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PILOTS TO THE RESCUE NEWS

August is National Dog Month, and [PTTR](#) celebrated this holiday by rescuing more than 70 homeless dogs and cats from multiple U.S. states including North Carolina, Georgia, and Kentucky. A few of these missions were critical because they involved several litters of newborn puppies. Thanks to our incredible volunteers and loyal partners, these pups won't have to spend the first years of their lives in overcrowded shelters with poor conditions.

In this month's newsletter, you can meet some of the dogs we rescued in August and get to know one of our newest volunteers on a deeper level. You can also learn a helpful new tip for teaching your adopted dog how to be less aggressive during playtime!

Thank you for your support in making these missions possible!

One Lucky Kentucky Dog Finds a New Home in NJ!

Pictured here is Tank Man, one of the 11 dogs [PTTR Pilot in Command Jason Oliver](#) rescued from an overcrowded shelter in Kentucky on August 1st. The dogs were supplied



by the [Knox-Whitley Humane Association](#) and received by our longtime partners at [Mt. Pleasant Animal Shelter](#) in East Hanover, New Jersey.

Accompanying Jason in the cockpit for this mission was proud rescue dog mom [Nikki Marie](#), who is also known by her 6,800+ social media followers as the "Cuban Carrie Bradshaw."

We are delighted to report that just a few weeks after this mission, Tank Man was adopted by his new family! This mission was a top priority because it prevented six newborn puppies from developing emotional or behavioral issues in overcrowded shelters with little space. Below, you can see a collage of some of these adorable pups, all of whom will now get the resources they need to grow up in healthier environments.



PTTR Rescues 3 Litters of Puppies and Their Moms



With the help of co-pawlet [Daniel Baumei](#), PTTR Top Dog [Michael Schneider](#) rescued 6 adult dogs and a whopping 17 puppies from multiple overcrowded shelters in Western Georgia on August 18th. Making this mission possible was the collaborative efforts of [Saving Georgia Dogs Rescue](#), the [Haralson County Animal Shelter](#) and the [Polk County GA Animal Adoption and Recovery Shelter](#).

Once Michael and Daniel touched down back in Essex County, New Jersey, the dogs were received by [The Second Hand Dog Rescue, Inc.](#) in Rochester, New York. Below, you can meet two more paw-ssengers from this massive mission: Chance, on the left, and Daria, the proud and protective mother of 9

new puppies!



Volunteer Spotlight: Nikki Marie



This month, we're spotlighting Nikki Marie, who participated in her first PTTR mission earlier this month. For more than 10 years, Nikki has been advocating for the safety of rescue animals through numerous NYC-based organizations. During the COVID-19 pandemic, she finally decided to foster a rescue pup to see if she was ready to become a pet parent. Like many volunteers, Nikki couldn't help but fall in love with her new furry friend, who she named [Marty McFly](#). As you can see below, Nikki and Marty have been inseparable ever since!



When she isn't spreading awareness about the importance of rescuing, Nikki works as a travel guide and regularly shares her passion for exploration with her massive online following. In the coming years, she aims to participate in more PTTR missions while using her platform to encourage more people to adopt and not shop!

Adoption Tip of the Month



Does your dog tend to get a little too aggressive during playtime? It's common for dogs to start growling, barking, or even biting out of pure excitement. After all, dogs often nip at each other when they're playing.

But this isn't fun for you, and as a pet parent, you must visibly make this clear to

your dog. So, when your dog becomes aggressive, show that you are unhappy by saying "NO!" In a firm voice before walking away and ignoring your pet until they calm down.

Eventually, your dog will learn that you will not engage them when they behave too aggressively. When your dog behaves well during playtime, be sure to reward them with a treat and plenty of physical and verbal praise. This will teach your pet to associate gentle play with rewards.

YOUR GIFT MAKES THESE MISSIONS POSSIBLE

Happy Birthday to PTTR Top Dog Michael Schneider!

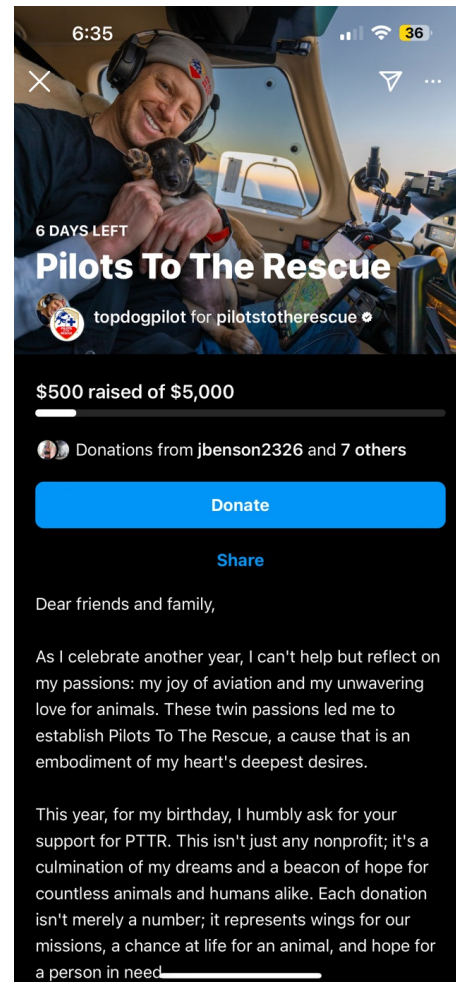
August is a very special time for PTTR: Not only is it National Dog Month, but it's also the birthday month of our Top Dog and founder Michael Schneider!

A leading figure in the global fight against animal cruelty, Michael's passion for aviation and his genuine love for dogs and cats is the heart of PTTR. In honor of his big day, Michael is hosting a birthday fundraiser to garner support for our upcoming missions.

To donate to Michael's fundraiser, click [here](#).

Nonprofit fundraisers are also a great way to support PTTR if you're unable to make a donation. For more information on how to set up a PTTR fundraiser for your birthday on Facebook, click [here](#).

Remember, even the smallest donation will help us continue relieving overcrowded shelters and sparing perfectly healthy pets from euthanasia.



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Dear friends and family,

As I celebrate another year, I can't help but reflect on my passions: my joy of aviation and my unwavering love for animals. These twin passions led me to establish Pilots To The Rescue, a cause that is an embodiment of my heart's deepest desires.

This year, for my birthday, I humbly ask for your support for PTTR. This isn't just any nonprofit; it's a culmination of my dreams and a beacon of hope for countless animals and humans alike. Each donation isn't merely a number; it represents wings for our missions, a chance at life for an animal, and hope for a person in need.

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2023 Mission Stats



61
Missions



73,772
Miles



800
Souls



513
Dogs



286
Cats



1
Wolf

2023 Goal: **1000 Souls!**



Pilots To The Rescue (PTTR) is a non-profit, volunteer-driven, 501c3 public benefit aviation organization. PTTR's mission is to transport domestic and endangered animals as well as people at risk. PTTR supports its network of trained volunteer pilots so they can focus on their missions and do the greater good.

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I would love to hear from you!

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