



Lucky Star Spay Neuter Program News

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Our Mission: To gather, recognize and celebrate the continuing annual commitment of each of our member veterinarians to provide some level of absolutely free spay neuter services to the needy animals of their choice, along with any other free services they choose to provide.

OUR LUCKY STARS

We are proud to present this roster of Lucky Star Veterinarians. Together these **13** professionals have generously pledged **708** absolutely free spay neuter surgeries & other free services for needy animals of their choice in **2018**, for which they have our admiration & thanks:

Dr. Ohad Barnea, Tenafly Veterinary Center

Dr. Sarah Barnes, Eleos Veterinary Service

Dr. Erno Hollo, Dr. Kelly Vex, Dr. Melissa Rotella & Dr. Sue Bliesath, Basking Ridge Animal Hospital

Dr. Harvey E. Hummel, Andover Animal Hospital, Newton

Dr. Danci Mock, West Caldwell Animal Hospital

Dr. Maritza Perez, West Orange Animal Hospital

Dr. P. Picone, Audubon Veterinary Associates

Dr. Sandra Stalder-Frey, Alpha Veterinary Care

Dr. Carolyn Wooley, MCSNIP, Pennington

Dr. David Croman, Medical Director, People for Animals, Inc., Hillside, Robbinsville & Clayton

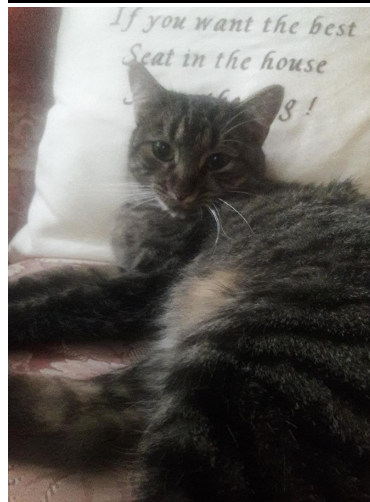
LATEST ON NON SURGICAL S/N

ACC&D's 6th International Symposium drew 150 delegates from 13 countries and five continents including for example, Dr. David Pepin (Harvard Med. School) discussing research using single gene therapy to safely contracept cats. For 11pg Summary: <https://www.acc-d.org/docs/default-source/6th-symposium-proceedings/6th-symposium-report---9sept18.pdf?sfvrsn=0>

PR SPAYATHON UPDATE

"Spayathon for PR" aims to give free high quality, high volume S/Ns & vaccinations to 30,000 dogs & cats in PR over 12 months. The 1st round in June helped 5,600 dogs & cats; The many Spayathon coalition partners are back for the 2nd round, this time the goal is 8,000 dogs & cats in 7 days! Great photos & more "tails" at <https://www.thesatoproject.org/spayathon>

MEET THE LUCKY STAR SPOKES CAT!



Our winner is "Tulip", a now "fixed" & 100% indoor cat. A Morris Co. stray, <1 yr old, she had set up a nursery in Aug. for her 5 kittens under just the right deck at the house where she now lives w/her new Mom who says: "She came home from her Spay a yr to the day I lost my 1st dog so I think

everything came together in a wonderful, magical way." Tulip agrees! Thanks to a local rescue & a special program (link below) her spay was FREE & her kittens placed in foster care. Tulip's Mom, a devoted "dog person" in 2003, found Betsy her forever home back then. So, Betsy is smiling too! We signed Tulip up quickly knowing that the folks from "Fix Felines by Five" would be after her too! https://www.townofmorristown.org/vertical/Sites/%7B0813EA2E-B627-4F82-BBB0-DDEE646947B5%7D/uploads/adopt_a_stray-free_spay_flyer_2016.jpg

S/N VS CULLING AT ISLAND PARADISE?

Mauritius may be closer to leaving dog culling in its history books as Humane Society International opens the 1st ever dedicated S/N clinic there, sparing the lives of thousands of street dogs. Many tourists leave distraught after discovering the brutal government program used routinely to control the estimated ¼ million street dogs there. Around 2,000 dogs are killed every month, as part of the government's program. The free S/N clinic & mobile facility also funded by International Animal Rescue & the Marching Animal Welfare Trust, will run initially for 1 yr. Per HSI's senior director of companion animals "The people of Mauritius love their dogs but many simply don't have access to local veterinary care to prevent endless puppies being born, and responsible dog ownership has never been taught..." <https://dogstodaymagazine.co.uk/2018/11/01/thousands-of-dogs-saved-from-horrific-culling-in-mauritius/>

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