



## *You make a difference*



With the advent of spring finally upon us, we are emerging from the wrath of winter with many activities here at Pets Alive. In reflecting upon 2014, thanks to your support, we saved 1,405 cats, dogs and farm animals from life-threatening circumstances last year, and we found forever homes for 1,472 animals. You made this possible by contributing your time as a volunteer, donating money, or adopting a new companion. We know you can choose any number of charities to help and support; we are very appreciative of you selecting us at Pets Alive. We could not do all we do without you.

What's on tap at Pets Alive for the remainder of the spring and summer? We have a litany of fundraisers and adoption events coming up. While we highlight a few in this newsletter, visit our Facebook pages or websites to view the latest events.

Kitten season is upon us! This means a large need for kitten food, non-clumping litter, lots of paper towels and cleaning supplies – and donations to pay for spay/neuter, vaccinations or other medical treatments. Visit our Facebook pages or websites for updates on new arrivals if you're thinking about adopting a new little friend. Fill out an application on our website and one of our adoption counselors will help you find the perfect match for your family. Your donation will help us pay for the many needs these animals will have once they arrive at the sanctuary.

As you plan for your summer activities, please remember Pets Alive. Join us at our events and have some fun while helping the animals -- they need you. THANK YOU for your everlasting support.

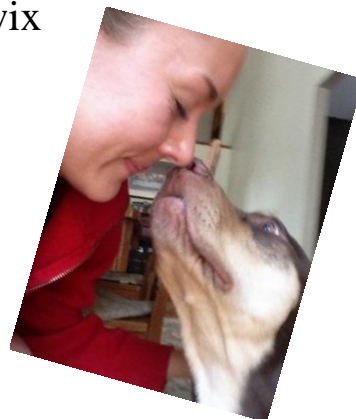
*Your can make a difference in the life of an animal  
in distress...*



When Pets Alive in Middletown, NY got a call from a local veterinarian about a dog that had been found injured and bleeding on the streets of Newburgh, they knew they had to help.

**Twix**, a one year old pit bull mix, was found on February 28, 2015, limping along in the freezing weather by two good samaritans. She was covered in blood. Her rescuers were able to coax her into their car and brought her to Middlehope Veterinary Hospital in Newburgh, NY, where she was evaluated and then treated by their compassionate veterinarians. Her injuries included multiple bite wounds on her legs, face and ears, presumably from another dog. She also had uniform punctures around her neck, likely from a prong collar that was too tight.

Pets Alive was happy to assist Middlehope Veterinary Hospital with Twix. We were excited to give Twix a chance at a new life and a home of her own. She is a very nice dog and she deserves every chance for happiness. Despite her injuries, Twix is a happy, easy-going and sweet dog. She loves everyone she meets and she is extremely affectionate. It didn't take long before Twix found her forever home!



## *Your giving helps the small things in life...*

The last thing you want to see when you head into the basement of the house you have been hired to clean out is a rat, but that's exactly what the good samaritan who rescued **Elizabeth Taylor** thought she was. Elizabeth was huddled in the corner, shaking and scared when our friend saw her out of the corner of his eye.



He approached the “rat” thinking he could shoo it outside, but realized it was a teacup Chihuahua who was skin and bones. Joyce Kyles, City of Newburgh animal control officer, responded and found 4 more dogs inside the house. Those four dogs were quickly placed by Joyce into foster homes, but Elizabeth was in bad shape and spent several days in the hospital. Significantly underweight at just over two pounds, veterinarians were skeptical that she would make it. However, she turned out to be a fighter and soon she was on her way with Joyce to Pets Alive in Middletown, NY.

Elizabeth was placed into a foster home and fed every three hours until she was strong enough to be available for adoption. Her sweet and loving personality is charming everyone here at Pets Alive in Middletown, NY. Elizabeth is ten years old, loves to snuggle and burrow under blankets, and gets along well with other dogs, cats and kids and is now available for adoption. If you are interested in adopting Elizabeth, fill out an application on our website at [www.petsalive.com](http://www.petsalive.com), come for a visit, and one of our adoption counselors will introduce you to her.

## *Your giving brings happy endings...*

### **King Stockington was saved from the wrath of euthanasia.**

Ear mites, a puncture wound on the leg, possibly even a hip fracture - bad but not insurmountable. Yet, King Stockington was scheduled to be euthanized by Animal Care and Control of New York City. No one wanted him – until Pets Alive Westchester came along. We looked beyond his injuries and knew we could help.



When we took in King Stockington, his leg was swollen and he was hairless; he wasn't bearing any weight on his leg – believed to be caused by a hip fracture. However, after two weeks within our care, King Stockington was up and about – no fractured hip - his infection and ear mites were treated and this male cat is available for adoption at Pets Alive Westchester in Elmsford, NY.

**Miracles do happen.** At Pets Alive, the time clock never stops. Late one night recently, our Executive Director, Audrey Lodato from our Middletown, NY location, was alerted to a kitten in need, under a bush, dragging her hind legs. Hours later, Briar was safe at the emergency animal hospital being treated for a fractured vertebra, causing her partial paralysis. She was later transferred to a veterinarian hospital for further treatment. To the amazement of Briar's entire medical team, she now can walk – and has a pending adoption. Miracles do happen but only because many generous donors contributed to Briar's medical fund, enabling us to get the best care possible for her.



## *Forming a bond with pets helps you – and Pets Alive...*

### **Basic Dog Training Class**

Pets Alive Westchester in Elmsford, NY now offers basic dog training classes where you will learn kind, clear, humane ways to help your dog learn good manners in your home as well as polite leash walking and basic cues. Classes are held Tuesday and run for 6 weeks for **only \$80!** Go to [petsalivewest.org](http://petsalivewest.org) to learn more!



Meet Maria

### **Pennies for PAWs ~ Penny Wars ~**

*Make a difference in pet's lives, one penny at a time.*

Pennies for PAWS is a fundraiser for school age children to benefit the animals at Pets Alive Westchester. Pennies for PAWS was started to help educate children about animals, charity and giving to others.



Meet Joey

Through our Humane Education program, we find that children have a connection toward animals and Pennies for PAWS enables kids to establish meaningful ways to make a difference for rescued animals. This is often the first experience for many children in volunteering or giving to charity. By collecting spare change, they learn that even the most humble of gestures will make a difference in the lives of animals. Contact us at (914) 372-7433 or [info@petsalivewest.org](mailto:info@petsalivewest.org) for details.

### **Become a Volunteer and give the gift of YOU!**

Volunteers are an integral part of our everyday life at Pets Alive and volunteering can be a rewarding experience. For information about our volunteer program and orientation classes, contact our volunteer coordinators at:

- Middletown, NY: [volunteer@petsalive.com](mailto:volunteer@petsalive.com)
- Elmsford, NY: [volunteer@petsalivewest.org](mailto:volunteer@petsalivewest.org)

*Supporting our fundraisers is a fun way to help  
the animals!*

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## **Want to create your own fundraiser for the animals?**

Thinking of holding a bake sale, yard sale, pet food drive - or other event to help Pets Alive? Your efforts are always welcome and greatly help the animals! Questions on doing a fundraiser for us?

Reach out to us at [contact@petsalive.org](mailto:contact@petsalive.org)

**Thank you for all you do for Pets Alive!**

### **Visit us at:**

- Pets Alive Animal Sanctuary, 363 Derby Road, Middletown, NY 10940  
(845) 386-9738 / [info@petsalive.com](mailto:info@petsalive.com) / [www.petsalive.com](http://www.petsalive.com)
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