



# 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 **658** absolutely free spay neuter surgeries & other free services for needy animals of their choice in **2019**, for which they have our admiration & thanks:

**Dr. Ohad Barnea & Dr. Kyoung Han**, Tenafly Veterinary Center

**Dr. Erno Hollo, Dr. Kelly Vex, Dr. Melissa Rotella & Dr. Emily Denning**, 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

## **WHAT'S THE "SPUTER SHIRT"?**

It's a new "recovery garment", aka the "Spay Neuter Shirt", designed to replace the dreaded e-collar, reduce post op complications, increase compliance & reduce patient & owner stress. This patented post-op dressing is designed to protect tummy wounds from the patient & keep surgical site clean & protected. By applying a gentle pressure around the body, it reduces stress, while letting patient move freely. Open top design allows for a custom & secure fit & better air-flow vs a full body suit, reducing risk of overheating & promoting healing. Allows males & females to urinate w/o removing Shirt. Sizing based on length of patient. Meant for cats, dogs, & rabbits. Adjustments made via attached strings. Ask about a sample, new client packages, limited special pricing & other ways to give it a try. Toll-Free: 1-888-976-8696

[www.VetMedWear.com](http://www.VetMedWear.com)

## **RURAL AREA VETERINARY SERVICES (RAVS)**

RAVS is a non-profit program of community service & veterinary mentorship bringing FREE vet services (wellness, S/N, emergency surgery, infectious disease mgmt.) to underserved rural communities where poverty & geographic isolation make regular veterinary care inaccessible. Each year 6 RAVS staff members & >350 volunteers provide Free essential vet care for >8,000 animals. RAVS provides training & experience for hundreds of future veterinary professionals beyond what a classroom can provide. Since 2003, RAVS has treated more than 130,000 animals in need and delivered over \$25 million in high quality no-cost veterinary services in remote communities where care is otherwise not available. For a 15 minute video of what volunteers can expect on a "typical" RAVS trip in which 50 volunteers & field staff meet in the Mid West to travel to remote Native American Reservation Communities go to <http://www.ruralareavet.org/> For more about the work of RAVS visit <http://www.fundforanimals.org/rural-area-veterinary-services/about-ravs.html>

## **2020 GOAL SET FOR S/N PARTNERSHIP**

Liberty Humane Society & Exchange Physical Therapy Group have set a goal of serving 2,000 animals in Jersey City & Hoboken, expanding their \$10 S/N program that served 1,502 animals in 2019. Residents of Jersey City or Hoboken can apply online for a subsidy to S/N their large dogs (40+ pounds) & outdoor cats in colonies of 10 or less. Surgeries by People for Animals, Inc. Info @ [www.libertyhumane.org](http://www.libertyhumane.org). "By removing the financial barrier to S/N for our most at-risk animals we enable our community to take action & help us create more positive outcomes for local pets," said Irene Borngraeber, Executive Director of Liberty Humane Society. For their role see <https://www.exchangephysicaltherapygroup.com/make-a-donation/>.

## **HAPPY HOLIDAYS & THANKS TO ALL!**

Whatever your beliefs, this sweet story will warm your heart. The folks at this NJ Church do St. Francis proud! Maybe there really are Angel cats? <https://philadelphia.cbslocal.com/2019/11/07/sacred-heart-mount-holly-church-raises-money-for-animal-shelter-in-memory-of-beloved-cat-mr-bob/>

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