

# PASS IT ALONG!

Parsippany Animal Supporters Society

**October is Adopt-a-Shelter-Dog Month**

Welcome to Parsippany Animal Supporters Society, Inc., also known as PASS! PASS is an all volunteer, non-profit group of citizens.

PASS mission statement: PASS is dedicated to the improvement of animal welfare by providing education on animal issues for the general public, by supporting the Parsippany Animal Shelter in its efforts to place unwanted animals in caring homes, and by fundraising to support these goals and other animal welfare initiatives.

PASS was officially organized as a non-profit corporation on May 29, 2003.

The agreement between PASS and the Township of Parsippany-Troy Hills was signed on July 31, 2003.

On September 5, 2003 PASS received its 501(c)(3) status from the IRS.

Any person who is in sympathy with the objectives of the organization may become a member. So enjoy our newsletter and pass it along!

## FOURTH ANNUAL TRICKY TRAY

Be sure to call now for tickets to our fourth annual Tricky Tray fundraiser. Last year's was a big success and everyone had a great time!

This fantastic event takes place on Friday, October 20, 2006 at the Boonton Elks Club located on 125 Cornelia Street in Boonton. Doors open at 6:00 pm with the number calling beginning at 8:00 pm.

For those of you not familiar with what takes place at a Tricky Tray, here's a brief explanation. A selection of great prizes is placed around a room with small cups in front of each item. If you like something, you would place one of the chances you are given into the cup. If your number is selected, **YOU ARE THE LUCKY WINNER!!** Some of you may know this type of event by one of its other names like a Chinese Auction or a Penny Auction.

We have some great prizes for our event including exciting overnight getaways and many lovely themed gift baskets and certificates from area shops and restaurants.

In addition, there will be gourmet coffee and desserts for your enjoyment while you peruse the gift selection.

Tickets have been selling quickly so please **CALL NOW** to reserve your seat. The cost is \$20 per person and includes 25 chances plus our gourmet coffee bar. Tables of 8 or more can be reserved in advance.

For tickets or more information, please contact Suzanne at 973-402-PETS(7387). Leave a message in box 7 or email [Blvdtravel@aol.com](mailto:Blvdtravel@aol.com).



### MEETING SCHEDULE

Our meetings are fun and informative and will give you all the latest PASS news. So come join us and bring a friend!

- ✓ Tuesday October 10
- ✓ Tuesday November 14
- ✓ Tuesday December 12

These meetings will be held at the Parsippany Library located at 449 Halsey Road at 7:00 pm.



## POINTS FROM THE PREZ

JOANNE SLAMAN

In just a few months it will be four years since the idea of PASS took hold in a handful of people, when we used to meet at each other's homes and dream up what shape PASS should take. It's been one of those true life experiences, a definite educational learning experience. PASS has taken on a life of its own and is ever moving forward now. PASS has grown and will continue to do so. Being president of PASS, I've really gotten to see the organization's growth first hand and it is not an experience I will soon forget. I sincerely wish the new officers of PASS the best of luck in the future endeavors of PASS. See you on the volunteer line!

Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed citizens can change the world. Indeed, it is the only thing that ever has.

—Margaret Mead

## MEET OUR NEW BOARD

Elections are over and our new Board of Directors is in place. We've asked everyone for a bit of information about themselves to help us all get better acquainted. Meet our new board...

**Suzanne Griffin—President**—I've been a member of PASS since before we had an official name and meetings were held around one of our members dining room table. I've served as Fundraising

Chairperson and most recently as Vice President. I continue with this group because of the incredibly dedicated people we have that I have been able to work with on projects to really improve the lives of animals in our area. I also volunteer with several other animal welfare organizations when time permits. My other passions include travel, an industry that I've worked in for 18 years and Asian Studies, an interest that has allowed me to spend extended periods of time in exotic cities like Lhasa, Kathmandu and Beijing. My husband and I, as well as our much loved critters, live in Boonton.

### **Marcy Poquette—Vice President**

My husband Art and I live in Parsippany. We have 4 kids, 7 grandkids and 6 beautiful feline fur babies—Squirt, Sugar, Spice, Sage, Saffy and Spooky. I look forward to being a part of PASS's growth and expansion as we continue to help these loving animals. I look forward to also meeting the new volunteers that join us as we take this exciting journey. Together, we can make a difference!

**Joan Bowling—Secretary**—I have been Secretary of the group since its inception. I also handle our recycling fundraiser for ink/toner cartridges and cell phones. I am retired and involved in several other volunteer organizations, namely Women's Club of Denville, quilting at the Denville United Methodist Church, Bay and Lagoon Group of Indian Lake, Women's Club of Indian Lake, and United Methodist Women and Asbury Ringers of the Denville United Methodist Church. I enjoy collecting items and giving them to

various charities. I have 2 cats and 2 dogs, a Schipperke and a Pekinese and we walk every day. I also do all of my own outside and inside work, so I am kept very active.

**Laura Marchetti—Treasurer**—I have been a member of PASS since its inception because I want to help animals in my community. I strongly support PASS's TNR and Spay/Neuter education programs since they reduce and hopefully one day eliminate the need to euthanize animals simply because they do not have a place to call home. After volunteering with local shelters for a number of years, I realized that the most serious problem is with homeless cats, not dogs in our area, so that is where I concentrate my efforts.

**AL GOLDBERG—Trustee**—I am a retired Xerox Technician. I have 5 years experience volunteering at shelters, specifically in temperament evaluations and training of dogs. I am also an evaluator for Bright and Beautiful Therapy Dogs and a

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## Board of Directors

PRESIDENT Suzanne Griffin  
 VICE PRESIDENT Marcy Poquette  
 SECRETARY Joan Bowling  
 TREASURER Laura Marchetti

TRUSTEE 1 Mike Clarey  
 TRUSTEE 2 Sue Meade  
 TRUSTEE 3 Al Goldberg  
 TRUSTEE 4 Susan Groll

CAT CHAIRPERSON Janet Porsche  
 DOG CHAIRPERSON Rita Alzamora  
 FUNDRAISING CHAIRPERSON Camille Oakie  
 ASSISTANT TO PRESIDENT Holle Kathenes  
 NEWSLETTER AND ART DIRECTOR Patty Wallenburg  
 HISTORIAN Anna Tykowski  
 MAILING COORDINATOR Bill Henderson



## SEND HEALING TO YOUR PET

What if you could be a positive force in the healing and/or well being of your beloved pet? Well, good news – you can! Let me preface this by saying I am in no way advocating not taking your pet to the vet or getting recommended shots or the best food, etc. I surely do all of the above for my cat. But, in addition, I transfer my energy to my cat whenever I see the need. It's easier than it sounds!

If you're familiar with the many energy healing arts such as Reiki, Jinshinjitsu or Qigong, that's helpful but not mandatory. Human beings, along with all creatures and living things in the universe are made up of energy – even scientists agree with this theory nowadays. Energy transference is a kind of well-kept secret, but it holds many healing powers. I highly recommend the movie *Celestine Prophecy* for greater insight into this practice, or any of the healing modalities I mention above.

With that said, in order to get in touch with your energy, simply meditate and visualize (with eyes closed) pure white light (an easy way to see energy) coming through the top of your head and slowly covering your entire body to the tips of your toes. Don't rush this exercise, but devote at least 10 minutes to this practice. Some people visualize a milky substance, others bright light. Whatever you feel comfortable is okay – there is no right or wrong. I guarantee you will feel refreshed and energized afterwards!

To transfer energy to your pet, do the exercise as described above, having your pet ideally on your lap or nearby. After you have visualized your entire body filled with white light, concentrate on that light filling up both your hands. Then gently place your hand(s) on your pet. Your intuition will guide you as to where to place your hands and for how long, although a minimum of five

minutes would be good. Then affirm silently that the light is moving from your hands to the area that your pet needs it the most. You may be amazed that your pet will sit or lie there allowing the light to penetrate into the area of need! For example, a few months ago my cat had runny eyes and nothing the vet gave me worked. I thought when I placed my hands over her eyes, she would not tolerate it. However, she did allow me to place my hands close to her eyes (contact is not necessary) and send white light to her eyes for about 3 minutes at a time. I did this every day for a week and in a few weeks, her runny eyes were a thing of the past!

If you have any questions about the exercises, or would like more information or professional Reiki treatments for your pet, feel free to call me as I am a licensed Reiki Practitioner. My telephone number is 973-263-0939.

—Anne Garramone

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## SAVE THE DATE! FOR OUR EXCITING EDUCATIONAL SEMINARS

All seminars are free of charge and open to the public.

### October 10 – A Look at the Raptor Trust

7 pm at the Parsippany Public Library, 449 Halsey Road. A representative

from The Raptor Trust will tell The Raptor Trust Story and offer a unique and fascinating look at The



Raptor Trust. For more information, please visit [www.pass4pets.org](http://www.pass4pets.org) and click on the activities page.

### November 11 – TNR from Tip to Tail – with NJARA

9 am – Noon. Location to be

determined. Free workshop. This seminar is appropriate for beginners through experienced caretakers. Topics to be discussed include trapping safety, winter colony care and making your community aware of the benefits of a trap/neuter/return program. Refreshments will be served. Call 973-402-PETS box 7 For more info go to [www.pass4pets.org](http://www.pass4pets.org), click on activities box.



# FUNdraising!

We have a lot of fundraisers scheduled for 2006! Should be another great year. Please contact Camille Oakie (Camilleo@att.net) to volunteer or for more information on any of the events on our calendar.

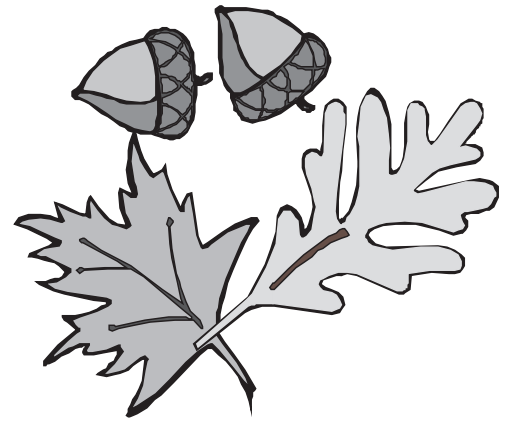
## Tricky Tray

This year's Tricky Tray will be on Friday, October 20. Please see cover for more information.

## October 28th—Halloween Pet Photo Day

This will be a fun event for you and your pet to enjoy! Dress your pet in their 'favorite' costume and have photos taken of your pet for a small donation to PASS of \$5.00. The Pet Photo Day will be held at the VFW Hall, 750 Route 10 W, Whippany, between 10 am–1 pm.

Volunteers still needed for tasks that day. Come and join the fun! Contact Marcy at Marcy2@optonline.net.



## Holiday Get Together – December 2nd

Save the date for our Holiday Get Together. Details are being finalized.....check the website for updates!

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## Joe Corbi's Original Pizza / Cookie Kits Ordering Deadline is November 20th

We will be offering Joe Corbi's Original Pizza/Cookie Kits!

They are so delicious, you'll think they were made just for you! Pizza, Chee-Zee bread, dessert bread, Pretzels, Calzones, combine ingredients and then pop into the oven – great to munch on while

watching TV or for late night snack. The cookie kits will make you the hit of the holiday season – homemade ingredients all prepared in a handy 3lb. tub – just scoop onto a cookie sheet and bake. What a time saver ! Order deadline is November 20th and will be ready for pickup on Saturday,

December 9th between noon and 3pm.

Hosted by the team of Camille Frumolt cfrumolt@aol.com and Betty Bellomo bellomoe@aol.com.

Visit www.pass4pets.org to view the catalog and order form.



## What's Needed

Please refer to our newly designed How to Help page on our website (www.pass4pets.org). It lists everything you want to know about what you can do to help PASS help homeless pets! New volunteers always welcome!



# THINGS TO DO

## SEPTEMBER

**September 18 – October 15 – Implementing a Successful Volunteer Program – Humane Society University online.**

To learn more, please visit [www.HumaneSocietyU.org](http://www.HumaneSocietyU.org)

**September 28-30 – American Humane Conference**

Chicago, IL. For information, go email [info@americanhumane.org](mailto:info@americanhumane.org) or go to [http://www.americanhumane.org/site/PageServer?pagename=ev\\_professionals\\_pa\\_conference](http://www.americanhumane.org/site/PageServer?pagename=ev_professionals_pa_conference)

## OCTOBER

**October 6-7 – Empire State Animal Protection Forum  
Holiday Inn Turf, Wolf Road, Albany, NY.**

For information go to <http://nyshumane.org/EmpireStateForum/06empireStateForum.html>

**October 9 to November 18 – The Essentials of Fund-Raising - Creating Financial Stability for Animal Care Organizations – Humane Society University online.**

To learn more, please visit [www.HumaneSocietyU.org](http://www.HumaneSocietyU.org)

**October 13 – Tricky Tray – People for Animals**

Doors open at 6 pm; drawing begins at 8 pm at the Somerville Elks Club, 375 Union Avenue, Bridgewater, 50/50 raffle / Door Prizes, Food and drinks will be available for purchase. Adults only please.

Tickets at the door cost \$10 and include one sheet of free tickets for regular prizes. Pre-register and receive a second sheet of tickets at the door. To pre-register send your check made out to People for Animals and marked 'tricky tray' for \$10 per person to 433 Hillside Ave, Hillside, NJ 07205. For more information, call 908-964-6887 Extension 312 or email [pfadiane@optonline.net](mailto:pfadiane@optonline.net) or visit website <http://pfa.petfinder.org>.

**October 26 – 28 Euthanasia of Dogs and Cats in the Animal Shelter Environment – Humane Society University**

In Asheville, NC For information go to [www.humanesocietyu.org](http://www.humanesocietyu.org)

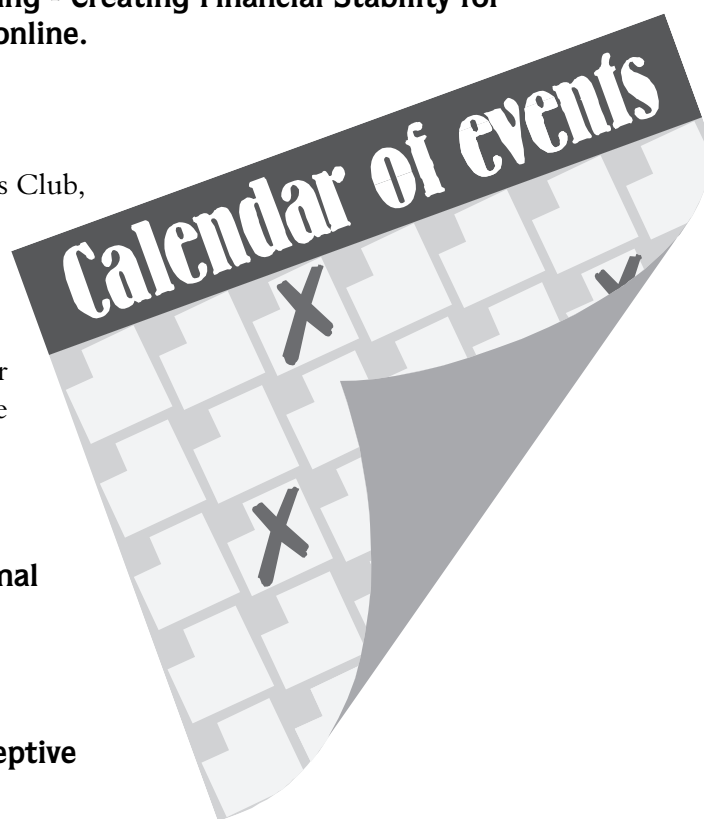
## NOVEMBER

**November 9 – 12 – Symposium on Non-Surgical Contraceptive Methods for Pet Population Control – ACC-D**

Alexandria, VA For the registration brochure, go to [http://www.acc-d.org/ACCD%20docs/Symposium Brochure.pdf](http://www.acc-d.org/ACCD%20docs/Symposium%20Brochure.pdf)

**November 11 - Illegal Animal Fighting Investigations – Humane Society University**

In Fort Wayne, IN For information go to [www.humanesocietyu.org](http://www.humanesocietyu.org)





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## **S943 Establishes sanitation requirements for human contact with animals at petting zoos and animal or agricultural fairs, shows, and exhibitions**

7/8/2006 Passed by the Senate (40-0)  
Received In Assembly Referred To  
Assembly Agriculture and Natural  
Resources Committee  
[http://www.njleg.state.nj.us/2006/Bills/S1000/943\\_U1.HTM](http://www.njleg.state.nj.us/2006/Bills/S1000/943_U1.HTM)

## **S161 Creates offense of animal incapacitation and increases and revises certain animal cruelty penalties**

6/19/2006 Passed Senate (38-0).  
Received In Assembly Referred To  
Assembly Agriculture and Natural  
Resources Committee. Substituted  
by A1929  
<http://www.njleg.state.nj.us/bills/BillView.asp?BillNumber=S1681>

## **A1432 Increases maximum municipal dog license fee from \$7 to \$21.**

6/22 Second reading in assembly.  
[http://www.njleg.state.nj.us/2006/Bills/A1500/1432\\_S1.HTM](http://www.njleg.state.nj.us/2006/Bills/A1500/1432_S1.HTM)

## **A3192: Authorizes civil action for certain economic damages against owner or keeper of pet animal that injures or kills another person's pet animal.**

Moved out of committee 6/12/06  
with amendments.  
[http://www.njleg.state.nj.us/2006/Bills/A3500/3192\\_I1.HTM](http://www.njleg.state.nj.us/2006/Bills/A3500/3192_I1.HTM)

## **S615 Prohibits trapping of cats and dogs; limits trapping to animal control officers, members of SPCA and volunteers of Trap-Neuter-**

## **Return program.**

Withdrawn from hearing for  
additional work.  
[http://www.njleg.state.nj.us/2006/Bills/A3000/2615\\_I1.HTM](http://www.njleg.state.nj.us/2006/Bills/A3000/2615_I1.HTM)

## **S1681 Requires coordination of emergency operations plans and creation of emergency plan for certain animals.**

6/22/2006 Substituted by A1929  
(2R) [http://www.njleg.state.nj.us/2006/Bills/S2000/1681\\_S1.HTM](http://www.njleg.state.nj.us/2006/Bills/S2000/1681_S1.HTM)

## **A2773/S1705: Establishes animal cruelty offenses pertaining to chaining or other restraint of animals**

Referred to Assembly Agriculture  
and Natural Resources Committee  
and introduced and referred to the  
Senate Economic Growth  
Committee  
<http://www.njleg.state.nj.us/bills/BillView.asp?BillNumber=S1705>

## **A909 Prohibits product testing with traditional animal test methods if federally recommended alternative test method exists, with certain exceptions; and provides for injunctive relief for violations.**

On February 27 after the 2nd  
Reading in the Assembly has been  
reported out of assembly. We urge  
you to contact your legislators to  
support this bill.  
[http://www.njleg.state.nj.us/2006/Bills/A1000/909\\_I1.HTM](http://www.njleg.state.nj.us/2006/Bills/A1000/909_I1.HTM)

## **A2501 This bill would prohibit the use of a dog or other animal in a drug distribution scheme.**

This passed from the Assembly  
Agriculture and Natural Resources

Committee and has been referred to  
the Assembly Judiciary Committee  
[http://www.njleg.state.nj.us/2006/Bills/A3000/2501\\_S1.HTM](http://www.njleg.state.nj.us/2006/Bills/A3000/2501_S1.HTM)

## **A2502 Makes use of an animal to carry illegal drugs or facilitate drug-related crimes an animal cruelty offense; provides for non-merger of criminal animal cruelty offenses.**

This passed from the Assembly  
Agriculture and Natural Resources  
Committee with revised language  
which can be seen at this link:  
[http://www.njleg.state.nj.us/2006/Bills/A3000/2502\\_U1.HTM](http://www.njleg.state.nj.us/2006/Bills/A3000/2502_U1.HTM)

## **S801 "Responsible Pit Bull Ownership Licensing Act"**

Authorizes municipalities to require  
a license for a person to own, keep  
or harbor a pit bull.

## **[http://www.njleg.state.nj.us/2006/Bills/S1000/801\\_I1.HTM](http://www.njleg.state.nj.us/2006/Bills/S1000/801_I1.HTM)**

The Animal Welfare Federation of  
New Jersey is opposed to breed  
specific legislation and is deeply  
concerned about the unfair burden  
this bill would place on responsible  
dog owners, animal shelters and  
municipalities while not producing  
the affect desired by the bill's author.  
This bill was referred to the Senate  
Economic Growth committee in  
January 06. We encourage you to  
write to Senator Sharpe James and  
your local representatives. For  
contact information to Senator  
Sharpe James, go to: <http://www.njleg.state.nj.us/members/james.asp>

For more information on breed  
specific bills go to this link:

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[http://www.awfnj.org/assets/cms/breed\\_specific\\_laws.pdf](http://www.awfnj.org/assets/cms/breed_specific_laws.pdf)

### **A219 Establishes sexual use of, or contact with, including sodomy of, animals as a crime and a civil offense under State animal cruelty laws.**

This bill has been passed out of the Assembly Agriculture Committee. To view this bill, go to

[http://www.njleg.state.nj.us/2006/Bills/A0500/219\\_I1.HTM](http://www.njleg.state.nj.us/2006/Bills/A0500/219_I1.HTM)

To find your state legislators, go to <http://www.njleg.state.nj.us/members/legsearch.asp> or <http://www.njleg.state.nj.us/districts/municipalities.asp>

To find your US congressional representatives, go to: <http://action.fund.org/directory>

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## SPAY DAY

Our next low cost Spay and Neuter clinic will be held on September 29. It is completely booked and we look forward to altering more than 50 animals that day. PASS works with the Animal Welfare Association of Voorhees(AWA) who brings their experienced team of veterinary professionals to our area in their mobile hospital. We are grateful to United Stor All of Parsippany who permits us to park the mobile unit in their parking lot and utilize their facilities to run our clinics. Thanks to the fundraising efforts of our dedicated volunteers, PASS is able to supplement the cost of the surgeries and offer reduced prices to local residents. We are currently able to charge \$25.00 for a cat and \$50.00 for a dog, making spaying and neutering affordable to the community. We encourage everyone to have their pets altered and hope to one day meet our goal of drastically reducing pet overpopulation in our area. Another clinic is planned for late November. For more information, visit our website, [www.pass4pets.org](http://www.pass4pets.org), click on activities, then Spay Days.

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member of Jersey Animal Coalition, Friends of Randolph Shelter and AWFNJ. My dog Sandi and I are an active Therapy Dog Team.

**Sue Meade—Trustee**—I also serve as Assistant Cat Chairperson. I love cats and have 10 at home, each and every one more spoiled than the next. I enjoy spending time at the Shelter, helping at our fundraisers and our Spay Days because I think our work really makes a difference in the lives of the animals in our community. One of my dreams is to own a sanctuary where no cat is turned away. My son Nick, who is studying to be a Vet, also volunteers at the shelter and is an active PASS member. He hopes to specialize in feline medicine.

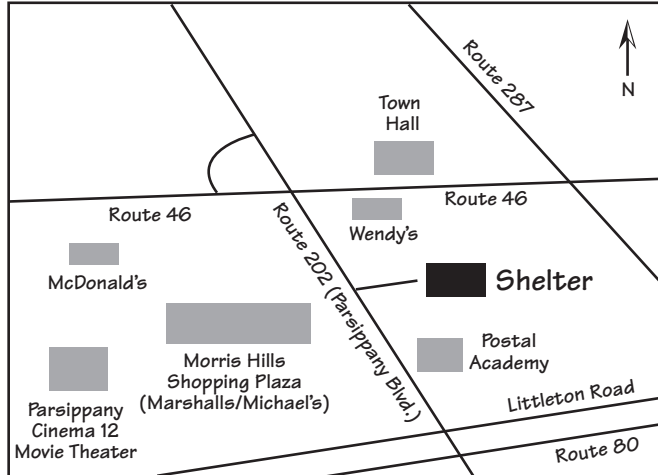
**Susan Groll—Trustee**—I am a long time member and have two Goldens and several cats. I enjoy helping on our fundraisers, especially our Tricky Tray and Can shakes. I am a full time math teacher and live in Morris Plains with my husband and son.





## PET ADOPTIONS

Please stop by the Parsippany Animal Shelter to visit with all the homeless pets up for adoption. The shelter is located at 1069 Parsippany Boulevard in Parsippany, near the Morris Hills



Shopping Center. The shelter is open to the public Monday through Friday from 3 pm to 5 pm and Saturday and Sunday from 9 am to 12 pm. You can also make an appointment by calling the shelter at 973-263-7083. You can also “visit” the shelter at [www.petfinder.org](http://www.petfinder.org) then to “shelter & rescue groups.”

Search in New Jersey and scroll down to “Parsippany Animal Control & Animal Shelter.” If you have additional questions, please feel free to call PASS at 973-402-PETS and leave messages in either the “dog” mailbox for dogs and exotics or in the “cat” mailbox and we’ll be sure to get back to you.



## CONTACT US

We’d love to know what you think! Comments, questions or suggestions regarding our newsletter can be sent to PASS, PO Box 5077, Parsippany, NJ 07054 to the attention of Patty Wallenburg, email [typewriting@earthlink.net](mailto:typewriting@earthlink.net) or leave a message at 973-402-PETS and we’ll be sure to contact you. And don’t forget to PASS It Along!



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