

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 **18** professionals have generously pledged **376** absolutely free spay neuter surgeries & other free services for needy animals of their choice in **2012**, for which they have our admiration & thanks:

Dr. Ohad Barnea, Cliffside & Tenafly Animal Hospitals

Dr. Sarah Barnes, Eleos Veterinary Service

Dr. Erno Hollo & Dr. Kelly Vex Basking Ridge Animal Hospital

Dr. Harvey E. Hummel, Andover Animal Hospital

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. Laurie Heeb, Dr. Diana Knight, Dr. Peter Midgley-DiGeronimo, Dr. Faith Perrin & Dr. Michelle Wong, People for Animals, Inc, Hillside

AUGUST 26: NATIONAL DOG DAY

Endless ways to celebrate! Select a needy animal from your local pound/shelter for a free S/N neuter & hold a press conference to honor the dog, the work of the group & to talk up the importance & benefits of S/N!

OCT 16: NATIONAL FERAL CAT DAY

A day when S/N can shine! Great for outreach, service & education. Check out <u>www.alleycat.org/NFCD</u> for event planning. Email <u>michelle.lerner@aplnj.org</u>, (732)-446-6808 for more NJ TNR support/info. **SURVEY FEEDBACK:** Here's some of what we heard from our Lucky Star Veterinarians: ***Recognition Long Overdue-** PFA asked us to list all of their veterinarians who generously give of their time in free surgeries to fulfill PFA's pledge. You'll now see their names individually here & on the "Pledges" pg. We are very happy to thank & recognize each of them as Lucky Star Veterinarians!

*New Ways to Reach Out- Some Lucky Stars are looking for new ways to find those in need of their free services. Today's Animal Control Officer is a source of leads. ACO s would welcome the chance to offer free S/N surgeries to people in your community who are unaware that help is available. You can brief your ACO on the details of your offer & learn from them of their greatest need. Or you might want to reach out to shelters/ rescues.Enter zipcode @ www.petfinder.com, click on "find a shelter" for a list of nearby groups. Fixing every animal before adoption is any rescuers dream, a dream that your Lucky Star pledge can help achieve! *Web Links Established- Requested links from our website to yours: Done! See "Pledges" pg. Happy to add more anytime. More survey feedback in October issue!

FRIENDS OF ROMAN CATS (FORC)TOUR

Since 1991, Italy has banned killing healthy stray cats & dogs. "Street Cats" are fed by many *gattare* (cat lovers); others are cared for in sanctuaries. In 1991, FORC began working to establish TNR programs throughout Italy. Their 2012 <u>Cats and Culture Tour</u> Oct 9-21 visits some of Italy's most historic sites with an up-close look at TNR efforts there. San Fran Contact: Susan Wheeler, <u>rappwheel@aol.com</u>, phone: (415) 334-8036

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