



National Samoyed Rescue

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About Samoyed Rescue

- Samoyed rescue is about picking up the pieces of dogs that are forgotten, abandoned, abused, neglected.
- Rescue is complex as each dog has special needs from veterinary care to socialization skills.
- Preparing Samoyeds for adoption takes time and money and more importantly intentional assessment, planning and training.
- Rescue work gets best results when rescue teams work together with common purpose, expectations and standards.
- Working together means our Samoyeds will get the best possible support and care.

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Fundraising In Hard Economic Times

Jim Becklund

We as rescuers really do rely on fundraisers and donations to "supplement" what we spend out of pocket to make sure that our efforts to keep our individual rescues going. Most of the time this is not an easy project and takes a huge amount of work and volunteers, however, in the current economic recession it has become an almost impossible task.

At our last affiliate phone conference we tried to address this issue to make fundraising easier and more profitable. A few of the suggestions we came up with are:

Online shopping where rescue registers and receive a percentage of customers purchases using a particular site is a low effort, high profit venture. Sites like <http://www.iGive.com> and <http://shopping.escrp.com> are just a couple examples. There is also a search engine that will donate money to a registered rescue every time someone uses them. These are just a few of the low effort/easy/constant income ways to add much needed funds to rescue. There are also regional businesses that do the same thing. Supermarkets and other retail stores have programs or may be receptive to doing this. Bottom line, it's easy for the retailer to set it up and easy for the consumer to donate. In fact, the consumer doesn't actually contribute any extra money other than what they spend for products. They are getting something and contributing to rescue for nothing, just a few seconds to register and show their card to the cashier.

Speaking of retailers, many (not just pet supply places) are willing to allow rescues to have adoption/fundraising events outside their businesses. If rescue can find a rescue friendly business that would be willing to sponsor a breed specific rescue event outside their main entrance this has been proven to be a successful fundraiser and all you need is volunteers, dogs and a "gimmick" to get shoppers to contribute. Often a smiling Sammie face is enough.

Silent auctions at breed club events are usually VERY profitable for rescue. All it takes is a bunch of donated items. Again, this is a low effort, highly profitable venture.

Another great way to raise funds is through gift wrapping at Christmas time. This takes a bit of volunteer coordination but it can be very profitable. People are willing to spend a few dollars to have someone else wrap their Christmas gifts. This is something the customer feels they are getting something and helping at the same time and only for a small amount of donation.

In these economic times the major donations come few and far between, but, rescue can still rely on and promote their 501 c-3 status to potential donors. Contributions are tax deductible and thus the contributors get something in return. The matching fund programs are also a great way to increase dollars donated. The public feels warm and fuzzy when they know their contribution is matched by their employer at no extra cost to them.

The bottom line is: rescues need to explore finding low effort, easy, constant incomes to support their efforts so much more time can be spent for the dogs and everyone needs to be supportive in what ever way they can.

2008 RESCUE PIN: *RESCUED SAMS ROCK!*

"Isn't it cute!" Check out the new rescue pin (on the back address page). Quantities are limited so order up fast. Cost is \$7 each to individuals and \$3 each for rescue. Why not order some to sell to your members or give as awards? Contact Sandy Phifer sandypfifer@hotmail.com or porosha@comcast.net

Blizzard Harnessed to Hope Northern Breed Rescue

Affiliates Websites

Central Florida Samoyed Rescue

[www.
FLSamoyedRescue.org](http://www.FLSamoyedRescue.org)

Deleware Valley Samoyed Recue

sandyphifer@hotmail.com

Harnessed to Hope

[www.gimpydogs.com/
hthnbr](http://www.gimpydogs.com/hthnbr)

Michigan Samoyed Rescue

[www.michigansamoyedre
scue.org](http://www.michigansamoyedrescue.org)

Minuteman Samoyed Rescue

[www.doghows.org/flash/
mscr](http://www.doghows.org/flash/mscr)

New Mexico Samoyed Rescue

Northern California Sled Dog

www.NorSled.org

Northern Illinois Samo- yed Assistance

Blizzard ended up at the shelter as an owner surrender because his previous family did not have time for him. He was very dirty and his coat was badly matted. The shelter said that Blizzard was very sweet, but had shown some odd behavior. Because of this, the shelter didn't want to put him on the adoption floor and would only release him to rescue. Blizzard didn't have any problems in foster care, and was doing well learning basic commands such as sit and walking on a leash, being crate trained, and channeling his high energy levels. Blizzard could also be possessive of toys, and his foster family was working on this with him.

After a few months passed, Blizzard began to show some odd behavior. He began unpredictably snapping at people. He also started pacing in a circle and drooling, usually in the evenings. This behavior would continue until his foster mom interrupted it by calling out to him. The other dogs in the foster home began

avoiding Blizzard when this behavior started.

Blizzard's foster family thought this was a sign of a medical problem, and took him to the vet. The vet ran some tests and found that Blizzard had a thyroid condition. Blizzard was started on Soloxine, a medication commonly used to control seizures in dogs. Blizzard had more blood tests done a few weeks later to make sure that he had the correct dose of medication. Once Blizzard had been on the medication for a little while, he was back to his old, sweet self. Shortly after this, Blizzard was adopted into a wonderful home. His new owner was very patient and got a trainer to come to his house and help him work with Blizzard on his possessiveness of toys, since moving to a new home and family can cause issues like that to flare up. As you can see, Blizzard is very happy, loved and well cared for in his new home with his sister Sophie.



Blizzard while in the shelter. Below, Blizzard with his sister Sophie (on the couch) and his new owner enjoying a new life. Isn't it great being loved?



NRS and the Humane Society

I would like to address the confusion about an article that appeared in our Late Fall 2008 NSR Bulletin entitled "Humane Society University: Opportunities to Learn On Line." The article was intended to bring information to our readers about an opportunity to share and learn about procedures and goals of others in the animal care and control community. National Samoyed Rescue in no way supports the principles or legislative agenda of the Humane Society of the United States or any other animal rights organization who wish to control and eliminate our right to own dogs. There will be no further articles along these lines. Jim Beckland

THE BOYZ

Sandy McDonough Minuteman Samoyed Club

Why spell that way? If you were new owners of Zeke and Zander, don't you have to spell BOYZ with a "Z"?

Starting life elsewhere, these littermates ended up in a shelter. Zeke had heartworm and Lyme diseases making him an unattractive adoptee. And he was really, really small compared to his brother. How do we keep them together and get them to a "forever home?"

Through the work of a kind veterinarian and Annie Reid, the boyz had initial health care. Off to Marion McNeil's for fostering. At the same time, a couple lost their Sammy of many years and turned to MSC Rescue. "Two?", Linda said. "We only want one." Annie and I had decided the boyz would go together! Using all the persuasion available, we tricked Michael and Linda to visit the boyz at Marion's place.

We knew Zeke faced over \$800 in vet bills to restore his health. The MSC Rescue Board met and decided to fund Zeke's bills up to \$800. That was the final enticement. So two abandoned dogs known as Matt and Randy moved to a palace in Westchester County and became the boyz, Zeke and Zander. See how happy they are! I know Annie and I cried real tears of joy.

This story typifies the love and energy of MSCR people. Bev D, Carol, Anne G, Annie and others made this happen. You can help. Sometimes we need a foster home for a week or two. Shelters are overfull now and many euthanize. If you could offer a corner of your home and heart, let us know. Sometimes we need help transporting a dog. Several members helped moving Mysty from Connecticut to Maine.

Couldn't you give a little?

Photo: Zack and Zander



ST. LOUIS JANUARY DINNER AUCTION

"\$2.00....\$4.00....\$4.50....\$7.00....." and the bidding continued at the annual awards banquet and auction sponsored by the Spirit of St. Louis Samoyed Club. Yard ornaments, movies, books and baskets filled with treasures like coffees and chocolates for the human palate and biscuits and bones for the canines were a few of the fabulous items up for auction. There seemed to be something for everyone. A few times during the evening, friendly bidding wars ensued. "Going once, going twice.....SOLD!" was all the lucky bidder wanted to hear.

Samoyed Rescue wants to thank all the bidders and buyers for making the auction such a success..... a \$698.25 success!! We sincerely appreciate everyone's generosity. We also want to acknowledge and thank those people who

donated and gathered items for sale, created the beautiful baskets, and did all the behind-the-scene setup. Without you and your love for this magnificent breed of dogs, this event would not have been such a success.

This is an event that everyone looks forward to. The Club furnishes the meat—brisket and pulled pork—and everyone else brings a side dish. Kelly Thuet's superb clam chowder is always on the menu; Donna Neimann's specialty is desserts—this year a "Red" cake, and Suzanne Devaney's vegetarian lasagna was mouth-watering.

Dogs in attendance were Samoyeds Gunny (Rosalie Kuelker) and Snowy (Sarah Dashner and Steve Miller), and guest dog, Sassy, an Airedale, who came with the owners of Airedale Antics where the Club has its meetings.

Affiliates Websites

Samoyed Club of Central Arizona

www.geocities.com/azsammyrescue

Samoyed Rescue of Southern California

www.socalsamoyedrescue.org

San Francisco Samoyed Rescue

www.sfsr.org

St. Louis Samoyed Rescue

www.stlsamrescue.org

Tarheel Samoyed Rescue

hjortac@aol.com

Wonderland Samoyed Safe Haven

Jackie Parchman www.wssh.org

NEW OBEDIENCE TROPHY AT 2009 SPECIALTY FOR ILP DOGS

Jackie Parchman, St. Louis Samoyed Rescue

A new trophy has been approved for the 2009 SCA National Specialty which will be held in Indianapolis next October. It will be awarded to the highest-scoring Samoyed with an ILP (Indefinite Listing Privilege) in the regular obedience classes. This year St. Louis Samoyed Rescue will be sponsoring the trophy.

If you have a Samoyed who was a rescue, adopted from a shelter, or for any other reason, does not have AKC registration papers, you can apply for and more than likely receive an ILP. This means you can show your dog in any of the AKC performance events including obedience, agility, rally obedience, herding, tracking, earthdog, hunt tests, and several more and earn those titles. Just not conformation.

This requires an AKC application for an ILP, and a small fee. If you are interested, go to

www.AmericanKennelClub.org, click on registrations and browse down a page or so. You will find instructions for applying for an ILP.

You may be asking yourself, "Why bother?" I'm sure you enjoy doing things with your Sammy—and just as important, your Sammy enjoys doing things with you! You will have fun—guaranteed! You will make new friends. If you haven't attended one of these events as a spectator, try to go to one and you will see how much both dogs and people find pleasure in doing these things together.

Now that we have this trophy, we're hoping that we will have many contenders at the Specialty competing to win it!

Updates from Wonderland Samoyed Safe Haven

Sarah Lichtenfelt



For the first time every I allowed an adoption of more than one dog (they didn't come in together) and there were Three of them. I couldn't have made a better decision here is what mom had to say... Hi Sarah Thank you so very much for taking the time to meet with us! It was a delight meeting with you and we are very grateful for the great care you gave to our crew before we found them, and for everything you do for Samoyed rescue.

Well, I know that when we went up there we originally planned to take away Gracie and Bodie, and I know it must have been a shock to you when we actually ended up with not only Gracie and Bodie, but Dodger as well! It was a shock for us too! But it just seems like the right thing to do. We do not regret it. Everyone is doing great! Our girl is growing up, she is getting bigger every day and her hair is getting longer and longer. She is already slightly taller than Dodger now. They are inseparable, she doesn't give him a moment of peace. Sometimes Dodger comes to me so he can get a rest! They are all sleeping well in the bedroom at night now.

We had a nice breakthrough with Dodger and Fredericka the "Fraidy" cat on Wednesday night. I brought her into the bedroom with me and held her and cuddled her while I sat in bed. Dodger got up and got way too curious but Fred and I told him to leave her alone and after a little while he did! He lay down on the bed and faced away from us and left her alone for at least 15 minutes! It was great! We still have a lot of work to do yet, but it is a small indication of progress. Bodey and Gracey are great with the cats and have always been that way.

Walks at night are interesting sometimes. This week every night we have seen deer crossing the driveway, last night it was a Doe, followed by a buck then a faun. Boy were the dogs excited! Sheriff Bodey jumped two feet in the air! Sheriff Bodey is the lawmaker/ protector around here, he keeps the order and checks things out. No frog dare show his face in our yard!



Remembering By Candlelight

So many Samoyeds have touched our lives and have left a lasting impression on us and we all remember each and every one in our own way. Even with their passing we all celebrate their years with us and the memories they have given us.

For these reasons National Samoyed Rescue (U.S.) wishes to remind you all of a very special event. The National Samoyed Rescue board and all our affiliated rescues (listed below) invite you to join us in a celebration and tribute to "the furkidz" who have passed but remain an integral part of our memories. This will be an ongoing celebration on each Equinox and Solstice (<http://www.athropolis.com/sunrise/def-sol2.htm>) following the tradition established by the Siberian Husky Candle Celebration (<http://www.sibernet.org/memorial/candle.html>). We extend our appreciation to the Siberian community for sharing this beautiful tradition and inviting us to share it with them.

On each Solstice and Equinox at 8pm "your time," we ask that you face north, where our chosen breed was originally bred to live, and light a candle for each Samoyed you wish to remember. After lighting your candle, spend some time in fond memory of the babes who are waiting for you at the northern end of the Rainbow Bridge and relish in the joy they have given you. It is our goal to have a continual unbroken trail of candle lightings around the globe for twenty-four hours.

If you wish to register your intent to participate and the Samoyed(s), with a brief bio, you wish to remember please fill our a registration form at (<http://www.samoyedrescue.org/memorial/Memorial.html>) or go to (<http://www.sibernet.org/memorial/candle.html>) There will be a public list of dogs and your tributes maintained for others to view. At this point, the Sibernet Community has graciously agreed to administer our ceremony in conjunction with their own. Future plans may include a frapper type map indicating the location of each subscriber and a "live chat" my some day be available for those who wish to share their sorrow and their joy with others on this night.

We all hope you will participate and share all the special Sammies in your life and, please, pass the word along to anyone else or lists you are on who you feel may be interested.

The Celebrations will be on:
Equinox (Spring/Autumn*) March 20
Solstice (Summer/Winter*) June 21
Equinox (Autumn/Spring*) September 22
Solstice (Winter/Summer*) December 21

*Indicates the Equinox or Solstice for northern hemisphere/southern hemisphere.

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Visit <http://www.sca2009nats.com> for details

NSR AFFILIATES YEAREND REPORT FOR 2008 *(compiled 12/25/08)*

Groups reporting: 13

Samoyeds carried over from 2007: Male—17 Female—14 Total—31

Samoyeds entering rescue in 2008: Male—86 Female—63 Total—149

Samoyeds adopted in 2008: Total—131

Samoyeds passed away or euthanized in 2008: Total—11

Samoyed returned to rescue: 6

Samoyeds lost in 2008: Total—0

Samoyeds transferred to another rescue in 2008: Total—1

Total financial expenses for care of Samoyeds in rescue in 2008: \$51,168.21

Average expenses per Samoyed to “rehabilitate” for adoption in 2008: \$343.41

We are very proud and very happy to have two northern breed rescues belonging to our rescue community—**NorSled and Harnessed to Hope Northern Breed Rescue**. They are out there helping all northern breeds to the best of their ability. NorSled, for example, located in California has helped over 260 dogs find a new beginning in 2008. This is a great tribute to their commitment not only to Samoyeds but to our breeds “cousins” of the north.

National Samoyed Rescue Trust Income Statement Period Ending December 31, 2008

Revenue	
Donation	\$1,460.00
Prints, Pins	667.00
Auction, Rescue Booth	2,760.45
Interest	33.41
Total Revenue	\$4,920.86
Expenses	
Insurance Subsidies	\$3,468.00
Insurance	875.00
Grants	700.00
SCA Booth	175.00
Cost of prints	373.33
Cost of pins	570.00
Cost of banner, cash register, tubs	314.06
Internet, website expenses	395.25
Printing (Newsletter)	248.77
Postage	144.06
Administrative costs (bank fees, voice mail)	105.07
Pay Pal fee	8.67
Total Expenses	\$7,377.21

Excess of (Expenses) over Revenues \$(2,456.35)
 Net Assets Beginning of Period \$16,232.25
Net Assets December 31, 2008 \$13,775.90

NSR AFFILIATES YEAR-END REPORT FOR 2007 *(compiled 12/25/08)*

Groups Reporting: 10

Samoyeds carried over from 2006: 18

Samoyeds entering rescue in 2007: Males—89
 Females—74 Total—163

Samoyed adopted in 2007: Total—131

Samoyeds passed away or euthanized in 2007:
 Total—4

Samoyeds returned to Rescue for whatever
 reason: Total—14

Samoyeds lost in 2007: Total—1

Samoyeds transferred to another Rescue in
 2007: Total—10

Total financial expenses for care of Samoyeds
 in Rescue in 2007: \$47,289.04

Average expenses per Samoyed to
 “rehabilitate” for adoption in 2007: \$290.12

More Updates from Wonderland *Samoyed* Safe Haven

Sarah Lichtenfelt



Jasper went to live with his mom Juli-Anne in Park City, UT. She flew here to meet him then rented a car and the two of them drove home together. He came into rescue in May of '06 and was adopted out in Dec of '06'. While he was here he was very loved and enjoyed but we knew he needed a family that would spend lots of extra time and energy with him and we certainly found that for him. We get frequent updates from Juli-Anne about their adventures however when we got the latest update it was just to cool not to share. Jasper and his mom do all kinds of cool stuff but the latest is called paddle boarding. I don't know about a lot of your dogs but it isn't likely that my dogs would be still enough to enjoy something like this but Jasper is just happy to be along for the ride. Here is what Juli-Anne had to say. "I just got a board recently with some friends and Jasper keep swimming after me, so I finally invited him on, thinking he'd probably tip us and he wouldn't like it, but boy way I wrong. I can't get him to sit down on it, but he stands and hasn't tipped us once or even tried to jump off. He'll cruise around with me and wait until I pull him all the way on shore and he gracefully steps off like he's been doing this for years. He's really funny."



Want to highlight your rescue group? All you have to do is answer a few questions and send in a photo or two. Just email our editor at davidskidmore@prodigy.net for details.

Annie Reid Prints Benefit NSR

4th in series soon to be unveiled!!!

Annie has graciously donated her wonderful prints "The Cherished Samoyed", "The Affectionate Samoyed", and "The Complete Samoyed" to be sold with all the proceeds going to rescue. You not only get a wonderful print, but you will also help a Samoyed in need. Each print is \$65.

Congratulations to Annie! "The Complete Samoyed" won first prize at the Art Show at the Samoyed Club of America 2007 National Specialty!



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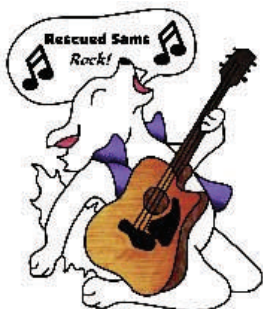
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2008 Rescue Pin

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HELP
SAMOYEDS
IN NEED:
“ONE SMILE AT A**



Mission Statement The mission of National Samoyed Rescue is to provide resources, support and guidance to assist rescuers, regional breed club, breeders and fanciers in order to promote the humane and effective rescue of Samoyeds in need.

Come see what National Samoyed Rescue is really all about. Visit us through our website at: <http://www.samoyedrescue.org>. You are invited to chat with us on our Forums (open to the entire Samoyed Community), and get to know your regional NSR Affiliated Rescues:

Central Florida Samoyed Rescue, Inc.
Delaware Valley Samoyed Rescue
Harnesses to Hope Northern Breed Rescue
Michigan Samoyed Rescue
Minuteman Samoyed Club Rescue
New Mexico Samoyed Rescue
Northern California Sled Dog Rescue

If for any reason you want to contact the National Samoyed Rescue Board you may do so by email to: nsrboard@samoyedrescue.org.

If you know of a Samoyed in need contact info@samoyedrescue.org. A staff of corresponding secretaries working on a two month rotation will transfer your concerns to the closest affiliated Rescue.

Remember that each and everyone of us are volunteering our “free” time to help the Samoyeds so please bear with us. We will get back to you as soon as we are able.

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