

# New Jersey Schnauzer Rescue Network, Inc.

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## Dear Friend of NJSRN,

Welcome to the inaugural edition of our electronic newsletter. We hope that you enjoy it as much as we've enjoyed putting it together for you. Please send us your comments, ideas for future articles, and of course - updates on your adopted Schnauzers! Please drop us a line at [info@njsrn.org](mailto:info@njsrn.org) - we would love to hear from you!

Nadine Tare  
President

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## NJSRN Celebrates Ten Years!

### Nearly 1,600 Schnauzers, and NJSRN is Still Going Strong!

For more than ten years, NJSRN and its members have been committed to finding permanent, loving homes for rescued Miniature Schnauzers and Schnauzer mixes throughout the northeastern United States. NJSRN currently serves Connecticut, Delaware, Maryland, New Jersey, New York, and Pennsylvania.

NJSRN is not a shelter. Our dogs are cared for in private foster homes until they are adopted. Since 1997, NJSRN has rescued and re-homed nearly 1,600 Schnauzers!

## [Click Here to Donate Now!](#)

NJSRN is an all-volunteer organization. We have no shelter, no employees, and no overhead expenses. All donations go toward the care and re-homing of Schnauzers in need. Your donations cover the costs of spay/neuter surgeries; vaccinations; testing and treatment for heartworm and other internal parasites; dental cleanings and extractions, if necessary; and urinalysis to check for infections or stones.

NJSRN has received tax-exempt status under Internal Revenue Code section 501(c)(3), which means that contributions made to NJSRN may

## Featured Dog of the Month



### Packed and Ready to Go!!

Shaggy is a 4-year-old female Miniature Schnauzer who is ready to begin her new life. To learn more about Shaggy, [click here](#).

## Quick Links

**[More On Us](#)**

**[To Adopt a Dog](#)**

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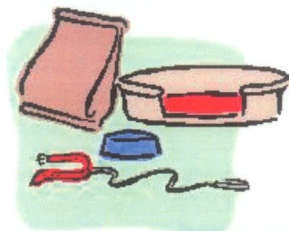
## Shop Online and Benefit NJSRN

If you shop on-line, you can help NJSRN! We are registered with both [igive](#) and [helpingudders](#). Giving is simple. Just use either service when you shop on-line, and designate NJSRN as your charity of choice - what could be easier?

be claimed as charitable deductions on your federal income taxes. (Please check with your tax advisor.)

Financial donations of any amount are always appreciated. If you would like to help, but can't send a financial donation right now, there are other ways you can help - see below.

## Ways You Can Help!



If you believe in our mission to rescue and re-home Miniature Schnauzers and Schnauzer mixes, NJSRN needs your help. Financial donations are always appreciated, but there are also other ways that you can help.

1. **Volunteer to be a foster home.** Foster homes are the life-blood of our organization, and NJSRN can use both short- and long-term foster homes. For dogs in shelters, a short-term foster literally can be the difference between life and death. If you can foster a dog until its permanent home is found, we need you! If you can open your home for a few days, or even just overnight, we need you, too!

2. **Volunteer to be a Schnauzer Chauffeur!** NJSRN needs people willing to drive Schnauzers from shelters to their foster homes, to and from veterinary and grooming appointments, and to help us move dogs to their permanent homes.

3. **Donate gift certificates for pet supplies.**

4. **Donate pet supplies,** such as crates, dog shampoo, brushes, combs, dog toys, and dog beds.



## It All Started With One

### Fred the Schnauzer

Fred's rescue is the story of one dog's gentle soul, one family's healing love, and the rescue that started NJSRN.

After reading about the horrible abuse and neglect that Fred had faced, Sherri and John Ruschmeyer quickly decided that they wanted to give this dog a second chance. At the time, Fred was living in a foster home near Austin, Texas. But his story began sometime before that date in August 1997. It began when someone noticed Fred, all alone, chained to a fence in the hot Texas sun.



Fred didn't know it, but his luck was about to change. The person who saw him posted a message to an Internet group known as the "Hoflin Schnauzer List" (now the International Miniature Schnauzer List on YahooGroups). Nadine Tare and Lisa Winters read about him, and soon people from Texas to New Jersey were working together with one goal in mind - saving Fred. That's how he ended up in a foster home near Austin, and how Sherri and John came to find him.

## Events

**Responsible  
Pet Ownership Day**  
Best Friends Pet Care  
1150 Easton Road  
Willow Grove, PA 19090  
September 21, 2008  
11 a.m. - 3 p.m.

**WoofStock**  
Riverfront Park  
Harrisburg, PA  
September 28, 2008  
11 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Kids had used Fred as a target for shooting their BB guns. Occasionally someone would give him food and water, but he rarely had human (or humane) contact. "I never wanted another dog to have to go through what Fred did," said Sherri. "Fred started Nadine Tare's and my passion for rescue." "In spite of everything," - the inhumane treatment, starvation, and exposure to the elements - "Fred was a gentle, forgiving dog. Because of his early experiences, he could have become aggressive, but he didn't." He eventually lost his leg from a melanoma in his paw, but he never lost his zest for life. During his time with the Ruschmeyers, he was a loving family member and constant companion. When Sherri and John adopted their daughter, Faith, Fred would sit beside her crib, making sure she was OK, and alerting Sherri and John if she started to cry.

Some choose to turn away when they see the sadness or neglect and to pretend they don't exist. For NJSRN and its members, that isn't possible. We see sadness in the dogs who lose their loving homes. We see neglected dogs, scared stays, and the victims of irresponsible breeding, pet stores, and puppy mills. We remember Fred's gentle soul and how one family's love healed him, and we know that we can help give a needy Schnauzer another chance at a good life in a permanent, loving home. For Fred and the nearly 1,600 Schnauzers that have come after him, we've chosen to focus on the good things that come from rescuing Schnauzers in need, and in finding them forever homes. This keeps Fred's spirit alive. This is Fred's legacy. We think he would approve.

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