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The Humane Society of Port Jervis/Deerpark

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A Bright New Look

If you've stopped by our shelter lately you might have noticed our office, kitty room and main kennel have a fresh new look. Our shelter staff decided it was time for a change and they began working on their own time to make things nice not only for our animals but for our visitors as well.

Lisa Phillips, our resident artist has painted beautiful graphics on the walls and they are charming. The office has bulletin boards covered with photos of our former residents in their new forever homes. The overall look is neat, bright and homey.

We consider ourselves fortunate to have the staff that we do. Each of them is professional, knowledgeable and caring. Our shelter has a small staff who have a tremendous amount of tasks to accomplish during the course of a day.

Whether we are open to the public or not, certain work must get done every day of the year. The animals are checked, then they are moved so their living area can be scrubbed and disinfected. Once the area is dry and made comfortable, the animals are returned. This scenario happens over and over until all the animals are settled again.

Then the day begins in earnest.

The phones constantly ring, paperwork has to be done, computer databases have to be updated and it all gets done somehow by a staff that will run themselves ragged for the animals in their care.

There are days that the shelter office has no place to stand for all the visitors who stop by. Some are there to look for a pet. Some are there to surrender an animal or to drop off a donation. Each person is helped with a smile, no matter how busy the day is already.

We can't forget that some of the animals need extra care or that all of the animals need to be fed and given fresh water. The bowls are clean when they go in and cleaned when they come out. Litter pans are emptied and scrubbed before the next use. Papers are changed frequently throughout the day and the animals are talked to every time a staff member walks by.

Our staff is the heart of our organization and we salute each and every one of them for the outstanding job they do every day of the year!



"There's an empty place in my life just your size"

In Memory

In Memory Of
Holly
Jim & Tim Faust

Harley Sicoli
1995 ~ 2010
Forever in my heart

Memory of **Kipper**
1998-2010
Dawn & Bob Sobolewski

Duncan
The best Airedale ever
Joyce Patterson

Memory of
Little Bit
Judith Celestina

Ethel Mae
Mommy misses and loves you
Dorothy Farley

Baxter
Beloved pet, Beloved friend
Joyce Patterson

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.*

Ken Muller

Frances Olver

Vincent Kalin

James Offeleine

Louise Mulvaney

Robert Boyles

Alice Cullinan

Wally Everett

Cathy VanHorn

David Day

Joseph Card

Joe Kearns

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 for keeping me warm, fed and safe until I found my new home. My owners are great! They give me lots of love every day. I have a new brother (a 13 year old cat) who isn't too fond of me yet but I think I can wear him down.

- Bolt Niosi



Dakota is the best thing that ever happened to me. She is my Frisbee dog and we play every chance we get. She's an energetic Golden Retriever mix and a true cuddle bug. I swear she knows and is thankful for me adopting her and she tries her hardest to be a good girl.

- Christine Bainbridge

Thank you on behalf of our dear little "Emily." She has adjusted well to our family & other pets. She truly helped us heal after the loss of our dog.

- Pat Consiglio & family

I would like to thank you for the aid you provided us in the search for my missing chihuahua Rosie. She is now home safe, sound and most importantly - happy.

- Danielle Hazen-Oppmann

I'd like to thank the staff very much for the beautiful care you took of Brandy until I adopted her. She loves playing ball and listens very well. We are so happy with her!

- Alicemarie Borash

Thank you for letting us adopt Kody & Kyo. Although the first two weeks were stressful, they settled in and are now good friends. They are the most wonderful kittens!

- Shan, Cait, Kyo & Kody

Editor's note: Kyo & Kody were adopted after having met their prospective parents at the Adoption Day hosted by Feder's Subaru in Middletown last July.

Greg and PJ



I think Cindy (now named PJ) is settling in just fine. Thank you Ladies!

- Greg Baer



So Many To Thank

The last year has brought so many generous people to our shelter that it's difficult to thank everyone individually. Almost every day we receive donations of all kinds and each one is appreciated more than you can imagine.

The Homestead School The Pre-School children and two Kindergarten classes had a "Pennies For Pets" drive. The students donated both food and money for our animals. Thank you students & staff from all of our animals!

Newton, NJ residents The good folks in Newton had a drive at R&T Nautilus Fitness Center generating supplies of all types. Office and cleaning supplies; 400 pounds of dry food, 300 cans of food; collars, leashes and more!



The shelter staff accept the Newton, NJ donations brought by Angelo & Stephanie Cervone.



Stuffed Dog toys donated by the Jakks Pacific Company. Raccoons & Opossums - oh my!

The Purina Company donated almost a ton of premium grade cat and dog food in early June. **Bill Lloyd** our shelter manager traveled to Poughkeepsie to pick up the pallets of food. When he returned, our larder looked grand!

The Jakks Pacific Corporation in Malibu, CA responded to our request for a toy donation in a grand way. We were delighted to receive 19 cartons of plush dog toys (300 toys in all) sent to us free of any charge. This donation will help our fund-raising efforts in the future.

Walk For Our Shelter Pets/Operation Baghdad Pups

Thank you to our Sponsors, Walkers & Donors who made this event the best ever. More than \$5,000 was raised for our shelter and a \$2,000 donation was made to **OBP** to help them bring a Service Member's war-zone pet home to the US. The photo shows our guests **Spc. Theodore Fotopoulos** & his Baghdad Pup **Maddy** and **Sgt. Melanie Groff-Berlin** with her Baghdad Pup **Lola**. Their pups came home through **OBP** and our Walk was the first time the litter-mates had seen each other since leaving Iraq.



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Dr. Dolores Roeder, DVM who hosted our No-Cost Rabies Clinic at her facility **Roeder's Ark Veterinary Hospital** in Otisville, NY on January 19. More than 40 cats and dogs received this life saving vaccination that day. There have been confirmed cases of rabies in our area recently and thanks to this clinic, more lives will be spared from this deadly disease.

Our Local Professional Groomers have helped some of our pets be the best they can be. Some dogs came to us in terrible condition and the volunteer groomers worked their magic so their true beauty would shine.



Panda (left) and Samantha (right) were two of the recipients of a "Spa Day" at Snips N' Tails Groomers in Port Jervis. Their new look helped find them each a new forever home.



Our Members who have been with us for years and to the new Members as well. Your yearly dues help us with our everyday expenses so we can keep our doors open to all the animals who need us. Without your support in this and so many other ways, we couldn't provide the level of care that the animals deserve.

Our Faithful Followers who check into our website, blog & facebook page regularly. The use of the internet allows us more room than this newsletter so please check them all for news, pets and announcements.



Direct from Las Vegas, (left to right) **Britt, Ginger and Andrea** stopped by our shelter for a visit last June. The Ladies put on a spectacular show for our annual Dinner & Variety Show.

Latchkey Program Children's Safe Stay in Sparrowbush whose children had a pet supply and donation drive for our animals. The children worked very hard to make their drive such a success and our animals want to say "Meow" and "Bow-Wow" for their enthusiasm & efforts!

More shelter Wall Art created by **Lisa Phillips**.

Stop by to see the fantastic images that Lisa has painted in each kennel run too. You'll be amazed by her artistic talent.



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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

**** Upcoming Events ****

Annual Meeting

Tuesday April 12

Walk For Our Shelter Pets

Sunday September 25

Dinner & Variety Show

Saturday October 1

Kitty Wall Art



*What are you waiting for?
Adopt a cat today!*

*Wall Art &
Dog Walk
Photos are
courtesy of
Marion
Durrwachter.
We thank
Marion for
all her
dedication
and hard
work on
behalf of
our animals!*



*Please... No Cage!
I'll be good
I promise*



Membership

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Name: _____

Address: _____

City, State: _____

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Membership Level (please check one)

___ Individual \$25.00

___ Family/Household \$50.00

___ Patron/Business \$100.00

___ Sponsor \$250.00

___ Benefactor \$500.00

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



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.

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: _____



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