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The Rescue Round-Up

By *Diana Tuorto*

BARKS (Byram Animal Rescue Kindness Squad)

BARKS will hold its next adoption day on Saturday, Feb. 20, at PetSmart in the International Trade Center in Flanders. Stop by between 11 a.m. and 3 p.m. to meet the dogs and cats up for adoption.

One of the current rescues is Penny, a young, female tabby cat. She was starving and wandering around outside when someone saved her and brought her to BARKS. Penny may be timid at first, but once she gets comfortable, she loves to be held and pet. She's in foster care now, but needs a permanent home of her own. Penny is up-to-date with routine shots and spayed.

For more information on Penny, BARKS, and their upcoming events, visit www.barksinc.com or call 973-300-3185.

CLAWS Cat Rescue & Adoption Shelter of Sussex, Inc.

On Saturday, March 6, join CLAWS for an all-you-can-eat ham and turkey dinner at Sussex Firehouse at 25 Loomis Avenue, Sussex, from 5 to 8:30 p.m.

Tickets (\$10 for adults/\$5 for children) are available at the door or in advance by visiting CLAWS at 28 Pelletown Rd., Augusta. Takeouts will be available.

The meal includes an all-you-can-eat meal of ham, turkey, gravy, corn, potatoes, cranberry sauce, rolls, beverages, and dessert. Guests can also enjoy face painting, a silent auction, and music. 100 percent of proceeds go to CLAWS.

CLAWS is open seven days a week from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Cats and kittens are available for adoption to qualified homes for \$40.

For more information on CLAWS, its cats, and its fundraisers, visit clawscatshelter.com or call 973-875-8540.

Second Chance Pet Adoption League

Peri is an adorable 9-month-old "shrunk shepherd" mix puppy, found as a terrified emaciated stray. She has really come out of her shell in foster care and is even a little chubby now. Peri loves to play and needs a home with the time to train, exercise, and continue socializing a smart, active young dog. She is only about 30-35 pounds and doesn't seem to be growing any larger.

Pansy is a cute 8-pound senior toy poodle rescued from an area shelter. She

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is the ultimate lap dog and just wants to be held all the time. Pansy is pretty spunky for her age and enjoys walks in her adorable winter coat. She's looking for a calmer adult home in which to spend her golden years.

These dogs and many more are available through Second Chance Pet Adoption of Oak Ridge. Call 973-208-1054 or visit the Web site at www.secondchance.petfinder.com for more information.

Adoption days are every Sunday from 12:30 to 3 p.m. at the Animal Clinic of Morris Plains at 3009 Route 10 East in Morris Plains (Denville on GPS). All dogs are spayed/neutered and updated on shots prior to adoption.

Noah's Ark Animal Welfare Association

Ledgewood-based Noah's Ark has two special pets in the spotlight this month. Molly is a beautiful 10-year-old German Shepherd. She is mostly deaf, but extremely affectionate. Molly's ideal home would be with adults only and no other dogs. She is a gorgeous dog who yearns for a loving family.

Cirus is a beautiful year-and-a-half old female domestic shorthair cat. She was one of over 140 cats rescued from a hoarding situation in May 2009. She's a sweet, timid girl who's awaiting her forever home.

For more information on Molly, Cirus, and Noah's Ark upcoming events, visit www.noahsarknj.org or call 973-347-0378.

rescues in need of volunteers, donations, or loving homes:

- Animal Rescue Service (Fredon) - for dogs and cats - www.petfinder.com/shelters/NJ614.html or 973-300-5959
- BARKS (Byram) - for cats and dogs- www.barksinc.com or 973-300-3185
- CLAWS Cat Rescue & Adoption Shelter of Sussex, Inc. (Augusta) - for cats - clawscatshelter.com or 973-875-8540
- Father John's Animal House (Lafayette) - for cats and dogs - www.sussex.petfinder.org or 973-300-5909
- Hippity Hop Rabbit Rescue (Somerville) - for rabbits - www.hippityhoprabbitrescue.com or 973-393-2922
- K.I.S.S. (Kitties In-need-of Someone Special, Inc.) (Hopatcong) - for cats - www.kiss.petfinder.com or 973-670-2481
- Mylestone Equine Rescue (Phillipsburg) - for horses of all breeds - www.mylestone.org or 908-995-9300
- Noah's Ark Animal Welfare Association (Ledgewood)- for cats and dogs- www.noahsarknj.org or 973-347-0378
- Operation Sanctuary (Landing) - for cats - www.operationsanctuary.org or 610-628-9160
- ReRun, Inc. (Helmetta) - for Thoroughbred horses -

www.rerun.org or
 732-521-1370
 Safe Haven Rabbit Rescue
 (Clinton) - for rabbits-
www.safehavenrr.org or
 973-238-0814
 Safe Hounds Beagle Rescue, Inc.
 (Sparta) - for beagle dogs -
www.safehounds.com or
 973-729-8431
 Second Chance Pet Adoption
 League (Oak Ridge)- for dogs-
www.secondchance.petfinder.com
 or 973-208-1054
 St. Hubert's Animal Welfare
 Center (Madison) - for cats and
 dogs - www.sthuberts.org or
 973-377-2295
 Under My Wing Avian Refuge
 (Franklin) - for exotic birds -
www.exoticbirdsrefuge.org
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 If you have or know of a local
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