



*A Friend of the Friendless—  
A Voice of the Voiceless.*

**Humane Society of Port Jervis/Deerpark, Inc.**

# The Tailwagger's Gazette

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## Happy Holidays To All

The holidays are fast approaching and we are putting up our tree just waiting for all the wonderful decorations to come in the mail.

This is one of the happiest times at our shelter because every ornament that adorns our tree gives new hope to the animals who come through our doors every day of the year. Each paper bone or yarn ball means that someone gave of their heart to honor their own pet, friend or loved one while giving a donation to help other pets that are in need. Each ornament represents the chance for an animal to be placed in a good, loving, forever home.

Your donations help cats like Momma who are surrendered to us with all their kittens. They will have a safe place to wean their young and in time they will all be spayed or neutered before going to a new home.

The money you give will help dogs like Grover. Found wandering on the street weary, hungry and confused, he and dogs just like him will be given a safe haven. They will be fed, kept warm and dry, their medical needs attended to and for the first time in a long time, they will know the love of a human being.

Our shelter staff cares deeply for every animal that comes to us. They see to the daily care of all the animals and give as much time to them as the hours permit often walking a dog on their break and always talking to each one in turn. The animals respond to their kind voices and perhaps the dogs, cats, Guinea pigs and rabbits don't feel so all alone in the world anymore.

It is the staff who opens up your envelope and cuts out the paper ornament. It is they who string brightly colored yarn through each one and hangs it on the tree. They know that each ornament means the promise of a future for the animals they take care of and they smile.

Perhaps your donation will enable us to buy a few more cans of cat food or an extra bag of litter. It might help buy a larger bag of dog food on the next trip to purchase supplies. Your donation might be pooled with the others to pay the heating bill next month or maybe it will help us pay for the material we need for another spay or neuter surgery.

Wherever your donation is needed, it will be put to good use.

So we thank you in advance for helping us decorate our tree this year. Your gift to us means more than you could ever know.



*Our Holiday Tree*



*Grover*



*Momma*

## *In Memory*

In Loving Memory  
**Molly**  
Reed Family

In memory of  
**Honey Drescher**  
Mommy's Baby \*  
Daddy's Good Girl

In loving memory of  
our best friend  
**Buddy**  
Walter & Charlotte Cichy



## *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 **Jim Luckey**  
In memory of **Milton Leidy**  
In memory of **Jill Vansickle**  
In memory of **Frank Reome**  
In memory of **Gloria Taylor**  
In memory of **Joe Lombardo**  
In memory of **June Millspaugh**  
In memory of **William Livingston**  
In memory of **Richard Tarbell**  
In memory of **Marco Sarachiotto**  
In memory of **Lucy Wyant**  
In memory of **Michael Terwilliger**  
In memory of **Dick Wooster**  
In memory of **Lillian Bauer**  
In memory of **Susan Thompson**

If you would like to have an inscribed plate on our Memorial Plaque to honor a beloved pet, please fill out this coupon and return it with your (minimum \$25.) donation. Not only will you have a lasting tribute, but you'll be helping other pets find a loving home. **We suggest a three line maximum for the nicest appearance on the small brass plate.**

Your name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

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

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Your Memorial Message:

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\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

## **Pet Photos With Santa**

We are delighted that Santa will be visiting our shelter once again to have pets of all kinds sit on his lap and whisper their gift lists into his ear.

Last year we had the largest turnout ever, serving over 40 families. Each family sees Santa in a private room where it is quiet with few distractions. The waiting line is long but worth it when you see your photo. You can have a photo with the entire family or just your pet with Santa.

The hours are Noon to 2PM at our shelter on Sunday December 7. All dogs must be leashed and other pets must be in appropriate carriers.

Each photo is \$5 and comes in a nice card frame. You can get more than one photo if you'd like. We also take extra photos at no charge which you can see on our website, [www.pjhumane.org](http://www.pjhumane.org) All profits from this event goes to help the animals in our care so when you get a photo gift for yourself, you give the gift of life for another animal.



*We love Santa!*

## **Lasagna Dinner**

What could be nicer than a delicious dinner in the middle of a Winter month?

Our Lasagna Dinner, hosted at the Drew Methodist Church in Port Jervis, is just the thing to brighten up those post-holiday shut-in blues!

On Sunday January 18, the scent of delicious lasagna will be wafting through the cheerfully set dining room just waiting for your arrival.

You can bring your own containers from 2PM to 3PM and get your dinner to take home or you can enjoy seated dining from 3PM to 5PM and enjoy the music and the company around you.

Lasagna is served with a salad, beverage and a marvelous dessert. You will go home with your tummy full and your heart happy knowing that you helped a homeless animal with your ticket

purchase. Tickets are \$8.50 each and are available right now so please don't hesitate to call Jill at 856-0977 or Nancy at 856-6061 for yours!



*Your table is ready!*

## From Molly... *With Love*

My name was Molly and I was adopted years ago from the Port Jervis Humane Society by Joseph and Doris Lewis. I had a wonderful life; I was taken on long walks and on vacations with them every year and they taught me many tricks. Every Christmas I was taken to the local Senior Citizens Homes to perform what I had learned and back to the Humane Society to have my picture taken with Santa.

In my owners' lifetime, they had adopted a total of four dogs and one cat from the Port Jervis Humane Society and they received a lot of love from my brothers and sisters before me. We are all together in Heaven but before my owners left this world they made arrangements to donate \$10,000 in my name to help some friends of mine that I have never met and also to have my picture hung for a while in my first home at the Humane Society. I would like to thank the Humane Society for finding me such a great home with wonderful people who loved me.

- Molly



Our Humane Society was very grateful to receive the legacy from Joseph and Doris Lewis in Molly's name. Legacies and bequests help our shelter in ways that can only be imagined.

If you would like to leave a donation for our shelter after you have passed from this life, please speak to your attorney to make the arrangements. You can provide for our animals as part of your estate, as a beneficiary on your life insurance or by other means.

We are also humbled by requests for donations in the Obituary listings in the newspaper. What a wonderful way to honor a person's life and give an animal a second chance at a good life with people who will love them all their days.

## Thank You One And All

Thank you to everyone who participated in any way in all of our fund-raisers this year.

From the sponsors to the volunteers, the donors to the attendees, you all made our events a great success.

Our Dinner And Variety Show was such a fantastic success that we are already in the planning stages for 2009.

When we dedicated Sid's Barns for the larger animals that we will be taking care of, we had many friends come for the ceremony. It was a touching honor for the late Dr. Sid Rose.

Our Flea Market was larger than ever with so many donations that it took two days to put them all out in our front yard for the shoppers. And shop they did! We dare say that the crowds were the largest we have ever seen and everybody went away with armloads of goodies.



*Penny Ward wearing her Dog Walk raffle prize sweater.*

Our annual Dog Walk was perfect in every way with old friends and a few new ones coming out to support our shelter's animals with their presence and their pledges.

Great fun was had at the Stuffed Animal Pet Show with beautiful weather and fun all day.

Thank you to all for coming, for supporting us in every way possible - you are our best friends!



## Two Paws Up!

A big thank you goes to the Cuddebackville Fire Department who not only set up an information table for our Humane Society but also ran a 50/50 to benefit our shelter. Two Paws Up for such a great group of folks who not only protect us all from harm and help us when we need them in an emergency but who also have kind and generous hearts when it comes to helping animals!



Many doggy kisses and kitty purrs go to the students at the Hamilton Bicentennial Elementary School for hosting a penny drive to help all the animals at our shelter.

The students diligently collected as many pennies as they could from classmates, parents and teachers.

Thanks to everyone who donated their pennies from all the animals at our Humane Society!

**Humane Society Office:**

**845-856-3677**

*(please use this number for emergencies, adoptions, business or cruelty complaints - do not use e-mail)*

**Humane Society Website:**

**www.pjhumane.org**

**Animals Up For Adoption:**

**www.pjhs.petfinder.org**

**Clothing Bin At Shelter**

There is a large bin in our parking lot just waiting for your gently used clothing and shoes.

The donations are sorted and then shipped overseas to help the less fortunate who cannot afford new clothing of their own.

When you donate, you benefit our shelter as well as someone who is in need. What a great way to re-purpose your clothing and shoes!

*If you would like to drop off newspapers, please call us first. Sometimes we have no newspapers at all; other times our newspaper bin is overflowing and we have no place to store them. Please remove all glossy sections before you donate. Thank you!*

Our shelter would appreciate donations of: Small cat litter pans, non-clumping litter, terry/paper towels, bleach, stainless steel pet bowls, collars, leashes, office supplies, newspapers (no glossy sections please,) canned pet food, pouch food and pet treats.

We are currently seeking a small horse or stock trailer for our large animal transportation.

**\*\* Upcoming Events \*\***

**Pet Photos With Santa**

at our shelter

**Sunday December 7**

12 Noon until 2 PM

Donation is \$5 per photo in a nice card frame.

**Afternoon At The Arts**

**Sunday December 21**

*featuring excerpts from the Nutcracker*

*under the direction of Nina Fey*

at the Delaware Valley

High School Auditorium

Route 209, Matamoras, PA

Curtain goes up at 3 PM.

Our famous Dessert Table will be available!

General Admission

\$8.00

**Lasagna Dinner**

at Drew Methodist Church

Sunday January 18

If the weather is questionable for any of our events throughout the year, you can find out the status by either going to our website or by calling the shelter.

We record a message that you will get if you call the shelter during off-hours or on the weekend.



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: \_\_\_\_\_