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The Humane Society of Port Jervis/Deerpark

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Our Adoption Caravan Rolls On

In addition to all of the other things we do to promote our wonderful pets, this year saw the inception of what we've called our "Adoption Caravan."

Since its debut in the early Spring, a group of dedicated hard working volunteers have taken our adoptable pets on the road to various places in the Tri-State area to introduce them to prospective adopters.

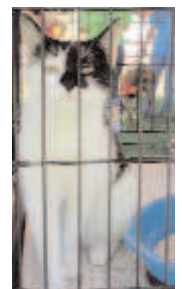
Headed by Angelo Cervone, an avid volunteer, Board Member and leader of this project, the Caravan has been to more than 16 different places in three states. Not only is it hard work but it has become an invaluable way to get our community to understand the need for good, loving, forever homes for these pets.



The day before any road trip, each pet is evaluated by the shelter staff to insure that they are ready for a day out. The pets are groomed and then collars, leashes, crates, water bowls, towels, water, treats and toys are made ready for the journey. Information about each pet goes into the shelter van the next morning with the

tents, chairs, tables, paperwork and yes, the pets and volunteers and off they go for a full day of activities. The host venues have been so generous with the accommodations and make our day as comfortable as possible. Each trip involves volunteers who work between 8 and 12 hours per trip with their only compensation being the satisfaction of knowing they did their best for these pets.

Since May 1, the Caravan has been to many places including the Port Jervis Arts Walk, Matamoras Dog Park fund-raiser, Sussex Tractor Supply Adoption Day, Pocono Lake Forest in Dingmans Ferry, All Occasion Fireworks in Milford, Deerpark Heritage Festival, Barryville Pumpkin Fest and many more. Some places have hosted us more than once and for days at a time.



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In Memory

Paws
4/27/11

In Memory of our **Max**
He was full of love, life & laugh

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.

Kyle Parrish

Ruth Calben

Barbara Wisneski

Bernice Gawenus

Ruth Miller

Patricia Lesner

Edna Galvin Ricciardi



It would help us immensely if you know the person who should receive acknowledgement of donations made in their Loved One's honor and include their name & address with your tribute. Thank you.

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:

Thank you to our business friends who let us place our donation canisters in their establishments:

Hess' Store, Reiss A&M Auto Sales,
Deerpark Cafe and Sweet D's



Adoption Caravan continued...



We don't have actual totals on how many pets have found great homes because of our travels but we do know that more pets have been introduced

to possible homes because of these interactions.

All persons who want to adopt a pet must go through the same process as if they walked into the shelter. They have to wait 24 hours to be approved and their new pet must be spayed or neutered before going to their new home.

We do know that our volunteers are very special people. They spend many hours with us taking care of the pets. They socialize the pets, walk them, groom them and most of all - love them. Our volunteers are a dedicated group of people that give of their very souls. Our shelter pets are so happy to have human contact, a bit of fresh air and lots of love from the volunteers.

There is always room for more volunteers and we welcome you to find out more about the important work that you can help us do. Simply e-mail Stephanie at jerica@optonline.net or call the shelter and leave your name & number.

Come help our pets find good, loving homes. Our volunteers will be happy to share their joy with you.



Holiday Pet Tip

The holidays are supposed to be a happy time but your pet may not think so. Routines are turned upside down, people they haven't seen in a year come in, things are loud and chaotic. The food and decorations are tempting too.

Give your pet a place to call his own where he can have privacy and a bit of quiet. Don't let children burden your pet with expectations of rough play and remind visitors that your pet has his own diet with no table food allowed.

Make the effort to spend quality time with just the two of you and the holidays will be fun for all.

Two Events - Same Day - December 4

Pet Photos With Santa This year we're moving to larger quarters! The Huguenot Firehouse at 431 Route 209 has invited Santa to spend the day at their social hall. As always, numbers will be issued as you arrive but the last number will be given out at 2 PM. Photos begin at 10 AM and you'll be able to wait inside if it's too cold to walk around in the parking lot. All dogs must be leashed and other pets in appropriate carriers.

There is a \$5 donation per photo in a nice card frame. This year we'd like to request either the monetary donation or \$5 worth of pet food for each photo. Either way, our pets will benefit!

We'll also have a bake sale table and pet items for sale so come see Santa and enjoy the day!

Holiday Afternoon Of The Arts Our good friend **Nina Fey** has kindly organized an afternoon of storytelling, dance, music and songs to start your holiday off in a spectacular way. The doors open at 2:30 PM at the First Presbyterian Church, 60 Sussex Street in Port Jervis and the tickets are sold at the door for \$10 each.

We'll have our famous Dessert Table at intermission featuring many delights to tempt your tastebuds. All proceeds from both the Holiday Spectacular and the Dessert Table will help the animals at our shelter.

What a wonderful way to get into the Holiday Spirit and we thank Ms. Fey and all of the entertainers for spreading the Holiday cheer!

Please Help Us Trim 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.

We enjoy placing the ornaments on

the tree because we can almost feel the love that each one represents and the promise that each one holds.

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.

Our New Addition - Please Run Freely!

Oh, to run unfettered and feel the wind in my face!

Thanks to the dedication of Randy Wilson and the members of Boy Scout Troop 68, dogs will have a chance to run safely while their prospective future parents look on.

Randy, age 17 and a Junior at Port Jervis High School wanted to do this as his Eagle Project demonstrating leadership and the ability to complete a project from concept to fruition. Under the guidance of Troop Leader Dan Barbone, Randy drew up the plans, went to area businesses to ask for donations of building materials, coordinated the building of the enclosure and saw to every detail until the first dog happily tried it out.

The double-gated enclosure, complete with sturdy wire fencing inside the thick boards is 48 by 96 feet and located behind the barns at the shelter. We're overjoyed that our shelter dogs have such a grand area to romp in and our deepest gratitude goes to all involved in this dream come true.

Randy works part-time at our shelter, saw a need and filled that need. *Thank you Randy!*



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

New E-Mail Newsgram!

Just when you think we couldn't get any more tech savvy, we have! Now there is a short, colorful Newsgram that is sent to your e-mail whenever we have a bit of news to share with you. It may contain event reminders, a short bit of news or a photo or two to brighten your day. It isn't sent too often so we won't clog your inbox and we never share your e-mail address with anyone so it's safe to sign up and easy to unsubscribe too.

Just visit our website to sign up for this new way to stay in touch... www.pjhumane.org



If you would like to drop off newspapers, please call us first. Sometimes we have no newspapers at all. Other times our drop-off bin is overflowing and we have no place to store them. 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,) can, bag or pouch pet food.

**** Upcoming Events ****



Please see the inside of this newsletter for upcoming events.

We wish you joy this Holiday Season and will see you again in the New Year!



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We'll send you this window cling as a thank you!



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

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