

# Circle of Compassion

## 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Senior Scholarship Award

Paws and Claws Society is seeking the fresh ideas of young people for an old problem – **how to get more animals adopted from animal shelters.**

### **AWARDS:**

A 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> prize may be awarded in each participating county for \$1,000, \$750 and \$500 respectively. The student submitting the best idea from all the entrants may be awarded \$1,500.

### **ELIGIBILITY:**

Seniors attending high schools in Atlantic, Cape May, Cumberland and Salem Counties who will graduate in spring 2011.

### **CHALLENGE:**

Only about 16% of the animals adopted into homes come from animal shelters. The challenge is to create an **original, practical** way to increase the adoption of shelter pets and describe it in an essay of **less than 500** words. Idea(s) can apply to an entire shelter or to specific types of adoptions like senior pets, special needs pets, feral cats or big dogs. You can submit up to five original ideas, if each is a separate submission.

### **JUDGING:**

A four person committee chaired by the Paws and Claws Society Treasurer will judge the submissions. Decisions will be final. Paws and Claws Society reserves the right not to award all prizes, if entries are not original. If a same or similar winning idea is submitted, the earliest postmark will decide the winner.

### **TERMS:**

By submitting an idea essay all students are signifying that their work is original. While the students will retain rights to their work, Paws and Claws Society reserves the right to use all ideas without compensation.

### **SUBMIT:**

On one side of a single sheet of paper place your name, school, school address, school telephone number and county. Place your idea essay on the other side and mail by May 1, 2011, to:

**Circle of Compassion Senior Scholarship, PO Box 633, CMCH, NJ 08210**

**WINNERS:** Scholarship winners will be notified during their school's normal award ceremony.

A list of winners can be obtained after June 15 by emailing [humane\\_educator@hotmail.com](mailto:humane_educator@hotmail.com).



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