From the Presidents’ Desk

By Paula Krenkel & Gwen Buchalter

What an exciting, interesting, educational, overwhelming, and totally amazing year Pet Rescue has had. We went from a group of animal loving volunteers who fostered critters in our homes and had a tiny clinic in our Cat Place in New Rochelle to an organization which renovated a shelter creating a warm, inviting and safe space for temporarily housing dogs, puppies, kittens and even some adult cats waiting for homes. We have created a fully functioning clinic to provide basic medical care including dentals on our rescues. This year the clinic has cared for more animals that we have rescued than ever. We are working with the Mt Vernon Animal Shelter caring for their animals. We are working with Bully Baby Rescue hosting Spay/Neuter Clinics for feral cats. We are working with people trapping and caring for feral cats in many Westchester communities. We have instituted more sophisticated recordkeeping systems for all of the work done in the clinic.

We are called on more than ever to take in dogs and cats. Our phone lines are buzzing with questions about not only our critters but also wild animals, lost animals, and medical questions. Volunteers respond to all questions.

We have welcomed so many wonderful new volunteers who walk and socialize dogs, clean kennel runs, and care for the cats and kittens. We have volunteers making sure that the dogs are exercised and trained. They check on all of the animals at night to make sure they get out one more time after hours. Our amazing trainer has developed positive protocols and activities to keep dogs waiting for a foster or forever home stimulated and happy.

We still have a lot to do. We must bring all of our cats from our small space in New Rochelle to Harrison. This requires building play rooms, isolation rooms, meeting rooms, washing areas; bringing in water, electricity, heat, air conditioning and easy access for the volunteers and public. We are hard at work considering all of our options with both eyes on the budget. We need to make every penny count.

The more we do, the more we want to do. All of which takes money. We have opportunities for compassionate and generous people to sponsor dog runs as well as other spaces in the kennel. We are collecting “Pennies for Paws” in our office. We are also highlighting our Buy-A-Brick campaign in this newsletter. You have the opportunity to have your name and sentiment engraved on a brick which will be a permanent record on display in the front of our facility. The funds raised will go towards our continuing efforts to make our home the most welcoming, safe and efficient environment.

If you have not stopped by to see all that the volunteers of Pet Rescue have built, please give us a call for a tour. We love showing off! We know that once you experience this happy place you will want to help us grow.
Unfortunately dogs in kennel situations spend a good part of their day in their runs while waiting for their forever homes. Most of our dogs participate in a program that offers manners training, mental stimulation exercises and dog on dog yard play within the facility. However, there is a great need to get the dogs off the grounds and give them a purpose. We found a way to do this utilizing what comes naturally to them, their sense of smell - a tracking program where the dogs are trained to find an object by using its scent.

The five dogs that participated in the spring session had a great time. They got out to a beautiful park and they learned a new "job" that offered many rewards. When they were able to "track" and find their trophy, not only did they receive kudos from their handlers (and people looking on), they pranced about showing off their prizes.

We pulled Stevey from Animal Care & Control in Manhattan where he was about to be euthanized. He was fostered by a young man who decided to adopt him and now Stevey is living the good life.

A busy kitten season means volunteers have been very busy doing TNR. Trap Neuter Return is the most effective way to get the feral population under control and to stop more kittens from being born on the streets. Our volunteers work in teams to respond to requests for help dealing with feral colonies. The situation is assessed, traps are set, cats are caught, brought to our clinic, spayed/neutered and given shots. Then they are put in aftercare to be monitored post-surgery. Aftercare is provided either in a volunteer’s home or our new recovery suite where we have space to accommodate up to 7 cats at a time. This has been successfully used to TNR whole colonies at one time. Once recovered, the cats are returned to their colony.

Three tiny kittens were reported at the Larchmont train station in June. Pet Rescue volunteers jumped into action and trapped them and brought to our clinic where they were spayed/neutered and vetted. A volunteer fostered and socialized them until they were ready for a home of their own. They were adopted by two local families where they are happy and loved.

### Buy a Brick and Pave the Way to Rescue

**Help Pet Rescue build its forever home**

Purchase a brick and add the inscription of your choice to honor, remember or celebrate a special pet or person - or to express support for Pet Rescue.

Your words will create a lasting memorial that will greet visitors to Pet Rescue for years to come!

**Order your brick online at [www.ny-petrescue.org/bricks](http://www.ny-petrescue.org/bricks)**

You will be able to pay by check or PayPal

All proceeds will benefit the Pet Rescue Building Fund
**Letters**

**HAPPY DOGS!**

Jimi is doing great. He has settled into our routine beautifully. He sleeps through the night in his crate and snuggles with us in the morning. On my long work days, he goes to day care (which he loves) or my in-laws take him to the park and go for long walks with him. Everyone that has met him so far has fallen in love with him. He is very smart and loves to learn. But his favorite thing is to go limp in our arms and cuddle; very sweet.

Ace was a little timid at first and needed to check the place out, but we are doing great! This morning he was very excited and happy to see me when he got to come out from sleeping in the crate. He even bounced a little bit, so we are doing awesome. He is quite the snuggler on the couch when he is watching TV, and I even got some of my first kisses. Thank you for introducing me to this wonderful boy!

Tucker leads a very cushy life. Every night we snuggle on the couch and watch TV as a family where he likes to cuddle up between Gabe and me and snore loudly. He and his cat brother love to chase each other and play and tackle one another. Thank you so much for bringing this goofy, awkward, adorable dog into our lives. We are so much fuller in spirit with him around.

Roberta has warmed our canine and human hearts with endless giggles, snuggles and love. Her favorite activities are: napping, jumping in the snow, walking in the middle of her pack, playing tug of war, and chewing on her Kong. We are so very happy that Dandelion has us to love and we are so very excited to watch her grow and share every day with her. She’s just awesome!

Bode is doing great. He is such a sweet, gentle and wonderful puppy. We are enjoying every minute with him. He loves his crate and he is doing very well with housebreaking. Thanks again for all your help. Adopting through you was such a wonderful experience.

Opie is doing great. She is happy as can be and finds my bed to be her favorite place in the house. She is for sure a cuddlebug and I love her personality. Saturday nights with movies and the dog are my new favorite thing. So happy to call her mine!

Indiana is absolutely adorable! He fits right in with this crazy family. Michael & his wife Sarah were rolling all over the floor with him. Brian is constantly petting him and walking him. He talks to him like Sean Connery in the Indiana Jones movies. You’re all doing wonderful work there at the shelter.

Darla has settled in nicely, and we are absolutely in love with her. I think she is very comfortable with us, and we are all having fun with her. She is playing a lot with her toys, and enjoys her walks around the neighborhood.

Monty has grown a lot since we first brought him home; he went from 2 pounds to around 9.5. He loves going on long walks to the Duck Pond or Dunkin Donuts and enjoys chewing on any type of bone we give him. He’s rambunctious but after a good walk he sleeps like a log, not even a squeak toy can get him up. Monty has been an absolute blessing to our family.

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We are all so happy and thankful you guys allowed us to adopt Chance. He is a perfect addition to our family. He is perfect. He is adjusting better than we could have imagined. He is quite sassy and independent, but also a lover when he wants to be. We love him! Again we thank you so much!

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I thought they would tolerate each other, but they actually enjoy each other, play together, and love to be around each other. We feel so lucky to have found him!

Nova is quite chatty and meows at me when I get home for a minimum of a half hour of petting… and again at midnight…2am…4am…She just loves affection. All in all she is a beautiful, wonderful and sweet cat and the most amazing addition to my home. She has increased the love in my home exponentially. Thanks for giving me the opportunity to be her “mom”!

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Fran & Lenny Picone
Harriet Cohen began her volunteer “career” with Pet Rescue in 2002 through meeting with Sue Kamell at her home. Harriet became one of several cat adoption day volunteers and remained so for a few years. She was looking to adopt a cat and wanted hands on experience before bringing one into her home.

As Pet Rescue grew Harriet did too. She got involved with feral cat feeding in Flint Park. Then came posting cats on the PR website as well as Petfinder and Adopt-a-Pet. She became the go-to person for email inquiries about surrendering cats, general adoption and application questions, etc.

She has also been involved with Trap Neuter Return (TNR) where they respond to calls about feral cats, trap them, spay/neuter them in our clinic and then return them to where they were living.

As for the cat she wanted to adopt which started it all, she chose Mr. Chips. According to Harriet “I was privileged to have 12 great years with this sweet tuxedo who passed away on August 17th. He was 3 years when I brought him into my life and 15 when he crossed the rainbow bridge. And he was a Pet Rescue kitty.”

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Thinking of adopting but not sure you are ready for the commitment? Want to save a life and be rewarded in tail wags and kisses? Try fostering and become part of our Pet Rescue family.

The average foster lasts just a few weeks and all pets are screened for health and temperament. We provide basic supplies, veterinary care and guidance. You provide love, training and a home. The care and attention of foster families allows Pet Rescue to expertly match our pets with prospective homes. It also prepares our rescues for life as a proper family pet.

Fostering is a fun and immensely rewarding experience you will never forget. Go to ny-petrescue.org/foster to find out more and fill out a foster application.

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Go to: smile.amazon.com/ and designate “Pet Rescue Incorporated” as your charitable organization - then shop as usual. Amazon will donate 0.5% of your purchases to us!
Don’t miss the fun! The 7th annual “Hounds on the Sound Dog Walk & Festival” will be held on Sunday, Sept. 27th, 2015 from 10 am to 3 pm. We’re excited to be at a new venue, Harbor Island Park in Mamaroneck, NY. Pet Rescue and New Rochelle Humane Society team up on this event that helps save lives and gives homeless pets a second chance.

Enjoy the 1.0 mile walk on a course bordering on picturesque Long Island Sound with (or without) your dog. Have a fantast- ic day at the park with vendors, activities for kids, dog games and contests, food and raffles including Giants tickets.

Haven’t registered yet? It’s not too late! Go to www.houndsonthesound.org to register for the walk, make a donation or download the form to become a donor or vendor. Once you’ve registered, set up your page online and ask your friends and family to sponsor your walk. Walkers who collect $100 or more will receive a free event t-shirt.

Scott Shannon of WCBS 101.1 FM will be our guest speaker and will cut the ribbon for the walk. He adopted his dog, Reilly, from Pet Rescue.

Questions? email us at Walk@ny-petrescue.org

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Hounds on the Sound Donor Form

**DONOR** $250

- A trail marker flag (12” x 18”) with your name or company name
  - Specify printing you want on the flag: ________________________________
- An event t-shirt* Sizes: S _____ M _____ L _____ XL _____
- Acknowledgment of your donation in our newsletters and on the event website www.houndsonthesound.org

**FRIEND** $100

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* T-shirt must be picked up at the event or at the New Rochelle Humane Society on Sept. 26, 2015

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- Sleeping in that day? You can still make a donation to support the event $_____

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10 am—3 pm

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