 24 / 10am - 7pm
Patagonia Burlington
Cable Knit Hat Sale

December 13 / 5-8pm
Switchback Brewing Co.
Pet Photos with Santa

December 15 / 10am - 4pm
Pet Food Warehouse
Pet Photos with Santa

December 16 / 10am - 4pm
Doggie Styles Salon
Pet Photos with Santa

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All I Want For Christmas...

Keep your eyes open for our “Claus for Paws” donation crates placed in local businesses in your area! This will be our fourth year celebrating the generosity of our community by collecting and distributing sorely needed pet-related items. These include; collars, leashes, food, beds, toys, cleaning supplies, and so much more, which show up on all of the wish lists written by our furry friends. We can’t wait until December 30th when we put on our Santa Suits and deliver these gifts to the pups, kitties and tireless volunteers who support our homeless animals until they find their forever homes.



Fire & Rescued 2019 Calendar



Be on the lookout for our first Annual Firefighter/Rescue Calendar featuring the South Burlington Fire Department and their loyal four legged friends! Supply will be limited so buy early!!! While perfect for stocking stuffers, these calendars will return 100% of all proceeds to PAWS, and therefore the support of shelters around the county. Find them at Pet Food Warehouse, and at local PAWS events this holiday season.



VET CONNECTION

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Behavior and Environmental Stimulation

As both the cold weather and holidays arrive, it's important to pay extra attention to our pets who can get lost in the shuffle. Less exercise and more time alone is never a good combination and it can lead to unwanted behaviors. Some pets experience separation anxiety and this can lead to melancholy, property destruction and regressive toileting accidents, all of which are undesirable for both you and your pet.

Does your dog eat too fast? Here are two possible solutions you can try.

- **Food maze:** This one is great for the chow-hounds out there that inhale meals in practically one gulp, sometimes causing regurgitation (“spitting up”) of food immediately afterward. The maze slows eating and keeps the brain active for a longer period of time.
- **Food puzzle:** As the pet paws at one of the tubes, it will swing and drop pieces of food. This activity is an excellent choice for the highly active, highly intelligent dog. It is a simple DIY project, or you can find a manufactured version selling online. For an excellent example on YouTube, search for “Bella’s Bottle Game”.
- **Medications and Behavior Specialist consultation:** If environmental modification alone is unsuccessful and the pet remains highly anxious and/or a danger to itself/others, please seek assistance from your veterinarian or a veterinary Behavior Specialist immediately (<https://www.dacvb.org>).

Topic Ideas?

Do you have a topic idea for an upcoming issue? If so, please contact info@pawsvt.org

Furry Photo Opps

Celebrate the holiday by taking Santa photos with your pups this year at three different locations:

Switchback Brewing Co:	12/13, 5-8pm
Pet Food Warehouse:	12/15, 10-4pm
Doggie Styles Salon:	12/16, 10-4pm

Volunteer Needed

We are currently looking for an *Events Coordinator* to help with planning and following through with events. Are you detail-orientated, organized, and love animals? If so, please email info@pawsvt.org

