When authorities stepped into the home of Harriet, John, and Franklin, they were shocked at what they found. These dogs were living in pitiful conditions. They were severely underweight. Their hair was completely matted and covered with urine and feces.

Time was running out, especially for Harriet. She is diabetic and must have two insulin shots every day to survive.

There can never be a dollar limit when it comes to helping a suffering animal. Harriet will have a yearly echocardiogram for her heart murmur. Be assured we are providing every bit of the medical care that Harriet, John, and Frederick need. Of course, they will be spayed or neutered.

In a another household, Doug was experiencing his own tragic case of neglect. He was suffering from painful dental disease.

His condition was so severe that some of his teeth had fallen out; and, sadly, other teeth had to be removed. This kitty was in rough shape, but we were here to help him.

Dental disease can cause heart damage and other illnesses. This is why every pet should see a veterinarian for regular exams and dental cleanings. Brushing a pet’s teeth and providing dental chews are part of good at-home care.
Defenders of Animal Rights, Inc., is a nonprofit organization dedicated to eliminating cruelty to all animals. Our shelter is proud to help many animals, even those with extensive medical problems. There is no limit on the time we hold animals for adoption. If a pet is not adopted right away, we hold the pet until a good home is found. Donations for our work are tax deductible. Current financial info. is available upon request. Write Defenders of Animal Rights: P.O. Box 25; Phoenix, MD 21131. Call us at (410) 527-1466. Or, for cost of copying/postage, contact MD Secretary of State; State House; Annapolis, MD 21401; or the Virginia Office of Charitable and Regulatory Programs.

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MEMORIALS: Contributions may be sent in memory of a loved one. We acknowledge gifts to next of kin. All donations over $25 are published. Thank you for honoring:


*ARISTINE COKER—in loving memory—Norman S. Coker

*BAILEY—in loving memory of my Bichon Frisé who gave me joy and companionship for 15 years—Jackie Peluso

*GREGORY BANNON—in loving memory. Donors to the Gregory Bannon Memorial Fund include: Kennedy & Debby Boone, Steve & Beth Cantor, Mary Anne Day, Jennifer & Dale Klonin, Roberta Matonak, Angel Pheabus, Lawrence Reid, and Kristy Shockey.

*BARNEY—in loving memory—Linda M. Black

*BECKHAM—in loving memory of your sweet boy—Renée and staff at the Animal Medical Clinic of Dulaney Valley

*BELINDA—in loving memory of Belinda on her 60th birthday—Shirley Fouts


*BENTLEY—in loving memory—the Gendron family

*BURTON—in loving memory—Howard Berliner

*BUTTERSCOTCH (7/25/22)—in loving memory of my cat—Lorita Smeltzer

*CHARLIE—in loving memory of your sweet boy—Renée and staff at the Animal Medical Clinic of Dulaney Valley

*PATRICIA COLLINGWOOD—in loving memory on your birthday—Love, Diane, George, Brendan, Justin, Belle, Sophie, and Will

*MARJORIE CUNEO—in loving memory—Barbara Smetana and Ron Sechrist

*DOMINO—in loving memory of your sweet boy—Renée and staff at the Animal Medical Clinic of Dulaney Valley

*DUCHESS—in loving memory of your sweet girl—Renée and staff at the Animal Medical Clinic of Dulaney Valley

*BEN ENSOR—in loving memory of my husband of 60 years! He loved all of his “Buddies.”—Karen Ensor

*FIONA—in loving memory—Shirley and Bud Aro

*FLEECY, *SHADOW, and *COWGIRL—in loving memory—Mr. and Mrs. Tom Wade

*DAVID FLORENTINE—in loving memory. Donors to the David Florentine Memorial Fund include: Lorraine Johnson, Marie Scheurich, James Sellers, Timothy Sellers, and Deborah Szymaniak.
Noah stole the show! This dog captured the hearts of residents of Morningside House of Satyr Hill, a senior retirement community.

Our visitors came prepared with different types of pet treats. They could hardly contain their enthusiasm for handing out the special snacks that they personally made.

It is an established fact that dogs and cats devote themselves to loving and pleasing all of us. And, spending time with a pet has a beneficial impact on human health.

Please don’t hesitate to call our shelter if your group would like to visit. We will set aside a special time so that you can enjoy the company of our many cats and dogs. Hope to see you soon.

**IN THE EYES OF A HOMELESS ANIMAL YOU CAN BE A HERO.**

**ADOPT A SHELTER PET**

We pulled Rusty from another shelter that could not place him. We were able to find this lovable dog a good home.

Rusty’s happy-ending journey, however, was a long one. Every day, he waited with sadness in his eyes and love in his heart. Imagine Rusty’s excitement when the perfect family for him came along!

If you are ready for a pet, please visit us or your local pound. We promise: there will be someone special to love you—always and forever.
Our talented staff members have created a card that is sure to wow your family and friends. Credit goes to Ashley Shanklin for this absolutely adorable photo of Bobby (puppy) and Sarah, both rescued by Defenders of Animal Rights. Erin Gillis added the gold dust and pine for a unique and beautiful design.

This lovely card says, "May your life be filled with the beautiful spirit of the season." Also included is this verse: "The world is a better place when compassion rules the heart."

A pack of 20 cards is yours for $15. You may use the coupon below to order by mail. You can also purchase cards at our shelter, over the phone, or through our website (www.adopt-a-pet.org). Please order early.

Through all our educational projects, we try to promote respect toward people and animals. Bobby and Sarah are the greatest goodwill ambassadors ever!!

MAIL THIS COUPON TO: Defenders of Animal Rights, Inc.
P.O. Box 25
Phoenix, MD 21131

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Thank you for your order!
*FRED—in loving memory of my 11-year-old Baby Poodle—Mary Ellen Robinson

*DELANEY GADDIS—in loving memory—Katherine Miller

*JAMES GIGLIO (1935–2020)—in loving memory—Giglio Foundation

*GORDON—in loving memory of Claudia’s loving and loyal companion—Mary Ann Thompson

*GIL GRUZYNSKI—in loving memory—Leona Gruzyński

*HALEY and *CHANCE—in loving memory of your sweet girl and boy—Renee and staff at the Animal Medical Clinic of Dulaney Valley

*HENRY—in loving memory of your sweet boy—Renée and staff at the Animal Medical Clinic of Dulaney Valley

*ROXANNE HOOVER—in loving memory of my friend and coworker—Noreen Waller

*JAKE and *LYLE—in loving memory—Lorraine Di Vincenzo

*DEBORAH LIMMER and *DELANEY GADDIS—in loving memory—Denice Hollin

*DEBORAH LIMMER and *DELANEY GADDIS—in loving memory—Maureen Foley

*LOUIE—in loving memory of Kathy and John Schlee’s dear cat Louie—Leah Bark

*JOHN P. MURPHY—in loving memory of my brother—Beth Murphy

*NERO, *ROSELLE, *KELVIN, *MELVIN, *JUCEY, and *TABBY—in loving memory. We grieve the loss of your physical presence in our lives. Rest in peace.—Lucille Greller

*OLIVE OYL—in loving memory of Mommy’s good girl! Miss you sweetie! Always in our hearts!—Jay and Arleen Elzweig

*JOHN PAVLOV—in loving memory of my husband—Kathryn Pavlov

*PRECIOUS (7/10/22)—in loving memory—Donald F. Conway

*EDWARD RATHER—in loving memory. Donors to the Edward Rather Memorial Fund include: Susan Dugan-Konka and Kimberley Eysaman.

*ROCKET—in loving memory of Bernie’s sweet Rocket—Marta Campbell

*SADIE—in loving memory—Karen Goshaney

*ANN SCHNEIDER—in loving memory. Donors to the Ann Schneider Memorial Fund include: Mary Jo and Joe Harant; Pat Kohlhepp, Karen, & Nancy; and Ellen Schneider.

*SCHNITZEL—in loving memory of our beloved cat—John Sullivan

*SCOOTER—in loving memory—George and Joan Knopp

*SEAN—in loving memory—Tillie and Melanie Cramer

*SEBASTIAN—in loving memory of your sweet boy—Renée and staff at the Animal Medical Clinic of Dulaney Valley

*CARL SHERINSKY and *PENNY—in loving memory—Suzanne Wallin

*JESSE WEISBERG—in loving memory—Ted and Lynn Weisberg

*EMILY KATHLEEN WILT—in loving memory—Norman, Lola, and Trooper Kayler from the PCRC Precinct 7

*SUSAN YAQUIANT—in loving memory—John Yaquiant


*DONALD L. ZLOMKE—in loving memory—Mary King

*ZOEY—in loving memory—Jo Ann Cason and Peggy Neidlinger
Dear Kind Member:

It’s difficult to imagine. But, the hatred in someone’s heart inflicted despicable cruelty on Polly, an innocent and lovable five-month-old kitten.

Polly suffered a cut on her little tummy. She had chemical burns on her feet and her tail. We comforted her—letting her know there are good people in this world who care about what she helplessly endured. We provided all the medical attention Polly needed so she could feel better.

Sadly, the damage to Polly’s tail was so extensive, our veterinarian had no choice but to amputate it. In yet another injustice, Polly’s right eye had to be removed. It appeared that someone punctured it with an object.

With every abuse case we treat, it’s always “all hands on deck.” We spare no expense when it comes to medicines, surgeries, and the use of whatever veterinarians and specialists the animals need.

Despite the odds, Polly made a remarkable recovery. We found her a wonderful family. Polly likes to be held and carried around like a baby. It’s no surprise. She missed the niceties of being a kitten when someone abused her and tried to take her life.

Please help our homeless ones. With rising costs affecting every aspect of our shelter care, we need your generosity and kindness. In asking for a donation, we are very mindful of any struggles you may be having. So, from the bottom of our hearts, we thank you for whatever you can do. Take care.

P.S. Bequests are so important to the future of our rescue work. If you are able to help the animals in a will, we sincerely thank you. Your gift will allow us to save the lives of abuse victims. And, when we wrap loving arms around these poor animals, it will be your love that surrounds them.