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# Summer 2017 NEWS

## Letter from the Executive Director

Summer Greetings! Those of you who have supported and followed Animal Alliance since the beginning know how far we have come in the last 15 years -- we have grown from our modest start in 2002 as a small rescue group into a substantially sized, freestanding animal shelter that places hundreds of animals each year with wonderful adopters. Adjacent to our shelter is our low cost spay/neuter & wellness clinic, Planned Pethood, soon celebrating its 9th year of operation. Each year, thousands of pets will be spayed/ neutered and vaccinated at an affordable cost at this facility. Our skilled veterinarians also deliver basic wellness services for animals with minor health care issues to help keep them out of shelters.

Preventing pet relinquishments to shelters by aiding pets and their owners is an essential component of our work, beyond our core mission of pet adoption and spay/neuter. One of the top 3 reasons pets are brought to shelters is financial constraints of the family and inability to provide vet care. We help bridge the gap for people that want to keep their pet and provide it with proper care, but lack the funds necessary to do so.

We rely on the contributions of our compassionate, animal-loving donors to make it all possible. Animal Alliance remains a volunteer-run organization, with an executive director and other management working entirely pro-bono, which means your donations are used entirely for animal care programs.

**OUR GOOD WORK WOULD STOP WITHOUT YOUR SUPPORT!** The warm weather months are brutal for animal shelters; adoptions slow down, pet relinquishments rise, and supply donations drop off as people turn their attention to their summer plans. We need your support to keep everything moving forward at this critical time!

**PLEASE HELP US PROVIDE CARE FOR ANIMALS IN DESPERATE NEED!** Every day, we provide safety to animals in crisis, all made possible by the loyal generosity of our supporters. We will be supplying another summer of relief and safety to so many dogs and cats that would otherwise have nowhere else to go, and would lose their lives in high volume shelters. Please continue to be a part of this worthwhile and rewarding work!

Wishing You a Safe & Fun-Filled Summer!

Annie Trinkle, Executive Director

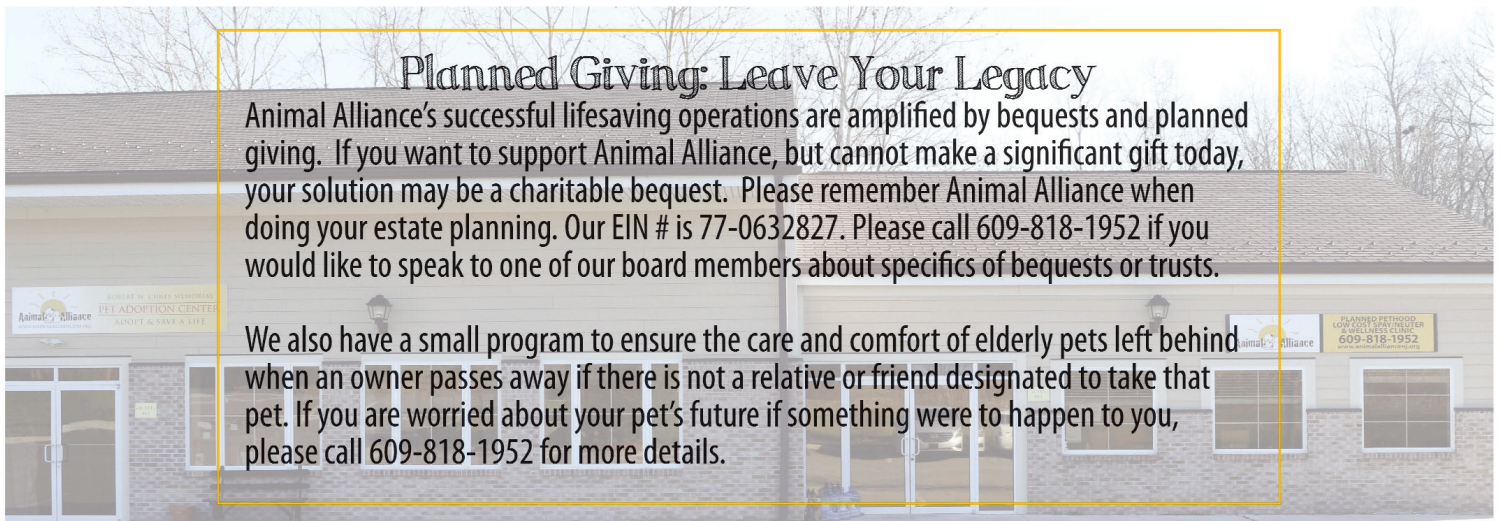


*"Every new beginning at Animal Alliance is a direct result of generous donor support."*

## Planned Giving: Leave Your Legacy

Animal Alliance's successful lifesaving operations are amplified by bequests and planned giving. If you want to support Animal Alliance, but cannot make a significant gift today, your solution may be a charitable bequest. Please remember Animal Alliance when doing your estate planning. Our EIN # is 77-0632827. Please call 609-818-1952 if you would like to speak to one of our board members about specifics of bequests or trusts.

We also have a small program to ensure the care and comfort of elderly pets left behind when an owner passes away if there is not a relative or friend designated to take that pet. If you are worried about your pet's future if something were to happen to you, please call 609-818-1952 for more details.



# AA to the Rescue

## SAVED JUST IN TIME



Lauren Rose was literally very close to death when brought to Animal Alliance by NJ SPCA Humane Law Enforcement in January when she was confiscated from a neglectful owner. Lauren Rose was so malnourished she could not stand, and was suffering from severe demodectic mange that left her bald, covered in sores and suffering secondary bacterial infections. Deanna's Restaurant in Lambertville, which routinely supplies donated homemade dog food to our shelter created extra nutritious meals for Lauren to

eat around the clock while our vets worked overtime to treat her medical needs. Within a month, Lauren was well on her way to recovery, and was "reborn" as a behaviorally challenged puppy. Because she was sick for so long, and unnaturally confined in a too-small cage in a dark basement, Lauren was never properly socialized with other dogs and needed new "life skills" to ready her for adoption. Pet Campus in Pine Hill, PA took her in as a charity case and provided her with a high level of training in addition to dog day care and free boarding. Lauren is still awaiting adoption, so if you have an active male dog and would like to add to your family, please let us know and we can arrange a meeting!



## ANIMAL ALLIANCE SEEKING NEW BOARD MEMBERS

Animal Alliance is seeking new Board Members to help formulate strategic vision, build awareness of our work, oversee the financial side of the business, and assist with growing our donor base. If you would like to discuss further, please email Board President Lisa Nichols at [tkodesign@aol.com](mailto:tkodesign@aol.com).

## BRANDED, BUT NOT BROKEN

Lisa Marie suffered a cruel fate when she was "hot branded" with a branding iron usually used for large livestock. The letters "LM" were forcibly and painfully burned deep into her skin. Just when we think we have seen it all at Animal Alliance, another monstrous act reminds us of the depravity that exists towards helpless animals. Needless to say, Lisa Marie was quite fearful of people when she first arrived to us. Over time, she has learned to trust again, thanks to the dedication of our energetic and devoted volunteers and staff. Lisa Marie is awaiting an adoptive home where she can be spoiled a little bit to make up for her past misery.



To support our efforts please visit: [www.animalalliancenj.org](http://www.animalalliancenj.org)

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## ALUMNI FLASHBACK: Oakley!




Just 2 years ago, Oakley was lying in a cage in a shelter, where mange had overtaken his little body, and opportunistic secondary infections were causing him constant pain. Animal Alliance answered the call for help from the shelter where he would have otherwise lost his life. We rushed him to Animal Alliance, where he started on his journey to recovery. Mange is a disease of the immunosuppressed so we often see it in exhausted and malnourished strays like Oakley. This sweet dog needed lots of medications, vet visits, special shampoos and dips, and his care was overseen by a veterinary dermatologist. In a few months, he was as good as new and quickly adopted by his foster family. Today, Oakley is a joyful, healthy boy who regularly visits a local nursing home as a therapy dog with his guardian Zora Sabrina of Hopewell, NJ.



### VOLUNTEER HELP WANTED!

Animal Alliance is always looking for dog-walking volunteers, foster homes for cats/dogs, cat caretakers, & extra hands for our fundraising endeavors. Many corporations sponsor a day of volunteerism or service for employees. We host corporate volunteer days with up to 25 volunteers. If any of these opportunities are of interest to you, please send an email to: [animalalliance@comcast.net](mailto:animalalliance@comcast.net) for more information.



## CATS!

Cat overpopulation in the U.S. is a dramatic problem. There are collectively 8 cats to every 1 dog in our nation's shelters, and millions of feral cats roaming outdoors. Feral cat colonies are everywhere, & many are fortunate to have compassionate caretakers who feed the cats and look out for them. Animal Alliance assists feral cat caretakers by providing a special extremely low "Good Samaritan" fee at our Planned Pet-hood Spay/Neuter Clinic for TNR (Trap, Neuter, Return) cats – they are humanely trapped by their caretaker, & then spayed/neutered, rabies vaccinated and ear tipped to identify them as a TNR cat. We also have a cat adoption program and a cat food pantry that provides donated food to financially challenged pet owners and feral cat caretakers.



TNR Cats Awaiting Surgery



Georgette, Awaiting Adoption



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# Antonio & Antonia

Before 



 After 



*Antonia*



*Antonio*

These 2 dogs arrived to Animal Alliance after they were confiscated by their namesake City of Trenton Humane Law Enforcement Officer Joe Antonello when their uninformed owner thought he could kill their fleas by drenching them in motor oil. They were terribly matted and infested with various parasites, had horrible skin, and were understandably very fearful. It was a long road back for them, but they were adopted by two families who are friends, so they will be able to visit each other! Thank you to our donors who make all our good work happen and made it possible for us to say YES to assisting these dogs.

### Monthly Donors We Count on You!

We rely on our loyal monthly donors when budgeting our expenses. You can donate \$10, \$20, \$50, or any amount you choose.

Visit our website, [www.animalalliancenj.org](http://www.animalalliancenj.org), click "Donate" and then "Monthly Donation." You will be helping our lifesaving efforts in a very meaningful way!