



## Animal Tracks NEWSLETTER

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### JUST ANOTHER DAY AT THE FARM...

Oasis has experienced an unusual number of animal medical issues this year - and of course with that comes the vet bills. Our sweet **Dazzy** (quarterhorse mare) tripped coming out of her run-in shed & fractured the splint bone in her right front leg. Medication and 6 weeks of stall rest with daily hosing and re-wrapping her leg helped her heal as painlessly as possible. **TeTe**, a senior orange tabby cat, was diagnosed with an inoperable cancerous tumor just below her sternum. She is on palliative care, and is NOT a very good patient - she truly dislikes taking her meds! Our little **Zoey**, a cat brought to us after becoming "cage crazy" at another facility (due to being caged for 9 years) was doing so well with her medication that we were able to slowly take her off it. However, once she realized she was going to be leaving (adopted) she had a major meltdown and had to be re-medicated. She is no longer adoptable, and is now considered a permanent resident. **Pumpkin**, a beautiful senior calico cat, stopped using her litter box, and we were able to see she had blood in her urine. After x-rays and an ultrasound, she was diagnosed with a urinary tract infection and 2 fused vertebrae which causes pain when getting into the box. She was medicated and now has a lower-sided litter box and the problems have cleared up. She also has some dental disease and needs a cleaning and some teeth removed. Finally, we had a gorgeous **litter of kittens** left at the farm that tested a very faint positive for feline AIDS. We had to wait for two months to pass to get them re-tested. Thankfully, the tests came back negative. They were sterilized and vaccinated and are ready to go home.

**So MANY people are calling** asking Oasis to take in kittens they found, adult cats left by a deceased family member, or people having to move and cannot take their pets with them. It's heartbreaking to hear the stories and then tell the caller there's no room. While we do offer suggestions to other places, these stories have a way of haunting us.

With all the rain we've had our cat cottage kitchen (A/K/A "the infirmary") sprung a leak. Oddly, it was coming up from the floor. Oasis' friend Anthony Patten of Patten Construction came out to assess the problem. He realized it was because the gutters were so clogged the water could not flow into the downspouts and away from the building. (The gutters were cleaned in December!) After thoroughly cleaning the gutters, Anthony donated the materials and labor to install gutter guards. So far no more water in the infirmary. Thank you Anthony!!!

One of our large tractors needs service and it will be a few weeks before the mechanic can fix it. The small John Deere tractor needs new blades. Our fencing needs work. The two people who run the office got Covid - at the same time! The recession is hurting us financially. We are dealing with higher costs and lower donations. **It's always something, but we are getting thru it all!**

Yes, every day is definitely an adventure...

### KITTENS! KITTENS! KITTENS!

**Eleven of the 33 felines in our sanctuary are babies.** Three litters of hysterically funny cutie pies all waiting for their new homes. The "Twilight group" - named after characters from the TV saga are Jasper, Emmit, Esme and Alice. These 4 babies were born on April 1 and are fully vaccinated and sterilized; they are ready to go home. They look so much alike that we need colored collars to tell them apart! The pregnant stray we found on the farm had 4 babies on May 5th. One did not survive, but the other 3 flourished. Fiona and her babies are still battling a worm load but have been treated again. Two of her babies are already spoken for and will go home as soon as the parasites are cleared up. Fiona, a young cat herself, is very friendly and gentle. She will be up for adoption as soon as she is cleared of the infection and sterilized. Then there are the 4 babies in the infirmary originally scoring a very faint AIDS diagnosis. The re-test 2 months later showed they definitely do NOT have the virus. Noodles, the male orange tabby, is the only brother to Sesame, Kimchi and Sriracha. Sesame is a dilute tortie with a split face coloring. Kimchi is another dilute tortie and Sriracha is a solid gray with little white feet. While they are all cuddly, Sesame is the one who wants to be cuddled the most. **All 11 kittens are happy and playful. We are hoping they all get to go home soon!**

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

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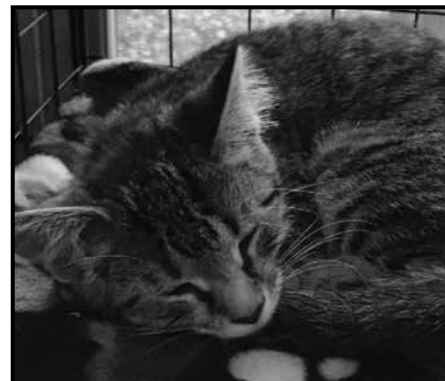
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EMMIT



**SESAME AND KIMCHI**



**FIONA AND KARMA**



**NOODLES**



**SRIRACHA**

## SAVE THE DATES

### Saturday, September 9

Oasis is having a **yard sale from 8AM to 2PM**. Spaces are being offered at \$20 for a 10' x 10' area. **Please call 856-284-6311 to secure your spot.** Come on over to buy or sell!

### Saturday, October 7

The Estate Shoppe is having their Boot Sale (English term for yard sale) and Oasis will be a beneficiary of the sale. They will also have some baskets to raffle off. **It runs 8-4; Oasis will have a presence there from 9-2.**

**Saturday, November 4** – Oasis's annual Fall Festival! The event is still being planned; check our website for further details. **Festival time is 11AM - 4PM.** Rain date is Sunday November 5th.

## SPRING MONEY RAFFLE WINNERS!

On April 21, Oasis had its drawing for its Spring Money Raffle. Oasis runs 3 money raffles a year to help cover the cost of animal care and the invoices from the Sterilization Assistance Program. This event grossed \$6,340 of which 50% is required by law to be awarded as prizes.

### THE WINNERS ARE:

Mr. & Mrs. Rich Genzlinger	Vineland, NJ 08360	1st	\$634.00
Ms. Barbara Finnegan	Williamstown, NJ 08094	2nd	\$507.20
Ms. Judi Koehler	Palmyra, NJ 08065	3rd	\$443.80
Ms. Joanne Hoover	Williamstown, NJ 08094	4th	\$380.40
Mr. James Johnston	Galloway, NJ 08205	5th	\$317.00
Mr. Robert McFarland	Sewell, NJ 08080	6th	\$285.30
Ms. Marianne Robinson	Millville, NJ 08332	7th	\$221.90
Ms. Diane DiRenzo	Deptford, NJ 08096	8th	\$190.20
Ms. Denise Danyliw	Sewell, NJ 08080	9th	\$126.80
Ms. Denise Danyliw	Sewell, NJ 08080	10th	\$63.40

**Thank you to all who participated, and a BIG THANK YOU to those who donated all or a portion of their winnings back to Oasis!**

**THE VACATION MONEY RAFFLE** is now running and will be drawn on August 11th. It is open to NJ residents only (we are licensed to operate gaming in NJ only) and who are 18 or older. **Tickets can be purchased by calling Oasis at 856-284-6311. \$10 each or 3 for \$25.**

## ONE FINAL WORD...

**Oasis turned 22 years old in June.** We have survived many obstacles over the years and fully expect to continue our life's calling. But we can't do it without you. **YOUR SUPPORT IS THE LIFE BLOOD OF OUR VERY EXISTENCE!** Since we are not governmentally funded, we rely on the generosity of the general public, corporate sponsorships, co-pays for our services, and grants from foundations and trusts. **Our vet bills as well as feed prices have climbed sharply.** If you can donate at this time, we truly appreciate it! Donations to Oasis are 100% tax deductible. **THANK YOU!**

*"The question is not 'Can they reason?' nor 'Can they talk?', but rather 'Can they suffer?'" - Philosopher Jeremy Bentham*

*With our 22 years of intense interaction with these creatures, the answer is aresounding and sorrowful - YES*

## WE WENT HOME

**Liam and Tigger** - 2 bonded adult cats; together

**Harley** – young adult cat

**Buster** – adult cat

**Opal and Sugar** – kitten siblings; together

**Paco** – rooster

**Daisy** – female Pekin duck

## WISH LIST

- **Fancy Feast** canned cat and kitten food
- **Unscented, clumping cat litter** – Tidy Cats, Arm & Hammer, Cat's Pride
- **Tide laundry detergent, dryer sheets**
- **Blue Seal Sentinel Senior horse feed** 50 lb bag
- **5 grain scratch feed** for chickens (with sunflower seeds)
- **Pyranha or Ultra-Shield EX** fly spray for horses
- **Mealworms** for the chickens
- **Gift cards** to Staples, Wawa, Chewy or Tractor Supply

**NOTE: We now have a Wish List set up on the Chewy.com website.**

## Please Help the Animals!

Send your tax deductible donation to:

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