PET SAVERS

Improving the lives of companion animals









OCTOBER WOOF WALK SUCCESSFUL!

The 3rd Annual Woof Walk was fun for all in attendance. This year there were more people, animals and events to enjoy. We had more vendors for shopping or getting advice from, and plenty of chances to show off one's pet.

All of the dog pictures throughout this issue were taken at the Woof Walk, courtesy of Kimberly Wink. Follow the web link in her ad to see more of her wonderful pictures. We thank her for attending and sharing her incredible snapshots of the event.

The games this year were so much fun we're doing even more next year. Everyone agreed, you couldn't watch the contestants of the "Fastest Eater" contest and not smile!

This year's Halloween Costume Contest convinced us we need more categories of winners next year. There were so many great costumes and people were very involved with their adorably dressed pets. Everyone enjoyed seeing them, and that must be rewarded next year.

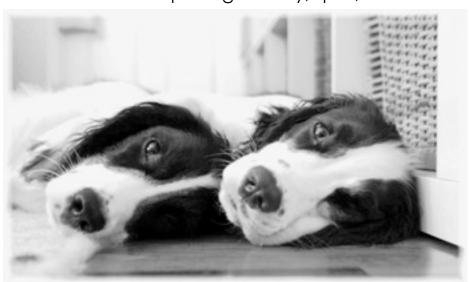
Online, check out the pictures of Sharon Anderson and her friends with the agility training; the dogs really think it's great fun and so did the audience.

Special thanks to the following generous dog lovers: Daminger's for the dog food, D'Agostini's for their wonderful donation, to Dr. Elizabeth Severino for her prayer for the animals, Andy Fox and the staff from Alcyon Lake Park, Darrin Peters for his DJ services and the East Ave Coffee Shop for the delicious coffee.

A big thanks to all the vendors, rescues and vets who hosted tables and gave gift baskets for the event. And a "great job" to PET SAVERS own Jennifer Kulyik and Gina Megay for a job for well done!

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CHARITY DINNER AT ITALIAN AFFAIR

Nov. 9, 2010 animal lovers from Gloucester County went to a favorite Glassboro restaurant, the *Italian Affair*.

The owners of this restaurant, well known for its wonderful food and award winning wine list, offered PET SAVERS a percentage of all dinners sold that evening.

Guiseppe Celano wrote a very generous check to PET SAVERS. We thank him and the rest of the staff who gave all the diners great service and, as always, fabulous food.

Dogs Deserve Better

by Barbara Spector

Can you imagine going through life, chained in one place, no one to keep you company? For countless dogs an entire lifetime is spent alone at the end of a chain. Dogs are social animals that naturally live in packs. Their human family replaces the pack. They become timid, anxious, and neurotic when they're chained and kept from interacting with their human families. They can bark incessantly as a desperate cry for attention.

Sometimes chained dogs can become overly territorial and aggressive as a result of being restrained for so long. Children, adults, and other animals who wander into their area are prone to attacks. Nearly one-third of fatal dog bites recorded by the Humane Society of the U.S. have been inflicted by chained dogs.

A lack of interaction with a chained dog can also lead to undetected medical issues, food and water bowls being knocked over, or a dog trapped by chains. As the dog becomes easier to forget, daily feeding and providing water can be neglected. The chained dog can also become a victim for people who wish to cause them harm. They can be stolen to be used in dog fights or as experiments in laboratories.

Some Simple Things You Can Do For Chained Dogs:

- 1) Send a message to legislators: Stop the Chaining of N.J. dogs!
- 2) Educate people who are chaining dogs. There are numerous flyers from shelters, the internet, etc. that can provide valuable information.
- 3) Follow up on dogs that you see continually chained with no shelter, food or water by calling your local shelter, animal control or police department.



"THE LAST KITTEN OF THE BUNCH"

(A tribute to a special cat named Jack) by Michelle Biehl

The last kitten of the bunch THE KING of hearts

His name was Jack and he was ours

He went home in a shirt pocket Grew as fast as a speeding rocket He had orange kitten power and a freckled face

Loved a morning shower

He ran the place

I would put that tiger striped kitten under my sweater

He'd fall asleep and we would cuddle together

This he did not forget

Even when he was 18 pounds he

thought he could fit

You could always find him In his masters chair

Everyday he waited for him to come home and join him there

Jack did tricks

He was cooler than most dogs He gave HIGH FIVES and hunted stuffed animals

One by one

He would carry them up the stairs Requesting a treat

With a silent meow and a golden

The friendship he gave will not be gone

THE spirit of JACK

Will live on

On an autumn night Jack took flight

To a colorful place

He can not be replaced He is now a shining star

The last kitten of the bunch will

always be ours

He is our only choice, The KING of hearts, Our favorite boy ♥



HAPPY "TAIL" FROM AN ADOPTER

by Katie Winner

I started volunteering at the GCAS in May 2009. My family had stopped by about five months earlier after the loss of our beloved Samoyed. When we went we saw a cute cocker spaniel and applied for her, but she went to another family.

About three weeks after I started volunteering at the shelter I found Rusty a 2-3 year old stray English Springer Spaniel, or better yet I should say Rusty found me. He was in a far cage and I almost didn't see him till I heard a tiny whimper, and then I saw him staring at me through the cage with his huge brown eyes.

I was in love, and I immediately took him out of his cage to take him in the yard and play with him, but all he wanted to do was give kisses. I immediately called my family to come in and meet him also and they too quickly fell for his undeniable charm.

Now Rusty has a permanent home with my family and his Shitzu brother Petey, and Saint Bernard sister Sophie. It's like he filled in the piece of the puzzle our Samoyed left. We couldn't be any happier with Rusty. I still volunteer at the shelter today, and I'm always ecstatic when someone else finds the perfect animal like we did!



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COMING EVENTS

PHOTOS WITH SANTA

Mantua & Turnersville PETSMART Saturdays and Sundays 11am-4pm

DEC. 4th & 5th

DEC. 11th & 12th

DEC. 18th & 19th

4TH ANNUAL BARK 'n BID

Saturday April 9, 2011 Adelphia Restaurant Deptford, NJ

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PET SAVERS NEEDS YOUR HELP!

by Cheryl Supernavage

If you love animals and are looking for a worthy volunteer project, PET SAVERS can use your help. PET SAVERS is a non-profit organization trying to reduce the number of pets that wind up in shelters through education and community outreach initiatives. As PET SAVERS is growing, we are finding the need for more volunteers.

Currently we are in the midst of starting a foster program, Trap-Neuter-Release (TNR) program, and a Micro-chipping program. Besides these programs, we are participating in more events, requiring more volunteers willing to help table them.

We need more volunteers to take part in the following areas, for which you would receive the training you'd need to do the job.

Foster Program: We need a foster program coordinator. This person would be the liaison between PET

SAVERS and the foster parents. She/he would make sure the foster parents were provided with the proper pet care needs; such as food, litter, bedding, carriers, etc., as well as medical care. This person would be available for the foster parents to contact if they have any questions, concerns, etc.

PET SAVERS also needs fosters to care for animals for a time determined by the situation. Each case is different and calls for a time commitment from the volunteer

based on the individual details.

Foster parents would be assisting families who are having financial troubles, until their financial situation stabilizes and they can care for their pets again. Or, helping military service people who have been deployed who need homes for their pets until they return from duty.

Foster parents are also needed for raising litters of kittens or puppies until they're old enough to go to the shelter for adoption; animals who need rehabilitation, or other special cases where fostering is necessary. Some of these situations call for a shorter care time than others which require a longer commitment.

Trap-Neuter-Release Program: TNR is an extremely effective way to control feral cat colonies. TNR is done by trapping feral cats, neutering them, clipping their ear for identification, and releasing them back into their territory to live out their lives without reproducing. This will cut down on the number of feral kittens born

each year and help control the number and size of these feral cat colonies.

To properly begin a TNR program, we need volunteers. These volunteers will be responsible for trapping, bringing the cats in to be neutered, and releasing them back into their territory after they are healed. This is a wonderful program that needs a lot of manpower to be effective.

Micro-chipping Program: Micro-chipping is a wonderful way to return lost pets to their rightful owners. By micro-chipping all pets, the shelter will immediately be able to see if a stray cat or dog is someone's lost pet. This will cut down on the number of stray animals in the shelter and enable the shelter to quickly and safely return the pets to their owners. To get this program viable, we need volunteers who can set up and run events where people can bring their pets to be micro-chipped for a low cost.

Tabling Events: To grow, and help more animals, PET SAVERS needs to be present at many different events

such as Woof Walk, Fido's Fest and Pinups for Pitbulls. We need volunteers who are willing to table these events, sell our products, educate the public about our mission, answer questions, and inform the public of our own upcoming events.

If anyone is interested in participating in one of these programs or tabling events, please call us at (856) 796-0361 or e-mail us at volunteer@petsaversnj.org.

