

## FROM THE DESK OF THE PRESIDENT A YEAR IN REVIEW

**Bv: Tana Sammons** 

Wow - 2012 was a very successful year for PET SAVERS and the animals we helped. Our 1st Annual Beef-n-Beer fundraiser in February held at Masso's Knight's of Columbus allowed us to expand our TNR Program. We DINED OUT with PET SAVERS in April and May at the Italian Affair, Ruby Tuesday and Chicago's Pizzeria Uno. You ate good food and donated to the animals at the same time. You saw PET SAVERS around the town at several store openings and our tent was there too at Harrison Township Day, Deptford Day, Clayton Day and we even managed to squeeze in an ice cream event at Bruster's. Chick's For Charity played at the Bus Stop in Pitman, the dogs came out for the Wash in the Park and to play Poopie Bingo, and the 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Woof Walk gave us exercise, and a chance to meet and greet. Great shopping with our loyal vendors – and of course the

#### **LOW COST SPAY / NEUTER PROGRAMS**

Call for detailed information or to obtain a certificate to have your pet spayed or neutered. Local Veterinary fees may vary.

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#### **FOSTER AN ANIMAL AND SAVE A LIFE**

Being a foster parent is fun and rewarding. As an added bonus, you get the return of love and companionship from the foster dog / cat you have welcomed into your home. You can be proud that as a foster parent you have saved a life. For additional information, please visit www.petsaversnj.org

funds to help more animals. A record-breaking number **(551)** of Santa Photos at PetSmart in Mantua and Turnersville thanks to all who helped rounded out the year on a high note.

Proudly we micro chipped dogs at your request, spayed and neutered over 150 cats through our TNR program and either returned or rehomed them. We spent many weekends at various locations collecting donations and providing education on TNR and other animal related Education extended to 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade topics. classrooms with KIND News purchased through HSUS. Our experts provided dog training to owners, GCAS has a one hour class to anyone who adopts a dog, and with the help of KYW's Nan Talleno, we began a series of pet related seminars. We did all of this because of YOU. You helped us keep dogs in homes who might have been returned, spay and neuter cats who might have reproduced, provide medical attention, adoption counseling and the list goes on. The year has been wonderful and the upcoming year promises to be even better! Thank you all - and please be sure to visit our website for a calendar of events, other important information and how you can help and be a PET SAVER!



### A LOOK AHEAD - COMING EVENTS

My Furry Valentine at Masso's: Feb 16th

Bark-n-Bid at Adelphia's : May 3rd Wash in the Park at Atkinson Park : July 21st Bruster's Ice Cream : June 15th Woof Walk at Atkinson Park : October 6th

BE SURE TO VISIT US AT WWW.PETSAVERSNJ.ORG FOR A COMPLETE LIST OF EVENTS AND LOCATIONS OF

**OUR PET SAVERS TENT** 

# Thank You sent to Mick Julia, PET SAVERS Board Member and TNR Committee

Mick, I am not sending Christmas cards this year, but I do feel the need to send a great big "THANK YOU" to the wonderful organization vou are involved in "PET SAVERS". Without your help in supplying me with food for the 19 cats that I am taking care of, these poor little guys would go hungry and have to fend for themselves, or even worse, would have to be picked up by animal control, and most likely be put down. I was left with the task of taking care of these cats, when my husband and his brother both passed away this summer. All of the cats were taken care of by my brother-in-law, and were used to being fed each and every day. They are verv healthy, loveable beautiful cats....and all have been neutered and just live a happy life running free on our property. I have provided shelter, so they have a place to get into when the weather gets cold, but without your help in providing food, I would not be able to continue keeping them. Since my husband passed away, the cats and my little dog, have given me a reason to get up each day, and get my daily routine started. In essence, this has been a "Kathy Saver", because there have been many days that I have not wanted to even get out of bed. Again, I would like to THANK YOU and PET SAVERS for all of your help. May you and your family have a Blessed Merry Christmas, and Please, Please keep up the GREAT WORK!

Sincerely, Kathy Brittingham



Four caring boys from the J. Mason Tomlin School in Mantua, NJ held a bake sale for "Make a Difference Day" to raise money for the Gloucester County Animal Shelter.

Nick Gabriele, Jackson Herlig and Andrew Reeze from Sewell and Jack Hornung from Mantua presented \$101.00 to the shelter at the Adoption Center at the Mantua Petsmart. The parents of these young men should be very proud of the fine boys they raised. Let's follow their lead and "Make a Difference"



**FOOD DONATION BINS** 

Food donations continue to be strong at our current locations – and we are proud to add Garoppo's Stone & Garden Center and Feed & Pet Supply, Newfield and Pet Valu, Glassboro to the list. All donated food goes directly to feeding homeless cats in colonies who might otherwise die of starvation. Thank you to all our donors who are making this initiative a huge success.

Visit us a <u>www.petsaversnj.org</u> for a list of all Food Donation locations and please help us with this effort.







Tips for Searching for a Lost Pet

What would you do if you and your pet were separated? Would you know where to find her? Would your local shelter know you were his owner? Make sure your pet has proper identification and then follow these steps to a quick reunion. **Get the word out** – **Call or Visit Shelters Often** - **Keep Looking!** 

Call your vet as well as your local animal shelter and other local veterinarians to see if anyone has brought your pet to them. Take a recent photo and leave it with them. Make up flyers and post them in your neighborhood, putting copies in your neighbor's mailboxes. If you realize your pet is missing right away you increase your chances of finding her. But keep looking even if it's been a few days. Cats especially can be hiding nearby and just afraid to come out of their hiding spot. Listen and look carefully under shrubs, porch decks, and other out of the way places. Place a recently worn shirt or other article of your clothing in your yard near the door. You could also place a favorite toy or bedding material outside to lead your pet home. Don't put out food as that will attract other animals and wildlife. Visit <a href="https://www.petsaversnj.org">www.petsaversnj.org</a> for complete article and more detailed information.

#### Ask The Local Vet

"Why does my pet need vaccines? He is healthy, does not go outside and I have heard vaccines are not safe."

There has been much controversy over the past few years about vaccines, both human and animal. I cannot tell you how many times I've been told," But doctor, my cat/dog isn't near any other animals and never goes outside so he/she doesn't need them." I can understand this thinking to a point, but let me clarify—vaccines are very important for your pet's overall health, your family's well-being, and the public health. So many diseases that we haven't seen for years are re-emerging: panleukopenia, parvovirus, distemper, Rabies. This is happening because the general public believes their pet doesn't need the vaccine or that the vaccine will cause harm. Vaccines are safe. Vaccines are effective. Vaccines prevent disease.

When you take your cat/dog to your veterinarian, he/she will discuss at every visit the vaccines that your pet should receive and formulate a customized vaccine schedule that will fit your pet's lifestyle and provide needed protection.

We all want our pets to live a long, happy and healthy life. Vaccines are the first step in that journey.

Dr. Renee M. Carpentier, VMD

#### **Pumpkin Peanut Butter Doggie Cookies**

2 1/2 cups whole wheat flour

2 eggs

1 cup canned pumpkin

2 Tablespoons peanut butter

1/2 teaspoon salt

1/2 teaspoon ground cinnamon

Water as needed

Preheat over to 350F. Mix all ingredients except water. Add water as needed to make the dough workable.

Dough should be dry and stiff. Roll to a 1/2" thick roll

Cut in 1/2" pieces or with bone shape cutter.

Bake until hard, about 40 minutes.

#### **Dog Parks**

Dog Parks are a great way for you and your dog to get some exercise, socialize and play with other dogs. There are many dog parks to enjoy in <a href="New Jersey">New Jersey</a>, including the Washington Township Dog Park located along the banks of Grenloch Lake.

Make sure that you keep several things in mind, including your dog's energy level, comfort with other animals, and the rules of the specific park you are visiting (on- or off-leash, for example). Nan Talleno, certified canine behavior specialist and professional dog trainer advises dog owners to build a strong but loving bond before letting your dog off-leash to ensure a positive park experience for you and your pooch!

For more visit Nan Talleno at <a href="https://www.peaceinthepack.com">www.peaceinthepack.com</a>

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