



# AlterPet, Inc

## FROM OUR PACK TO YOURS

Summer greetings once again. We're in those 'hazy, lazy days' of family, friends and dog walks!

Please join AlterPet at our annual Bark in Regan Park on Saturday, July 28. Registration - \$10/dog - will start by 9AM, with the group walk stepping off at 9:30. As usual, the walk will be followed by social time, refreshments, and some fun contests with prizes. We'll have lots of water, shade and snacks for all the K9's and their humans.

Also mark your calendars for the Quailcrest Family of Friends Dog Walk at Quailcrest Farm in Wooster, Saturday September 15. The festivities usually begin mid-morning and go into the afternoon. There's food, music, games, pet blessing, and LOTS of socialization time. Please watch our website, [www.AlterPet.org](http://www.AlterPet.org), for more details as the date gets closer. The Quailcrest gathering benefits AlterPet and two dozen other rescue and animal health/wellness groups.

Thanks to all of you who continue to help us provide more and more spay/neuter services to dogs and cats. We appreciate EVERYONE who sends in the bar codes, proofs of purchase, weight circles, register receipts, and printer cartridges for recycling. Acme shoppers: note that the Acme receipt program usually re-starts in the fall; Acme will have details in stores.

As of April 30, 2007, the AlterPet program has spayed/neutered nearly 3900 cats and 1200 dogs.

Tremendous thanks to the Kenneth A. Scott Charitable Trust, a Key Bank Trust. They have provided a \$4000 grant for our subsidy spay/neuter program. All of those funds go directly to spay/neuter services. That has allowed us to provide some very low-cost spay/neuter coupons, and even a few free ones to owners with very low incomes or with large numbers of pets (usually large cat colonies).

If you haven't already purchased a Pets Ohio license plate for your vehicle, go to [www.PetsOhio.com](http://www.PetsOhio.com) and make the switch. New graphics are now available. You can get a great one-of-a-kind plate and support spay/neuter throughout Ohio at the same time. Since AlterPet was founded primarily as a spay/neuter agency, we will be applying to receive some of the funds raised by these license plate sales.

All of us wish all of you a wonderful summer. We look forward to seeing all of our friends at Reagan Park and at Quailcrest. As you relax in the shade with a cold drink, please remember to make sure that your pet has the same.

Dr Fran Terry, President, and all the AlterPet volunteers

Summer  
2007



## Join Us For AlterPet's Bark in Regan Park

Saturday, July 28

At

Regan Park

At 9:00 am

for

Contests

Play

Exercise

Socialization

Annual Alumnus Photo

(Details Inside)

It began with only two



Please Spay/Neuter Your Pets

Visit our Web Site at:  
[www.alterpet.org](http://www.alterpet.org)

**THANK YOU TO THESE VETS WHO PARTICIPATE IN OUR LOW-COST SPAY/NEUTER PROGRAM!**

All Creatures Vet Clinic  
Animal & Avian Medical Center  
Barberton Veterinary Clinic—male cat neuter only

Becka Veterinary Hospital \*\*  
Litchfield Veterinary Clinic  
Mapleton Vet Clinic\*\*  
Medina County Animal Clinic\*\*  
Medina Veterinary Clinic  
Nova Veterinary Service\*\*  
Rolling Hills Veterinary Hospital\*\*  
Sharon Center Veterinary Hospital  
Dr. Pal at Danielle's – Strongsville\*\*  
Wadsworth Veterinary Clinic\*\*

(\*\*also spay/neuter cats)

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

If you need more information call 330 321-6243

To order a coupon for your cat or dog  
Send check or money order payable to:

**AlterPet  
PO Box 552  
Sharon Center, OH 44274-0552**

Include a note indicating what you're ordering 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

**Clip, Save and Send 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 Royal Canin dog food
  - \* UPC from Our Family Products
- \* Acme 'Community Cashback' register receipts watch Acme stores for a start date in the fall

**Save Your Used Printer Cartridges & Cell Phones**

For each used ink jet, laser printer cartridges and cell phones AlterPet will receive \$1-\$12. Keep cartridges and cell phones out of the landfill and help keep our programs running. See [www.cashforcritters.com](http://www.cashforcritters.com) for a list of cartridges accepted

*Send receipts or cartridges to the AlterPet address, bring to an AlterPet event, or call us for a pick up.*

**\$\$ Attention Shopper \$\$**

E-shoppers can support AlterPet with no extra effort or expense. Birthdays, holidays or pet supplies ... do your online shopping at [www.alterpet.onecause.com](http://www.alterpet.onecause.com) or [www.igive.com/alterpet](http://www.igive.com/alterpet) and a portion of your purchase will benefit AlterPet. Both OneCause and iGive have extensive shopping malls and at no extra cost you'll be helping to spay/ neuter.

*Thanks to all who support AlterPet!*

**Bark In Regan Park**

**Sat, July 28 at Regan Park in Medina**

Use the park entrance on Route 3/Weymouth Road just south of Foote Road

**Registration begins at 9 am**

**The walk will start at 9:30 am**

Contests will begin once the walkers return to the pavilion area. We'll have human and K-9 refreshments available (LOTS of water for all), and plenty of time for play and socialization. If you're an AlterPet adoptive alumnus, come for the annual photo. Individual photos also will be available. Selected photos will be available on our website on our website following the event.

**Registration (suggested donation) \$10/dog**

Contests include: Biggest/smallest/furriest dog, best trick, dog-owner look alike, costume contest, and others.

**Come ready to show off!**



## Fan Mail

Precious was rescued by my daughter. On a trip to Athens she saw a woman stumbling down SR 13, no homes around for miles, and she was many miles from home. My daughter stopped and offered her a ride, concerned that she would walk in front of a car. As this person was sitting in the back seat, she pulled this small puppy weighing 1# 5oz from her pocket and said she was trying to get rid of it. When my daughter got her home, she asked my daughter if she wanted to buy the puppy, and that she had two more. My daughter said "No, I don't want to buy her, but you got a free ride home so I'll keep the pup." The lady turned and walked off.

My husband was very sick at the time, had been sick for the past 30 years and on dialysis for the past 6 years. When my daughter brought the puppy into the house, my husband said he didn't want any dogs. Precious then curled up on his stomach and neck, and went to sleep.

We were goners. She was so lovable. After a few days, my husband told his brother that Precious had made him happier in the last few days than he had been in ten years. We both love Precious very much. My husband passed away in January. Precious laid at his feet for three days as he was passing, and misses him very much. But she is, and has been, a lifesaver to me. I need to get her fixed or I won't be able to keep her at the senior apartment, so please help me. DJ, Medina

Thanks for all you do for the animals - PD, Akron

Keep up the good work! - MA, W Salem and DGD, Lodi

We acquired Woody from AlterPet in 2001. He is still doing well. In fact, he is the best dog we ever had. - Weese family, Medina

Let me thank you for the service you provide. I have had several pets neutered using your service, and I really appreciate it. I am a disabled single mother, and definitely low income. A friend is helping me pay you. I got my German Shepherd from a lady up the street who had been given her by her sister. She was

tied out to a box for about a year, was very thin & dirty. She's a sweet dog, very smart & loving. She is so appreciative of being brought into a good home. -- KG, W Salem

## Memorials:

**In memory of John Yankovich** -Raymond & Elizabeth Sonoff, Mr & Mrs. Boris Sonoff, Vickie & Jim Raymond, Bob & Janice Yankovich

**In memory of Ted, the Chow-Chow 'bear'** - Ed, Sandy, Taylor & Bryce Carpenter

**In memory of Chica** (Kitty of Mr & Mrs Duane Decker and Michael); and **in memory of Thelma Coe** - Donna Allen

**In memory of Peaches**

-Coleen & Ted DeSalvo



coming soon  
our  
**Memorial web Page**  
at  
**www.AlterPet.org**

## QUAILCREST FAMILY OF FRIENDS DOG WALK

Mark your calendars for Saturday, September 15 for the annual Quailcrest Family of Friends Dog Walk, at Quailcrest Farm, Wooster. Watch [www.AlterPet.org](http://www.AlterPet.org) for more details. It benefits AlterPet and many other animal groups.

**Congratulations** to former volunteer and dog foster mom **Lynne Earhart** who graduated from the University of Akron School of Law this May. She will be in practice with Ferguson & Hanlon in Quaker Square, Akron.



***AlterPet's Newsletter is now online!*** You can subscribe to have it e-mailed to you. Go to our website ([www.alterpet.org](http://www.alterpet.org)) for more details.

Please DO joins us, both at Bark in Regan Park on July 28 and at Quailcrest on September 15. According to a study reported in the American Journal of Preventive Medicine (Feb. 2006), dog owners do twice as much healthful walking as people who don't have a dog, even if they otherwise exercise less than non-owners. Get out the leash and the canteen!

### **Guidelines for both the AlterPet & Quailcrest Dog Walks:**

*Please give other participants enough space, please keep your p  
and be aware of small children and other pets.*

*Only dog-and-people-friendly pets please.*

*All pet must be leashed – leashes 6' or less preferred.*

*All pets must wear ID and be current on vaccinations, especially rabies.*

*If your dog is in heat, please let her stay at home.*

*Please use the poop-scoop bags available at registration to clean up after your pet.*



*Do you want to get on/off the AlterPet mailing list?*

*Send request to: [AlterPet@aol.com](mailto:AlterPet@aol.com), call us at 330 321-6243, or reach us by mail at AlterPet, PO Box 552, Sharon Center, Ohio 44274-0552*

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