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Dog Costume Contest To Raise Animal Cruelty Awareness, Funds for Injured Animals

FAYETTEVILLE, N.C. – If you like to dress up your dog in Halloween costumes, then you will not want to miss the “Howl-O-Ween” costume contest and animal shelter adopt-a-thon on Saturday, Oct. 8, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Fayetteville Technical Community College.

The event will be held in Parking Lot 5 off Hull Road on the FTCC campus and is designed to raise awareness in the community regarding the link between domestic violence and animal cruelty. All proceeds will benefit the Cumberland County Injured Animal Stabilization Fund and the Safe Havens Supervised Visitation Center.

The registration fee is \$12 for the first dog and \$6 for additional dogs. To pre-register, please email kels926@hotmail.com or call (910) 321-3818.

Last year’s Howl-O-Ween contest raised \$1,331 for the Injured Animals Stabilization Fund and two dogs from the Animal Shelter found new homes, according to Dr. Lauby.

“We really appreciate the efforts of the hard-working volunteers who put on this fun event and raise funds to assist us in caring for injured animals,” Dr. Lauby said.

Supported strictly by donations from the community, the Injured Animal Stabilization Fund allows Animal Control to perform medical procedures on animals they would otherwise have to euthanize. The fund provides life-saving medical care so the animals can be adopted. In the past, Animal Control Director Dr. John Lauby has used the fund to cover surgeries for injured animals. Call 321-6852 for more information about the fund.

The Safe Havens Supervised Visitation Center assists parents in maintaining contact with their children while the adults are separating, going through a divorce or other family transition. The center also assists the court system by providing supervised visitation and safe exchange services when the court feels that it is in the best interests of both children and parents.

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