

MAIN LINE ANIMAL RESCUE

A Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals in Chester Springs, Pennsylvania

Last August, a Good Samaritan found a box of two day old kittens baking in the hot sun on Lancaster Avenue. Without their mother, the kittens would have died if MLAR had not rushed to the site and rescued the badly dehydrated newborns. After four hours of bottle feeding, a nursing mother was found in one of Philadelphia's overcrowded city shelters. "Tripoli" was quickly transferred to MLAR (along with her own three kittens) where she immediately began nursing the two day old kittens. In all, this amazing cat nursed five different litters of kittens at MLAR; all orphans abandoned or tragically separated from their own mothers.

Saying Tripoli is just a cat is like saying Main Line Animal Rescue is just another animal shelter. Like Tripoli, MLAR goes above and beyond to provide the helpless and the vulnerable with what they need to flourish and thrive. Tripoli is currently available for adoption.



Since 2008, Main Line Animal Rescue has raised and spent **3.9 million dollars** on emergency veterinary care for thousands of seriously injured and sick animals.

“Diva” was thrown from a porch in Philadelphia. She came to Main Line Animal Rescue with a crushed pelvis and a fractured leg. Diva is just one of the hundreds of dogs and cats in need of emergency medical care transferred to MLAR from the PSPCA, ACCT (Philadelphia’s animal control facility) and other big city shelters. Our vets work tirelessly to keep these animals alive.

The difference between life and death does not rest on the skill of our surgeons (they’re the finest in the country), it rests on the generosity of our donors. The anesthesiologist and the vet nurses are not the only people playing a supporting role in these lifesaving surgeries, it’s MLAR’s donors who provide our doctors with the resources they need.



No one sat with Rex the day he was scheduled to be euthanized.

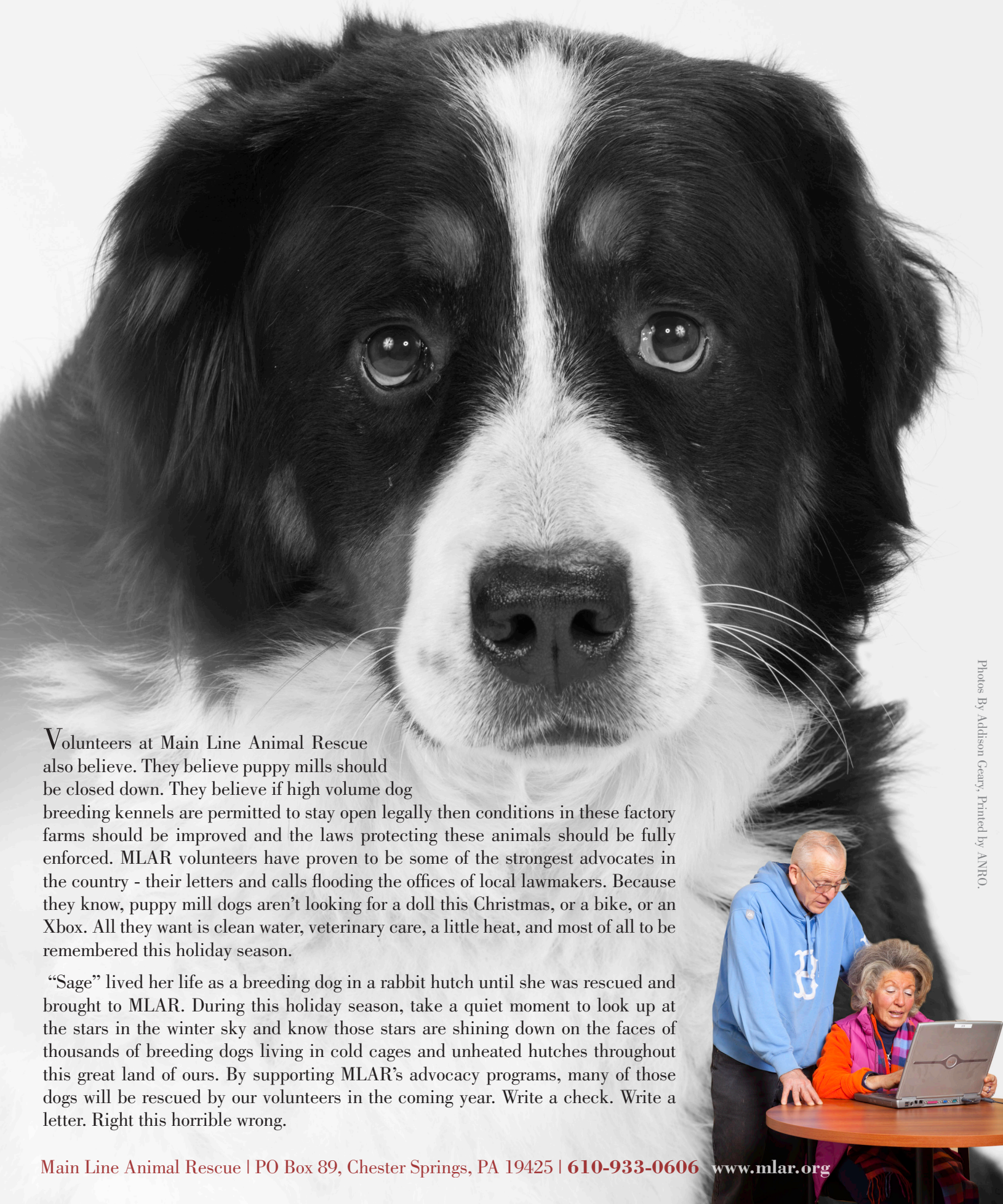
Not the breeder who refused to get his mother spayed. Not his former owner who found it inconvenient to walk him in the city, or fell in love with a man who hated dogs, or decided they were “holding him back” and “felt guilty about not spending enough time with him” so they dropped him off at an overcrowded city shelter so he could compete with a thousand other dogs for a hundred available homes. No one cared about Rex. No one but Main Line Animal Rescue. The day Rex was scheduled to be euthanized, MLAR pulled Rex along with dozens of other condemned dogs and cats and brought them to our shelter in Chester County, PA. Because this is what we do. We save lives. And your financial support makes it all possible.

Rex now spends his days running in the fields at MLAR, waiting for his new family to arrive.

Main Line Animal Rescue’s volunteers partner with the younger and more active dogs in our shelter and together participate in our “Petiquette” training classes. Because a well trained dog has a greater chance of finding a home, and remaining in that home once adopted. Rex and his classmates make their teachers and our volunteers proud every Tuesday and Thursday at MLAR.



This month, millions of children all over the country will flood their local post offices with their letters to Santa Claus. They have faith and they believe.



Volunteers at Main Line Animal Rescue also believe. They believe puppy mills should be closed down. They believe if high volume dog breeding kennels are permitted to stay open legally then conditions in these factory farms should be improved and the laws protecting these animals should be fully enforced. MLAR volunteers have proven to be some of the strongest advocates in the country - their letters and calls flooding the offices of local lawmakers. Because they know, puppy mill dogs aren't looking for a doll this Christmas, or a bike, or an Xbox. All they want is clean water, veterinary care, a little heat, and most of all to be remembered this holiday season.

"Sage" lived her life as a breeding dog in a rabbit hutch until she was rescued and brought to MLAR. During this holiday season, take a quiet moment to look up at the stars in the winter sky and know those stars are shining down on the faces of thousands of breeding dogs living in cold cages and unheated hutches throughout this great land of ours. By supporting MLAR's advocacy programs, many of those dogs will be rescued by our volunteers in the coming year. Write a check. Write a letter. Right this horrible wrong.