

Humane Society of Port Jervis / Deerpark

Holiday Edition 2007

Thank You For A Great Year

The past year has been a busy one for our Humane Society. We have reunited countless lost pets with their families, accepted many pets whose owners were no longer able to care for them and were gratified to place hundreds of pets into new homes where they would be loved and treasured for the rest of their lives.

We were involved in animal interventions, removing abused or neglected animals from poor conditions, seeing to their medical and psychological needs. Many of those animals now have a bright future because we stepped up to help them without hesitation.

Our efforts to provide superior care for the animals in our shelter comes with a hefty price tag and no matter how tightly we pull our belts, we always need to raise funds for the operational budget. Every year, prices go up for the mere basics of heat, light and pet food leaving us to find new and creative ways to raise the money we need.

Our Dinner & Variety Show was outstanding and we'll do it again on June 14, 2008. The annual Dog Walk was a resounding success and we look forward to the next one. Our Stuffed Animal Pet Show and Photos With Santa are always great fun and we had new events in '07- the Lasagna Dinner and a bus trip to the Bronx Zoo. We hope to do similar things next year.

We also ran two rabies clinics and a microchip clinic which were very well attended.

Our spay/neuter facility was also as busy as can be since every pet is altered before they go to their new home. There are too few homes for the pets that need to be placed and we are doing our part to make sure that our shelter's pets don't contribute to the pet overpopulation problem that plagues our nation.

This also has been the year that we have seen a strong gain in our internet presence. We have had more visitors to our website and our Petfinder site than ever before. Prospective pet

parents can look at photos of our adoptable animals, see a short biography about the pet, find shelter information and event listings all from the comfort of their computer chair.

We hope to continue our good work for many years to come. Donations keep our doors open and our shelter running. No matter the size of the donation, every dollar helps the animals in our care 365 days every year.

We thank you for your support and wish you the happiest holiday season!

Please Help Decorate Our Tree

Please help us decorate our Holiday Tree, making wishes come true for pets throughout the year. All they want is a forever home and you can help them by donating an ornament for the tree which stands in our front window.

Enclosed you'll find a sheet of ornaments ready to inscribe with your pet's name, the name of a loved one, a family member or a friend.

What a great gift to give a person on your list - a donation made in their name is truly a gift that brings life and hope to a dog, cat or other species who is in our care.

Your \$5 donation per ornament will help us give aid and comfort to the animals in need of assistance throughout the year.

If you would like more ornaments, please call us at 845-856-3677 or visit our website www.pjhumane.org to print a sheet at home.

Clothing Bin At Shelter

We now have a clothing drop-off bin in our parking lot, to the right of the building.

All used clothing and shoes, gently used or "have seen better days" condition can be placed in that bin. This will be an ongoing project so you can drop off items throughout the year.

We are paid by the pound for these donated goods and hope to generate a bit more revenue for the care of our animals.

~ Passings ~

The following people have recently passed from our lives. Their friends and families have donated to the care of our animals in their honor.

In memory of **Raymond Maier**

In memory of **Cora Aber**

In memory of **Betty Dreyer**

In memory of **Jerry Walters**

In memory of **John Krupnich**

In memory of **Ralph Johnson**

In memory of **Louise Manocchio**

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**An Athletic Donation**

Ellen Knapp, Kara Huntoon and Kristin Banse of Port Jervis Physical Therapy & Wellness undertook a daunting task; they recently competed in a triathlon in Gilford, NH and completed the event in under two hours!

Part of their support system was their co-workers who donated \$5 for each guess as to the time each woman would complete the triathlon.

All the money raised was donated to three charities and our Humane Society was honored with one of the donations.

Alice Scudder predicted that Kristin Banse would finish in 1 hour, 50 minutes. Kristen crossed the finish line in 1 hour, 50 minutes and 20 seconds. Wow!

Alice had chosen our shelter as the charity that would receive the share of the donations.

Port Jervis Physical Therapy & Wellness rounded out the money so that each charity

would receive \$500 each. When Alice presented us with the check, she was glowing with happiness that her participation would enable our shelter to provide care for so many animals.

Our thanks go to Alice, Port Jervis Physical Therapy & Wellness, all those who donated for this great cause and of course, to the triathletes who trained so hard for this herculean event.

**Calender of Events 2007 - 2008**

**Saturday December 1, 2007**

**Pet Photos With Santa**

at our shelter

Noon to 2 PM

\$5 donation per photo in a nice card frame

All dogs must be leashed, others in appropriate carriers.

Bring you pet's holiday outfits if you want!

**Sunday January 20, 2008**

**Lasagna Dinner**

at the Drew Methodist Church,  
Port Jervis

Take out served 2 to 3 PM

Seated dining from 3 to 5 PM

Tickets are \$8.00 each

Call Jill at 845-856-0977

or Nancy at 845-856-6061

**Saturday June 14, 2008**

**Dinner & Variety Show**

at the Erie Trackside Manor,  
Port Jervis

Call CB at 845-856-8458

to reserve your ticket

Your tax deductible gift helps us to give aid and comfort to animals in need. Thank you for your support.

I wish to give a donation of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ for \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

We accept Master Card or Visa:

Name on card: \_\_\_\_\_ Card Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Expiration Date: \_\_\_\_\_

If you would like an inscribed small brass plate on our Memorial Plaque to honor a beloved pet, please enclose a (minimum \$25) donation and your (maximum) 3 line tribute.