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Happy Tails of Dogs and Cats



Dear People for Animals Officers and Board Members,

What an exciting day May 18th was for my family and me. I loved going on the "Walk for Animals" through the park. This is the kind of exercise I love and get a lot of now that I'm in a home, not in a kennel. A special thank you to all of you for giving me a second chance, for allowing me to learn how to behave properly with people and dogs.

I feel really good about my behavior that day and hope you were impressed at how handsome I am. It is so wonderful to belong to someone in such a special way. I am also happy to have helped raise some money for People for Animals after all you did for me for years.

Love,
Rex

Editor's Note: Rex was rescued by PFA and lived in a kennel for over two years until he was adopted by Bob & Mary Ellen Chanda earlier this year. Since then, Rex has been living at the home of Staci Trabold where he has received excellent training and is now a 'new' dog. Thank you to Staci, Bob & Mary Ellen for Rex's miracle.

Thank you for your wonderful letters...it is the best reward that anyone involved with pet rescue and adoption can receive. We are so grateful that our little ones are in such loving homes.



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Meet Henry ...A Very Special Kitten

Tiny Henry was abandoned at an overcrowded shelter when he was only four weeks old. His boyish charm won the heart of a staff member, and at six weeks of age he went to a foster home. Unfortunately, luck was not with him. He was rushed to an emergency vet that first night. His colon was impacted and he could have died. After several days of treatment, he recovered. During his ordeal, the vet discovered that he had a broken hind leg and was born without upper eyelids. This condition allows Henry to see but he has to squint because his eyes are often painful and sore. In addition, his retinas have not developed properly, so Henry has crossed eyes. His leg has healed beautifully but now Henry faces eye surgery by a specialist to relieve the pain of his fur rubbing the surface of his eyes.



Henry is a fighter and he will conquer this last medical hurdle. Please help People for Animals to help Henry and others like him by attending the Casino Nite and/or sending in a donation for Henry's surgery. All profits from our events benefit homeless pets. Thank you.

Please fill out the form on page 2 to make a donation or to attend the Casino Nite.

Casino Nite to Benefit Homeless Pets

Please join us on Saturday, October 11 as we present our THIRD ANNUAL CASINO NITE FUNdraiser at the Union Elks Club, 281 Chestnut Street, at Five Points in Union. Doors open at 7 p.m. with the casino running from 7:30 p.m. until 10:30 p.m. Come try your luck at the roulette and dice wheels, blackjack, craps and the 50/50 raffle. All profits benefit our Pet Rescue and Adoption Program.

The tickets are a donation of \$20 in advance and \$25 at the door. Included with your admission is \$100 in 'play' money and one prize ticket. Throughout the Nite, specials will be held where your purchase can be worth up to five times its value! Cash your remaining chips in at any time to receive tickets for a chance to win valuable merchandise prizes including televisions, a camcorder, a DVD player, gift cards and baskets filled with all sorts of goodies, and much more. Prizes will be drawn at 10:30 p.m.

Tickets can be purchased by using the form on page 2 or by calling 908-688-1073 and pressing option #3. This evening should be exciting and one where more of the husbands and boyfriends will attend. Come on ladies...let's get them out of the house for an evening.

SEE YOU THERE!!!

President: *Martha Sides*

First Vice President: *Diane Guillaume*

Second Vice President: *Michaele Bucci*

Treasurer: *Fran Moore*

Corresponding Secretary: *Carol Dandy*

Recording Secretary: *Karen Czar*

Sweepstakes Offers \$500 Gift Certificate Prize to Help Homeless Pets Buy a Ticket...Today May be Your Lucky Day

Mail the ticket below with your name and telephone number to People for Animals, 433 Hillside Avenue, Hillside, NJ 07205. This year's prize is a \$500.00 gift certificate redeemable at any Simon Mall in New Jersey. The Simon Malls include: Bergen Mall, Brunswick Square, Livingston Mall, Menlo Park Mall, Newport Centre, Ocean County Mall and Rockaway Townsquare. Please enclose \$1.00 for every ticket you want entered in the Sweepstakes. Our volunteers will fill out the ticket coupon for your additional tickets. To order tickets to sell, call 908 688-1073 and press 6. Leave your name and telephone number, and one of our volunteers will return your call and arrange to mail the tickets to you. THANK YOU for supporting our pet rescue and adoption efforts. With your financial help, we adopted nearly 700 pets in 2002 and rescued nearly 1000 abandoned and/or abused pets.

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Congratulations to Our Newly Elected Officers

On June 25, 2003, at the annual membership meeting of People for Animals, officers for the 2003-2005 term were elected. They are:

<i>President:</i>	Martha Sides	<i>Treasurer:</i>	Fran Moore
<i>First Vice President:</i>	Diane Guillaume	<i>Corresponding Secretary:</i>	Carol Dandy
<i>Second Vice President:</i>	Michaele Bucci	<i>Recording Secretary:</i>	Karen Czar

Casino Nite Order Form

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY/STATE/ZIP _____

PHONE _____

I have enclosed a total of \$_____ for _____ tickets at \$20 each.

I have enclosed a total of \$_____ as a donation for homeless pet medical expenses.

Please enclose a check or money order payable to People for Animals, Inc. and mail it to:
People for Animals, Casino Nite, 433 Hillside Avenue, Hillside, NJ 07205.



A Great Holiday Idea... Shop and Help Homeless Pets at the Same Time

1. Menlo Park Mall Evening of Giving...Private Holiday Shopping

Kick off the traditional holiday shopping season by participating in a unique holiday experience. Menlo Park Mall, located in Edison off Route #1 just minutes from the Garden State Parkway, will be hosting its annual "Evening of Giving." This event is a special evening of private holiday shopping being held on Sunday, November 23rd from 6:30 – 9:30 p.m. The general public will not be admitted to the mall without a pre-purchased ticket.

The event includes special entertainment for adults and children to reflect the warmth of the season. Guests will be able to take advantage of in-store offers, a silent auction, and door prizes. Guests will enjoy a true sense of community as all proceeds from the ticket sales will benefit local charities, nonprofit organizations and the Simon Youth Foundation that has developed programs to help young people across the country.

The ticket for admission to this private event is an \$8 donation. Tickets may be purchased by using the form below or by calling 908 688-1073 and pressing menu option #5.

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY/STATE/ZIP _____

PHONE _____

I have enclosed a total of \$ _____ for _____ tickets at \$8 each.

Please enclose a check or money order payable to People for Animals, Inc. and mail it to:
People for Animals, Evening of Giving, 433 Hillside Avenue, Hillside, NJ 07205.

2. PFA and Partylite Candles, Perfect Together

Cheryl Nowak, a Partylite consultant, is eager to raise funds for PFA to benefit homeless pets. Decorate your home with beautiful Partylite products and help save animals too! If you're interested in hosting a candle party, doing a book show or want information on becoming a consultant, please call Cheryl at 908-587-1380. Beautify your home for the holidays and every day.

3. Purchase Holiday Gifts from IGIVE.COM

This is so easy and there are a wide variety of products from which to select. IGIVE donates a percentage of all sales to PFA. All you have to do is to specify People for Animals as your charity.

Wrap a Gift to Help a Pet

Do you enjoy meeting people, talking about pets and being in an interesting place? If you do, then join us this holiday season at the Springfield and Clark Barnes & Noble stores from November 28 to December 24.

Barnes & Noble offers People for Animals a great opportunity to raise funds to feed, shelter and provide medical care for homeless pets. At both stores, our volunteers wrap books and other items sold at the store. The wrapping is easy as there are no bows and no matching as the papers have an all over pattern.

If you can volunteer at least 3 hours of your time, please call 908 688-1073 and press 7 to leave a message.



Volunteer Opportunities

Our volunteers are diligently working on new ideas to raise funds to help the animals. If you are interested to participate in any of the following projects, please call our Pet Assistance Line, 908 688-1073 and press 4.

1. Shake donation cans in front of local stores such as major supermarkets
2. Sell Sweepstakes tickets in front of major supermarkets
3. Place donation boxes in local stores and periodically collect the money donated.
4. Answer our Pet Assistance Line (also known as the 'Hotline'). Our message center is available 24 hours a day to help callers with lost and found pets, strays, and general pet problems. PFA needs volunteers to listen to the messages that are left and to return calls. You would provide advice and assistance based on the resource materials that PFA provides. This is a truly valuable service to the community and to pets in need. PFA will reimburse you for any postage or telephone expense that you incur. Training, reference materials, and copies/supplies for mailing are provided. A volunteer may elect to take calls once a week or every other week.
5. Perform administrative duties at our Low Cost Spay/Neuter Clinic
6. Gift wrap at Barnes & Noble stores

We are seeking individuals, school groups, church groups, seniors groups, and scout troops, etc. who would like to help animals. Donating your time is as valuable to PFA as your donation of money. Your time and efforts generate donations to help PFA save the lives of abandoned pets that we could not otherwise rescue.

Call for Youth Award Nominations

Do you know a young person, 16 years old or younger, who is active in animal welfare? If so, consider nominating him or her or a group for the People for Animals Annual Youth Award. The Award will be presented on November 9 at our PFA annual Volunteer Recognition Open House at the Westfield YMCA. Past winners included young people who volunteer their time with animal welfare groups, school clubs dedicated to animal welfare, and young people who on their own help animals. Nominations must be submitted in writing to: Youth Award, People for Animals, Inc., 433 Hillside Avenue, Hillside, NJ 07205-1120. The deadline is October 15, 2003.

This year's Youth Award is in honor of Joanne Verderese, a teacher of home economics for 25 years at the Mount Vernon Avenue School in Irvington. The fund established by Ms. Verderese's friends will allow us to present this award and a monetary gift to the winner.

Donate a spay or a neuter!!!

We are in need of donations to provide spay/neuter for the dogs and cats we rescue! Please fill out the form below to donate a spay/neuter and return with your check or money order. Visit our web site at www.pfa.petfinder.org and click on the "DONATE" button to use your credit card!

You will receive a picture of the dog/cat your money has helped.

___ Spay a female dog \$55 Name: _____
___ Neuter a male dog \$45 Address: _____
___ Spay a female cat \$45 Cit/State/Zip: _____
___ Neuter a male cat \$40 Telephone: _____

Return form and your check to: People for Animals • 433 Hillside Ave • Hillside, NJ 07205



CLINIC CORNER



Record Breaking Year

Our fiscal year ending June 30, 2003 was another record-breaking year for the PFA Low Cost Spay/Neuter Clinic. The Clinic sterilized 6,140 cats and dogs. The total number of cats was 4,423 and dogs were 1,717. Congratulations to the entire staff: Co-manager & lead technician Cindy Inhulsen; co-manager Lynn Katz; veterinarian Iris Furlong DVM; technician Ken Ward; animal handlers Gina Solano and April Dacchille; scheduling coordinator Carol Hilton; receptionist Jane McDougall; bookkeeper Rick Garvey; contract veterinarians Gloria Binkowski, Barbara Day, Andrew Discafani, Betty Dreisbach, Sylvia Heerens, Gerry Krazinski, Stanley Newman, Ashish Pathak, Faith Perrin, Anne Pierok, Eve Shaw, and our wonderful volunteers.



Wish List

If you can fulfill any of our wishes, please bring them to the Clinic. After hours, they can be left in the enclosed entrance at the side of the building. Many thanks.

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| <i>Bleach</i> | <i>Window cleaner</i> |
| <i>Paper towels</i> | <i>Colored copy paper</i> |
| <i>Pine Sol or similar cleaner</i> | <i>Clay cat litter (non-clumping)</i> |
| <i>Canned cat food</i> | |



Frontline and Pet Supplies

The Clinic sells a selected variety of pet supplies including toys, collars and leashes. We do not sell pet food. In addition, since your dog and cat no longer need a prescription for Frontline, you may also purchase Frontline at the Clinic.

Won't You Become a Member? Can We Count on Your Support?

Membership Application

Name(s) _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Home Phone _____ Business Phone _____

Signature _____ Date _____

\$5 Jr/Sr \$10 Individual \$15 Family \$25 Supporting \$50 Sustaining \$100 Patron

Send me information about including People for Animals, Inc. in my will.

Please send your check and this application to: **People for Animals
433 Hillside Avenue
Hillside, NJ 07205**



Walk for Animals 2003 – Successful Again – You Make the Difference

THANK YOU, THANK YOU, THANK YOU to the people and pets who joined us on May18th for our Annual Walk for Animals at Nomahegan Park in Cranford and to our members who sent in donations. Your efforts and those of our wonderful volunteers resulted in People for Animals raising over \$21,000. All monies raised will support our Pet Rescue and Adoption Program that provides medical care and shelter for homeless cats and dogs awaiting adoption into permanent loving homes.

Thank you to the following for their generosity and support: Christine Nagy and Scotty B. of Z100 Radio, PETSMART Charities, Schering-Plough Animal Health, Union County College, DAD's, Nylabone, Harper, Nutro, Hills, Vitakraft, Van Ness Plastics, Trader Joe's of Westfield, Manhattan Bagel at Five Points Union, Pathmark, King's and Shop-Rite Supermarkets.

Winners of the \$25 PETSMART Gift Cards with the total pledges each raised are:

Shirley Pallito - \$657
Peter Klein - \$652
Cheryl Amatelli - \$505
Christine Klein - \$348

Those who raised \$200 and more are:

Eileen Anton
Susanne D'Addio
Helena Lavalette
Christine Nagy

Bob and Mary Ellen Chanda
Sherryl Schaefer
Dana Luzzi
Mary & Joe Schaefer

Karen Czar
Brenda D'Iacovo
Fran Moore

Congratulations to all of the winners of our dog contests. Here are just a few of our winners.

Shirley Pallito, Cheryl and Joe Amatelli with their pets: Bandit, Shelby and Timber. Shirley and Cheryl compete each year to raise the most pledge money. Lucky PFA!!

Some of our wonderful volunteers: Carol Dandy, Joyce Martini, Nancy Curtis, Zoe Zachariades, Carol Hilton, Karen Czar, Sharon Hicks, Delia Collins

Harley and Princess McCarthy are all dressed up for the event



Best Trick:
Blade with Regina Hunter



Shortest Dog:
Pia with Marly Arturo



Best Kisser:
Porter with Amy Yukna





People for Animals Calendar of Events

Jan - Dec <i>Twice monthly</i>	Dog Adoptions 10:30 a.m. to 3 p.m.	PETSMART, Watchung Square Mall, Rt. 22, Watchung Call 908 688-1073 and press 1 for dates & location
Jan-Dec <i>Every Saturday & Sunday</i>	Cat & Kitten Adoptions Noon to 4 p.m.	PETSMART, Promenade Mall, Rt. 28, Bridgewater, and PETSMART, Watchung Square Mall, Rt. 22, Watchung
September 12-14	National Pet Adoption weekend	All PETSMART stores
October 11	Casino Nite	Elks Club, Union
October 18	Lunch, Shopping & Nonsense Show Tour	Bucks County, PA Bus Trip
November 9	Volunteer Recognition Open House & Youth Award Presentation 2p.m. to 4p.m.	YMCA 220 Clark St., Kellogg Room Westfield
November 23	Evening of Giving	Menlo Park Mall
November 28- December 24	Gift Wrapping	Barnes & Noble Clark and Springfield Stores
December 7	Christmas Holiday Luncheon and Tour	Spirit of New York Cruise & Luncheon Plus NYC Holiday Lights Bus Tour

CALL (908) 688-1073 AND PRESS 4 TO VOLUNTEER OR FOR INFORMATION ABOUT EVENTS

A Special Thank You to the Kawameeh Middle School and to All Who Helped the Parvo Puppies

The "Paw Pals Club" in Kawameeh Middle School is an animal awareness group that tries to help needy animals and needy shelters in New Jersey. Diane Dziejdzic is the Club Advisor. The Club read in our last newsletter about the poor puppies that came down with parvo and were fighting for their lives. To help the puppies, the Club held a bake sale and raised \$50.00 to assist with the puppies' medical bills. Three of the six puppies survived and have been adopted into loving homes.

People for Animals is sincerely grateful to all who donated on behalf of the Parvo puppies.

"Never doubt that a small group of committed citizens can change the world; indeed, it's the only thing that ever has." Margaret Mead, Ph.D.

Paw Prints



1. **Bequests and wills**

To include PFA in your last will and testament, identify the organization in your will as follows: People for Animals, Inc., 433 Hillside Avenue, Hillside, NJ, IRS tax exempt ID number: 22-2331492. We would be pleased to send your attorney our tax-exempt certificate at his/her request. Please have your attorney call 908 688-1073 and press 2 to leave a message.



2. **Matching Gifts**

Who is your employer? Do they match your gift to non-profit organizations, like People for Animals? Take advantage of this resource to help homeless pets. Many NJ/NY companies have corporate giving, matching grants and other philanthropic programs. Just to name a few: AT&T, Panasonic, Schering Plough, Sony, UPS, Verizon, and Wakefern. Ask your Human Resources department if your employee benefit program includes matching gifts, volunteering rewards, in-kind donations and/or obsolete material donations. This is an opportunity to help pets in need. Please take advantage of it for their sake. Thank you.



3. **PARADE Magazine**

Did you see the "Adopt Me-ow" article in the June 1st edition? Take a look at pages 4 and 5 for People for Animal rescues Marilyn and Yogi. They are so adorable.



4. **STAR-LEDGER**

Did you see Joan Lowell Smith's article about our Neuter Scooter in a recent Sunday edition of the STAR-LEDGER? Thank you Joan. The article was wonderful.



5. **Jersey Pets Magazine**

A new publication. To subscribe, write or call: Jersey Pets Magazine, PO Box 4002, Brick, NJ 08732 or 732-920-6920.

6. **Law Allows Appointment of Trustee to Care for Pets**

The NJ Legislature has enacted a law (P.L. 2001 c, 144) that now allows appointment of a trustee to care for your pets in the event of your death or if you become



incapacitated. No NJ court will enforce bequests directly to pets. This law addresses the issue by handling the bequest through a trustee. Think ahead and plan for your pets' care. Too often, PFA is asked to take pets when an owner passes away because family members are not willing or able to do so.

7. **Pet Loss Support Resources**

A Pet Loss Support Center is sponsored by Iams and is free to callers. The telephone number is 888-332-7738. Hours of operation are 8 am - 8 pm Monday - Friday and 8 am - 6 pm on Saturdays. Another resource for pet loss support is Pet Friends at 800-404-PETS or www.pawstoheaven.com/petfriends. www.petfinder.com is a great resource for many pet related topics. Take a look.

8. **www.pfa.petfinder.com**

Visit us on the Internet and see the many wonderful cats and dogs that we have for adoption. Dates and locations of adoption events are listed.

9. **Spay/Neuter Now Before Your Pet is a Statistic**

Did you know that in 1999, 114,590 animals were impounded in New Jersey animal shelters. Of those, 47,903 were euthanized. Encourage anyone and everyone you know to spay and neuter their pets. Spay/neuter is the only humane way to reduce these tragic numbers.

10. **Clinic Hours & Fees**

Preoperative exams are given on a first come first served basis every Tuesday from 5 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. and Saturday from 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Fees are \$40 for male cats, \$45 for female cats, \$40 to \$65 for dogs depending on sex and weight. Fees include the pre-op exam, rabies and distemper shots, plus the spay/neuter surgery by our experienced licensed veterinarians. Note: pregnant cats and dogs can be spayed.



1 Day

New Hope
PENNSYLVANIA

Bucks County
PLAYHOUSE



1 Day
Motorcoach Tour

Nonsense



BUCKS COUNTY, PA LUNCH & SHOW TOUR
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 18, 2003

PRICE: \$79 PER PERSON

- * LAVATORY MOTORCOACH TRANSPORTATION.
- * PEDDLER'S VILLAGE LUNCH INCLUDED.
- * 4 PM SHOW - "NONSENSE" THE COMEDY.
- * BROWSE PEDDLER'S VILLAGE & NEW HOPE
- * MEAL & BUS DRIVER TIPS INCLUDED.

DEPART UNION, NJ	8:45AM
ARRIVE UNION, NJ	8:00PM

(CHECK-IN 20 MINUTES EARLY)

Progressive Travel inc

420 CHESTNUT STREET
UNION, NEW JERSEY 07083

- BAKED FLOUNDER FILET
- BAKED STUFFED CHICKEN BREAST

(908) 688-8787

ENCLOSED IS \$79 PER PERSON LUNCH & SHOW TOUR
OCT. 18, 2003. MAKE CHECK PAYABLE & MAIL TO
"PROGRESSIVE TRAVEL". (SELECT MEAL CHOICE)

NAME _____
 ADDRESS _____
 CITY _____ STATE _____
 ZIP _____ PHONE _____

COST BASED ON A MINIMUM OF 42 PAID PARTICIPANTS & SUBJECT TO
INCREASE/CANCELLATION DUE TO INSUFFICIENT PARTICIPATION. \$40
PER PERSON CANCELLATION FEE APPLIES WITHIN 30 DAYS OF TRIP.
NO REFUND OR MEAL SELECTION CHANGES WITHIN 14 DAYS OF TRIP.
\$35 PER PERSON BANK FEE ASSESSED FOR RETURNED CHECKS.

Reservation Deadline: 9/15

SPiRiT of NYC

New York City



1 Day
Motorcoach Tour

Christmas Holiday Tour
& Luncheon Cruise

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 7, 2003

PRICE: \$99 PER PERSON

- * LAVATORY MOTORCOACH TRANSPORTATION.
- * 2 HOUR "SPIRIT OF NEW YORK" LUNCHEON
CRUISE WITH "HOLIDAY" ENTERTAINMENT.
- * 3 HOUR NYC "CHRISTMAS LIGHTS" TOUR.
- * SEE NEW YORK AT IT'S HOLIDAY BEST!
- * CRUISE/GUIDE/BUS DRIVER TIP INCLUDED

DEPART UNION, NJ	12:30PM
ARRIVE UNION, NJ	9:30PM

(CHECK-IN 20 MINUTES EARLY)

Progressive Travel inc

420 CHESTNUT STREET
UNION, NEW JERSEY 07083

- LASAGNA BOLOGNESE
- STUFFED SOLE FILET (CRAB & SCALLOPS)
- GRILLED CHICKEN BREAST (TOMATO SAUCE)

(908) 688-8787

ENCLOSED IS \$99 PER PERSON/CHRISTMAS LIGHTS
DEC. 7, 2003. MAKE CHECK PAYABLE & MAIL TO
"PROGRESSIVE TRAVEL". (SELECT MEAL CHOICE)

NAME _____
 ADDRESS _____
 CITY _____ STATE _____
 ZIP _____ PHONE _____

COST BASED ON A MINIMUM OF 42 PAID PARTICIPANTS & SUBJECT TO
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\$35 PER PERSON BANK FEE ASSESSED FOR RETURNED CHECKS.

Reservation Deadline: 11/7

DON'T MISS OUT...

RESERVATIONS AND INFORMATION CALL



We are So Grateful



Thank you for caring and supporting homeless pets in need.

Progressive Travel inc. (908) 688-8787

TWO MORE GREAT TRIPS FOR YOUR CONSIDERATION. CALL FOR INFORMATION.

CULINARY INSTITUTE & VANDERBILT MANSION
SATURDAY, APRIL 17, 2004

PRICE: \$79 PER PERSON



QVC STUDIO TOUR & LONGWOOD GARDENS
SATURDAY, MAY 22, 2004

PRICE: \$69.00 PER PERSON

Gifts in honor of...

Pop Michael Favor from A. Goodman
Yvonne Kirby Fedecker, Happy Birthday from Barbara Lewis
Dr. Gerry Fox's birthday from Catherine Mc Vicker
Rev. Joseph & Anna Holbrook, Happy Anniversary from Faith Giovino
Lucy, adopted from PFA, From Karen Staigar
Mimi Marlotte from Anne Marlotte
Fran Moore, in sympathy for the death of her mother, Lillian Moore, from the PFA Board of Directors
Peg's Birthday from her mom, Agnes Czarnecki
Evelyn & Harish Pimplaskar, From the staff of DMOA
Tammy from her 'mom' Gwen Babcock

Gifts in loving memory of these cherished friends ...

Evelyn Biach from James & MaryAnn Watt; Saul, Susan & Scott Zucker
Charles Buckley from Andrew Kenny
Marge Duska & Brandy from their friend John Fusco
Charlotte Eick from Diana & Edward Kollin
Hugh Howley from Laura Mahoney
Irene LaMendola from May Rich
Bernardine Madden from Lynn Franklin
Anne Meglio from JoAnn Bates
Lillian Moore from Nancy Curtis, Harriet Keehn, Hortense Shider, Rose & George Wallace
William P. O'Donnell from Anna O'Donnell
Dr. Max E. Schechter from Stephen Ferrando
JoAnne Verderes from Mrs. Albert Guidotti
David Willard who loved animals and was always concerned for their welfare, from Schering-Plough Research Institute R&D Engineering Department: P. Bjordal, D. Bueso, M. Denzer, J. DeOliveira, K. Duffe, R. Firman, Mr. & Mrs. Kenyon, R. Maheshwari, J. Norgard; Karen Koz, Lynda Ludwig, the Pirozzi Family
Sophie Zaborniak, Buddy's Babci, from Carol Dandy

Gifts remembering these beloved pets ...

B.C., Sneakers, Patches, P.J., Taffy, Ginger, and Roberta, from Fran Moore
B.J., "my little dog", from Al
B.K., beloved dog of John Fusco
Casey, an exceptional Dalmatian, from Garry Glennon
Inky (Ibsen), a life too short, adopted from PFA, from Larry & Cynthia Colvin, Dawne Luetscher
Hahli, beloved pet of Bob & Mary Ellen Chanda, from Jack Leonard, Michaele Bucci, the Connecticut Chanda Family: Ed, Elaine, Quincy, Ainsley & Penny
Jessie, beloved pet dog of Marilyn Prall, from Michaele Bucci
Leo, our precious one, you are in our hearts forever, from Rose, Mary & Roseann
Misty, beloved pet dog of Nancy & Jim Curtis, from Jane & Louis Wildstein
Max, our rottie boy, and Sylvester, the prince of Catitude, from Bonnie & Jeff Pfeifer
Sadie, "my sweetheart", from Nancy Humphrey
Sammy, "our dear one", from Lillian & Anthony Wzorek
Samson, Timmie, and Twinkle, our animals that gave us joy during their time with us, from Emma & Richard Riggs
Shotzie from Mary Guare, Maru Headley, Juliet Smith
Sneaky, who received the best of care, from Jillian Cullen (11 years old who raised \$85 to help homeless pets in honor of Sneaky)
Squirly, beloved cat of Marie Del Maestro...always remembered, always missed.
Teddy, beloved pet dog of Donna Ferdinand, from Michaele Bucci
Zeke, our beloved pet, we miss you in the park, licks from Chelsea and Malcolm, from Mary Stawasz

All Are Welcome... Join Us at Our Volunteer Recognition Open House

On Sunday, November 9, from 2 until 4 p.m., People for Animals will host its annual Volunteer Recognition Open House in the Kellogg Room of the YMCA in Westfield. Everyone is invited to attend to meet our volunteers and to learn more about volunteer opportunities with People for Animals. Refreshments will be served. Please call 908-653-9687 to let us know you plan to attend.

During the Open House event, People for Animals will present awards to its outstanding volunteers for 2003 and will present an award to an outstanding young person who is active in animal welfare.



Stray Pet Contest Winners Announced

Congratulations to all of the 'top' dogs that are the 2003 Stray Pet Contest winners. They are:

Best Kisser: Hannable, proud pet of Glory Schramm of Philipsburg

Best Trick: Hershey, proud pet of Kerri Miller of Roselle

Fastest Tail Wagger: Buddy, proud pet of Julia Ellis of Hillside

Loudest Bark: Misty, proud pet of Debbie Hadu of Maplewood

Most Obedient: Hannable, proud pet of Glory Schramm of Philipsburg

Nicest Neutered Male: Monty, proud pet of Eileen McFadden of Pleasantville, NY

Nicest Spayed Female: Blackie, proud pet of Lori Garry of Bridgewater



In Loving Memory of Misty

Misty, a smoky gray 15-year-old poodle, passed away in April of this year. She was the very special most precious pet of Jim and Nancy Curtis. Nancy is a member of our People for Animals Board of Directors. Thirteen years ago, Jim and Nancy adopted Misty from People for Animals. Nancy received a call one evening from Irene Spatz who had taken a 'hot line' call from a social worker who was trying to help a family place their dog. The family had come upon hard times and was living in a shelter. Their two-year old dog, Misty, was not allowed in the shelter so she was living in the family's car.

The Curtis family agreed to adopt Misty who was very frightened at first and kept running away from Jim and Nancy. Once Misty realized that her new family loved her, this eight-pound bundle of joy never left Jim and Nancy's side. She loved to play and went everywhere with the family, including vacations. On a vacation to South Carolina, Misty chased the sand crabs on the beach. Everything was fun to her and she would run and leap more like a cat than a dog.



In honor of Misty, absolutely the most brilliant little dog according to Jim and Nancy, our People for Animals Clinic has received a significant donation that allows us to put a new floor in our surgery room, to purchase an ultrasonic cleaner to deep clean our surgical instruments, and to purchase a micro-hematocrit to monitor the recovery of our spay/neuter surgery patients. People for Animals is grateful for this donation and extends our sincere sympathy to the Curtis family.



Homeless Cats...Is the Situation Getting Any Better?

A few issues ago, we asked this question. Thank you to Carol Bell, Alice Carroll and Inge Lewis for their comments and ideas. We all seem to agree that the situation appears to be worse and that much more needs to be done. Some of the good ideas we received are: to publish information on spay/neuter in multiple languages for non-English speaking New Jersey residents; include animal welfare in the elementary school's health or social sciences curriculum; increase the number of spay/neuter public service announcements on television, especially during prime time and/or during children's programs; increase the penalties for abandoning animals; increase the dog and cat license fees and use the money to provide low cost or free spay/neuter. The Governor's Animal Welfare Task Force is considering these and many other ideas. It will be interesting to see the final recommendations from the Task Force and to see if and when they are implemented.

