While Lainey was homeless on the streets and struggling for her very existence, she was badly injured. Those are chemical burns that you see on her back. Poor baby suffered so much. We would do anything and everything in our power to make Lainey feel better.

We spare no expense when it comes to providing veterinary care. Lainey needed medicine to deal with all the pain. She is also taking oral and topical antibiotics to fight infection and to heal her wounds.

Lainey continues to recuperate. She is so happy to be safe and to be loved.

SUMMER HEAT PUTS ANIMALS AT RISK

Harper, too, was homeless and all alone during what has been a particularly hot summer.

We know that soaring temperatures can cause dehydration and death. Scalding pavement can burn the pads of little paws.

Please take homeless animals to a place where they can be helped. If you are ready to adopt a pet, we hope you will visit our shelter or your local pound.

"The scales of justice must be equal for all God’s creatures.”
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.

We do not use a professional fundraiser or any fundraising organization.

We do not sell, give, or lease donors’ names.

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


*BELoved PETS—in loving memory of all my cats and dogs—Janet Lee Gorda

*BETTY—in loving memory—Don and Gina Woods

*BETTY—in loving memory of Betty who left us at age 16 to go to the Rainbow Bridge. I’m sure your big brother Barney was waiting for you. We’ll see you again someday. We miss you.—Denise, Jeff, and Buddy

*SUE BReed—in loving memory of a friend and animal lover—Gale Patrick

*JOHN RAYMOND BROWN—in loving memory. Donors to the John Raymond Brown Memorial Fund include: Bill & Martha Brown, Bridget Hickman, Anne Hoffert, Diana Kahl, Kelly Weaver, and Eileen & Ralph Weiner.

*BUBBA—in loving memory. Happy Birthday, Bubba. We love and miss you.—Erica Haas

These sweet kitties have been through troubled times. Our shelter has meant everything to them. It is a place where they can be safe and happy until they are adopted.

If you are looking for a good cause to support far into the future, we hope you will remember our rescue work with a bequest. Our Federal Tax ID number is 52-1061126. Thank you for helping our animals in such an important way.

PRECIOUS LIVES SAVED

Peter

Linda

Molly
THREE BEAUTIFUL SISTERS, NOW IN GOOD HOMES!

Dottie is such a lovely girl. We are thankful that we could get her through a serious medical condition.

 Sadly, she had heartworm disease. This illness is transmitted by infectious mosquitoes, and it has been found in all 50 states. It is life threatening. Heartworm larvae can cause significant damage to the heart, lungs, and other organs of dogs and cats.

 Signs of heartworm disease include a chronic cough, loss of appetite, weight loss, and fatigue. These symptoms generally do not appear until the disease is well advanced. By then, significant damage may have occurred and it’s too late to save the pet’s life.

PREVENTION IS SO IMPORTANT. Pet owners should eliminate bodies of standing water around the house and yard. Water can accumulate in empty cans, tires, barbecue grills, and flower pots.

At least 70 species of heartworm-transmitting mosquitoes reproduce in small bodies of stagnant water.

Keeping cats indoors will greatly reduce their risk of exposure to this deadly illness. It will also prevent other infections.

Please talk to your veterinarian as soon as possible. Ask about preventative medicine, testing, and treatment.

Fortunately, Dottie’s sisters—Sophie and Betty—never had heartworm disease. They were spared the lengthy treatment that Dottie had to endure.
Dear Kind Member:

Thank you for the concern that you always show our animals. We hope these happy-ending stories will put a smile on your face.

Jean’s condition was heartbreaking. She had a broken tail. Sadly, a small portion of her tail had to be removed. And, every inch of Jean’s body was covered with matted hair. Even her vision was obscured. You can imagine how miserable this four-year-old dog felt before she came to our shelter and received all the care she needed.

We are so excited to tell you that we found a wonderful home for Jean, and we get updates on her fabulous new life. “Jean loves visits to the park.” “Jean goes to Grandma’s house where she plays with Grandma’s dog.” Here is our personal favorite update from Jean’s new “Mom”: “Jean loves to steal my socks.” Everything that Jean does is worthy of mention and cause to celebrate! Words cannot describe the happiness we feel for this once-neglected dog who had suffered so much.

Andrew, too, is in good hands. He was adopted by a kind young man and his father. When they met Andrew, it was love at first sight.

Andrew deserved a good life. He had been homeless on the streets in scathing summer heat. He was picked up by an animal control agency that asked for our help. Andrew was under our care for two months before we could find him a nice family. We never gave up on Andrew. Never.

Your support of our rescue work is a lifeline when an animal is in trouble and is hurting. Thank you for your past support and whatever donation you can send today for our dogs, cats, and farm animals.

Mojca Kovac, president
*BURTON—in loving memory—Howard Berliner
*CANDY—in remembrance of our beloved dog—John and Susan Thomas
*CARL, *GUS, *SANDIE, and *PENNY—in loving memory of my Dad and all our beloved pets—Suzanne Wallin
*JENNIE CECE—in loving memory of a beloved friend. We miss her dearly.—Joanne and Norman Schreiber
*CLOUDI—in loving memory of our dear Cloudi, now with her siblings at the Rainbow Bridge—Lucille and George
*COCO—in loving memory of Mommy’s good boy! Miss you!—Jay and Aleen
*COCO—to our darling angel, Coco. We love and miss you so much. You will forever be in our hearts and memories. Rest in heavenly peace over the Rainbow Bridge.—Your Mommies, Nick, Emma, and Tori
*DAVID CHAPPELL and *BOSCO—in loving memory of David Chappell and his beloved dog, Bosco, now reunited—Ann and Ed Gunning
*SHARON D’AMBROGI—in loving memory. Leave no pet behind!—Vincent D’Ambrogi
*BARBARA DENNENBERG—in loving memory. Donors to the Barbara Dennenberg Memorial Fund include: Jenny Aboud & Molly Hutton, Mr. & Mrs. Dennis Lessner, Jim & Sherry Tambling, and Sylvia Tripp.
*FRED, *WILMA, *DANDY, and *YANKEE—James Galovich
*DELANEY GADDIS—in loving memory—Katherine Miller
*JAMES GIGLIO (1935–2020)—in loving memory—Giglio Foundation
*DOORTHY HONEMANN—in loving memory—The Hereford Branch of the Baltimore County Public Library
*TERRY HORNER—in loving memory—Alison Vogrin
*WILLIAM E. KABLE, III—in loving memory. Donors to the William E. Kable, III, Memorial Fund include: Thomas Henre and Neil Kelly.
*KITZY and * STEVIE—in loving memory of our precious little girl cats. We miss you and love you forever.—Mary Ann and Pat Dudash
*JOAN LANE—in loving memory—Lenore Martin
*LEXIE—in loving memory of Tammy and Chris Grey’s beloved dog—Nancy Reed
*DEBORAH LIMMER and *DELANEY GADDIS—in loving memory—Maureen Foley
*BRENDA MACK—in loving memory—Diann Creager
*MATILDA—in loving memory—Myra Goodrich
*JOSEPH McDONNELL—in loving memory. Donors to the Joseph McDonnell Memorial Fund include: Susan Dugan-Konka and John & Janice Helliwell.
*MOM—in loving memory—Joelle A. Clark
*DOROTHY NEWMAN—in loving memory—Patricia Nachodsky
*ROCKET—in loving memory—Kevin Heerdt
*RUBY & *BELLA—in loving memory—Keith Nusinov Jewelers
*SHEBA—in loving memory—Yvette Laudrin
*JOAN SHOEMAKER—in loving memory. Donors to the Joan Shoemaker Memorial Fund include: Tina & Betty Bergman, Hochwarth Schonfeld Charitable Foundation, the King/Forrester families, Terri Shoemaker, and Carol A. Sullivan.
*SMOKY—in loving memory of our rescue—Cindy Spell
*SUZANNE WINKLER—in loving memory. Donors to the Suzanne Winkler Memorial Fund include: Susan Bayly, Peggy Kraft, and Jeanne M. Shoemaker.
Defenders of Animal Rights saved the lives of Glenda (dog) and Stella when no one wanted them. These endearing animals are the perfect pair to wish your loved ones a joyous holiday season.

This lovely card says, “Wishing you peace and joy this holiday season and always.” Also included is this verse: “Compassion is the greatest gift we can bestow on others.”

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.

These cards were created by staff members Ashley Shanklin and Erin Gillis who devote their lives every day to helping our animals. The cards are part of our continuing efforts to foster love and respect for all animals. What a special way to celebrate your kindness during a compassionate time of year! Thank you.

Happy Holidays!

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