

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.

"PAWS-ING" PLEDGING TIL JUNE

Due to the extraordinary demands on all veterinary practices in NJ & the Country, we called a "Pledge Paws", to give participating Lucky Star veterinarians a chance to catch their breath. We'll be in touch soon to seek pledges for 2022, hoping that things soon will be somewhat back to the time we all faintly but fondly recall!

OUR LUCKY STARS

We are proud to present this roster of Lucky Star Veterinarians. We hope that the extraordinary "length of service" of these veterinarians to the Lucky Star concept shows that it has worked for them. Here, by year of hospital's 1st participation:

2003:

Dr. Erno Hollo & Dr. Melissa Rotella, Basking Ridge Animal Hospital

2004:

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

2012:

Dr. Carolyn Wooley, MCSNIP, Pennington

KARMA CAT + ZEN DOG CELEBRATES

During March, this Milltown NJ group **celebrated 12 yrs of saving lives!** For March 25th, they plan a **Snip+Chip** @ People for Animals, Inc. clinic in their area to allow colony caretakers to get 75 community cats fixed & vaccinated for **FREE**. (At \$74/cat, the event will cost KC+ZD \$5,550.) Karma Cat + Zen Dog Rescue runs 100% on donations & provides FREE TNR services to their community as funds allow. https://karmacatzendog.org/

FREE COURSE: COMPASSION FATIGUE

https://www.vetmedteam.com/class.aspx?ci=677

MOST IMPORTANT SENTENCE EVER??

Per Sandra Obi, TNR Director, Animal Protection League of NJ on NJ101.5:"A common misconception is that the TNR program is creating these colonies of cats, or fostering them, or nurturing them and that is not our goal. **Our goal is to have no cats living outside in these communities**." (Editorial comment: If that were fully understood, so much controversy would end.) Entire piece at https://aplnj.org/tnr/ for more on TNR

"FRONT LOADING" KEY TO TNR "WINS"

A newly published study finds the best way to manage free-roaming cat populations is through "frontloaded" Trap-Neuter-Return (TNR), where 75% of the population is sterilized as quickly as possible, & any remaining (or new) cats are sterilized over time. (Study a joint effort by experts in cat welfare, wildlife conservation, & veterinary medicine. Research aided by the Alliance for Contraception for Cats & Dogs (ACC&D.)) Read more re their work on this study & get FREE access to their 14 pg booklet on how to better manage free-roaming cat populations. https://www.acc-d.org/population-modeling?mc_cid=076e12bc61&mc_eid=e4cf20f46f

A BLOOMBERG 1130AM Radio "BONUS"

In just 15min, author Nataly Kogan is generous w/her FREE & seemingly helpful advice. Though from experience in the "business world", her comments seem to apply in any situation. Here's the link: https://www.bloomberg.com/news/audio/2022-02-18/break-free-from-daily-burnout-podcast Start @ 20 min. & 59 sec. into the pod-cast. I guarantee (almost!) that what you hear will resonate w/you. No need to buy the book! ©: "The Awesome Human Project: Break Free from Daily Burnout, Struggle Less, & Thrive More in Work & Life."

IT'S NOT TOO LATE!

There's still time to donate to NJ's S/N Fund on your 2021 NJ 1040 due 4-15. Enter Code "10" on line 73 & fill in your donation \$. Thank you!

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