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1:00 PM - 8:00 PM, 7 DAYS/WEEK

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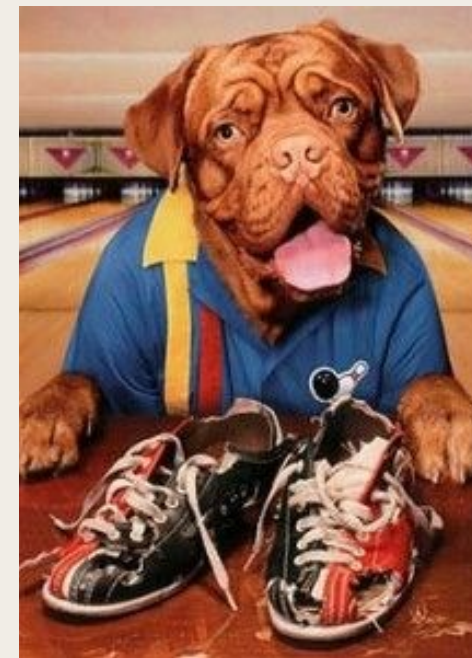


Summer is heating up!

Bark N' Bowl

This year, we're introducing a brand new event: The First Annual Animal Adoption Center Bark N' Bowl. Our supporters will be getting together to help AAC raise money and maybe even drop a few pins along the way.

After our very successful stand-up comedy event, Stand Up For Animals, our next event is a family friendly bowling event on July 8th (4 – 7PM) at Pinsetter Bar & Bowl (Cont'd on Page 2)



From the Executive Director . . . Support comes from all over!

Over the past three years, Animal Adoption Center (AAC) has adopted a very progressive approach to public engagement. We have a responsibility to make the public aware of our mission and help educate people about the importance of vet care and spay/neuter philosophy.

Our presence in the community serves an important goal: make the public aware of the value Animal Adoption Center brings to the Camden County area. One of the ways we do this is by building and cultivating relationships with local companies.

Every year, local companies or local branches of larger companies designate a day when employees are encouraged to reach out to a local non-profit organization and spend the day working on a project, which may not have been a priority because of manpower or budgetary constraints, with that organization.

In the case of XL Catlin, they've been stopping in at AAC for quite a few years, helping us out with creative projects to "dress up" the shelter.

Each of their projects is planned by the team and paid for by the company. The members of the group then present the plans to AAC for feedback and final approval. On their designated day, they come to the shelter and get right to work. Throughout the day, they receive feedback from the staff as the project progresses. Each year they've even designed a special t-shirt



Their projects included some hefty, labor intensive endeavors like refurbishing and redecorating our community cat room. They bought items and redecorated, hanging very nice artwork on the walls, and they even went as far as repainting the whole room.

Their annual Global Day of Giving has been a huge benefit to Animal Adoption Center on a variety of fronts. Projects ranging from giving our community cat room a complete makeover to contributing to our outdoor "catio" improvements, but it doesn't stop there.

XL Catlin is one of a growing number of companies that will match employee donations on a dollar-for-dollar basis. This is part of a growing trend that companies utilize to give back to local non-profit organizations while promoting employee investment in their local communities.

Please [DONATE TODAY](#), and possibly have your donation matched, and help us continue to save the lives of more deserving pets.

Please Note: All supporting donors will be listed and acknowledged in our Annual Report.

Alumni Corner: Chelsea

By: Chris Harris



Chelsea came to Animal Adoption Center in March of 2016 from a dire situation in Georgia. She had been picked up with her brother, Picasso, as strays and taken to a local shelter where they would wait out the local three-day stray hold. Had they gone unclaimed after those three days, the local county shelter could have euthanized them to make space for other incoming dogs. Luckily, one of AAC's rescue partners rushed over and pulled the brother and sister so they could begin their journey to New Jersey and a whole new life.

Prior to making the trip, though, a few of Chelsea's health issues had to be addressed. When our rescue partner pulled her from the local county shelter, they immediately treated her for various intestinal parasites that were slowly stealing the nutrition from everything that she ate, causing her to lose weight quickly. She was treated with two different types of medication. Her initial treatment utilized an anti-parasitic commonly used in cattle. The other oral medication is used as a broad spectrum de-worming agent. She recovered, but she still had a few challenges to face.

As part of her care, like all dogs, she was tested for heartworms. Unfortunately, Chelsea tested positive for the disease and had to be treated by a veterinarian who used very strong medication called immiticide. The treatment consists of injections on days one and two, followed by an oral dose of ivermectin, administered thirty days after the second immiticide injection. The complete treatment can be very harsh and can result in the death of some dogs who have a sensitivity to the medication. Chelsea came out of her treatment with flying colors and arrived at AAC on March 6, 2016. Exactly one month later, on April 6, 2016, Chelsea found a new family to call her own.

Her new mom and dad updated AAC, saying, "Since we adopted Chelsea last year, she has brought so much happiness to our lives. She loves to cuddle, chase tennis balls, and go to the beach. She goes on adventures with us in the car, and loves hiking with us. She also loves getting puppy ice cream cones from Rita's. Chelsea is such a blessing to us." Chelsea's new mom and dad recently got married and the happy family is all set to relocate to Florida.

We hear stories of struggles like Chelsea's all too often, and all too often they don't have happy endings like Chelsea's because they don't get pulled for trips up north. We rescued her from a horrendous situation and made sure she was ready to meet her new family when they came along. Chelsea has a great life; a life that wouldn't be possible without support like yours.

Your support makes it possible for wonderful pets, like Chelsea, to find the homes that they so richly deserve. Help us continue our mission by donating today www.aacnj.org/donate

PRESENTS...

BARK N' BOWL

Pinsetter BAR & BOWL
Saturday, July 8th
4PM - 7PM

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located at 7111 Maple Avenue, Merchantville, NJ. The \$35 per person ticket price includes 3 hours of unlimited bowling, shoe rental, a delicious 2-hour buffet stocked with roast beef, various pasta dishes, full salad bar and dessert. There will also be a full cash bar and cocktail waitress service to each bowling lane. If you're looking for a great family event, look no further. You can bowl and have a great meal in the same place and leave knowing that you've helped save lives.

Not only are we getting ready for Bark N' Bowl, but we're also lining up new racers and great local vendors for our 2nd Annual Rascal's Run 5K event. Like our highly successful event in 2016, this year's event will also include a 2-mile walk and a 1-mile dog walk. It's open to the public and there aren't many pet-friendly events like this one around, so be sure and join us on September 9th for what

we know is going to be another great event for AAC.

You can also purchase your tickets to Bark N' Bowl or find more information about Rascal's Run on our website at www.aacnj.org/event. You can purchase tickets or find out more information about upcoming events at the shelter, located at 501 Berlin Road North in Lindenwold, NJ. If you have any questions about this or any other events, please give us a call: 856.435.9116.



YES, I want to help **save animals** and **change lives!**

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Use this form and the enclosed self-addressed envelope to make your gift today! You can also donate online at animaladoption.com/donate, or call the shelter to make your gift over the phone: **856-435-9116**.

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Recurring donations provide monthly revenue we can count on, and we save money by making fewer requests. Help us use more dollars for saving lives by visiting our website to make your sustaining contribution today!

\$10/mo = \$120/yr = 480 lbs of cat litter

\$15/mo = \$180/yr = treat a heartworm pos. dog

\$25/mo = \$300/yr = 100 combo vaccinations

SHELTER STORIES



Shelby

Shelby is an intelligent three-and-a-half year old, gray and white domestic short hair. Her intelligence and independence mislead people into thinking that she's disinterested in the world around her, but nothing could be further from the truth. She will follow you around from room to room, just to keep an eye on everything that's going on around her.

Your **support** helps amazing cats like Shelby find a home!

Happy Tails from Winter & Spring!

Nothing beats seeing a dog or cat meet their family—it's one of the best parts of the job! Here are some of our adorable animals with their new forever families.

Follow us on Facebook for more Happy Tails: facebook.com/animaladoptioncenter



SHELTER STORIES



Athena

Athena is a two-year-old shepherd mix who would love nothing more than to chase a tennis ball or any other toy, just to bring it back to you. She's an affectionate, loving girl who does great in our play groups. Athena would love nothing more than to be part of an active family that would love her as much as she would love them.

Your **support** of AAC helps amazing dogs like Athena find a home!