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# Animal Tracks NEWSLETTER

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## OPEN HOUSE ON OCTOBER 24TH



### Welcome!

Our Open House, held on Saturday afternoon October 24th was a tremendous success! Everything went off without a hitch; there were kittens and a cat to play with, ducks to admire, horses to appreciate, hay rides, live music, an assortment of food, and the most beautiful Fall weather imaginable. Approximately 200 people showed up during the afternoon and witnessed the magical effect love and caring have on the spirit of an abused or neglected animal.



Phyllis & Pam by the cat cottage



Folks awaiting the next hay ride



Hay rides!



A beautiful day for a walk on our half mile track

**Thank you to all the volunteers who helped make this day possible, and especially for all the donated food!**

For more open house pictures, please see our website at [www.oasisanimalsanctuary.org](http://www.oasisanimalsanctuary.org)

## THANK YOU, WELLS FARGO BANK!

Last year Wells Fargo Bank donated \$10,000 to Oasis in honor of their employee Phyllis Van De Weghe's volunteer hours. This year Wells Fargo supported Oasis by granting Phyllis a 10 week fully-paid leave of absence to further the organization's mission. Among other things, Phyllis has been busy with grant writing, fundraising, and collaborating with contractors to renovate the cat cottage. The members of the Board of Trustees are very grateful to Wells Fargo for allowing Phyllis to have this time to pursue funding avenues and other endeavors for Oasis.

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**Did you know that Oasis is NOT Governmentally funded?**

**All of Our Operating Expense is Covered by Monetary Donations from Individuals, Grants from Foundations & Trusts, Corporate Giving, Bequests & Inheritances, and Non-Cash Gifts by Individuals and Businesses.**

**Go to [www.petfinder.com](http://www.petfinder.com) & input the zip code "08081" to see all of our adoptables.**

## MORE MOUTHS TO FEED

Even though Oasis is not completely ready to formally open its doors, we have been presented with instances that just couldn't wait. **Three starved horses were brought in to Oasis from a large boarding facility in southern NJ.** One horse - a small, senior Arabian gelding - has a hip injury so serious that he cannot run on all 4 legs, and a raging eye infection that destroyed the vision in his left eye. He was skin and bones. In pain and totally isolated from his former herd-mates (actually from all the farm's equines, for that matter), he was the epitome of a broken spirit. The transporters were concerned that the little horse would not be strong enough to travel to the Oasis farm and would need to be euthanized. However, little Lexus had the will to live and somehow knew he was leaving his dark environment. With all 3 herd-mates in tow, they made their way to Oasis. They have been reunited, and what a reunion it was! Everyone was in tears at seeing the joy these animals displayed being back together. They are being nursed back to health, and at ages 24 and 26, they will become permanent residents of Oasis.

**For updates on Lexus, Cierce, and Slick, please call the Oasis office.**

## THE ADOPTABLES

Have you ever been accused of wearing your heart on your sleeve? Well, we have a kitten that wears a heart right on his nose! Our little **Pharoah**, a ridiculously cute and affectionate kitten, has an adorable heart marking right on the tip of his little nose! He and his 2 brothers are just a delight to have around, and are awaiting their new homes. They are all neutered, up to date on shots, and extremely socialized with people. So much fun to watch them play and romp around the office!! They have come a long way from being the terrified tiny feral babies they were when they were brought to Oasis. Piper, Pepper and Pharoah can be adopted separately if you prefer not to take all three!



**Pharoah (m)**



**Piper (m)**



**Pepper (m)**

## WHAT ABOUT US?

We are still waiting for our forever homes, even though our Foster Moms love us and treat us well. **Please give us a chance!** We would love to be home for the holidays! **Love,**



**Morgan (m) & Bailey (m)**



**Gizmo (f)**

## AND THEN THERE ARE THE GUINEA PIGS!

Twixie, a short haired tri-colored female, and Snickers, a long-haired black and gray male, were very recently surrendered to Oasis. Both were vetted, and Snickers was neutered. These cuties need to stay together, are ready for their new home.



**Twixie (f)**



**Snickers (m)**

**"There's no place like Home."**

– Dorothy, from *The Wizard of Oz*



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## FROM THE VP'S DESK

It's been an extraordinary year - new facility, new volunteers, more animals, new beginnings. Some very sad passings. All learning experiences; growth of the human soul and broadening of the human spirit. In a world marked by so much violence and hatred, it is touching to watch people come together in compassion and friendship to help those who cannot speak for themselves. I am so very blessed to have been given the opportunity to help others on their journey through Life. Their gift in return – unconditional love – is a priceless treasure that is only understood by the heart.

And so a new chapter in the history of The Oasis Animal Sanctuary has begun. In appreciation and gratitude, all of us at Oasis thank our donors, sponsors, and volunteers for everything you have done for Oasis in our mission as a refuge for abused and neglected animals.

**A joyous and Merry Christmas; Happy Hanukkah; Happy holidays to all!**

For the animals,

*Phyllis Van De Weghe*

## THE OASIS SPONSORSHIP PROGRAM

**There are some animals residing at Oasis that have been so traumatized or abused that they simply are not adoptable.** We consider these beautiful creatures Oasis's permanent residents. They are provided with more love and care than they received in their prior "home". Financial assistance is always needed and is gratefully accepted for their health and well-being.

Because of the ongoing care for these animals, Oasis has a sponsorship program. The sponsor simply indicates the dollar amount they would like to donate for that particular animal's care. A monthly sponsorship payment is very much appreciated, and the easiest way to do this is to charge your donation to your debit or credit card. Oasis takes Visa and Master Card (minimum \$5 on a credit card please). The Program will charge the debit or credit card during the first week of the month. This saves you time, postage and check fees. Of course if you prefer to send in your payment via a check, that's OK too! **You can also make your payments online via paypal through our website, [www.oasisanimalsanctuary.org](http://www.oasisanimalsanctuary.org).**

If you would like to sponsor one of these animals below, or Cierce, Slick, Poomba (all equines), or Sarah (FIV+ cat) please let us know. We will provide you with updates about your sponsored pet. **Call The Oasis Animal Sanctuary at 856-262-1222, or complete the form below and let us know of your intention to sponsor. Thank you!**



**Ginger**



**Sebastian**



**Omid**



**Lexus**

**Please submit before January 1, 2016 - Detach and mail to 698 Central Avenue, Franklinville, NJ 08322**

### The Oasis Animal Sanctuary Inc. 2016 Sponsorship Form

*(Minimum pledge \$5 on a credit or debit card, please.)*

I pledge \$ \_\_\_\_\_ per month from January 1 through December 31, 2016 for the care of \_\_\_\_\_ (name of animal, or "all animals".)

**Please circle one:**      I will mail in my payment(s)      Please bill my credit card\*

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**\*Credit and debit cards will be billed during the first week of every month.**

## PSST! HERE'S THE SCOOP!

Our **2015 Holiday Money Raffle** fundraiser helped ten lucky people with holiday bills while raising approximately **\$2,660 for the animals** in our care. Mr. Lou Gonzales, Deputy Mayor of Franklin Township, pulled the winning raffle tickets on November 20th.

### The winners were:

<b>1st prize:</b>	Lou Miller, Williamstown, NJ	<b>\$532.00</b>
<b>2nd prize:</b>	Karen Rotan, Erial, NJ	<b>\$425.60</b>
<b>3rd prize:</b>	Karen Rotan, Erial NJ	<b>\$372.40</b>
<b>4th prize:</b>	Janet Martin, West Berlin, NJ	<b>\$319.20</b>
<b>5th prize:</b>	Fran Viden, Mullica Hill, NJ	<b>\$266.00</b>
<b>6th prize:</b>	Bonie Hirschmann, Clayton, NJ	<b>\$239.40</b>
<b>7th prize:</b>	Rashad Barr, Havertown, PA	<b>\$186.20</b>
<b>8th prize:</b>	Debbie Worek, Mullica Hill, NJ	<b>\$159.60</b>
<b>9th prize:</b>	Denise Beam, Eastampton, NJ	<b>\$106.40</b>
<b>10th prize:</b>	Carla Marks, Lindenwood, NJ	<b>\$53.20</b>



**Congratulations to the winners and thank you to everyone who participated. And an extra THANK YOU to those who have donated a portion or all of their winnings back to Oasis!**

## IN GRATITUDE AND APPRECIATION TO:

- **All the volunteers, new and seasoned, for their efforts in socializing the animals and keeping the sanctuary neat and clean**
- Water and electrical project for the horse fields:  
**Monridge Construction, Lenni PA** (contractor)  
**High Point Engineering, Farmingdale, NY** (permit drawings)  
**Joseph DeAntonio** (permit expiditer)
- **Ms. Marion of Williamstown, NJ** who donated a beautiful (and heavy!) maple kitchen table and chairs for the Administration building
- **Wal-Mart of Hammonton**, who continues to donate animal food and supplies
- **Everyone who sent in donations specifically for Poomba's comfort.** He has a new blanket, and the shoes are on order!
- **Gary D'Alonzo, Anthony D'Alonzo, Rob Strate, and Marilyn Eyles** for their donated time, materials & equipment to relocate three I-horse sheds to other fields on the property

## WE WENT HOME!

<b>Zoey II</b>	<b>(adult cat)</b>
<b>Laredo</b>	<b>(kitten)</b>
<b>Achilles</b>	<b>(kitten)</b>
<b>Chelsea</b>	<b>(kitten)</b>
<b>Desi</b>	<b>(kitten)</b>
<b>Lilly</b>	<b>(kitten)</b>
<b>Rose</b>	<b>(kitten)</b>
<b>Chief</b>	<b>(kitten)</b>
<b>Clover</b>	<b>(kitten)</b>
<b>River</b>	<b>(kitten)</b>

**"The best way to predict the future is to create it."**

— Abraham Lincoln

## PLEASE NOTE

We are closing our Post Office Box since we now have a real address.

**Please DO NOT send any donations or correspondence to PO Box 3 in Williamstown**

Instead use our address  
698 Central Ave.,  
Franklinville, NJ 08322.

**Thank you!**

## WISH LIST

- **Volunteers during the week for animal care – kittens and/or horses**
- **Pine shavings for horse bedding**
- **Gift certificates to KC Stable & Tack** (Bridgeton, NJ) **or Horse 'N Around Tack Shop** (Sewell, NJ) **for barn supplies and horse feed**
- **Gift card to Tractor Supply or Wa-Wa** (for gas)
- **Carrots and applesauce** (unsweetened please!) **for the horses**
- **Postage stamps**
- **New or gently used items for the cat cottage: kitchen table & chairs; non-metal kitchen cabinets**
- **Construction materials needed for the cat cottage renovation – if you can donate sheetrock, nails, primer paint, flooring, insulation or anything else, please contact Oasis so we can put you in contact with our General Contractor.**

## Please Help the Animals!

Send your tax deductible donation to:

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