

PASS IT ALONG!

Parsippany Animal Supporters Society

**JUNE IS ADOPT A
SHELTER CAT MONTH**

Welcome to Parsippany Animal Supporters Society, Inc., also known as PASS! PASS is an all volunteer, non-profit group of citizens.

PASS mission statement: PASS is dedicated to the improvement of animal welfare by providing education on animal issues for the general public, by supporting the Parsippany Animal Shelter in its efforts to place unwanted animals in caring homes, and by fundraising to support these goals.

PASS was officially organized as a non-profit corporation on May 29, 2003.

The agreement between PASS and the Township of Parsippany-Troy Hills was signed on July 31, 2003.

On September 5, 2003 PASS received its 501(c)(3) status from the IRS.

Any person who is in sympathy with the objectives of the organization may become a member. So enjoy our newsletter and pass it along!

PLEASE DON'T LITTER-FIX YOUR CRITTER!

The next PASS Spay Day will take place on Wednesday, July 13 at the Boonton Elks Club. Thanks to generous grants from Build a Bear Corporation, NJARA and thru the fundraising efforts of our dedicated volunteers, PASS is once again able to offer low cost alteration and vaccine services for cats and dogs, to community residents.

Prices are:

- Cats—male or female, including optional rabies and distemper vaccines—\$25.00
- FIV/FeLv Combo Testing—additional \$25.00
- Ear tipping for ferals—\$2.00 (highly encouraged!)
- Nail trimming—\$5.00
- Dogs—male or female, up to 50 pounds only please \$50.00— including optional vaccines
- \$5.00—Nail trimming

Volunteers are needed that day to assist with reception and check out, animal recovery monitoring and other related tasks. Please email Holle at HAKCEK2003@aol.com if you have a few hours to spare.

Due to the overwhelming response to our previous effort, priority will be given to pets adopted from the Parsippany Animal

Shelter, pets owned by PASS members and friends, as well as to feral colony caretakers. All remaining appointments will be taken on a first come, first served basis. To make an appointment, please email Holle at HAKCEK2003@aol.com or call 201-704-6008.



MEETING SCHEDULE

Our meetings are fun and informative and will give you all the latest PASS news. So come join us and bring a friend!

- ✓ Tuesday June 14
- ✓ Tuesday July 12
- ✓ Tuesday August 9

These meetings will be held at the Parsippany Library located at 292 Parsippany Road at 7:00 pm.



POINTS FROM THE PREZ

JOANNE SLAMAN

In honor of adopt a shelter cat month, here are some interesting feline facts:

- Cats have a keen sense of hearing with more than 40,000 nerve fibers in their ears.
- In Britain, it is considered good luck to have a black cat cross your path.
- With its 24 whiskers, a cat can gauge its ability to slip through narrow openings.
- Seventy percent of a cat's day is spent sleeping.
- A cat's belly button is a flat scar where the umbilical cord connected it to its mother.
- Female cats are fully grown at 5 to 8 months of age, while male cats take 9 to 12 months.
- A cat's whiskers are divided into upper and lower rows, which move independently of each other.
- Some coat colors are associated with gender in cats. Many orange kittens are male, while calico cats tend to be female.
- Cats walk on their tippy toes, rarely allowing their soles to touch the ground.
- Cats have 230 bones. Humans have 206.
- About 10 percent of a cat's bones are located in its tail
- Cats have approximately 60 to 80 million olfactory cells to help give them an acute sense of smell. Humans have only 5 to 20 million cells.
- Kittens cannot hear until they are 2 weeks old, although they open their eyes at 7 to 10 days old.
- The only species that can hold its tail vertically while walking is the domestic cat.
- Many cats have five toes on their front paws, but only four on their back paws.
- Most cats lack eyelashes.
- A group of kittens is a kindle and a group of adult cats is a clowder.
- Spending 30 percent of their time grooming, cats are one of nature's cleanest animals.



Just a reminder that membership dues for June 1, 2005 thru

May 31, 2006 are now due. Please send your dues to PASS, P.O. Box 5077, Parsippany, NJ 07054

PASS expresses special thanks to these Supporting Members:

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 Elizabeth and Andrew Steinberg
 Joan Bowling
 Sherry Kowalski
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CAT'S CORNER

The Basics of TNR

TNR is catching on! Nationally recognized groups such as Alley Cat Allies, Neighborhood Cats and New Jersey Animal Rights Alliance (NJARA) is making sure everyone is educated and informed of how this non-lethal form of population control of stray and feral (a cat who has reverted in some degree, to a wild state) cats is working.

What is TNR? Trap-neuter-return (TNR) is defined by Alley Cat Allies as: "A full management plan in which stray and feral cats already living outdoors in cities, towns and rural areas are humanely trapped, then evaluated, vaccinated and sterilized by veterinarians. Kittens and tame cats are adopted into good homes. Healthy adult cats too wild to be adopted are returned to their familiar habitat under the lifelong care of volunteers."

The process is simple: Make sure the cats in need are not already owned and seek permission from the property owner first. If the cats aren't returned to a relatively safe environment, there is no point in proceeding any further. Trap stray or feral cats from their "colony," have a veterinarian spay/neuter the cat as well as vaccinate against rabies (and possibly distemper). The cat should also be marked for identification while under anesthesia. This can be done by ear tipping in which one centimeter is cut from the tip of one ear or, an ear tag which is similar to a pierced earring. Either one will

help assist caregivers as well as animal control to easily identify a cat that is being cared for by a colony caregiver. Microchipping may also be used in conjunction with ear tipping. The cat is held for a period of time to make sure he/she is eating and eliminating normally. It is then released back into the colony from which it came. The caregiver must feed and give fresh water daily. A backup caregiver must be established so that the care remains uninterrupted. An adequate shelter structure must also be maintained by making sure it remains dry and insulated. These steps are all important but perhaps the most important step is to monitor the colony closely. The caregiver must take action when a new cat or kittens are introduced into the colony. Feral adults must get to a vet to be sterilized and kittens between the approximate ages of 4 weeks to 4 months may be able to be put up for adoption.

Maintaining a colony takes time and money but, sounds like a solution right? Unfortunately, many municipalities don't believe TNR is a viable solution at this time. Some towns have ordinances against feeding "wild" animals which sometimes includes feral cats. This idea is like any other though—through education and information sharing, it's on its way to becoming a mainstream solution to stray cat population control. TNR is currently working well in the towns of Cape May, Atlantic City, Stone Harbor, Jersey City and NYC to name a few. For more information on feral/stray cats or TNR, go to www.nj-ara.org/Ferals.html.

ANIMAL FRIENDLY MAGNETIC RIBBONS FOR YOUR CAR

People for Animals is selling magnetic ribbons for your car to show your support of animal welfare. There are two ribbon designs: 1) White with the word "RESCUE" and paw marks over the entire ribbon in black, and 2) Sky blue with the words "PLEASE Spay & Neuter" and paw marks over the entire ribbon in white. The size of a ribbon is 8 inches high by 4 inches wide. Each ribbon is made of a weatherproof vinyl coated magnetic material. To order, email your order to oluetscher@wi.rr.com or call 908 623-0263. A donation of \$5 is requested for each ribbon.

FREE COPIES OF ANIMAL COMPANION NEWSPAPER

The Animal Companion, a newspaper for pet owners and animal lovers in New Jersey, will make copies available to rescue groups and shelters holding adoption or fundraising events. Rescue groups/shelters can give copies away for donations and keep all proceeds. To request newspapers, send an email to circulation@animalcomp.com or call (201) 963-8125. More information about *The Animal Companion* can be found at www.animalcomp.com.

CHECK IT OUT

While browsing the internet next time, check out www.navs.org. You can find out which products to purchase that have not been tested on animals .



Professor Paws

“PAWS” FOR THOUGHT...

Make Sure the Dog Days of Summer Are Safe

- ✓ Protect your dog from contact with summertime chemicals such as weed killer, lawn treatments, insecticides, antifreeze, pool additives and snail bait. Keep your dog from investigating odd puddles.
- ✓ Dogs with pink noses and dogs sporting short summer buzz cuts may be prone to sunburn. Provide plenty of shade and dog

- friendly sunblock.
- ✓ If you walk your dog on paved areas, choose cooler parts of the day so that there is no risk of blistering foot pads on hot pavement.
 - ✓ Going to the beach? Be sure to bring plenty of fresh water for your dog to drink. Don't allow her to drink seawater. After swimming, be sure to rinse her coat with fresh water to rid her of sand and salt that could otherwise irritate the skin.
 - ✓ Love those car rides? Avoid letting your dog hang his head out the window. Debris can lodge in his eyes or ears.
 - ✓ Always make sure your dog has access to plenty of shade and plenty of fresh water.
 - ✓ Beware heatstroke. Dogs cool themselves primarily through panting. They also sweat through the pads of their feet.

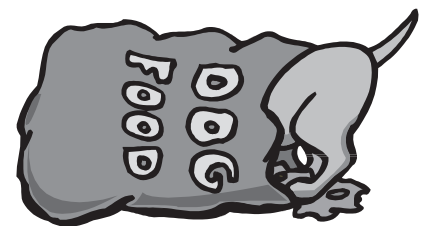
- High heat and humidity make it more difficult for dogs to cool themselves.
- ✓ Learn the signs of heatstroke: rapid breathing, rapid heart rate, thick drooling saliva, and dry nose and mouth. The dog's gums may also change color.
 - ✓ If you suspect heatstroke, immediately get your dog into the shade. Immerse the dog in a tub of water, soak her with a garden hose or put an ice pack at the base of the skull. Then get to your vet!
 - ✓ Don't forget... dogs with dark coats absorb more heat, young and old dogs have more difficulty regulating their own temperature, and dogs with short muzzles can't cool themselves as well through panting.
 - ✓ Have a safe summer and enjoy!

WHAT'S NEEDED

PASS works to help ensure that all the animals are spayed or neutered before being adopted, plus up on their latest shots. We try to keep everyone healthy and happy! So of course we can always use monetary donations, but the animals also need toys, treats, food, 6" paper plates,



and rugs (especially large bath rugs for the dog areas, approximately 3' x 5'). A consistent diet is so important for the dogs: ProPlan chicken and rice, Pedigree for canned food. For the cats: canned and dry food for the adults, Evolve or Science Diet for the kittens. For a current list of what is needed, you can go to www.petfinder.org then to "shelter & rescue groups." Search in New Jersey and scroll down to "Parsippany Animal Control & Animal Shelter." You can also call the animal shelter directly at 973-263-7083 or stop by the shelter at 1069 Parsippany Boulevard (near the Morris Hills Shopping Center) and



Speak to any of the Animal Control Officers to see what is needed and what has recently been donated. Also feel free to contact PASS at 973-402-PETS.

PASS always needs volunteers. Need a Membership Application? No problem! Give us a call at 973-402-PETS and leave a message in the "membership" mailbox and we'll be sure to send you an application.



FUNdraISING!

Summer is finally here! You've got barbeques, days at the beach and lots of great PASS events to volunteer at or attend with your family and friends.



June 18: Father's Day Weekend Can Shake

Volunteers are needed to work a two hour shift in front of a local retail establishment to collect donations of cash, pet food and other needed items as well as hand out information on PASS to interested parties. Two to three people needed for each shift. To volunteer, email event organizer, Susan Groll at Susangroll@optonline.net.



July 20: PASS Pet-Bowl

Come join the fun! PASS is holding its first Bowling Party. A great night of bowling, pizza and prizes. Everyone is invited so pass the word around and bring your family and friends. The event takes place at Boonton Lanes beginning at 7:30pm. \$15.00 per person includes games, pizza, a chance at some great prizes as well as a guaranteed good time. Bowling shoe rental and drinks available at additional cost. For more information or to purchase a ticket, contact Camille Oakie, event organizer at Oakie@att.net.



September 24: PASS End of Summer Picnic

Come and meet fellow PASS members and their friends and family at our end of summer picnic. This fun event will be held at Smith Field Park on Rt. 46 E and Baldwin Road in Parsippany. Details are still being finalized so check your email for updates. Sue and Nick Meade will organize the day and are looking for donations of food items like hamburger and hot dog buns, beverages, condiments and general picnic supplies. They are also making a list of volunteers who may wish to help out at the event. If you are able to donate or willing to volunteer for a shift, email Sue at Meades222@aol.com.



October 21: Third Annual Tricky Tray

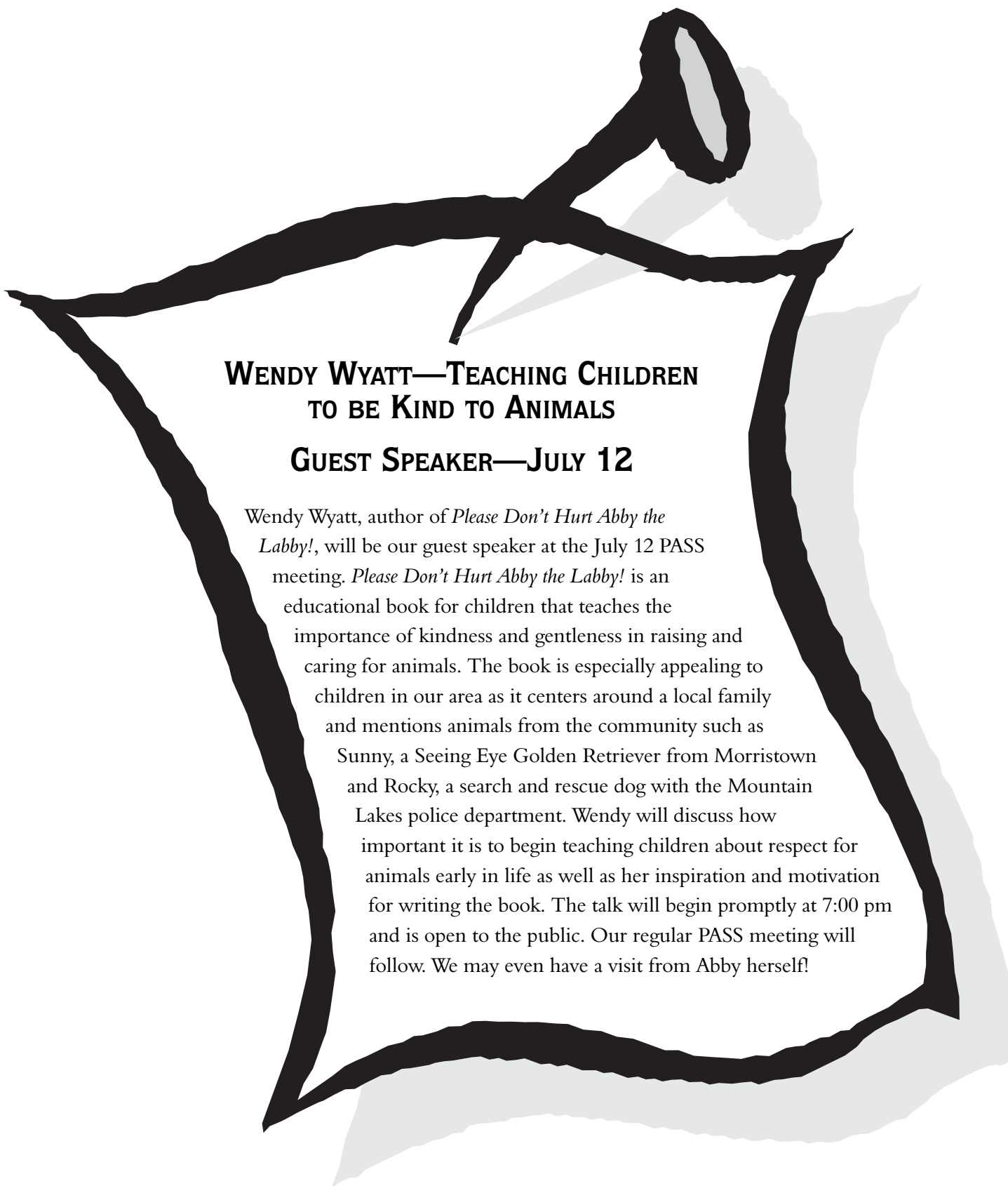
Save the Date! This event will take place once again at the Boonton Elks Lodge. Information on tickets and event specifics will be published in our next newsletter. For now, however, WE NEED VOLUNTEERS! If you are able to do anything for this event, such as assist in getting donations, sell tickets, bake or give your time to help with any other aspect of our largest fundraiser of the year, please contact, Suzanne Griffin at Blvdtravel@aol.com.

Please note, if you do not have access to email and wish information or to volunteer at any event, you may also leave a message on the PASS voicemail at 973-402-PETS.

REMINDER!

IF YOU SHOP ON THE WEB, REMEMBER TO CHECK OUT WWW.IGIVE.COM.

YOU CAN ACCESS MANY OF YOUR FAVORITE RETAILERS AND A PORTION OF YOUR PURCHASE WILL BE SENT TO PASS AT NO COST TO YOU! See site for details.



**WENDY WYATT—TEACHING CHILDREN
TO BE KIND TO ANIMALS**

GUEST SPEAKER—JULY 12

Wendy Wyatt, author of *Please Don't Hurt Abby the Labby!*, will be our guest speaker at the July 12 PASS meeting. *Please Don't Hurt Abby the Labby!* is an educational book for children that teaches the importance of kindness and gentleness in raising and caring for animals. The book is especially appealing to children in our area as it centers around a local family and mentions animals from the community such as Sunny, a Seeing Eye Golden Retriever from Morristown and Rocky, a search and rescue dog with the Mountain Lakes police department. Wendy will discuss how important it is to begin teaching children about respect for animals early in life as well as her inspiration and motivation for writing the book. The talk will begin promptly at 7:00 pm and is open to the public. Our regular PASS meeting will follow. We may even have a visit from Abby herself!



CHILDREN LEARN COMPASSION FOR ANIMALS IN NEW BOOK

Wendy Wyatt of Mountain Lakes, NJ has released an innovative children's picture book, *Please Don't Hurt Abby the Labby!* As a social worker in the Bernards Township public schools, Basking Ridge, NJ, Wyatt is well aware of the problems that arise when children don't understand what is involved with responsible pet ownership.

The story begins when Sam receives a Labrador retriever puppy for his birthday. He soon realizes naming her Abby the Labby is the easy part. The real work is not only a commitment to feeding, bathing and playing with her, but also to keeping Abby from harm. Sam takes all the lessons he learns to heart and enlists the help of friends to protect his puppy. They, in turn, enthusiastically promise to watch out for Abby, too.

Aimed at children ages 4-8, Wyatt offers *Please Don't Hurt Abby the Labby!* as a supplemental reading choice to augment humane themed and character education curriculums in schools. She believes children, particularly the youngest ones learn best through a good story.

It is important Wyatt feels, to introduce prevention of animal cruelty and neglect in the early years to reduce incidences of future mistreatment in the later teen and adult years. Early intervention will also help children realize that compassion for animals has a close connection to love for themselves and others. Her lively and informative book encourages readers to become "public defenders" of all animals by passing on this message of love and kindness.

The thought-provoking title invites discussion, and appealing photos with a retro, hand-tinted look capture the enduring bond between humans and animals. Even the youngest reader will identify with Abby and understand that puppies, like children, need to be raised with love if they are to grow up and give love in return.

Wyatt's book is endorsed by The Seeing Eye; David Frey, co-host of the Westminster Kennel Club Dog Show; Joan Lowell Smith, syndicated pet columnist, *The Star Ledger*; Dr. Brian Voynick, veterinarian and host of *The Pet Stop*; News 12, NJ, and Paul Wisenthal, writer for *The New York Times* on youth related subjects.

Wyatt and her husband, Peter share their home with the real Abby the Labby. Animals have always been an important part of Wendy's life. She has owned eleven different breeds of dogs and numerous cats and birds. Prior to her present employment as a social worker, the author taught art for 10 years in the public schools and is a former assistant professor of design at The College of New Jersey. She received a B.F.A. from Syracuse University, and a M.Ed. from Tyler School of Art, Temple University.

Wyatt enjoys school visits and after reading her book asks children to raise their right hands and recite "The Official Abby the Labby Pledge:" I promise to be kind to animals because they have feelings just like I do. If I see any animal being hurt, I promise to ask an adult I trust for help. I will remember Abby and I promise to pass on the message of, *Please Don't Hurt Abby the Labby!*

Purchase a copy of *Please Don't Hurt Abby the Labby!* and Wendy Wyatt will donate \$5 of the purchase price to PASS. Purchase price is \$18.95.

You can contact AbbyLab Press at 973-316-6843
or www.abbylabpress.com to order the book.

Don't forget to mention that you are from PASS.



FEATURED PETS



Boom Batz was surrendered to the shelter because his owners could no longer keep him. He was surrendered with his brother **Gavone**. They are both very affectionate guys who will surely steal your heart. Why not come in and meet him. Boom Batz and Gavone would love to stay together, if you want twice the amount of love, why not come in and meet them.



Gavone was surrendered to the shelter because his owners could no longer keep him. He was surrendered with his brother **Boom Batz**. They are both very affectionate guys who will surely steal your heart. Why not come in and meet him. Gavone and Boom Batz would love to stay together, if you want twice the amount of love, why not come in and meet them.



Arnie was found as a stray. He is very affectionate and loving guy who is waiting for you to come in and meet him. Arnie is 4 years old.



Oreo was surrendered to us because her owners couldn't keep her. She is a very affectionate girl who would just love for you to come in and meet her.



Hydrox was surrendered to us with **Bernstein** and **Fanny**. They are all very affectionate and love to be the center of attention. Why not come in and meet Hydrox.



Jeter was surrendered to the shelter. He is about 1 to 1-1/2 years old. He is full of energy and very sweet. He wants to please and wants to be apart of everything. Why not come in and meet him he will be anxiously awaiting for you.



THINGS TO DO

JUNE

Adopt a Shelter Cat Month

Sponsor: ASPCA (www.asPCA.org/ascm) “Be the Love of 9 Lives—Adopt a Shelter Cat!” Check out materials including 9 Feline Myths, 9 Steps to Happier Shelter Cats, 9 Steps to Welcome Your Cat Home adopter material, Humane Education Handout, Press Release and tips for getting media coverage; and order form for Fresh Step Welcome Home Coupons.

June 3: How to Assess Dog Behavior—Sherry Woodard, Best Friends Animal Society Consultant.

Sherry will assess dog behavior and how to work with behavior concerns found in the assessed dogs. She will teach the basics of dog body language and demonstrate easy training techniques, discuss daily enrichment and care, and address finding special homes for special dogs. Sherry will also meet some of the shelter dogs for hands-on work. To register for the workshop and arrange bringing a dog to meet Sherry, please contact the individuals below. Space is limited so register soon.

- 9 am–12 pm at Mt. Pleasant Animal Shelter in East Hanover, NJ. Contact Nicole Lewy Drummond. Email Nicole@njshelter.org or call 973-386-0590 ext 4.
- 2 pm–5 pm at the Bergen County Animal Shelter in Teterboro, NJ. Contact Allison Meyer by email at ameyer@co.bergen.nj.us or call 201-646-3200.

June 6—“The Governments Role in Spay/Neuter”—PETSMART Charities Webinar

Presented by Rick DuCharme, First Coast No More Homeless Pets, 12 Noon - 1 pm. and 4 - 5 pm. Does the government have a role in spay/neuter? If so, what is that role? Find out how First Coast No More Homeless Pets convinced Duval County to implement an aggressive spay and neuter program that is in its third year and altered over 11,000 pets of low income citizens. Hear about their current efforts to bring government funded sterilization to other counties in Florida. You can register for them at <http://petsmartcharities.webex.com>.

June 8—“Trap-Neuter-Return: Community and Colony Solutions for Feral Cats”—PETSMART Charities Webinar. Presented by Bryan Kortis, Neighborhood Cats, 12 Noon–1 pm and 4–5 pm

Trap-neuter-Return (TNR) is fast becoming the preferred approach for controlling and reducing feral cat populations. This webinar focuses on ways to make the implementation of TNR more effective in terms of advocacy, colony management and setting up community-wide programs. You can register for them at <http://petsmartcharities.webex.com>.

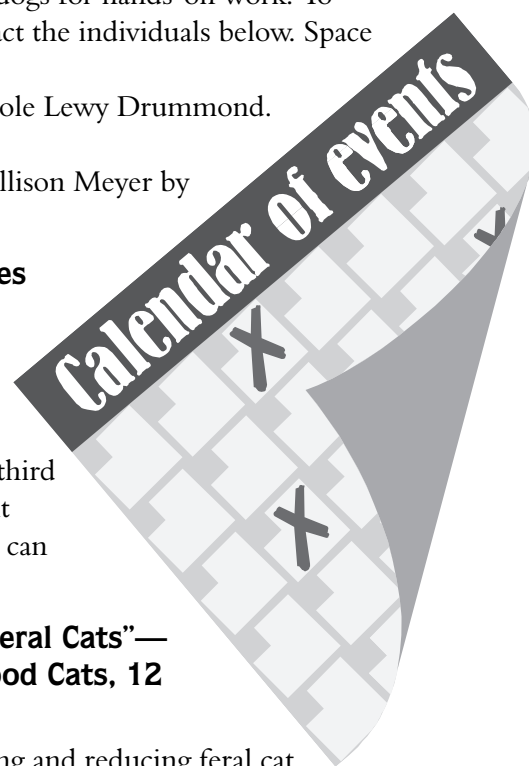
June 14 & 15—Planned Giving Fundamentals: Successful Programs and Legal Considerations—Center for Non Profits

June 14, 9–12 in Westampton at the United Way of Burlington County

June 15, 9–12 in Newark at Seton Hall Law School

In Center surveys, non-profits have consistently ranked funding-related matters among their highest concerns, and they’ve asked for more fund raising information, particularly regarding individual gifts. The Center is pleased to partner with the law firm of Cole, Schotz, Meisel, Forman & Leonard, P.A. to present Planned Giving Fundamentals: Successful Programs and Legal Considerations. If you haven’t looked closely at planned giving because you think it won’t work for your organization, there are too many legal questions to worry about, or because you just don’t know how...Then come to Planned Giving Fundamentals to learn how to set up a

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successful program and how to be prepared for legal issues. The presenters will discuss “Eight Steps to Successful Gifts” and how to address the legal issues inherent in such gifts. \$35/person for Center members; \$60/person for non-members, Go to www.njnonprofits.org/Events.html for information and a link to registration. Center workshops often fill up quickly, so sign up today!

June 18—10th Annual Animal Law Conference—The Animal Welfare Act

The Law Center in New Brunswick, NJ. The full-day conference focuses on the Animal Welfare Act (AWA), the primary federal legislation governing the treatment of animals. This program is for the many lawyers interested in practicing animal law, or non-lawyers working in animal protection or those who want to know more about the workings of this crucially important legislation. It is also for those who would like to find ways to improve and expand the AWA to better protect animals and will address both current day-to-day issues in regulation and enforcement and visionary ideas for the future of the AWA. For more information visit the website of the New Jersey Institute for Continuing Legal Education at www.njicle.com; click on CLE Schedule on the left and then June 18th, or call (732) 214-8500. Admission fee includes a vegan Continental breakfast and a vegan lunch. There is a special rate for members of nonprofit animal organizations (CLE credit not included).

June 24—Take Your Dog to Work Day

Sponsor: Pet Sitters International. 336-983-9222 www.petsit.com

JULY

Adopt a Shelter Rabbit Month

Sponsor: ASPCA www.asPCA.org

July 9–10—Friends of Animals Animal Rights Conference

At the American Management Association Conference Center, 1601 Broadway, New York, NY. For more information phone 203-656-1522, email contact@friendsofanimals.org or go to www.friendsofanimals.org

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STATE STATUS: PENDING

NJ A. 2233 & S. 1739 Dissection Choice

Bill Number: A. 2233 & S. 1739
Allows public school students to refuse to dissect, vivisection, incubate, capture or otherwise harm or destroy animals as part of their course of instruction; requires that students be provided with alternative projects and not be discriminated against in grading or otherwise.

NJ A. 2452, A. 2634, A. 2704 & S. 700 Prohibit Bear Hunting

Bill Number: A. 2452, A. 2634, A.

2704 & S. 700

A. 2452 Prohibits black bear hunting until the completion of a report by Rutgers University on bear populations in the state. Also appropriates \$95,000 for Rutgers University to complete the study.

A. 2634 and S. 700 prohibit black bear hunting for a set period of five years and until a bear population study is issued by the state Fish and Game Council. A. 2634 appropriates \$95,000 for the Fish and Game Council to complete the study, and S. 700 appropriates \$95,000 to the Department of Environmental Protection to

develop a non-hunting program for bear management.

A. 2704 prohibits black bear hunting, creates a black bear study commission, authorizes issuance and sale of a New Jersey Black Bear postage stamp, and establishes the New Jersey Black Bear Stamp Account.

NJ A. 2680 & S. 301 Records on Dog Suppliers

Bill Number: S. 2680 & S. 301
Prohibits the sale of any dog by a kennel, pet shop or other retail establishment without the name, address and phone number of the



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animal's provider; establishes a \$500 fine for each violation.

NJ A. 2852 Non Lethal Committee

Bill Number: A. 2852

Changes the composition of and revises the authority of the New Jersey Fish and Game Council by creating a nonlethal alternative committee within the council.

NJ A. 3079 & S. 1600 Downers

Bill Number: A. 3079 & S. 1600

Prohibits the use of downer cow byproducts in commercial feed.

NJ A. 3173 Deer Fencing

Bill Number: A. 3173

Appropriates \$100,000 to the Department of Environmental Protection's Division of Fish and Wildlife, to buy additional rolls of deer fencing for distribution to farmers to help control deer encroachment on crops.

NJ A. 3219 Mandatory Spay Neuter for Cats and Dogs

Bill Number: A. 3219

Requires that cats and dogs released from pounds and shelters be spayed or neutered (allows for certain exemptions). Also establishes a special fund for sterilizations, increases certain dog-related fees, and dedicates increases to the fund.

NJ A. 3606 & S. 2148 Fish and Game Council

Bill Number: A. 3606 & S. 2148

Clarifies that the Fish and Game Council has sole authority to regulate freshwater fishing, hunting, and trapping. Also provides that lands owned or managed by the Division of Fish and Wildlife or the Department

of Environmental Protection acquired in whole or in part with monies from the "hunters' and anglers' license fund," from the New Jersey Waterfowl Stamp Account, or with federal aid for fish and wildlife purposes, shall not be closed to the taking of any species of freshwater fish or wildlife in accordance with the State Fish and Game Code by the action of any state agency or official without the approval of the Fish and Game Council.

NJ A. 3728 Veto Authority Over Hunts

Bill Number: A. 3728

Provides Department of Environmental Protection commissioner with veto authority over all hunts.

NJ A. 3736 Sunday Hunting

Bill Number: A. 3736

Authorizes Sunday hunting with bow and arrow. Currently in New Jersey, Sunday is the one day during hunting season that wildlife watchers and other outdoor enthusiasts can venture into the woods without fear of gun shots or arrows. Allowing hunting on Sundays would end a longstanding tradition of no hunting that the state has had in place for decades.

NJ A. 329 & S. 159 Veal Calves

Bill Number: A. 329 & S. 159

Requires that calves raised for veal have enough room to turn around, lie down, and groom, and that they be fed a diet sufficient in iron and fiber.

KATIE'S HOPE NETWORK

Katie's Hope Network, a free support service for pet owners whose pets are facing serious medical problems, is seeking volunteers.

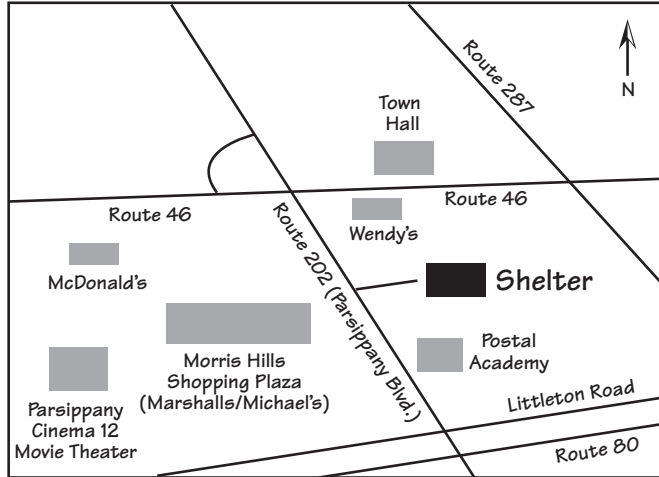
The service offers one-on-one telephone support to people whose pets are facing serious medical problems. The goal is to give concerned pet owners the chance to speak with others who have lived through similar experiences with their own pets. Katie's Hope Network does not offer medical advice or any kind of therapy, but rather supplements the work of veterinary professionals by providing compassionate listening, a non-judgmental demeanor and a positive attitude to pet owners facing difficult choices.

Pet owners may find, at critical times in their pets' lives, that friends and family who do not own pets may not understand their concerns and may not be supportive. Volunteers for KHN are people who have lived through such situations and are therefore uniquely able to help. People who have lived with pets with diabetes, cancer, amputations, lung disease, allergies, blindness, deafness, paralysis or any other serious illness or disability, and who are willing to share with other pet owners, are greatly needed. To learn more, or to become a KHN volunteer, call (973) 631-9654 or send an e-mail message to katieshopenet@aol.com.



PET ADOPTIONS

Please stop by the Parsippany Animal Shelter to visit with all the homeless pets up for adoption. The shelter is located at 1069 Parsippany Boulevard in Parsippany, near the Morris Hills



Shopping Center. The shelter is open to the public Monday through Friday from 3 pm to 5 pm and Saturday and Sunday from 9 am to 12 pm. You can also make an appointment by calling the shelter at 973-263-7083. You can also “visit” the shelter at www.petfinder.org then to “shelter & rescue groups.”

Search in New Jersey and scroll down to “Parsippany Animal Control & Animal Shelter.” If you have additional questions, please feel free to call PASS at 973-402-PETS and leave messages in either the “dog” mailbox for dogs and exotics or in the “cat” mailbox and we’ll be sure to get back to you.



CONTACT US

We’d love to know what you think! Comments, questions or suggestions regarding our newsletter can be sent to PASS, PO Box 5077, Parsippany, NJ 07054 to the attention of Patty Wallenburg, email typewriting@earthlink.net or leave a message at 973-402-PETS and we’ll be sure to contact you. And don’t forget to PASS It Along!



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