

Lucky Star Spay Neuter Program News

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<u>Our Mission</u>: 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 **15** professionals have generously pledged **408** absolutely free spay neuter surgeries & other free services for needy animals of their choice in **2016**, 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 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. Laura Acosta, Dr. Iris M. Biely, Dr. David Croman, Dr. Eric Etheridge, and Dr. Laurie Heeb, People for Animals, Inc., Hillside, Robbinsville and Clayton

"PET FOOD" WITH A "SIDE OF S/N"!

In Jan., The Monmouth Co. SPCA opened their NEW Pet Pantry("PP")building, to house a program started during Superstorm Sandy. Thanks to generous donations & great community support, the PP started providing low-cost/ free pet food/supplies, resulting in fewer surrenders. PP currently services over 1,100 families. The new building will let them serve more. Donations of food & supplies accepted. \$ raised goes to stocking the shelves & towards S/N surgeries for pets receiving support through the pantry. To qualify for the PP, you must have proof of S/N (or be willing to S/N), proof of income, & valid photo ID. PP is open Mon.Tues. Thurs. Friday 9am-4pm, & Wed. 9am-1:45pm.

http://www.ahherald.com/newsbrief/monmouth-news/21740-the-monmouth-county-spca-hosts-official-grand-opening-of-new-pet-pantry

HAIR TODAY GONE TOMORROW

From Dr. Philip Bushby, DVM,MS,DACVS: Use an adhesive roller to pick up any fine hairs missed



by a vacuum after shaving S/N site. Hairs can interfere with sterility & complicate closure. After use, remove adhesive tape

& roller is ready for next patient. http://www.aspcapro.org/tip-of-the-week-hair-today-gone-tomorrow

NJ TAX TIME IS TIME TO THINK S/N

Go to NJ 1040 Line 64 - Other Designated Contribution, enter #10 - to donate to Cat & Dog S/N Fund http://nj.gov/health/cd/izdp/vph.shtml

DELAWARE EXPANDS S/N BENEFICIARIES

http://dhss.delaware.gov/dhss/pressreleases/2016/freespayd av-022516.html. It's not unusual for a State to have a "S/N program"! These typically provide low cost surgeries for pets of those on public assistance. So, when I read that for World Spay Day, 150+ large-breed dogs & free-roaming cats (2 groups w/high rates of homelessness) rec'd FREE S/N's compliments of **Delaware's Office of Animal** Welfare, I was not surprised, until I realized the animals helped did not qualify for their S/N program! So where did the \$ come from to help these other needy animals? Ans: from the sale of Animal Welfare License Plates. Their S/N program is income qualified & funded by a \$3 surcharge on **every** rabies vaccination dispensed in the State. Their Animal Welfare Plate has a 1time cost of \$50 & \$35 goes to services for Delaware's animals. NJ's S/N Fund, limited & always short, is funded by license surcharges, specialty plates & tax check offs.

"Discovery consists of looking at the same thing as everyone else and thinking something different." Albert Szent Gyorgi Winner of The Nobel Prize in Physiology or Medicine-1937

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