Reporting Lost or Found Dogs in Delaware County

LOST DOG

REWARD!!

Scruffy is a small black and white Schnauzer/Terrier mix.

His family is very worried. They miss and love him very much.

As of Jan. 1, 2012, the following information will help reunite a lost or found dog with its owner.

1. Having a current dog license is the best way to ensure a dog is returned to its owner. For details visit **www.co.delaware.pa.us**.

2. Anyone who finds a lost dog with a license can locate the owner by visiting the County website at **www.co.delaware.pa.us** and click on **Return a Lost Dog**, enter the license type and number, and they will get the owner's phone number. Or call the **Delaware County Treasurer's Office at 610-891-4276** during regular business hours to get the owner's information.

3. If you find a lost dog and cannot locate the owner, contact the animal control officer in your municipality or call 911. Delaware County's Emergency Services dispatchers will keep a log of recently reported found and lost dogs.

4. To report or reclaim a lost dog, call the **Chester County SPCA at 610-692-6113**, ext. 12, and provide detailed information. As of Jan. 1, 2012, all stray animals that cannot be returned to their owner will be transported to the Chester County SPCA by the local animal control officer in participating municipalities. Citizen drop-off of stray animals will not be accepted..

5. There are some Internet sites where people can post photos and information on lost dogs. Visit **www.PALostDogs.com**. Another resource is **www.PetFinder.com.**

New Animal Control policy in Delaware County

• As of Jan. 1, 2012, the Delaware County SPCA will no longer handle stray dogs or cats in Delaware County.

• It is anticipated that a new Municipal Animal Shelter will be open for operation in July, 2012, in Darby Township.

• Until the new shelter is open, strays from participating municipalities will be taken to Chester County SPCA, an award-winning shelter for homeless animals at 1212 Phoenixville Pike, West Chester. **Visit www.ccspca.org.**

Delco Return a Lost Dog

• **A current license will automatically list a dog in Delaware County's Return a Lost Dog database, available on the website.**

• **People who find a dog can visit www.co.delaware.pa.us, click on the Return a Lost Dog icon, enter the dog's license type and number, and they will be provided with the owner's phone number.**