

*Happy & Healthy Holidays*

### *Rescuing our Furry Friends!*



### **Aaron aka Kobe was born with a deformed leg**

#### **READ ABOUT THE HAPPY ENDING TO HIS SAD BEGINNING!**

Well let's start from the beginning. It's a long story. Aaron was born with a large litter of puppies. Unfortunately, he was born with a deformed front leg as seen in his picture. At first one vet said, "he needs that leg removed, but must wait until he receives all three puppy shots." So as soon as his vaccine series was complete, we made an appointment for his leg to be amputated. Another vet from the same hospital who was scheduled to amputate his leg, had a staff call us and say he did not need to have it done, since he was able to be mobile. The foster mom at the time did not agree, because he was catching it on stones and weeds and cried.

We placed him with a very caring schoolteacher and her boyfriend. This time it was Foster to Adopt until his leg issue was resolved. We made an appointment to get another opinion from another vet. Then that vet's staff called and said they will not be doing that type of surgery. We then took him to an Orthopedic. That specialist felt strongly like we did, that the leg had to be removed. Several thousand dollars later, but a great result, Aaron aka Kobe had his leg amputated. It was rough going especially the first night, because the shots for pain started wearing off, and he was in terrible pain. Nine-thirty pm we reached his orthopedic vet by email, and he emailed the name of two of the four pills he was sent home with to take for pain and said we can start a little earlier than scheduled. And it really helped! Now after this long trying time, he has been doing great in his new home. His fosters to adopt had officially adopted him awhile ago and named him Kobe. We have received a wonderful video of him running and playing fetch with a ball. It has been a long road for him, but a wonderful happy ending.

*Thank you all who donated towards his large vet bills. It's caring people like you who make it possible for us to continue to take on the hard cases of animals that need our help the most.*

*Animal Sanctuary Society, Inc. is proud to be a safe haven to animals. We have spent 21 years making a difference in the lives of thousands of homeless animals! We are grateful for you all being part of this rescue effort!! We provide vet care, medicine, surgeries, food, shelter and other necessities to our animals until the day they are adopted. We will not euthanize an animal because no one is adopting him or her by a certain time. This is possible because of generous public donations and support from caring people like yourself!*

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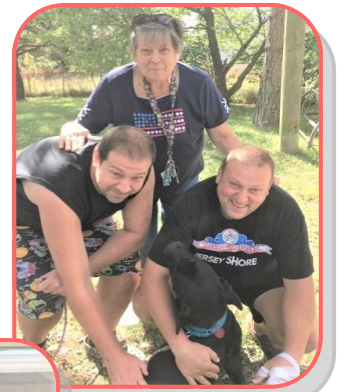
### Adopters Share Their Pet's Stories



Lola

Jay Mark wrote: This is Lola. We adopted her from Animal Sanctuary Society a little over 5 years ago. She has turned into quite the little member of the family. She is well liked by everyone she meets! Here she is "surfing the web", LOL!

Jasper's family is super loving and patient! He got a special beautiful tasty doggie birthday cake made special for him so he can eat it. He will be eating it a little at a time. Jasper is just chilling after eating some of his dog food birthday cake for his seventh birthday!



**Happy 5<sup>th</sup> Anniversary to Deuce!**  
Thank you to the family that has loved him so much all these five years. And many happy years more together!



Deuce



Jasper



Bubba

**We love updates!** It's been about a year since Bandit's aka Bubba's previous Petdad had a serious stroke and couldn't take care of him anymore. He was adopted to a wonderful loving couple. His previous petdad stills loves him very much and is very happy to see he is doing well in his home. You can see the sparkle of being loved in his eyes and check out his smile! He did gain a lot of weight this past year. We suggested diet food and small diet treats for him.

### Previous Caring Adopters Came Back to Adopt Another

Stripes, the smaller dog on the right, adopted to wonderful previous adopters of Charlotte on the left! When they adopted Charlotte, they changed her name to Eawyn, from a movie. Stripes will probably soon have a new name too from the same movie. At home there are cats as part of this family too. This family is very experienced in introducing new family members. Before adopting Eawyn, they had another dog they loved very much who became very sick and their vet tried to save her but couldn't. We think they said kidney disease. Adopters have told us that Eawyn is very very smart. She seems to know English. They love her sooo much. And they will shower Stripes with lots of love too. We love when our fantastic previous adopters come back to adopt another to share their home and love. Stripes new name is Arwen!



Stripes/Arwen  
Eawyn

These wonderful petparents adopted a dog named Bear from us nine years ago. They were so broken-hearted when he died this year but they opened their hearts to sweet Gretel. They named her Annabelle. I had told them about a dear search & rescue dog named Anna who from day one of 9/11 and for several weeks after searched with her Petmom/handler for possible survivors & bodies. Anna used to get so depressed because all she was finding was dead body remains. Anna & her petparent handler were on the emergency task force & were called right away after 9/11 happened. Tragically from the 9/11 site Anna caught some kind of serious bacterial infection that attacked her body. She was treated for one year back & forth at the University of Pennsylvania veterinary hospital. She gave a courageous fight, but succumbed to the infection about one year after the 9/11. I went to visit Anna the day before she died. I just had a feeling her time on earth was coming to an end. When I saw her, I could tell she was acting perky for her petparent & was trying to live for her. It was so typical of Anna, so selfless. I ended up writing a story about Anna, and somehow it found it's way to a book about special dogs. A family member gave me the book and low and behold there was the story I wrote. Gretel's petparents were so touched about Anna's story that they named Gretel Annabelle in honor of Anna. Annabelle will have a wonderful life with such wonderful loving petparents. **In memory of petparent's Bear, and Search and Rescue dog Anna.**



Annabelle



## Welcome to the Cozy Cat Corner! Please Read The Travel Safety Tips!



This is Billou with Petdad getting him ready for the ride home. Notice how safely petparents secured him in the car. Check out how to safely secure a pet carrier!! They had two other cats in the past, and knew right away to secure him in the car.



Billou

### TRAVEL SAFETY HINTS

NJ passed a law that your pet needs a pet seatbelt or a secured crate in your vehicle. Make sure everything is not too loose on them. It is good to follow those travel practices with your pet no matter what state you live in or travel to. Always be careful your pet doesn't escape accidentally when opening the vehicle door. Make sure pet carrier is securely closed. Jiggle pet carrier door to make sure. Make sure the screws holding the carrier together are tight every time before using it. Hold pet carrier from the bottom not just the handle, because the weight of the pet can open the bottom of the carrier. Hold the leash before opening the door with a dog. Don't forget to have a name tag on your pet and have your pet microchipped. And always keep your contact info updated with the microchip company. Fi Nano microchip company now sells tracking devices to place on your pet's collar. You can't be too careful with your pet.

### Losing a pet is heartbreaking!



Frodo

### Frodo Adopted by Heartbroken Petparents

One of the petparents' cats died at only three years old with heart failure. Their beloved cat, even though on meds, one evening was not feeling well. They rushed him to a very good ER veterinary hospital but he died. This wonderful couple terribly heartbroken with the loss of their beloved cat decided to adopt a cat in memory of their beloved. Frodo looked very much like their beloved cat. Petparents have their home all set up with cat trees, chests full of cat toys, and comfy beds. They have two other loving cats that Frodo will join and be part of the caring family.

### BE CAREFUL WITH OPEN WINDOWS WITH JUST SCREENS

Be aware that cats, kittens, pups and dogs can easily get out of a screened window. We hear the heartaches of pet parents who lost their beloved this way!



Juliette



Juliette, aka Charlotte, was adopted by a dedicated Petmom who gave her Beloved cat fluids everyday for three years until she died. After that, she wasn't going to get another cat, because she was so drained and upset. She was crying when she talked about her cat.

### WHAT AN INDOOR ONLY CAT MISSES...

- \* BEING HIT BY A CAR
- \* BEING STOLEN
- \* BEING USED AS BAIT IN DOG FIGHTING
- \* FIGHTS WITH CATS, DOGS, SKUNKS, FOXES, COYOTES, BEARS & RACCOONS
- \* RAIN, SNOW, VERY HOT or COLD WEATHER
- \* BEING ABUSED & TORTURED BY STRANGERS
- \* GUNSHOT WOUNDS/BB GUNS
- \* BEING SOLD TO LABORATORIES FOR TESTING
- \* GETTING LOST
- \* INFECTIONS/DISEASE
- \* SICKNESS
- \* FIV, FELV, FIP
- \* INJURIES
- \* ANIMAL TRAPS
- \* RAT POISONING
- \* ANTIFREEZE POISONING
- \* ROCK SALT BURNS
- \* FLEAS, TICKS & WORMS
- \* GETTING COLLAR CAUGHT
- \* RINGWORM
- \* UNWANTED PREGNANCY
- \* HUNGRY HAWKS



### PLEASE DON'T DECLAW YOUR CAT!

Some people still believe in declawing their cat. We think it's important to educate the public about how declawing your cat can actually harm the cat's physical health and result in disturbing behavioral changes over time. Most people do not know that declawing a cat is an amputation of a cat's toes at the last joint. Declawing is banned in most of Europe, some States and in 8 of 10 Canadian provinces. Some veterinary clinics have opted out of the procedure as well. There are alternatives to declawing. Cats can be trained to use scratching posts.

## Donate Your Car!

Avoid the hassle of trying to sell your vehicle.

We will have it towed if needed.

Don't place an ad.

Don't haggle with a dealer.

You'll receive a tax deduction for your donation.

We accept cars, boats, vans, RVs, trailers and more!

Call Animal Sanctuary Society, Inc. 856-642-0004



### Hootie

What are we all about? Just look at Hootie now resting at home. Very loved. Once homeless and starved with hair loss and little confidence. Now, he goes to the beach often, too. And loves it!

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### Bonded Pair Adopted Together!



Daisy & Luna

### LIVING THE GOOD LIFE!

Zero's name certainly represents that she gives her family zero stress and lots of happiness and calmness. She always seemed to love children. Look at the smiles on baby and her. Zero is exceptional and such a love. Her family is happy over the moon with her. And you can see how happy Zero is too. They will have a special bond their whole lives together. You can just feel it. Petmom says she is the sweetest dog ever!

### Nihkita aka Zero enjoying the Fourth of July weekend 2022



Nihkita/Zero

Petmom's sister is blind and has a seeing eye dog, and Petmom has pet sat her sister's dog. That's one of the encouraging reasons why Petmom adopted Daisy and Luna.

### Betty is AMAZING!

Betty's new petmom sent an update to let us know how well Betty is doing! "Just wanted to send you a quick update! She is AMAZING and has settled in so nicely. She gets so comfy on the couch! We went to a little park where we got to meet a couple other local dogs. At first she was hesitant, but then she started to run and play with them!! Thank you so much for all your help today!"



Betty



Eddie

### What a Valentine's Day Eddie Had!

Eddie, a Red Heeler /Australian Cattle Dog, is getting lots of love on St. Valentine's Day from his new Petparents. His Petparent's hearts were broken when their beloved gray and white Aussie mix died at 14 years old last February. They are just now able to open their hearts and adopt Eddie. While Petdad was playing with Eddie, Eddie sent kisses through the air to petmom so she would not feel left out. It was touching to watch. Eddie is so sensitive that while we were fitting him with a harness (he is not the type to slip out of a harness like some dogs) and fitting him with a new collar, tag and new matching leash, all the stress of being a homeless dog drained out of his body. He completely collapsed on the sofa closing his eyes with a big smile. He knew he was going home with them. Petmom is a nurse but taking some time off, therefore Eddie will get lots of attention. He has a high fenced yard with a doggie door to go in and out when they are home.



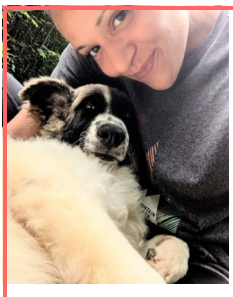
Molly

### Molly found her perfect home!

Molly has anxiety if left alone, so she will be happy with this retired couple who are home almost all the time. She is good with her people home or another sweet dog around with her, so their gentle older dog that Molly gets along wonderfully with, will be good company for each other.

### Dogs Jog With Petparent

Palmer has a new petmom and dog brother named Shadow! Petmom jogs four miles several times a week with Shadow, a 9 year old Huskie Lab mix, whom she loves dearly. In a few months Selkie, aka Palmer, will be jogging with both of them as soon as the Vet says she is old enough and her bones are hard enough to start jogging.



Palmer aka Selkie



## ***THERAPY , SERVICE, AND EMOTIONAL SUPPORT DOGS***

### **Scream is in training to be a certified service dog!**

Animal Sanctuary Society, Inc. works along with two retired husband and wife police officers who started a Non Profit organization to help train and provide service dogs to veterans suffering from PTS or other physical injuries. We meet the veterans and their families. Stay tuned in several months for Scream's graduation and his new family!

Check out Scream's smile. He loves the training complex where he also meets other dogs in training. They have lots of play time with each other too.

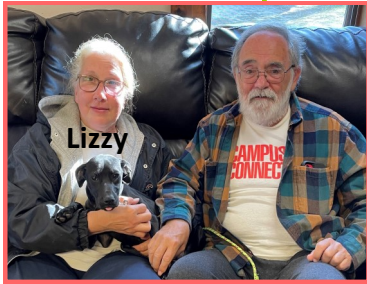


**Scream**



Scream celebrated the completion of his training with his veteran handler and his son!

**Congratulations to you all!**



**Lizzy**

### **Lizzy will be getting certified as a therapy dog!**

Petparents have a therapy dog now that visits hospitals, college students, and children's reading programs. Lizzy will follow suit. She will have a very busy life and will be very loved too. Petparents also have another dog, so Lizzy will be number three. Petmom just retired and will have time getting Lizzy ready for her pet therapy certification. We have several dogs who were adopted from us and are doing wonderful things helping PTS veterans, visiting hospitals and nursing homes, and participating in children's reading programs.



**Klara**

### **Klara now has an important mission in her life!**

The school board has approved Klara to become a therapy dog for Petmom's Special Education class. Klara will be going to school with her Petmom.

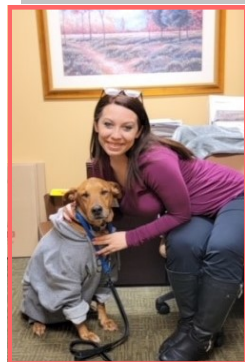


**Paz**

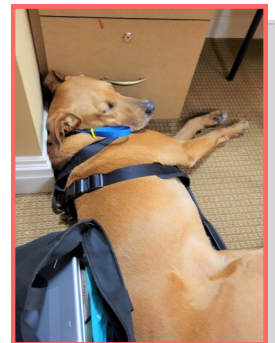
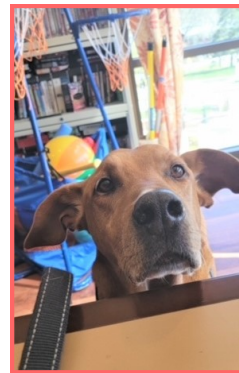
### **Paz will be an Emotional Support Dog**

Paz has two wonderful loving petmoms. Petmom on the left is a trained Family Counselor. Paz will have an important role in life comforting patients during stressful counseling sessions.

### **Rocky is being trained as a Psychiatric Service Dog.**



**Rocky**



Rocky goes to work everyday at a hospital. Rocky takes his work seriously! He wears his favorite hoodie at work to stay warm and comfortable. Rocky is hard at work. We are very proud of him!

Once he needed a home, now five-year-old Rocky is working everyday in a hospital, and being trained as a Psychiatric Service Dog. He is excellent at his job!

### **Please help us get the dental work he needs.**

Send whatever donation you can to Animal Sanctuary Society, Inc. PO Box 24, Mt. Laurel NJ 08054 or go to our website: [animalsanctuarysociety.org](http://animalsanctuarysociety.org) and click the donate button and follow the directions there. You can use Paypal or a credit card. **Thank you!**

We rescued Rocky aka Rusty when his petdad died. Now he has two of the best pet parents we ever met. They love him so much. He loves to run and play in his large fenced in yard. He also gets several walks a day on the leash.



## THANKING ALL OUR SUPPORTERS!

We are so grateful to all the donors, volunteers, Gordon the photographer, foster parents, veterinarians and their staff, **Petsmart, TD Bank**, and adopters who have made it possible in the last 21 years to help thousands of homeless animals, changing their lives to one full of love and care!

A big shout out to **Walmart and Sam's Club** for their continued dedicated support and their generous grants, especially the **Turnerville, Westhampton, and Williamstown** stores! Please support us this holiday season and throughout the year to help save lives.



### **Rabbit experienced petparents adopt Enzo, the Havana rabbit!**

They have two other rabbits, but Enzo will have his own rabbit proof room. They adopted Enzo because he was an older rabbit and they wanted to give him a chance at a great loving home. Enzo was surrendered to us along with a dog,

**Breezy** was adopted by very special caring petparents. They knew she was a few years and wanted her to have a loving home asap. They are already so in tune with Breezy, and Petmom said she is so happy and smiling.

### **Kuszco the sweet spayed Lion-head rabbit was adopted!**

This young girl wants to be a veterinarian. Kuszco was with a young girl previously who became severely allergic to the hay and sadly Kuszco had to be re-homed. We are thrilled that she now has a new wonderful home with lots of love.



### **Importance of Staying With Your Pet During Euthanasia Due To Serious End of Life Illness and/or Deterioration.**

In speaking to an experienced veterinarian & vet tech about their experiences with this subject, they both agreed that they see differences in the pets when the petparent is not there during this most difficult time. Usually a relaxant is given first, but your pet usually still knows you are there even if it's just with smells. They usually hear you too.

Then the veterinarian administers the drug for euthanasia. The veterinarian & vet tech both agreed that the pet is pronounced dead in about 15 seconds when the petparent is present, but it takes about one minute for the pet to let go if they are not.

We are aware it is very difficult for some people to stay with the pet, but there is emotional support out there, even right at your vets office. If your pet still has some time with you, but you know your pet is physically failing, please contact support ahead of time to prepare. You can call CONTACT by googling the number and leave a message about what type of support you need, and they will have someone call you back. Go on chats online with other petparents going through the same end of life decisions they have to make which is best for their pet. Check out pet grieving groups and/or the groups contacts in your area that can help you before & afterwards dealing with these difficult decisions and times. Perhaps you can talk to some ahead of time by phone, staying home with your pet as long as possible. Learning how to cope with any pet loss is challenging and may occasionally require emotional assistance and support.

### **Ayden has eye surgery**

Ayden has a sweet doggie family member too, not in this picture. He was held back in his litter from adoption until we arranged and got his eye operated on to repair a cherry eye.

Cherry eye in dogs is a disfiguring, but not painful, condition in which the **third eyelid containing a tear gland has prolapsed** causing a red bulge in the corner of the eye. For most dogs, cherry eye is only unsightly and not life-threatening. However, many owners don't like the way it changes their dog's appearance and prefer to correct it.

### **Emotional Assistance & Support Resources**

Contact Red Bank Veterinary Hospital for more information about this helpful and comforting service. [2051 Briggs Road](https://www.redbankvet.com)

[Mount Laurel, NJ 08054](https://www.redbankvet.com)

[\(856\) 429-4394 \(856\) 722-6709](https://www.redbankvet.com)

The University of Pennsylvania Veterinarian Hospital offers a virtual Pet Loss Support Group for Penn Vet clients. You can [Sign up for the Pet Loss Support Group on their website \(www.vet.upenn.edu\)](https://www.vet.upenn.edu)

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Continue helping animals by leaving a portion of your estate to Animal Sanctuary Society, Inc. We can also be named as a beneficiary on life insurance policies. Please include our registered name: Animal Sanctuary Society, Inc., our tax ID number (please call 856-642-0004 for it) & our address: PO Box 24, Mount Laurel, NJ 08054.

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### **Our Wish List**

Financial Contributions to help with vet bills & other needs! More Volunteers!

Paper towels Revolution/ Advantix  
Plastic/garbage bags (clear)



Chew Knuckle bones for large dogs.



### **Help us to be ready when they need us!**

The best way to help is through donations to aid with our vet visits, emergency care, medicine, surgery, preventative care, quality food, flea & tick products, etc. Be part of making the difference.

### **Donations can be made:**

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