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HVSPCA Humane Law Enforcement

Humane law enforcement officers frequently face the worst of human nature. It is difficult work that breaks the hearts of those brave enough to make it their job. But it also provides officers the satisfaction of protecting those who cannot protect themselves.

Such is the life of the HVSPCA's Humane Law Enforcement team (HLE). As the "animal cops" of Orange County, our team is dedicated to investigating and prosecuting cases of animal abuse and neglect. From violence and torture, to starvation and lack of medical care, our team of 6 officers responded to more than 300 complaints in 2014 alone! In cases that warranted prosecution, our team's conviction rate was 100%!

In New York State, owners are required to provide animals with sanitary living conditions, food, water and medical care. Acts of violence against animals or failure to care for them can be punished with fines or imprisonment.

In order for HLE to investigate a potential case, a complaint must be logged via the HLE hotline or email. All complaints must include the personal contact information of the person making the complaint. This information is kept confidential! However, complaints that do not include contact information cannot be investigated.

Many people expect officers to immediately confiscate an animal when a complaint is filed. But unless an animal is in imminent danger, it cannot be removed legally without a warrant. In cases where neglect is found, such as failure to provide appropriate shelter, owners must have the opportunity to remedy the situation before a seizure warrant will be issued. HLE officers make follow-up visits to ensure continued care. In cases where abuse is found, severe neglect has taken place, or an owner has failed to correct a neglectful situation, HLE takes the steps necessary to remove the animal. In some cases, such as with farms or hoarding, a

hundred or more animals could be removed at a given time.

If you witness a potential case of abuse or neglect in Orange County, please call our toll free hot-line at (855) 448-2548 or email us at Abuse@HudsonValleySPCA.org. To locate Humane Law Enforcement teams in other areas, please visit the ASPCA's website at www.ASPCA.org. (Please note we are not affiliated with the national organization, the ASPCA.)



Because of your support, they are safe in our hands. Please help us keep fighting with a tax-deductible donation. Thank you.



Meet Ellen Emerson

The HVSPCA's new Cat Manager!



JERRY



CRINKLE



ELLIOT



PARIS



PRINCE

We are so pleased to announce the hiring of our new Cat Manager, Ellen Emerson! Ellen comes to the HVSPCA with a wealth of experience, great organizational skills, and an infectious positive attitude!

Ellen will be responsible for the health and happiness of the 100+ felines who call the HVSPCA home while they wait for forever families to come along. She will also promote greater community involvement

through public education, fundraising and adoption events.

A cat lover since she was two years old, Ellen joined her first animal welfare group, Green Mountain Animal Defenders, in 1990, and she has volunteered countless hours to improve the lives of all animals ever since. Ellen is a strong advocate of T/N/R (Trap/Neuter/Release) to control the feral cat population. She also fosters cats in her home when short term medical

care or socialization is needed. Most recently, she helped with cat adoptions at the *Humane Society of Walden*.

We invite everyone to come down to the shelter at 940 Little Britain Road in New Windsor and welcome Ellen Emerson in purr-son!

Joannie Kay

President, HVSPCA Board of Directors

Did You Know?

- Using their swiveling ears like radar dishes, dogs can locate the source of a sound in 6/100ths of a second. Did you hear that?
- A dog's short term memory lasts about 5 minutes while a cat's can last as long as 16 hours—exceeding even that of monkeys and orangutans. Hmmm
- When Lord Byron was informed that his dog was not allowed to come with him to Cambridge Trinity College, he retaliated by bringing a bear instead.
- When a household cat died in ancient Egypt, its owners showed their grief by shaving their eyebrows. Let's not start a new trend.

- 45% of dogs sleep in their owner's bed (we're pretty sure a large percentage also hog the blankets!)
- Outdoor cats' lifespan averages at about 3 to 5 years; indoor cats have lives that last 16 years or more. Bring them inside, won't you?
- Dogs have about 10 vocal sounds.
- Cats have over 100 sounds in their vocal repertoire. Meeow!
- Cover girl Faith was adopted by a great family! Have a wonderful life, girl!



Our Thanks!

We are so very grateful for your donations and for the amazing support of so many businesses and individuals in our community.

We would like to give a warm hug to Brianna Best, a nursing student, avid hiker and animal lover from Cold Spring, NY who chose Hudson Valley SPCA as the #HVThankful charitable donation recipient.

And a heart-felt thank you to Ken Schermerhorn, owner of Mixture Signs for donating our wonderful new signs. Now the public can finally find us!

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Where a Good Deal
Becomes a Good Deed

Now you can shop and help the animals in two locations!



Bloomingdeals! Resale shops and Bloomingdeals! Consignment Emporium are critical sources of funding for the Hudson Valley SPCA. Our many customers know that shopping with us means getting remarkable deals on quality merchandise while helping neglected and abused animals throughout Orange County.

Our Stores

With the opening of our new store in Blauvelt, we now have two locations! Both offer clothing, furniture, books, jewelry, home decor and more! Bloomingdeals! shoppers love our clean, organized store with more than 3,700 square feet of gently-used clothing, shoes and accessories for men, woman and children. We carry case after case of fashion jewelry, and our home decor department houses collectables, dishes, decorative pillows and more. All donated items are carefully processed and inspected.



Bloomingdeals! New Windsor

436 Blooming Grove Turnpike (Rt. 94)
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(845) 561-3180
Monday 10am - 4pm
Tuesday - Saturday 10am - 5pm

Bloomingdeals! Blauvelt

580 Route 303
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Bloomingdeals! Resale also has a variety of used furniture in great condition! Look for our discount colored tags by 50%!

Volunteers

Do you have an eye for fashion and merchandising? Love to organize things? Our clothing

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The HVSPCA Senior Pets Program

Sadly, many of our seniors are often overlooked when families come to find a perfect pet. Knowing that seniors make wonderful companions, we are determined to find good forever homes for our senior dogs and cats! So, we have created our Senior Pets Program.

How does the HVSPCA's Senior Pets Program Work?

- Trained "matchmakers" will find the perfect senior pet for your lifestyle
- There is never an adoption fee for seniors (although donations to help the next senior are gratefully accepted)
- The cost of yearly checkups and vaccines at one of our veterinary partners are paid for by the HVSPCA for the life of your new senior pet companion

Won't you consider fostering or adopting one of our lovely senior animals? It's extremely rewarding to know you've given an older animal a home of their own.



MERCIA

Mercia is a very friendly "almost senior" at about 8 years old. She is sweet, affectionate and will seek you out so she can get some love and attention. This little princess gets along well with other cats and would love a quiet home where she can be the center of attention.



LOUIE

Nine year old Louie is a great boy and would be happiest as the one and only pet. Affectionate and loyal, handsome Louie just wants is to be near his owner.



Hudson Valley SPCA Summer Social Fundraiser

SAVE THE DATE FOR OUR RAFFLE BASKET FUNDRAISER

When: Sunday, June 7th from 1 to 5 PM

Where: Salisbury Mills Fire House
2128 Route 94, Salisbury Mills, NY

Celebrate summer with food and music while also helping the animals of the Hudson Valley SPCA. We will be raffling off a wonderful array of gift baskets filled with items donated by individuals, local and national businesses! Prizes include Beats Headphones; iPad Mini; Nintendo DSi XL; gift certificates to fabulous local restaurants, stores, and shops; and so much more! Plus there will be a 50/50 raffle!

For more information or to donate items or services, contact Nora Miceli at (845) 597-4892. Tickets available at the door. All donations are tax deductible.

Look for updates on our website (www.HudsonValleySPCA.org) or on our Facebook page. Be sure to save that date and join us in the festivities!

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and home decor departments might be an excellent place for you! Are you good with gadgets? As a volunteer you would test items such as lamps, small kitchen appliances, and maybe computers. Our Jewelry department needs detailed volunteers to inspect watches and replace batteries. Or volunteer in our furniture department where you might repair and process furniture donations.

With such a wide variety of volunteer tasks, you will always learn something new, feel productive and involved. Enjoy flexible hours and our special Bloomingdeals! Volunteer Shoppers Discount. If you are interested, please call (845) 561-3180 or (845) 848-2073 and one of the manager will help you get started

Donations

Moving? Downsizing? Remodeling? Spring cleaning? Maybe you're just looking for a bit more space in your home. Help support the Hudson Valley SPCA by donating your gently used items and go green! We gratefully accept clothing, shoes, jewelry, accessories, home decor, furniture, bric-a-brac, NEW toys and electronics in good working condition.

We thank you for your generosity! Don't forget that all merchandise donations qualify for a tax deductible receipt. Ask for one when you drop off donations!



The Hudson Valley SPCA Animal Companion Crematory Services

Each of us here at the Hudson Valley SPCA has experienced the profound grief of losing a pet. We understand the sense of loss and bewilderment. To help you through such a painful time, we offer companion animal cremation services. As animal lovers, you can be assured that all animals entrusted to us for cremation will be treated with the gentleness and respect they deserve. If you have any questions about cremation or about the services we offer, please contact us at (845) 564-6810.



All cremation fees benefit the animals of the Hudson Valley SPCA.