

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 **17** professionals have generously pledged **381** absolutely free spay neuter surgeries & other free services for needy animals of their choice in **2015**, for which they have our admiration & thanks:

Dr. Ohad Barnea, Tenafly Animal Hospital

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, Dr. Laurie Heeb, Dr. Peter Midgley-DiGeronimo, & Dr. Faith Perrin, People for Animals, Inc., Hillside and Robbinsville



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PETA



"In poverty or wealth,
Spay/Neuter is the first step to helping animals."

http://www.spayfirst.org/#

OPERATION CATNIP (OC)

Founded by Julie Levy, DVM, OC is a 501(c)(3) offering FREE S/N for unowned, free-roaming stray & feral community cats in Alachua County, Fla. OC organizes HQHV Spay Day Clinics **run entirely by a team of over 75 volunteers** (vets, vet students, vet techs, & others), able to S/N 150 or more cats in a matter of hrs. Cats get anesthesia, sterilization, rabies, distemper, & feline leukemia vacs, antibiotics, flea treatment & dewormer, left ear tip & pain meds. Since '98, OC has S/N'd more than 44,000 cats with measureable results on shelter intake & euthanasia. Costs OC about \$50 for each cat treated. \$ raised by donations, fundraisers, grants. OC gets no \$ from Univ. of Fla. or any local, county or state agency. More @ http://ocgainesville.org/

CALCIUM CHLORIDE CASTRATION CO.

On 7-24-15, the company "Calcium Chloride Castration", founded by a Canadian vet, launches the sale of pharmaceutical grade calcium chloride dihydrate for the non-surgical castration of male dogs & cats at an event in Dominican Republic. Each premeasured dose is mixed w/ readily available & inexpensive ethyl alcohol prior to injection & will be available to veterinarians worldwide. 1st published in the US in 1978, this technique is said to provide lowtech, low-cost canine & feline neutering w/potential to prevent much worldwide suffering. Merritt Clifton: http://www.spayfirst.org/programs/non-surgical-sterilization/ WSJoI: http://on.wsj.com/1AEEJPh,

"An estimated 500 to 700 million dogs exist worldwide....3/4... live on the streets of impoverished communities. Their life expectancy is just 3 years...S/N is the gold standard for preventing litters. However, due to over-whelming #'s of animals that need surgery & aftercare for free, & the nearimpossible logistics & cost of setting up & staffing clinics all over the globe, most will not have access to S/N programs. A non-surgical contraceptive...along w/ a rabies vaccine & parasite treatment could revolutionize the lives of millions of street dogs, & save human lives, for a fraction of the cost of surgical S/N...Injectable sterilents & contraceptives are already here & more are on the horizon. However, access to these products is not equal in terms of cost & availability... Few people who work in the animal welfare field in impoverished communities are even aware of the options that exist. http://www.huffingtonpost.com/ruth-steinberger/science-andcompassion-are-needed b 6859812.html

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