

**Attendees:** J.Campbell; G.Chandler; K. Doolittle; D. Grayson; R.Grayson; W.Holland; Dr. J.Jackson; K.Materne; A. McCollum; K. McDaniel; M. Mellein; BR White; K. Wiltse; L. Whitaker.  
**Excused:** J. Murajda;  
**Absent:** M.Abrol; R. Marden; R. Peecher;

**12:00 Arrive and Food entry**

Meeting called to order ; Invocation by Dr. John Jackson; Pledge of Allegiance & Civitan Creed

**12:15 - General Business**

- Approved Minutes from last meeting – N/A
- Treasurer's Report N/A
- **Ramps and Projects:** N/A
- **Race:** Confirmed at OVP for July 28<sup>th</sup>
- **Candy Box/ Coin Box** – Kathleen Wiltse reported \$153.41 collected from candy boxes. We learned that Southern Spa & Patio also has a box so she will go by there. Moved the DuSouth box to Subway in Towne Center. Need to order new boxes. Purchased candy from Sam's for refilling boxes.
- **Membership Drive** – George handling the Membership Meeting in February. Everyone turn in 2 names in January of potential members to invite to the Membership Drive Meeting.
- **Relay:** N/A.
- **Fruitcakes** – N/A
- Boston Butts: Deposited another \$700. in sales. Rob will report next meeting on our profit.
- ESP Pageant –ATH Classic Center. SAT FEB 4<sup>th</sup> at 7PM. Silent auction items needed. We voted to approve \$250 in sponsorship (DLG Motion; GC 2<sup>nd</sup>. All approved.) and A.McCollum will present to Winterville club tomorrow to get a matching bid. Also, McCollum will approach Civitan District and other Ga clubs so Civitan can be the main sponsor of the event next year.
- L. Whitaker needs a nametag.
- Need to mail check to caterer. PO Box 74 Elberton GA.
- Thursday at 6PM – special needs basketball at High Shoals Elementary School
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**12:45 – Bob Boyd, of Athens Area Humane Society** – Many ways to help this no-kill shelter service. They need foster families. Check website for WISH LIST of items. They need food donations to provide to people who need help feeding their pets. April 15<sup>th</sup> @Foundry = BrewFest event sponsoring AAHS. Monthly program 1<sup>st</sup> Sat of each month @PetSuppliesPlus in alps Rd. – clinic for micro-chipping and adoption.

President Wendy Holland challenged each member to bring a dog or cat (dry) food donation to the next meeting for the Athens Area Humane Society – located on Mars Hill Road.

**1:15 Adjourned**



*Big Hearts Pageant*

## Show your Heart. In a *big* way.

Calling all community members! Extra Special People, a Northeast Georgia nonprofit organization, is hosting its fifth annual **Big Hearts Pageant on Saturday, February 4 at the Classic Center** in downtown Athens. The event showcases the talents of kids with special needs who put the “extra special” in our organization, while raising money to fund summer camp, after school programs and weekend outings for the kids and young adults who have made lifelong friends and found a sense of belonging at Extra Special People.

### **We need your help!**

- Volunteers are needed to help run the event
- Help us find Big Hearts donations from restaurants, businesses, and Silent Auction items
- Contributions are tax deductible!
- ***Spread the word*** to your friends, family, and co-workers—tickets go on sale December 1!

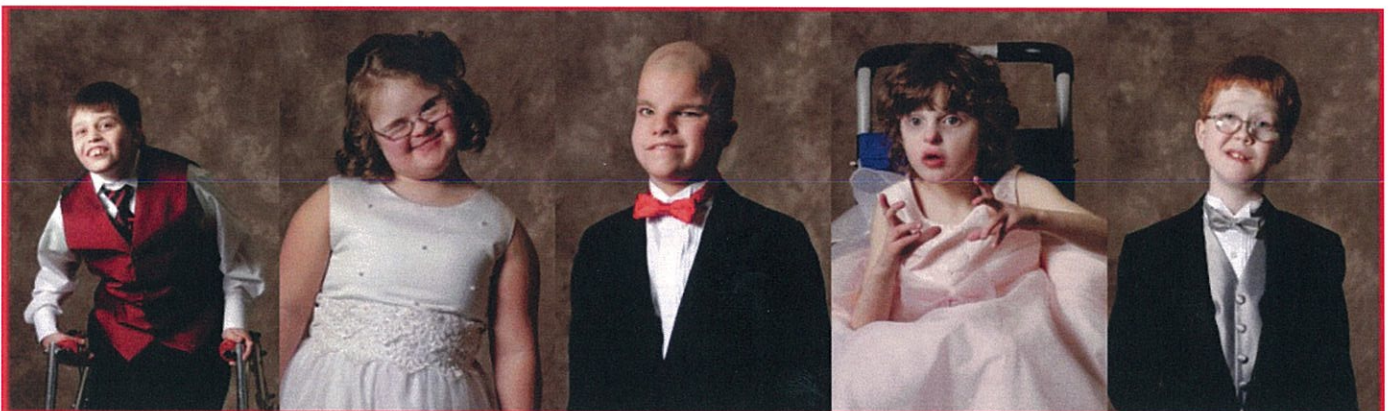
Questions or inquiries can be directed to **[BigHearts@extraspecialpeople.com](mailto:BigHearts@extraspecialpeople.com)**  
or by visiting **[extraspecialpeople.com](http://extraspecialpeople.com)**.

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*Extra Special People, Inc., (ESP) empowers children with developmental disabilities to cultivate skills, self-confidence and relationships through recreational therapy, community involvement and the arts. With the support of volunteers and donors, the ESP team gives participants and their families the gifts of acceptance, hope, and the opportunity to not just survive, but to thrive.*

*With ever-expanding after-school programs, weekend clubs, a seven-week long summer camp and family resources, our nonprofit serves more than 150 families, with an ongoing dream of reaching every Northeast Georgia family that has a need and a desire to help their special child grow and thrive.*

Visit us at [extraspecialpeople.com](http://extraspecialpeople.com), or at [Facebook.com/extraspecialpeople](https://www.facebook.com/extraspecialpeople).



## *The Finances*

Our annual, Board approved Budget reflects income of over \$600,000 with expenses slightly under this total. Our revenue sources include a direct mail campaign, the Spay/Neuter Center, general contributions, investment income and event surplus income. WE APPRECIATE THE GENEROSITY OF OUR FRIENDS WHO MAKE OUR PROGRAMS POSSIBLE!!!

## *The Why*

Andy, a five-year old Terrier mix lived the “good life.” Regular meals, frequent trips out and about, snuggling on the couch and afternoon naps helped make his life truly happy. Unfortunately his human companion became ill and had to move to an assisted living facility and Andy could not go. Due to the family circumstances, they surrendered Andy to Animal Control.

On her weekly visit to Animal Control, our Canine Coordinator, Kati, “pulled” Andy for participation in our dog adoption program. During his week at Animal Control, this terrier mix had become a shy, withdrawn, frightened dog. After a health examination, vaccination and neuter surgery, Andy was placed with one of our foster families. After a few days he was back to his former self living the good life. He is awaiting adoption. Andy’s story can be repeated over and over again. The circumstances will be different. We can change the name and substitute cat for dog (or rabbit, rat or almost any other animal). Our programs benefit animals and their owners. Our mission, first and foremost is to lower the area’s euthanasia rate. Our programs achieve success because of our community’s generosity.

ON BEHALF OF ANDY AND ALL OF THE ANIMALS THANK YOU!

## *The Volunteers*

Every non-profit organization depends on the work of dedicated volunteers. We are fortunate to have 60 volunteers who serve in every capacity from clean-up to Board Leadership and everything in between. Our volunteers provide over 1,600 hours of service allowing us to spend over \$15,000 on the animals. THANK YOU VOLUNTEERS!!!

## *The Facts*

- We helped over 500 cats and dogs find their forever homes
- Our surgery team has provided 13,000 low-cost spays or neuters since November 2011
- We operate with an annual balanced budget of over \$600,000
- Our volunteer Board of Directors supervises programmatic and financial operations
- Our Staff and volunteers provide over 50,000 hours of service to the community
- We have provided Spays/Neuters to cats and dogs in over 90 Georgia counties and 10 states
- Over 2,000 donors support AAHS.



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Athens Regional Spay/Neuter Clinic  
1781 Mars Hill Road  
Watkinsville, GA 30677



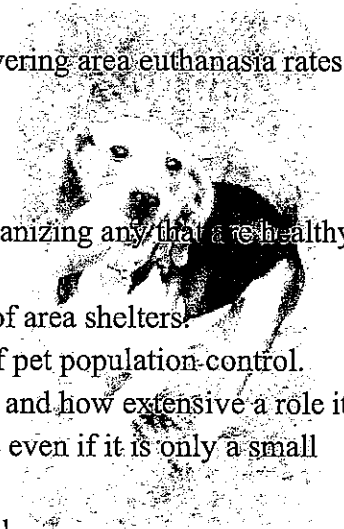
706-353-2287  
[www.AthensHumaneSociety.org](http://www.AthensHumaneSociety.org)

## ***The Mission***

The Athens Area Humane Society is a no-kill non-profit organization dedicated to lowering area euthanasia rates through adoption, spay/neuter and pet retention programs.

The Philosophy of the Athens Area Humane Society

- We are committed to creating a no-kill community.
- We will take in no more animals than we can responsibly care for without euthanizing any that are healthy or treatable.
- We will provide our community with proactive programs to keep animals out of area shelters.
- We will not participate in or facilitate community reliance on lethal methods of pet population control.
- We believe that every private organization has the right to determine what role and how extensive a role it plays. However, every organization and individual is capable of playing a role even if it is only a small one.
- We believe that every companion animal deserves to be treated as an individual.



## ***The Programs***

The Athens Area Humane Society operates a low cost Spay & Neuter Center in Watkinsville. The Cat and Small Animal Adoption Center is located in the rear of Pet Supplies Plus on Alps Road in Athens. We are grateful to Mark Martin for providing this space to the AAHS. The Dog Adoption program utilizes foster homes prior to placement. Our other programs include a monthly Pet Care Clinic, the Food Bowl, an animal food assistance program, as well as Humane Education.

## ***The Leadership***

The Athens Area Humane Society is governed by a volunteer Board of Directors. The Board meets monthly to review the Financial Statement and ongoing program delivery. Each Board Member serves a three-year term.

The members of the Board of Directors are listed below:

President	Nicole Northrup	Treasurer	Mark Martin
Vice-President	Aimee Martin	Board Member	Tina Spring
Vice-President (Special Projects)	Benna Cunningham	Board Member	Kathy Bangle
Secretary	Erika Hermanowicz	Board Member	Chris Hanks

## ***The Staff***

The staff provides direct services to the animals and people of Clarke and Oconee counties and the surrounding communities. This group of talented individuals handles the day to day operations of the Athens Area Humane Society.

Executive Director/CEO	Robert "Bob" Boyd	Office Coordinator	Shalan Moore
Special Projects Manager	Denise Plemmons	Canine Coordinator	Kati Adams
Staff Veterinarian	Jeff Light, DVM	Shelter Technician	Lizzie Faville
Shelter Manager	Lindsay Porter	Shelter Technician	Lee-Anne Shumate
Clinic Director & RVT	Jessica Wamsley	Adoption Counselor	Lacey Lancaster
Veterinary Assistant	Tim George	Adoption Counselor	Leah Trotter
		Clinic Relief RVT	Krista Warren