By Terry Cummings

This year Poplar Spring Animal Sanctuary celebrates its ten year anniversary of rescuing and caring for animals. On January 1, 1997, we officially opened the sanctuary gates, and began rescuing and providing a permanent home for abused and abandoned farm animals, and offering a protected refuge for wildlife. The past decade has brought many changes to the sanctuary, and hundreds of animals, many who were rescued from the worst neglect and treatment imaginable, have found a safe and loving home here. After ten years, Poplar Spring and its rescued residents are continuing to thrive, thanks to the help of our many friends and supporters. We celebrate this milestone by relating the story of why and how the sanctuary came to be.

How it all Began

In 1987, Dave and I, recently married, moved to Poplar Spring Farm. We decided to rent the historic house on this beautiful 400 acre estate after hearing from a friend that it was available. We intended to stay only a year, thinking that we would soon purchase a small farm of our own, but in the meantime nothing could beat this incredible property. The beautifully restored colonial farmhouse sat up on a hill overlooking the Potomac River. Surrounding the house were ponds, pristine woods hiding crystal clear streams, and long open fields with tall, waving grass.

And cows. Over one hundred of them. While we were renting the house and one of the barns, a local farmer was renting the surrounding farmland to keep his cattle on. How fun to be living next to cows, we thought! We loved animals, and we were thrilled to think of waking every morning to the sound of mooing cattle. Little did we know that these very cows were about to change our lives.

The first several months of living on the farm were idyllic. We spent hours exploring the woods and pastures, while the cows grazed in the fields. We were surprised to find that the majority were frightened of people, and would not let us approach them. Determined to change that, we worked hard to make them see us as friends. Talking softly and offering apples and other treats, gradually some of the braver ones allowed us to touch and pet them. The easily identifiable cows we gave fancy names to, like Violetta Verbena and Cinnamon Sprinkles, and we enjoyed observing the antics of the many adorable calves that were born each month. The two bulls in the herd, despite their reputation, were very calm and gentle, and seemed unfazed by our presence. Watching these intelligent and sensitive animals interact with each other, we witnessed remarkable behaviors. Every mother instinctively knew her own baby’s cry over that of a hundred others, and would come running from a great distance if her young sounded an alarm. Calves of similar age would gather together in groups, playfully butting heads, often running and leaping in the air with the joy of being alive. The babies would frequently be left for periods of time during the day with a “babysitter” cow, one of the mothers or a young female who would watch over the youngsters, while the other moms took a much needed break. It seemed like heaven on earth for the cows, and for us.

Until one day, when the trailer came.

It was a beautiful sunny Fall day, and I was alone in the house, folding some laundry upstairs, while Dave was off at work. Suddenly hearing a great deal of commotion outside, I ran to the window. A large truck with a long trailer attached to it was backed up to the barn, and I could see men with electric prods, continued on page
Blind animals get by with a little help from their friends

This year the sanctuary has taken on the challenge of caring for two blind animals – Darcy, one of our longtime resident horses, who slowly became blind due to uveitis (an eye disease of unknown cause), and Emily, a young calf who was born blind. Emily was rescued this spring when her owner abandoned her in a vacant field during an ice storm.

Both are doing amazingly well, thanks to the assistance of their very special friends.

Darcy, a 21 year old Standardbred horse, had been having difficulty with his vision for many years, as he unfortunately acquired an incurable eye disease. His best friend Tally, a Thoroughbred mare, has always been bonded to Darcy since they arrived a few years apart. They are both ex racehorses, and both were rescued from being sold for horsemeat at auctions years ago. When Darcy completely lost his vision a few months ago, Tally seemed to sense that he needed help, and would stay close to him and nudge him away from objects that he would otherwise run into. We put a bell on her halter so that Darcy could hear her, and with her cooperation and his much more attuned senses, he has been able to find his way around the entire 400 acre farm, only rarely getting lost. His quality of life has not suffered and he has been able to maintain his status with the herd, and to freely move in and out of the barn, grazing in the large pastures, and even galloping around the fields with the other horses and mules.

Emily, who was born blind, came to the sanctuary this past March. She is a young Angus calf who was being raised for meat on a local farm. During a severe ice storm this past winter, Emily became separated from her mother and the rest of the herd, and ended up stranded on an adjoining property, on the wrong side of a barbed wire fence. She spent days walking up and down the fence line, cutting her legs on the ice, mooing and calling for her mother, but nobody came to help her. A kind worker at the farm rescued her, but when the owner realized she was blind and sickly, he decided he didn’t want her, and the employee brought her to Poplar Spring.

When Emily first arrived at the Sanctuary she was in very bad shape. She was emaciated and had terrible diarrhea. Her lungs were very raspy and the vet diagnosed her with pneumonia and malnutrition. After lots of good nursing care, a warm straw bed and nourishing food, Emily began to thrive and grew healthy and strong. She began to explore her surroundings, and soon joined the 17 other rescued cows, who all accepted her, and took her into the herd.

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Sanctuary News and Notes

This past winter and spring has proved to be very “pig friendly” for Poplar Spring. Over the last few months we have taken in several young pigs from different situations, who all desperately needed homes. The most recently rescued are Maddie and Flossie, two friendly Yorkshire cross pigs who were found along with six other piglets in the middle of a wooded area in a trash-strewn pen in Prince Georges County, Maryland. There was no food or water available for the emaciated pigs, and only a broken piece of plywood perched on a corner of the fence to act as “shelter” for all eight pigs. One of the pigs had already died of starvation when animal control officers were called to save the remaining animals. Maddie and Flossie are now happy and healthy and enjoy lots of special treats like watermelon and kiwis. (A big thanks to our local grocery store, Selby’s Market, for donating leftover fruits and vegetables every day for the pigs and other animals!) Other recently rescued pigs include Holly and Harriet who were used for bone marrow extractions at a research facility, and Missy, who fell out of a tractor trailer on a major highway in Pennsylvania.

This year we again offered educational tours to thousands of visitors. Many groups and individuals volunteered, sponsored, and helped to care for the more than 200 animals that call the sanctuary home – thank you to all our volunteers, sponsors and supporters – we really could not do this without you! Several large projects and barn cleanings were completed with the help of local groups. Julian Lucarelli completed his Boy Scout Eagle Leadership Project by building three ramps for the turkey and chicken barn and a large hay feeder for the goats and sheep. (See our Kids Corner for other unique ideas that kids had to help the animals.) One of our most exciting projects is the new Infirmary, which will house sick and recovering animals, along with a treatment room and small office, so that staff can work while observing animals that need special care. This building, which we have desperately needed for many years, was purchased and built solely due to the incredible generosity of Dave and Jan Bundy, who funded the entire project.

Our special events over the last year went very well. (See back page and page 5 for dates and info on this year’s events.) The 2006 Open House and Fundraiser was our most successful event to date, and raised an amazing $55,000 for the rescued animals. Jonathan Balcombe of Physician’s Committee for Responsible Medicine (PCRM) was our keynote speaker, and generously donated proceeds from his wonderful book, Pleasurable Kingdom. Our good friends at Java Green, Thyme Square, and many other local restaurants contributed fabulous food for the event, and a good time was had by all. In November, we had another record attendance for our Thanksgiving With the Turkeys. The weather was perfect and over 300 people attended the outdoor event. The huge potluck offered dozens of delicious vegan dishes, but watching the turkeys enjoy chopped fruit and other treats at their special table was the highlight of the day.

Our 4th annual Run for the Animals, held in May, was a great success. Over 400 people participated in the 5K Run and one mile Fun Walk, which was held again in beautiful Wheaton Park. In July we held our annual Farm Tour. Visitors to the farm enjoyed hay rides, refreshments and our giant yard sale. A huge thanks to everyone who attended or generously donated to all of these events, and helped us to make this our most successful year ever!

“And I am by brother’s keeper
And I shall fight their fight
And speak the word for beast and bird
Till the world shall set things right”

—Ella Wheeler Wilcox
Many thanks to all the kids who helped the sanctuary in lots of unique ways:

- Poolesville Elementary School raised an amazing $1,500 by doing a school wide “Coins for Caring” campaign where they collected money at school and in the community for the animals.
- Jr. Girl Scout Troop #81567 from Middletown, MD earned their Bronze award by soliciting from patrons of their local Safeway and Southern States feed stores. Their informative posters and enthusiastic efforts resulted in donations of many items from our wish list and hundreds of dollars credited to our feed bill at Southern States.
- Cameron Ishee, Gabriel Esptein, Carroll Ishee, Haley Nugent and Sydney Litto of Wyngate Elementary School in Bethesda and Girl Scout Troop 5587 sold beanie babies at the Run for the Animals and raised over $600.
- Kaia Diringer sold cookies and lemonade on the Capital Crescent bike trail to benefit the animals.
- Maddie McDermott saved up her money and donated $70 for the animals.
- Jonah Goldman donated $90 which he earned from shoveling snow and participating in a survey.
- Sophie King, Gabrielle Hodor, Eva Kirsch, Ellie Forman, Madeline Melch, Alayna Hendrix, Avery Witt, and Kelly Maloney, all requested donations to Poplar Spring in lieu of gifts for their birthdays.
- Bethesda Elementary School 5th graders raised $223 for the animals by holding a bake sale and working in the bead booth at the school's Mayfair.
- Anna Huttner’s 4th grade class at the Jewish Primary Day School visited in the Fall, then raised $370 for the animals.
- Shoshana Yun baked and sold vegan organic cookies to benefit the sanctuary at her synagogue’s Mitzvah Day.
- Students from the Ridge School Helping Hands group raised $877.13
- 5th graders from Darnestown Elementary School volunteered and had a hot chocolate stand to raise money for the sanctuary.
- Girl Scout Troop #3467 had a yard sale and raised $348.71

“Teaching a child not to step on a caterpillar is as valuable to the child as it is to the caterpillar”
—Bradley Miller

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PLEASE BRING A FRIEND AND JOIN US!

You are invited to Poplar Spring Animal Sanctuary’s tenth annual Fundraiser and Open House, to raise funds to continue the organization’s important work of rescuing abused and abandoned farm animals. Please bring a friend and join us for an educational and entertaining afternoon with delicious catered food, a live band, silent auction, clowns, and an opportunity to visit with the Sanctuary’s many rescued residents.

James LaVeck, Producer of *The Witness* and *Peaceable Kingdom*, will be our keynote speaker.

Sunday, September 30, 2007
1:00 to 5:00 p.m., rain or shine
Poplar Spring Animal Sanctuary
15200 Mt. Nebo Road, Poolesville, MD 20837

Donations will be accepted throughout the day of the event, or may be sent in the enclosed envelope.

Poplar Spring Animal Sanctuary is a 501(c)3 organization, and all contributions are fully tax deductible as allowed by law.

RSVP to Poplar Spring at 301-428-8128 or e-mail info@animalsanctuary.org or by returning the form below

No Dogs, Please

☐ Yes, I will attend the Open House on September 30.
☐ I cannot attend, but I would like to support the rescued animals at Poplar Spring with my tax deductible contribution of:
  ☐ $25 ☐ $50 ☐ $100 ☐ $250 ☐ $500 ☐ Other ____________

☐ I have an item I would like to donate for the silent auction
  Description: ____________________________________________________________

Name _________________________________________________________________
Address _______________________________________________________________
City________________________State_________Zip_________________________
Phone________________________Email______________________________________
I am enclosing a check ________
Please charge my donation to ☐ VISA ☐ MC Card No.________________________ Exp. Date _______
Signature______________________________________

Please make checks payable to Poplar Spring Animal Sanctuary, P.O. Box 507, Poolesville, MD 20837.
All donations are greatly appreciated and fully tax-deductible as allowed by law. Thank you!
Help Poplar Spring Animal Sanctuary by Becoming a Farm Animal Sponsor!

Are you someone who would love to bring a farm animal home but just don’t have the room? Then a sponsorship of your favorite animal is the answer! For a small monthly donation you can help support the animal of your choice—your sponsorship will help cover food, bedding and veterinary costs. You will receive a framed photograph and your animal’s story, along with the opportunity to visit in person. Sponsorships also make a unique gift for friends and relatives! With your support we can continue to rescue even more animals who desperately need a home.

**Monthly Sponsorship Rates**

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If you would prefer, sponsorships can also be paid on a quarterly or yearly basis.

**Thank you for helping us to save animals!**

Please make check payable to Poplar Spring Animal Sanctuary.

Please mail your completed sponsorship form to:

Poplar Spring Animal Sanctuary

P.O. Box 507

Poolesville, MD 20837

Phone: 301-428-8128

E-mail: info@animalsanctuary.org

Web: www.animalsanctuary.org

Yes! Please sign me up!

Please print all information clearly.

I would like to sponsor a __________________ (type of animal).

Name

Street Address

City, State, Zip

Phone E-mail

☐ Check Enclosed for $ __________ ☐ Monthly ☐ Quarterly ☐ Yearly

☐ Charge $ __________ to my Visa/MasterCard ☐ Monthly ☐ Quarterly ☐ Yearly

Credit Card Number Exp. Date

Signature

☐ This is a Gift Sponsorship

Name of Recipient

Street Address

City, State, Zip

I would like more information on: ☐ Volunteer Opportunities ☐ Gift Donations
Thank you to all those who remembered a special person or animal with a donation to Poplar Spring. This is a wonderful way to honor someone special, and to help animals at the same time! Special thanks to Dr. Monique Maniet of Veterinary Holistic Care for her many donations in memory of her client’s companions.

In Memory Of People

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In Memory Of Animals

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Bear-Bear
Becka
Benny
Biscuit
Blackjack
Bliss
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Botero
Bubba

Elton
Emma
Emmett
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Frisky
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Gracie
Grover
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Hank
Harley
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Henry
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Special Ways to Give to the Animals

Poplar Spring Joins United Way/Combined Federal Campaign!

Poplar Spring Animal Sanctuary is now a proud member of the Combined Federal Campaign (CFC) and the United Way of the National Capital Area Campaign. We invite Federal employees and those who work for corporations that participate in the United Way campaign to consider us when selecting agencies to support in the Fall Campaign. Our CFC code is #62455 and our United Way code is #8899. Please use these numbers to designate Poplar Spring as the organization you would like to support. Your contributions will help us to rescue and provide a permanent home for many more animals.

Stock Donations – If you would like to make a stock donation, please provide your broker with the following information:

Broker: Smith Barney

DTC# 0418 for Poplar Spring Animal Sanctuary
Acct.#028-23506-17-320
Stock donations are tax deductible and can reduce your capital gains tax

Bequests – Help to leave a legacy for the animals by making a provision for Poplar Spring Animal Sanctuary in your will or by designating Poplar Spring as a beneficiary in your life insurance policy. Please contact us at 301-428-8128 or info@animalsanctuary.org if you have questions.
She began following them when they would walk around the property. At first, she would frequently become lost, but as time went on she became more adept at keeping up. One of the cows, a young steer named Carlyle, would often return for her if the others moved too quickly, and moo to her until she was able to catch up. She now frequently accompanies the group on their very long walks around the entire farm, spending her days splashing in the cool creeks, and grazing on the lush hillsides.

Both Darcy and Emily have shown us that even with severe disabilities, animals are able to amazingly adapt and live a very full life; that is, with a little help from their friends!

**In Memory Of Animals continued**

Samantha  Sebastian  Spencer  The Colonel  Tourou  Winchester
Sammie  Shadow  Stella  The Girls  Toute  Yancey
Sammy  Shelby  Star  Tiger  Trixie  Yogi Bear
Sasha  Sid  Stumpy  Tigger  Tuck  Zeek
Scarlet  Skye  Suki  Toby  Tuvok  Zoe
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Schmidt  Sparky  Teak  Tony

**In Honor of People**

John Kenneth A sel  Jaclyn Franzak  Jackie Howell and Randy Huwa  Cam MacQueen  James Pizzirusso and Kimberly Nevitt  Sue Spence
Lisa Barbar- Barnett  Grace Froelich  Dr. N. Jani  Kelly Maloney  Beth Plowman  Paul Stern
Barnette  Caitlin Furlong  Adam Jones  Betsy and Mike McFarland  Marianne Merritt
Rebecca Bell  Ethan Fye  Hilary Jones  Suzanne McMillan  Talbot
Nancy Bleil  Steve Garron  David Kuemmerle  Madeleine Melch  Odin and Nancy Tidemand
Danny Book  Jerry Gegan  Jamie Lazarus  Jack and Janet Read
Lisa Borghesi  Marsha Goldberg  Betsy Lehman  Susan Ringland  Emily Turner
Michele Carsrud  Jonathan Goldman  Jeff Leitner and Kate Mindlin  Andrew Milsten and Kim Ockene
Sheila Cochran  Carole Hamlin  Amy Morgan  The Ruffieux-Konecke family
The Cowdens  Norbert  Dr. Carole Nicholson  Jane Roberts
Irene Crowe  Henninger  Jacob Lennen  The Howell and Huwa animals  The Howell and Huwa animals
Bonnie Davis-Isom  Alayna Hendrix  Ariana Levinson  Cam MacQueen
Peggy Dennis  Alora Henry  Galya Levinson  Kelly Maloney
Bill Dollinger  Ray Hodge  Jonathan Lewis  Betsy and Mike McFarland
Howard Edelstein  Gabrielle Hodor  Wade Lindsay  Madeleine Melch
Bonnie Erbe  David Hoof  Gary Loewenthal  Mira Millar
Jessica Fomalont  The Howards  Ryan MacMichael  Amy Morgan

**In Honor of Animals**

Benny  Duke and Duchess  The Howell and Huwa animals  Kiwi, Honeydew and Domino  Perky, Aster and Quincy  Scarlet
Chessie  The Howell and Huwa animals  Kiwi, Honeydew and Domino  Perky, Aster and Quincy  Scarlet

Emily grazes happily with her new friends.
stabbing at and shocking the cows, and forcing them into the trailer. The cows were trying to turn around and go back into the barn, but the men were yelling and beating at them, forcing them forward. Mother cows were frantically calling for their babies and calves were bawling desperately. I couldn’t believe my eyes – what was happening? Then it finally hit me. These were BEEF cattle. And they were going to slaughter.

I sat on the floor in my bedroom and cried, holding my hands over my ears, trying to block out the noise of the terrified cows. These were the same cows who I had named, and fed, and whose trust I had worked so hard to gain. I had honestly never considered what their fate was to be. Despite having a degree in animal science, I had somehow managed to deny the reality of where my meat came from. I conveniently elected not to take the meat processing courses at school, and decided early on that I could never be a farmer, as I did not want to kill animals. But now I was faced with a personal dilemma – the idea that the next hamburger I ate could be one of my friends. After several hours, the trailer full of wailing cows drove off, leaving a few “breeder” female cows and two bulls behind, but taking all the rest. When Dave came home I told him the terrible news. That day was a true awakening for us, and we suddenly began to think and see things differently. We decided to stop eating animals, and became vegetarians.

Three years later, after learning how eating animals, and became vegetarians. Three years later, after learning how other sanctuaries to volunteer and learn as much as I could. In March of 1996, we incorporated as a non-profit organization, and created our first brochures to distribute. We sent them out to local humane societies and shelters, and soon after, the needy animals began to arrive. Up and down the East Coast, word quickly spread that there was a new sanctuary opening.

Our first official sanctuary animal was Petunia the pig. A woman in southern Virginia, who lived near a small pig farm, had rescued Petunia. She found the tiny piglet half frozen, trapped beneath a heavy barn door that had fallen on her. She tucked the pig under her coat to warm her, and went to the farmer. He scoffed at the woman when she held Petunia out to him, and told her to “just let nature take its course”. She was horrified, and took the piglet home, raising her in a laundry basket in her bedroom. When she became too large to be a “house pig”, we drove ten hours round trip to retrieve her. Petunia had a broken jaw and a permanent leg injury, which caused her to walk with a limp. Despite this, she lived a long and happy life at Poplar Spring, before passing away from old age last year.

In 2000 Dave left his job in printing and began working full time for the sanctuary. We continued to grow and gain support and now have over 100 volunteers and seven paid staff members. Our humane education and tour program is expanding yearly, and we have provided educational tours at the sanctuary and traveled to dozens of schools in the area to inform thousands of school children and adults about farm animal issues. We have built many new barns and fences and repaired old ones, mowed, painted, and maintained the farm to house the growing number of rescued animals, which at last count was more than 200. We have released many wild ducks, geese, baby birds, mammals and reptiles into the sanctuary’s diverse and protected habitats. Over the years we have had the pleasure of knowing and caring for many special animals, all who have had the best life we could possibly give them, after coming from situations where they were starved, beaten or neglected. An adorable three week old chick named Hermie, who was saved from being snake food at a reptile show in Maryland, is our most recent rescue. (See photo back cover)

Originally intending to live here a year, it has now been almost 20. Although we were not able to save Violetta, Cinnamon, and the others who we loved and who taught us how special cows are, we plan to work hard for the rest of our lives in their memory, to help farm animals everywhere for many
Silent Auction Donations Requested

Do you have new or antique items that you would be willing to donate? Why not help the animals by giving your donation for our silent auction which will be held at the Fundraiser on Sept. 30? All donations are very much appreciated, and you will receive a receipt for tax purposes. If you own or know of a business that might be willing to donate any goods or services for the auction, we would be very grateful, and the animals will thank you too! (see pg. 5)

Upcoming Events

To ensure fun and safety for all, No Dogs at any events, please!

Events will be held rain or shine, and all proceeds benefit the rescued animals.

Tenth Annual Open House and Fundraiser – Sunday, September 30, 2007 1-5 p.m.
Our biggest event of the year – and everyone’s invited! Come enjoy a live band, delicious catered food and drink, a fabulous silent auction, clowns and face painting, speakers, and the opportunity to stroll around and visit the rescued animals. No admission fee, but donations (of any amount) are very much appreciated.

RSVP requested.

Note: Due to the time overlap with this newsletter, we will not be sending out separate invitations this year. Please see p. 5 for Open House invitation and more details. Hope to see you there!

Thanksgiving with the Turkeys – Saturday, November 17, 2007 12 noon – 4 p.m.
Come celebrate Thanksgiving WITH the turkeys – join our eight friendly turkeys and all their friends in celebrating a cruelty-free Thanksgiving potluck. Please bring a vegan (no meat, dairy, or eggs) dinner or dessert item to serve 8. $10.00 suggested donation to benefit the animals. No charge for children under 16.