



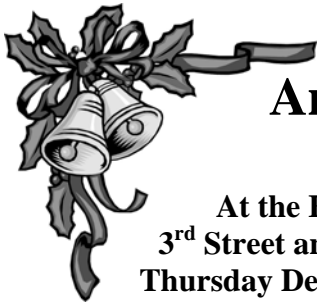
# Marshall County Animal Rescue League

# NEWS LETTER



November 2006

P.O. Box 13, Glen Dale, WV 26038



## Annual Christmas Dinner

At the First Christian Church  
3<sup>rd</sup> Street and Grand Ave, Moundsville  
Thursday December 7, 2006 at 6:30 pm

### Menu

Baked Steak	Stuffed Shells
Mashed Potatoes	Green Beans
Salad	Dessert
Soft Drinks, Coffee, Ice Tea	



Price is \$10 per person

**Reservations are needed by Dec 1<sup>st</sup>**

Call the Shelter 845-9770 or Susan Burk  
845-7781 or Priscilla Oelschlager 845-2081

## ANNUAL DINNER PROGRAM

Come share in good food, friendship and prizes. Our program this year will spotlight the K9's of the Marshall County Sheriff's Department and their handlers. We will be presenting one bulletproof vest at the dinner, (cost \$ 800.00) and hope to raise additional funds for the second. If you would like to contribute to the dog's vests you can mail your contribution to K9 Care, P.O. Box 13, Glen Dale, W.Va. 26038. Any funds raised will be presented to the Deputies and their dogs, the night of the dinner for a second vest.



## PETS 'R' US

Days at the shelter are perpetually busy; and every day is different. I know you most likely think that we are all about *cats and dogs*; but we care for a variety of animals that might surprise you. We say our shelter is a "No Choice" shelter because we believe it is our responsibility



to help every unwanted animal regardless of species. In the last month, we have had two Iguanas (one Iguana was a stray), six Finches, two Parakeets, three rabbits, and one box turtle; not to mention the three horses that we care for daily for the Sheriff's department. We accept these critters because it has been our experience that when an individual decides they can no longer deal with a pet, or the responsibilities of pet care are too much for them, they will "get rid" of it someway. This hurriedness to rid themselves of the responsibility often jeopardizes the animal's well being. 'Throw away' pets often suffer greatly because they end up in the wrong hands.



## THANKS TO ST. MATHEW'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

A great big THANK YOU to the St. Mathews Lutheran Church of Boggs Run who have chosen the "March for Mutts" as a community service project as part of their Trivent for Lutherans program. Their matching funds assisted us in raising more than \$6,000.00 for this year's March. When the rain started to pour early on that Saturday morning, our spirits where certainly dampened and the hopes of a successful walk were becoming questionable. However, the dedicated walkers and our corporate sponsors boosted our pledges to a new all time high. A wonderful demonstration by the K-9 members of the Marshall County Sheriff's Department kept everyone fascinated. Everyone who participated in the walk had a great time and we hope you will think about participating in this fun event next year.



## SHELTER SAFETY

We are all familiar with safety glasses, safety goggles, safety hats, and now safety at the shelter includes safety bracelets. Thanks to the Marshall County Commission, a safety device has been added to the shelter, to protect the workers. The bracelets are worn and if necessary, can be pushed to set off an alarm in the office. If the alarm is not shut down in the office the Marshall County Sheriff's office will respond. This added protection provides the employee with a means of letting other employees know they need help. The security system also alerts the Sheriff's Office if the shelter is entered after hours, protecting the animals as well.



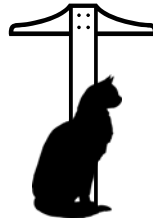
## VOLUNTEERS

The word is volunteers, not volun-tears. I know some of you are simply afraid to come to the shelter, you think it's all about sadness but that isn't so. We are offering you an opportunity to share in the joy we feel when a lost pet is claimed by a grateful owner, or when a once homeless kitten goes out the door with a new family. In the last newsletter, Sandy Kinney shared with you her feelings of enjoyment and satisfaction generated by volunteering as an office assistant every Saturday. Sandy and Barb have decided to do a workshop to prepare anyone who might be interested in



working in the shelter office with some of the basic information for answering the phone, taking in animals, (that means putting their information on a

card, you don't really bring them in), information about pricing, shelter hours, etc. If you think you might have some time to give call Barb at 845-9396, or the shelter at 845-9770. This training will take place sometime after the first of the year. HAVE A DOG-GONE GOOD TIME WITH THE PURR-FECT JOB.



## CAT ROOM

The cat room is beautiful, and we are now working to get the flooring poured and the wiring done. Two areas for gardens have been prepared at both ends of the glass enclosure. I'm sure the cats are going to love their new room. When everything is completed we will hopefully see you at an open house.

## Goodbye Sunny

Nancy Warmuth's Golden Retriever Sunny, who she adopted only three years ago, has passed away. Nancy adopted Sunny from the shelter when Sunny's first owner was placed in a nursing home. Although Nancy didn't have Sunny for a really long time I'm sure Nancy has no regrets about providing Sunny a second chance. Older dogs are such a joy to bring into your home without the little tribulations that come along with a pup. Think about it, maybe a great, already trained dog is waiting for you at the shelter right now. Older cats make great lap warmers, and provide a lot of love too.



## Congratulations to



Margo and Robert Straight on their marriage in August and many thanks for making the Marshall County Animal Shelter the recipient of financial donations in lieu of gifts at their wedding reception. Their friends and family were very generous to the shelter.

## Don't forget our Aluminum Cans collection project.

Aluminum Can collection is an continuing project  
Don't forget to drop off your cans at the shelter

