



# 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 **14** 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. Jessica Redin, 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

## **A WISCONSIN S/N CLINIC AD**

S/N'd pets live longer happier lives!

**Everyone loves the oldies.**  
Spayed or neutered pets live longer and happier lives. Studies show that the benefits of spay/neuter surgery include a reduced risk of certain types of cancer, improvements in marking behaviors, a decreased desire to roam, and of course, less pet overpopulation in the community. Visit the Wisconsin Humane Society Spay/Neuter Clinic. High-quality. Low-cost. Call 414-323-6163 or go to [wihumane.org](http://wihumane.org) for appointments.

**WISCONSIN**  
humane society  
Spay/Neuter Clinic  
9400 W. Lincoln Ave.  
West Allis, WI 53227

## **WELCOME & THANK YOU!**

We are so pleased that all our Lucky Stars have renewed their pledges for 2018. We are also very happy to welcome to our roster of Lucky Stars Drs. Redin, Rotella & Bliesath of Basking Ridge Animal Hospital. Thank you ALL!

## **"FIX FELINES BY FIVE" GAINS SUPPORT**

We all know that it is "raining cats"! But, I did not know that a survey conducted in Massachusetts revealed surprising results: Cats that were eventually spayed accounted for 87% of all litters born.... The problem was not that the owners refused to S/N their pet; it was that they didn't have it done in time. "Fix Felines by Five" urges that the age for S/N'ing cats be reduced to 5 mos. or earlier. This change has garnered lots of informed support. Per a 6-23-17 Article in "American Veterinarian", The Veterinary Task Force on Feline Sterilization recommends sterilizing kittens by 5 mos, not waiting till 6. It also mentions all the organizations that now endorse "fix felines by 5", covers the benefits of early age S/N, the special "pre & post surgery" care young patients require and the benefits on S/N compliance of scheduling a S/N at the wrap up of a 16 wk series of kitten vaccinations.

<http://www.americanveterinarian.com/journals/amvet/2017/june2017/new-advice-on-sterilizing-kittens-earlier-is-better>  
There is more information for Veterinarians at [www.felinefixbyfive.org/vet-resources](http://www.felinefixbyfive.org/vet-resources) & the opportunity to list your practice as a supporter of this policy [www.felinefixbyfive.org/participating-veterinarians](http://www.felinefixbyfive.org/participating-veterinarians)

## **HUMANE SOCIETY SILICON VALLEY, CA**

HSSV offers **free S/N surgeries for cats, dogs & rabbits of select San Jose zip codes** (w/ proof of residency.) They also offer **free S/N's, vacs + microchips for pets of the homeless.** If your pet had an unplanned litter, they offer their PUPS (**Prevent Unwanted Pregnancies**) program, finding the babies homes after they are S/N'd, vac, & micro-chipped. (Babies must be < 3 mos old to qualify) They also spay & return Mom **all at no charge**, all subject to certain limits.

**HAPPY SPAY DAY February 27, 2018!!**

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