



Animal Tracks NEWSLETTER

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A TALE OF TWO KITTIES (AND OTHER ANIMAL STORIES)

Oasis volunteers got to experience the birth of two sets of kittens in March. **Bianca** is a gorgeously marked, petite calico who came from a feral colony that Oasis has been helping to get under control, thru our Sterilization Assistance Program. The caregiver finally caught the prolific female of the group, only to discover when she was brought to the vet to be spayed that she was due any day for kittens! Since the caregiver had no room for the mama-to-be, Oasis took her in. Another mama cat was brought in a week later; this pretty little tuxedo cat was abandoned by her family when they moved away. Oasis named her **Gypsy**. Bianca had her 5 babies on March 16th; Gypsy had her 5 babies on March 20th! Sadly, one of Gypsy's babies passed away on March 23rd. Both mamas and the other 9 babies are doing well, and may be ready for their new adoptive homes mid-June.

A local woman found a very friendly chicken wandering in her backyard. After trying unsuccessfully to find the bird's home, she finally called Oasis and asked that **Esmeralda** (as she named her), come live at Oasis because the hen was not doing well as an "only bird". We added Esmeralda to our little brood of chickens and she fit right in. And she lays an egg every day!

Oasis received a call just after Christmas from a man who scooped up a little kitten walking blindly down the Black Horse Pike in Williamstown, NJ. The 6 week old baby's eyes were shut tight from infection and she had no idea of the imminent danger around her. He brought her to Oasis and we took her to the vet immediately. Her eyes were so infected with a herpes virus that she had ulcers in both eyes. Her left eye was so badly infected that one of her eyelids was stuck to her eyeball! This little one was in a lot of pain. Two surgeries and LOTS of medications brought the infection mostly under control. She can see now, although the left eye is still not clear, and may never be 100% normal. She is still on different medications to clear up the infection and reduce the pain in that eye. This little black cat **LOVES** to play with her toys and is a little spitfire in her playpen! We named her **Chrissie**, after the kind man who stopped to save her.

Our darling donkey **Molly** had a bad month – she floundered in both front feet and was in terrible pain. She would neither stand nor eat. She was quarantined to a barn stall with both feet wrapped with soft cushions. X-rays showed the vet exactly what was wrong, and she was immediately put on medication for Equine Metabolic Syndrome (similar to diabetes in humans). Molly is doing much better now. Thankfully, subsequent x-rays show no additional injury to her hooves' inner structures, altho the damage done cannot be reversed. She also needs to have her hooves trimmed every 3 weeks instead of 6.

This past winter we were finding an unusual number of stray and feral cats on the property. We caught two males, **Champ** and **Ollie**, and saw that a third cat had a tipped ear so we knew she (?) was sterilized. Champ is a HUGE male cat, about 3 years old and just so cute with his little cauliflower ear (hence the name "Champ"!). He has become very docile and loving since he was neutered; he CRAVES attention and is up for adoption. We needed to have a sizeable enclosure built in the kitchen of the farmhouse for Champ, as he is simply too big for our cage condos. Ollie was recently vetted and neutered; he is taking a much slower time getting socialized but we are seeing progress every day. He has the most uniquely colored eyes – they are TEAL, and beautifully complement his white and black fur.

Sadly, our beloved **Monty** was humanely euthanized on February 13th. He started having seizures, struggled terribly to breathe, and the vet mentioned he may have had a stroke. (Co-founder) Phyllis and (farmhand) Russell stayed with him during the cold, blustery snowstorm until the vet was able to arrive. His companion Tinkerbelle (a/k/a Pony) sadly watched the ordeal from close by.

As you can see, every day is an adventure at Oasis – and an expensive one at that!! At Oasis, it is always about the well-being of our residents. (TAX DEDUCTIBLE) DONATIONS ARE URGENTLY NEEDED AND GRATEFULLY ACCEPTED FOR ALL OF OUR RESIDENTS' NEEDS.

Since Oasis is not taking in any dogs at this time, we have partnered with 2 other animal welfare agencies to help rehome their dogs: the **Atlantic County Animal Shelter 609-485-2345** and the **Safe at Home Rescue safeathomerescue.org**. Safe at Home Rescue is a small dog rescue that gets animals from puppy mills in PA and OH. The dogs are vetted, sterilized and socialized before being adopted. If you are looking for a new canine companion, please contact one of these two facilities to find your next best friend!

Go to [petfinder.com](https://www.petfinder.com)
& input zip code "08322"
to see all of our adoptables.



CHAMP



BIANCA



MOLLY

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MONTY & PONY



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WE WENT HOME

- Fiona** – stray pregnant cat caught at Oasis
- Esme** – young adult cat
- Mindy, Boots & Julie-Mom** – adult cats together!
- Sheba** – cat originally returned to Oasis due to allergies
- Randy** – Shitzu-poodle mix puppy
- Bingo & Muffins** – sibling kittens together!
- Emmit** – very ill cat who made a miraculous recovery
- Pepper** – reunited with his buddy Buster!
- Karma** – kitten of Fiona, born at Oasis



FARRAH

A BLAST FROM THE PAST!

We love to get updates on the animals we adopt out, especially with those who needed so much more time and socialization. One such kitten was **Farrah**, a stunning, long haired beauty who took a much longer time to socialize than her littermates. Farrah needed a special, patient caretaker who would continue to spend a lot of time with her to make her a loveable pet. Recently, we got a text from Patti, Farrah's new mom: "I adopted CinderELLA, aka Farrah.... She has grown into the most beautiful, loving, and sweet, calm little girl... She is now a year and a half old and loves us and her home." Given the rough start in life that Farrah had, we are thrilled to know that she is now living her best life with her family! **Thank you Patti, for the update – this makes all our efforts worthwhile!**

SAVE THE DATES

Oasis is running a number of fundraisers, or being the grateful beneficiary to help cover the staggering costs of medical and general care for the animals. We hope you can attend one or more of the events!

MAY 4th – Oasis will be at the All American Makes & Models Car & Craft Show from 9-2, hosted by the Millville Church of the Nazarene and the South Jersey Mustang Club. Net proceeds will be donated to Oasis. There will be food, a basket auction, and a live DJ. Come see some great American cars and enjoy the day!

MAY 11th – The Wine, Wheeling & Whiskers Jeep Show and Animal Charity Event is being held at Miller's Farm, Saturday, May 11th from 10-4. Located at 134 N. Grove St., Berlin, NJ 08009, it will be a day of wine tasting, shopping, music, great food, and an awesome jeep show. Both Oasis and the Animal Welfare Association of Voorhees will be the benefactors of this big event. For more information please visit www.winewheelingandwhiskers.com.

MAY 18th – The Estate Shoppe at 2149 Delsea Drive, Franklinville, is having their annual Carboot Sale. This is an antique and vintage store in Franklinville and the event will have additional vendors selling their own vintage and antique items. A portion of the proceeds from The Estate Shoppe will be donated to Oasis.

JUNE 7th – the annual Oasis Dinner & Silent Auction will again be held from 6-10PM at the Star Cross Banquet Hall (La Casa Fratello's Catering) on 4231 Tuckahoe Road in Franklinville, NJ. Tickets are \$50 each for buffet dinner, desserts, wine and beer, silent auction, Bingo, birthday giveaways and other entertainment. Come celebrate our 23rd birthday!

JULY 20th – Kavanagh's Irish Pub and Grille at 326 Old Dutch Mill Road in Malaga, NJ is holding a Beef and Beer event to benefit Oasis. More information will be on our website as the event gets closer.

AUGUST 23rd – Come immerse yourself in an insightful evening of spiritual connection at our annual Evening with Spirit, with Aisling, a psychic medium. Aisling is clairaudient, which means she primarily hears spirits, although she can see and feel them. Aisling is donating her entire evening's fees to Oasis. She will communicate with the spirits that choose to show up that night for their loved ones. Seating is limited to 15. \$50 per person. (For more information on Aisling, please visit her website at www.aislingmedium.com.)

HOLIDAY MONEY RAFFLE WINNERS!

On December 9, 2023 Oasis had its drawing for the Holiday Money Raffle. The winners are::

Ms. Judi Hines	Somerdale, NJ 08083	\$648.00
Ms. Sandy Foti	Williamstown, NJ 08094	\$518.40
Ms. Laura Cooper	Millville, NJ 08332	\$453.60
Ms. Judi Leone	Toms River, NJ 08753	\$388.80
Ms. Betsy Forrest	Franklin Lakes, NJ 07407	\$324.00
Ms. Karen White	Swedesboro, NJ 08085	\$291.60
Mr. Bruce Hilliard	Vineland, NJ 08361	\$226.80
Ms. Ella Kelley	Clarksboro, NJ 08020	\$194.40
Ms. Kathy Shorter	Woodbury, NJ 08096	\$129.60
Mr. & Mrs. Charles Montgomery	Ocala, FL 34476	\$64.80

Thank you to everyone who participated, and another BIG thank you to those who donated a portion or all of their winnings back to Oasis!

WISH LIST

- Fancy Feast or Friskies canned cat and kitten food
- Purina One IDEAL WEIGHT canned cat food
- Rachel Ray dry cat food; Purina kitten chow
- Unscented, clumping cat litter – Tidy Cats, Arm & Hammer, Dr. Elsey's
- Paper towels, Tide HE laundry detergent
- 5 grain scratch feed for chickens -(with sunflower seeds)
- #10 and #6 ¾ envelopes
- Avery labels #5160
- * Postage stamps
- Tractor Supply gift cards for horse, duck & chicken feeds
- Walmart or Staples gift cards for office/kitchen/restroom supplies
- Pine Shavings and straw for poultry bedding
- WaWa gift cards for diesel fuel

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