



# 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 **2019**, for which they have our admiration & thanks:

**Dr. Ohad Barnea & Dr. Kyoung Han**, 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

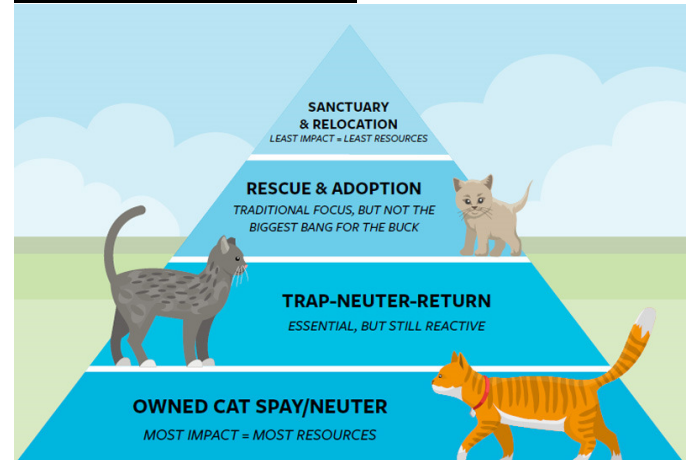
## DATE LINE: JERUSALEM- JANUARY 2019

Long home to thousands of stray cats, City will now feed strays @ Gov't supplied/monitored feeding stations, due to public concern that access to a major food source would end due to innovative changes in garbage storage. (\$27,000/yr 4 2,500 bags of food + reimbursement for those feeding cats on their own.) City outlawed culling in 2004 & adopted TNR. Israeli Ministry of Ag. & Rural Developm't invests heavily in TNR annually. <https://www.goodnet.org/articles/jerusalem-launching-program-to-feed-citys-stray-cats>

## SPONSOR OUR SPAYS-"SOS"

To apply for a SOS subsidy (\$30/feralcat) must be member of Feral Friends of NJ. To join & apply & for info re other help email: [feralcats@aplNJ.org](mailto:feralcats@aplNJ.org)

## THE CAT PYRAMID???



We all know the "Food pyramid" advocated by nutritionists for us humans. The "Cat pyramid" is an adaptation of that form to guide application of resources to help cats. Its designer, Stacy LeBaron, believes that the S/N of **owned** cats is the effort that should receive the most resources if the goal is to reduce cat populations. Her theory is experience based & her rationale impressive. MA's Merrimack River Feline Rescue Society, which she headed for 14 yrs, was on the forefront of TNR, leading to a decline in kitten intake, but the # of owned adult cats coming into area shelters wasn't impacted til the organization aggressively targeted owned cats with S/N initiatives. For LeBaron, the pyramid is a vision of the future of total cat welfare efforts. Many communities now focus resources on shelters & sanctuaries. This is beginning to change, as many shift from measuring success by shelter statistics to examining cat #s for the entire community. Agree or disagree, she will get you thinking critically about a very important topic. Everyone's goal is to do the most good w/ the limited resources available. Definitely "food for thought". <https://www.animalsheltering.org/magazine/articles/pointing-way-pyramid>

## SPAY-A-THON NEWARK

On Jan 19 & 20 St. Hubert's Animal Welfare Center & People for Animals teamed up to S/N 273 Newark animals. Funding by "Best Friends." More info on any future plans when available.

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