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to lovingly provide elders, children, and folks with disabilities individualized therapeutic visits with a gentle, affectionate pet

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PAWS Jingle Bell Brunch Spotlights PAWS By Special Request Program

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Newark, DE, November 1, 2012 - The annual PAWS for People Jingle Bell Brunch will be held Saturday, December 1st at 11:00 am at the Embassy Suites, Newark, DE.

Cost for the Brunch is \$50/person with special group rates also available. The Brunch celebrates all of the PAWS therapy teams, with special emphasis this year on the PAWS by Special Request program. This program offers individual animal-assisted pet therapy visits for individuals who can benefit from the healing benefits of a gentle, loving pet.

Held in a festive holiday atmosphere, the Brunch features a silent auction, live seasonal music and a full brunch menu with cash bar. Proceeds will be used to expand and extend the PAWS by Special Request program as well as all other PAWS programs and services. Sponsors of this year's event include Somewhere Stables, Ameriprise, IFS Benefits, Arthur Hall Insurance, Barkable Bites and Yorkston Consulting.

To reserve a space or for more information, contact Janet Luke, Director of Development, 302-351-5622 or go to www.pawsforpeople.org.

PAWS for People is a volunteer non-profit organization that recruits, trains, certifies and places pet therapy teams in more than 120 different facilities in Delaware, Pennsylvania, New Jersey and Maryland. Over 300 therapy teams share the love and companionship of their pets, providing a deep and often healing connection with a broad range of people in need. Visitation sites include hospices; assisted living facilities; Alzheimer's units; chemotherapy treatment rooms; physical and occupational rehabilitation; and drug and alcohol treatment centers. In addition, PAWS for Reading teams provide reading sessions in schools and libraries to help children enjoy reading while improving their literacy skills with the comfort and encouragement of an affectionate cat or dog.

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