

Autumn greetings from our pack to yours.

AlterPet celebrated our 15th anniversary earlier this year. We thank everyone who has helped us, believed in our mission, supported us and used our services. Thank you all.

2015 has been a year of new alliances. We have partnered with the People Care Pet Pantry (peoplecarepetpantry.com), a nonprofit group that provides "aid necessary for families to keep cherished pets during times of financial crisis". The Pet Pantry also has an active outreach program into homeless camps in the region, and requires that client pets be spayed/neutered in order to continue receiving assistance.

That's where the alliance with AlterPet was forged. Thanks to several sizeable private donations (we could not have accomplished this without your help!), we have been able to work together to spay/neuter most all of the Pet Pantry's client's pets.

Our subsidized spay/neuter program for other community pets continues. Thanks to the Kenneth A. Scott Charitable Trust (a KeyBank Trust), to the Ohio Pet Fund (petsohio.com to order your pet plate), to the Remington Products Company of Wadsworth, and to all of you who donate, or send UPC's, weight circles, or other recycle items to help us fund the program.

Please join us on Saturday, December 5th for our annual Tree of Life celebration at Gale's Garden Center in Brunswick. See the ribbon order form on page 3. Plan to come early that day for a great shopping experience. Leashed and well-behaved pets are always welcome in the retail areas of the store.

We wish all a happy holiday season, and look forward to seeing you on December 5th.

Dr Fran Terry, President, and the whole pack at AlterPet



Fall/Winter 2015

Memorials

In Loving Memory of

Missy
- Deborah Decker



Pam & Mike's girl

Mickey Moose

(who thought he was a dog) and

Moey

(the Messenger)

- Sharon Vanasdal (Memorials continued on page 2)

Join us for our annual Tree of Life On December 5th



See page 3 for details

We are still working on the website. Please contact us about changes you'd like to see.

THANK YOU TO THESE VETS WHO PARTICIPATE IN OUR PROGRAM!

Akron Barberton Veterinary Clinic** All Creatures Veterinary Clinic Animal & Avian Medical Center Barberton Vet (male cat neuter only) 4 Pets Clinic** Healing Hands Animal Care - Strongsville ** Litchfield Veterinary Clinic Mapleton Veterinary Clinic** Medina Veterinary Clinic Medina County Animal Clinic ** One Of a Kind Spay/Neuter Clinic** PetFix Northeast Ohio** Rolling Hills Animal Hospital** Seville Wadsworth Veterinary Clinic** **Sharon Center Veterinary Hospital** Wadsworth Veterinary Hospital**

(**also spay/neuter cats)

Clip, \$ave and \$end Us:

* Any Dads Product UPC symbols

* Weight circles from Purina dog and cat chows
(excludes Beneful & Mainstay)

* UPC and Register receipt from DVP Natural Balance
dog food

* UPC from Our Family Products

*Acme store register receipts through Jan. 6, 2016 (must be
received by 1/20/16)

Save Your Used Printer Cartridges & Cell Phones

Keep cartridges and cell phones out of the landfill and help keep our programs running. We can recycle **original manufacturer printer cartridges only.**Send receipts or cartridges to the AlterPet address, bring to an AlterPet event, or call us for a pick up.

\$\$ Attention \$hoppers \$\$

E-shoppers can support AlterPet with no extra effort or expense. Online shopping supports us at both www.igive.com/alterpet (All your favorite online retailers and no additional fees) and Amazon Smile http://smile.amazon.com/ch/34-1929069 . See AlterPet's website for other links. A portion of your purchase helps support even more spay/neuter services.

AlterPet's subsidized spay/neuter coupon program is intended for pet owners on a fixed income who take in stray or discarded pets.

It's not for retired breeding stock or for pets obtained from a commercial pet store or breeder.

Cat Spay-Neuter Coupons

Cost is \$30 for a male neuter and \$35 for a female spay.

Dog Spay-Neuter Coupons

Cost is \$45 for a male neuter and \$50 for a female spay

For more information call 330 321-6243 To order a coupon send check or money order to:

AlterPet PO Box 552 Sharon Center, OH 44274-0552

Include a note indicating what you're ordering, *some proof of income*, and a self addressed stamped envelope for return of the coupon. No limit to the number of coupons that can be ordered.

Dog coupons expire 90 days from date of issue. Cat coupons expire 1 year from date of issue

Memorials

In Loving Memory of

Little Guy

"a great dog-He lived a good life. RIP, Little Guy."
- Phyllis & Mike Mahaney

BG and Clare
"Our Big Girls"
- Steve Brownfield & Fran Terry

Fred
"a wonderful dog"
- Phyllis & Mike Mahaney

Mother - Carol Haprian

Punky

The Pitkins good friend of 18 years. They could not have had a better cat.

- Steve Brownfield

Toby & Shelby - Elaine Ohm

See our Memorial web page at www.AlterPet.org

Pets Light Up Our Lives!

Join us on Saturday, Dec. 5th for the annual

AlterPet Tree of Life!

Join us in the warmth of Gales Garden Center Greenhouse (at the corner of Rt. 303 and W. 130th in Brunswick)

Bring your well-behaved, leashed pets for a Pet Blessing at 4:30 pm Immediately followed by the Tree Lighting

Open for pet socialization at 3:30

Refreshments will be available at a small cost.

A list of the honored pets and their human companions will be distributed at the lighting ceremony.

Deadline for submitting names for the flyer is Nov. 21st but lights may be purchased on Dec. 5th

Cost is \$5.00 per light. Send the completed form and your payment to the address below.

If you cannot attend the lighting ceremony and would like a list of honored pets,

Send a business size, self-addressed, stamped envelope along with payment to:

AlterPet "Tree of Life", PO Box 552, Sharon Center, Ohio, 44274-0552

Purchase a white light in memory of a deceased pet, and a colored light for your best friend at home!

White lights for	(Pet's Name)
Colored lights for	_ (Pet's Name)
Pet Owners name:	

All proceeds go towards

Low Cost Spay and Neuters

AlterPet PO Box 552 Sharon Center, Ohio 44274-0552

We're on the Web at: www.alterpet.org

You can support the Spaying/Neutering of Dogs and Cats by getting an OHIO PET LICENSE PLATE.

AlterPet received a \$2000 grant from this program!



AlterPet's annual Tree of Life Saturday, Dec. 5, 2015 (see page 3)



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