



The Alzheimer's Café turns one!

By Kate Young

Community Programs Coordinator

It is the depths of winter here in snowy Stratham, but here at the New Hampshire SPCA, we recently recognized a very special anniversary of warmth and peace.

This February marked one year since we began offering the [Alzheimer's Café](#) at our humane agency.

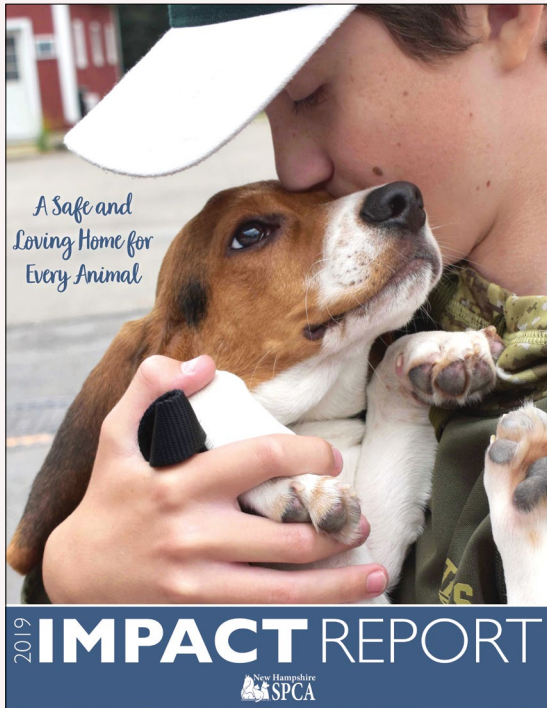
Over the past year, we have discovered what a wonderful addition this dedicated time each month has been to our community programs. Individuals living with memory loss and their caregivers come to chat with one another, enjoy coffee and treats and visit some of the shelter's animals in a relaxing, diagnosis free space.

Alzheimer's Cafés, also known as Memory Cafés, started in Europe in the late 1990's as a place for individuals with Alzheimer's or other memory loss to gather in a non-clinical setting to discuss the illness in a supportive and collabora-

See [ALZHEIMER'S](#), Page 18



At the New Hampshire SPCA, we are thrilled to be able to offer this very unique and therapeutic experience to members of our community.



A Safe and
Loving Home for
Every Animal

2019 **IMPACT REPORT**



View our Adoption Center statistics and learn where to find the rest of our 2019 Impact Report!

PAGES 12-13

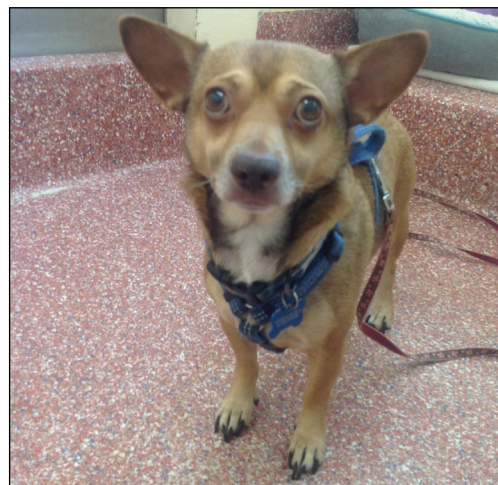
Barley's Angel

Scared dog finds his perfect match, blossoms after adoption

By Linda R. Haley, CPDT, KPA CTP
Behavior & Training Coordinator

Dexter, a 6-year-old chihuahua mix came to us in early October 2019. His history indicated that he was afraid of strangers, afraid of thunder, didn't like being petted or picked up and would growl and snap if anyone attempted to do so.

He hid at the back of his kennel, on his soft cushy bed, surrounded by stuffies and chew toys, growling and shaking when anyone passed by his kennel. His harness and leash stayed on, as he did not allow anyone near him to take it off and it was the only safe way to get him in and out of the kennel.



Barley, formerly Dexter, was incredibly scared during his time at the shelter and was showing reactive tendencies.

After a few days of tossing treats in the kennel each time we passed, he stopped shaking and was growling less. We could easily feed him by popping the food quickly

See [BARLEY](#), Page 15

INSIDE

Adoption Center News	4	Field Services	3
Behavior & Training.....	14	Happy Tails.....	16
Calendar of Events	23	Humane Education	8
<i>Campaign for Changing Times</i>	18	Legacy	19
Commemoratives	20	Special Events.....	24
Executive Director's Letter	2	Volunteer	10

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

President: Joshua Scott, Esq.

Vice President: John MacGregor, DVM, DACVIM

Secretary: Stephen Demarais

Treasurer: Michael J. Murphy, CPA

DIRECTORS AT LARGE

Wildolfo Arvelo, David F. Choate,

Alison Clode, DVM, DACVO,

Monica A. McCarthy, Philip Perham,

Robert Span, Julie Quinn

NHSPCA LEADERSHIP

Executive Director: Lisa Dennison, M.S.

ADOPTION CENTER

Director of Animal Services: Riann Hadley

Staff Veterinarian: Dr. Sonja Krygeris, DVM

Manager of Adoption Programs: Dianna Currier

Manager of Animal Care: Kelly Marinel

Equine & Farm Program Manager: Carrie Fyfe

MARKETING & DEVELOPMENT

Director of Development & Marketing:

Sheila Ryan

Annual Fund & Digital Marketing Manager:

Courtney Vavra

Special Events & Sponsorship Manager:

Julie Halama

FIELD SERVICES

Manager of Field Services: Steve Sprowl

LEARNING CENTER

Director of Administration & Programming:

Tanya Hart Newkirk

Manager of Humane Education Programs:

Paula Parisi



Advertise in the New Hampshire SPCA Newsletter!

You can reach a highly targeted audience of 22,000 animal lovers with our quarterly distribution throughout the Greater Seacoast area by placing your advertisement in the New Hampshire SPCA's quarterly newsletter. The NHSPCA reaches over 150 communities in Rockingham and Strafford counties in New Hampshire as well as Southern Maine and Northern Massachusetts. Along with reaching our unique audience of animal lovers, your advertising helps make a difference in the lives of thousands of animals by supporting the NHSPCA. For advertising rates and information please contact Melissa Mower at mmower@nhspca.org.

Advertising Policy: The New Hampshire SPCA includes advertising at its discretion, but does not specifically endorse or recommend those businesses advertised herein. To notify us of a change of address, duplicate mailings or other changes please call 603-772-2921 ext. 102.

Editor: Sheila Ryan | **Graphic Designer:** Melissa Mower

Dear Friends and Supporters,

The start of the New Year is always a joyful time — a fresh start, a new beginning, a time of change. This is just what we've all been looking forward to... With a couple of tough years behind us, it was the start of operating as intended with the ability to look and move forward.

This New Year and new decade, 2020, will be just that!

In just a few months, we will break ground on our renovation projects that include a new community wellness clinic, an additional classroom, larger barn and an indoor arena. We will be better able to care for all our animals and work more effectively with so many people who are passionate about them. We will be able to examine and operate on animals simultaneously increasing our efficiency with segregated exam and surgical rooms. The second classroom will allow us to host adult programs more regularly and in a space that accommodates adult sized furniture. The barn and arena will create safe space for our larger animals to be cared for, rehabilitated and trained. We'll have outdoor training and play areas along with trails for dog walking on our expanded campus creating a more desirable environment for both people and animals.

This year we will also continue some of the new programs that began in 2019. The Alzheimer's Café celebrated its 1st anniversary and throughout the year we witnessed many wonderful connections between those experiencing memory loss and animals. There were many moving moments when memories were jogged and recollections of happy times with their own beloved pets took place.

Some of our newest events such as Paint your Pet, Animal Cookie Decorating and Deck the Howls will be back by popular demand and we hope you will consider joining us this year. Keep watch on our website and Facebook page for these and other fun activities.

The start of the year has brought a new legislative season and there are numerous bills that we are engaged in to ensure that the laws protecting animals in New Hampshire continue to be strengthened. Please consider learning more



about the proposed bills impacting animals by clicking [here](#). Your participation is an invaluable contribution to helping animals and we greatly appreciate your calls, letters and trips to the state capital. Every action taken to help those with no voice is impactful.

And for those of you who have been stymied by our very old phone system that has been less than user friendly — well, help is on the way! I am happy to share that by the time you read this, our new system will be installed. A staff listing will once again be available and it is our hope that the new formatting will be easy and helpful. Please let us know if you have any issues when trying to reach us as we appreciate all feedback as we work to improve our communications with you.

We are excited about all the changes coming and will work hard to keep everyone updated as we approach the start of our Building Project 2020!

So, happy New Year to each of you and thank you so much for your continued support! Together we can truly make a difference.

On behalf of the Animals,

Lisa S. Dennison
Executive Director

New Hampshire Society For the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals

104 Portsmouth Avenue, PO Box 196 • Stratham, NH 03885

TEL: (603) 772-2921 • FAX: (603) 778-7804 • www.nhspca.org

Attempting to make sense of the 653 calls

By Steven Sprowl

Humane Agent, Field Services Manager

I have just started my 19th year with the New Hampshire SPCA as their Humane Agent.

I can say it has been one heck of a ride so far...

When we first started keeping track of the case load, the Field Services Department was receiving over 400 calls a year on animal related cruelty. It spiked to over 800 calls, dipped to a little over 600 in 2010, and has been a rollercoaster since, fluctuating between 600 and 700 calls.

In 2019, it was back to 653 calls.

I have a hard time understanding in this day and age why there are 653 calls in one year — and that's just counting the calls the NHSPCA has dealt with. I can't speak for other agencies or police departments also receiving calls regarding animal cruelty.

When are we going to get it right and start properly caring for the animals that we decide to purchase, adopt and raise?

No one should be taking in animals they are not willing to properly care for. These animals rely on the people that own them to treat them right by feeding them properly, cleaning up after them, seeking medical treatment when they are sick, and loving them like family.

I recently assisted an agency in Rockingham County where a dog laid in a wire crate waiting to be cared for. Day in and day out, this dog waited for someone to come feed him, let him out, take him to run and play, and just be part of the family.

That day never came.

The animal was left in a wire kennel and died. What a horrible death this animal suffered. I can only hope when the judge sees the photos of this deceased dog, that he imposes the stiffest sentence allowed by law.



Field Services Manager Steven Sprowl carries a goat from the trailer after removing her and others from a neglectful situation. Sprowl, who is nearing 20 years on the job, can't understand why there are still so many cruelty complaints each year.

No animal should go through such suffering.

The NHSPCA and other humane societies around the state are prepared to assist animals

by taking them in and finding them good homes if they are no longer wanted.

Why abandon them on a back road or just leave them in the house or apartment when moving? Why abandon horses and leave them to starve on their own when the owner can no longer afford them or decides to move on to greener pastures?

Animals deserve better.

People often ask me what they can do to help. I tell them to make that phone call to their local police department.

If you have any suspicion of an animal being mistreated, abused or in need of medical attention, call.

If you see someone has moved and left animals behind, call.

The police have to act on complaints received and if they don't, it is called official neglect under the New Hampshire State law, and they can be held accountable.

Prosecutors should be held accountable if they don't prosecute these defendants to the full extent of the law, especially second and third offenders.

I have a case in Strafford County where a person has been arrested twice, in a matter of a year and a half, for cruelty and was allowed to walk both times. They were allowed to get their abused and neglected animals back.

Police officers should not be allowed to prosecute animal cruelty cases and make plea bargains just to clear their desk of back logged cases.

I could write a book on the cases I have been involved in and the things I have seen committed against animals that rely on us to care for them.

I think it would be a Stephen King best-seller if he were to make a movie about animal cruelty, but it would have to be a horror flick.



Seacoast Memorials

CHRIS & LISA J. ALEXANDROPOULOS
Owners

3168 LAFAYETTE RD.
PORTSMOUTH, NH 03801

www.seacoastmemorials.com

PH. 603-433-1237

FX. 603-433-1246

MEMORIALS • BRONZE PLAQUES • GRANITE SIGNS

Rolling Meadows PET CEMETERY

a memorial resting place for pets

Visitors are welcome between the hours
of 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. every day.
Children must be accompanied by an adult.

Price information and all business
connected with Rolling Meadow Pet
Cemetery should be directed to:
104 Portsmouth Avenue,
Stratham, NH 03885

www.nhspca.org · RMPC@nhspca.org
603-772-2921 ext.111

All signs pointing to the road to healing

By Riann Hadley

Director of Animal Services

The start of every new year generally leads to reflecting on the past. It's normal to think about all the high and low points of the previous year and be excited about the possibilities that lie ahead in the future.

For us here at the New Hampshire SPCA, though, the last two years have been completely consumed with one thing: German Shepherds.

We were all hopeful that by this point, we would be on the road to healing from this case; but, we have realized that our road to recovery is a bumpy one. We still have two of those faces that

remind us daily that this is not behind us. Foxy and Bebe both wait patiently as we do our best to find them their families they so desperately deserve.

The last two years have been a rollercoaster of emotion.

Accomplishment in the form of a now-flourishing enrichment program that helped keep the



Want to learn more about the 36 Shepherds who changed our world? Please click [here](#) to read our special Shepherd newsletter today!

Shepherds sane during the long-term kenneling.

Joy the first time we took a group of Shepherds on a pack walk or swimming at the pool.

Hope when we moved some into foster care and we saw them all blossom into wonderful pets.

But mostly, we felt fear and dread that these animals we have grown to love were not going to be able to be adopted into loving homes.

It's been five months since we gained ownership of the remaining 28 Shepherds that were left in our care. With every adoption that we completed, we gained a new family that feels like an extension of us that lovingly provides us with updates and pictures of the many faces we have come to love so dearly.

All of these adoptions felt like a good step towards healing, but we all still think about the eight dogs and three rabbits returned to the previous owner. They spent over a year with us,



It has been rewarding to see each of the dogs we gained custody of blossom in their foster and forever homes like Paige, pictured here with the youngest member of her foster family. Our shelter family has grown with every single foster and adoption, and we enjoy the frequent updates and photos of the dogs we love so deeply.

many in foster homes, and were loved and cherished here just as every pet should be.

They are still part of our daily thoughts. We have pictures of them hanging up and stories that we still share about them. We wonder how they are and if they are happy and loved.

How long their stories will haunt us is anyone's guess.

As I sit writing this, though, I see the medical staff working with a scared cat in my office to gain her trust and get her healthy. I hear staff laughing outside my office watching a goofy puppy's silly antics. I see volunteers out my window happily spending time with the farm animals despite the 27° weather.

These are all things that I once took for granted. But now, I appreciate every little "normal" day-to-day sight and sound that I missed more than I realized.

It's slow progress, but all signs are pointing us to the road to healing.

Two Shepherds Remain

Bebe

Female | 7 years old

This lovely girl is all prepped for a good home. She successfully lived in one for quite a while. But one of the things



we learned from her foster stay is that Bebe is sometimes too energetic for cats. So if beautiful Bebe were to go home with a cat, it would have to be laid back and used to dogs. She has been fine with other dogs in the home, however. Bebe has a lot of great qualities. She's house trained and crate trained. She has a mellow temperament. And

she loves going on walks. She's been going on long hikes in the woods of late, and that makes Bebe a happy camper.

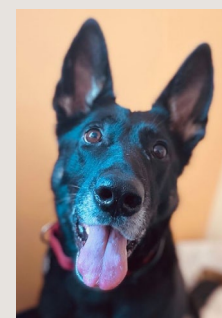
Bebe can be reactive to strangers, but our trainers are working with her on redirecting that reactivity with verbal and clicker training. It would be helpful for her to continue such training in her new home. She wants to be her parent's main focus so she will be best in a home without children. Bebe is super smart and learns fast, but will need a Mom or Dad with a little extra patience while she gets to know you. Once she knows and trusts you, you will know the gratitude and love a truly great rescue dog!

[Learn more about Bebe](#)

Foxy

Female | 6.5 years old

Foxy is happiest when she has a tennis ball in her mouth! This girl loves to play! She also loves going on walks or runs. On the other hand, Foxy likes to cuddle with her people and enjoys just hanging on her bed with a yummy



chew treat. Foxy would like to be your one and only and needs a home without dogs or cats in it. She is a rather energetic lady, so if there are kids at home, they should be older. Foxy would prefer a fenced in yard so she can play ball and run until her heart is content. Foxy came to us in a cruelty case and has never known a real home. She would

make a loving addition to a family hoping to rescue a beautiful and deserving older dog.

[Learn more about Foxy](#)

Cat Pawsitive a positively effective experience

By **Salomé Barrot**

Enrichment Coordinator

Think cats can't be trained? Think cats stressed out by shelter living can't get relief? Think again. Thanks to the New Hampshire SPCA's participation in the 2020 semester of [Cat Pawsitive](#), we are improving the lives of shelter cats while boosting their adoptability.

Meet your match!

Are you interested in adopting a cat? Click [here](#) to view available cats!

We've known for a long time that enrichment programs help all animals confined in shelters. The NHSPCA is now one of 55 U.S. animal welfare organizations selected by The Jackson Galaxy Project, a Signature Pro-

gram of GreaterGood.org, to participate in Cat Pawsitive. The program introduces positive-reinforcement training to shelter and rescue cats. Supported by the Petco Foundation, its primary aim is to increase feline adoption rates.

Our online training program, designed by feline behavior experts, is running through March 30, 2020. Our team has seven core members — staff and volunteers — learning Cat Pawsitive's positive-reinforcement-based training methods. Once this group is trained, we will share what we've learned with other staff and volunteers.

How does it work? Using classic behavior modification methods, we are using clickers to train our feline friends. Desired behaviors are marked



A volunteer and Cat Pawsitive team member works with Winni, a sweet 7-year-old Siamese cat.

with a click and rewarded. The effort keeps the cats mentally and physically active.

The rewards vary based on the cats' preferences, but include food, petting, brushing and playing. When the cats realize they can earn their desired reward, it gives them some control in their lives, something sorely lacking in a shelter environment.

Cats who are exposed to the reward-based training methods of Cat Pawsitive experience reduced stress levels and build connections with staff, volunteers and potential adopters.

Our team works on seven cats, one per team member, at any time. Each cat gets two training sessions a day over three to four days a week.

The program is designed to work on friendly and social cats. However, we focus on cats who are in a medical ward or exceptionally stressed in the shelter environment.

One of them is Midnight, a handsome black and white young male who came to us as a stray. Unfortunately, he arrived with a wound of an unknown origin, so state law requires us to keep him on a four-month rabies hold.

We also have been working with two sweet adult female cats, Betty and Liza, who were positive for ringworm when they entered the shelter. Their treatment in quarantine took almost two months. Given their lengthy stay, the Cat Pawsitive program was a blessing for Midnight, Betty and Liza.

Whether working with sweet, fearful, or nervous cats, we have seen notable behavior improvements in a short amount of time. By participating in Cat Pawsitive, we are building a strong foundation in the basics of cat behavior training so that going forward, we can:

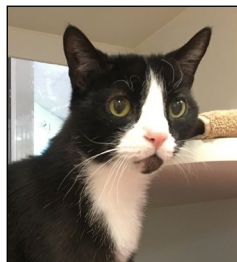
- Help improve cats' mental, physical, and emotional well-being.
- Maintain and improve cat adoptability.
- Increase overall cat adoptions, while decreasing lengths of stay.
- Empower staff and volunteers to engage with cats in new ways that enhance the cat-human bond.
- Show potential adopters that cats are cool and, yes, they can be trained!

Sweet Vinny finds a devoted family after scary prognosis

By **Ali Lynch**

Outreach & Events Coordinator

Working in animal welfare, you hear a lot of heartbreaking stories. It can be easy to get discouraged and frustrated. But then, an inspiring and heartwarming case comes along and you begin to feel whole again.



Vinny, a 16-year-old cat who came to the shelter in desperate need of help.

That is the case of Vinny: a 16-year-old cat who came to the New Hampshire SPCA because his person was unable to care for him anymore.

Vinny arrived at the shelter with various health issues including a chronic history of vomiting, diarrhea

and skin issues. Our veterinary team worked tirelessly to treat Vinny's health issues, finding a special diet he'd have to be on for the rest of his life and doing ultrasounds that ultimately revealed a thickened pancreas and small intestines, likely due to chronic pancreatitis.

Despite the multitude of medical complications, Vinny seemed happy to have a warm place to sleep and receive lots of attention from staff and volunteers.

While his health began to improve with proper treatment, the question on everybody's minds still remained: would Vinny be able to find a forever home?

Trying to find a home that was willing to take on the significant vet bills of an older cat and face the uncertainty of his health was not going to be easy.

Luckily, Vinny's sweet personality never faded and it didn't take long for the perfect match to

come along.

Our veterinary staff was waiting on Vinny's test results for possible feline lymphoma and were worried the outcome might deter a potential adopter.

After discussing Vinny's condition, there was no way his new family was leaving without him. Three months after his initial surrender, Vinny was going home. Despite the unfortunate confirmed diagnosis of feline lymphoma after his adoption, Vinny's family felt like they had won the lottery.

He had made their family complete. As they wrote in their card to the staff only a few short weeks ago, "we would do it all again in a heartbeat".

It's because of amazing, compassionate people like the ones that adopted Vinny, that we are able to continue the work we do. It's because of them that we are able to help animals like Vinny get a second chance.

Notes From The Barn

Adapting to changes in livestock animal welfare

By Carrie Fyfe

Equine & Farm Animal Program Manager

2019 was a year of growth and lessons learned for our farm program! In reflecting on this past year, I am struck by just how unique and out-of-the-box our program has become — we are continually evolving to better accommodate the needs of these special animals.

More online

Are you looking for a new addition for your barnyard? Click [here](#) to view current availability!

The way the public perceives traditional livestock animals has changed dramatically over the years. We now regularly see roosters being adopted into backyard flocks, pigs being welcomed

into families as companion animals and retired horses finding homes as pasture pets. We continue to support and be inspired by these changes in livestock animal welfare — here are some of the amazing things we've learned about our farm animals over the past year!

Pigs are the Einsteins of the farmyard

Through the power of observation, we have learned so much about the pigs in our care!

We now enrich their living spaces with soft classical music and ambient noise to help relax them. We respect their likes and dislikes — we've learned that pigs like little Rosie appreciate any gentle human interaction and are capable of learning new things in just a few hours. Sweet Dee and Leela are expert problem solvers and very good at managing herds of rowdy goats. And we can't forget our



A volunteer reads *Charlotte's Web* to Hank, a much-loved pig. Enrichment has played a large role around the shelter lately, and this is just one glimpse of the extra care animals receive.

exceptional farm pig, Pippa, who learned to target objects, memorize commands and participate in educational events!

Enrichment, Enrichment, Enrichment!

Just like our indoor critters, our farm animals

require positive interaction and environmental enrichment to improve their quality of life. Our chickens appreciate interactive treat toys and different shelters to explore. We have seen a significant improvement in the overall behavior and wellbeing of our pigs through regular clicker/target training sessions. Our horses have benefited from rehabilitation programs that include environmental stimulation such as treat toys, hanging hay bags, hand walking/grazing and music. Regular one-on-one time with handlers in the form of grooming, feed enrichment, reiki and massage has enabled our horses to relax and reveal aspects of their personalities that may have been previously unknown to us.

Flexibility is key

From accommodating flocks of pheasant and quail to providing safe housing to pregnant alpaca and goats, if there's one thing our staff and volunteers have learned, it's flexibility! Our farm animal population is diverse and dynamic, with many different species entering and exiting our facility every year. We've learned that in order to provide each individual with the best chance at a successful adoption, we need to work as a team to adapt to their unique needs.

With an expansion of our Equine & Farm Animal Program on the horizon, we have no doubt that the limits of our flexibility will be put to the test in 2020! But we welcome the new year with open arms and with it, the opportunity to grow as caretakers and farm animal welfare advocates.

Wentworth by the Sea is a
Proud Supporter of NHSPCA



WENTWORTH BY THE SEA

Strategic
FINANCIAL
PLANNING

Prudent
INVESTMENT
MANAGEMENT

Professional
PET GROOMING
SERVICES

Okay, two out of three ain't bad.



BEARING POINT
WEALTH PARTNERS
Fiduciary Financial Planners

www.bearingpointwealth.com



Another successful Auction for the Animals!

The 25th Annual Auction for the Animals was truly a night we will never forget! Three hundred of the Seacoast's most influential and generous animal lovers attended to support the work of the New Hampshire SPCA on November 16, 2019.

Together, we raised money to provide thousands of animals with warm beds, full bellies, safe shelter, and loving care this year.

The evening simply would not have been possible without the dedication and support of our attendees, sponsors and contributors. To all who had a hand in making this evening so special, thank you!

Special thanks to our Top Dog sponsor, [Veterinary Emergency & Surgery Hospital of Brentwood](#), and all of our other gracious sponsors:

TOP DOG SPONSOR

Veterinary Emergency & Surgery Hospital
of Brentwood

ANIMAL ANGEL SPONSORS

Port City Veterinary Referral Hospital
Seascope Capital Management

PACK LEADER SPONSORS

Newburyport Bank
Pilot Construction, Inc.
Three Bearings Fiduciary Advisors, Inc.
Wentworth by the Sea

FURBALL FRIEND

Tanner Clark, Realtor
Cummings, Lamont & McNamee
Greenland Veterinary Hospital, LLC
Hoefle, Phoenix, Gormley & Roberts, P.A.
In Memory of Josephine A Gazzola, Paula G. Doughty,
Jo Ann Gazzola and Joseph J. Gazzola
Murphy, Powers, and Wilson

R.M. Davis

State Line Pet Supply
Vogel Veterinary Dermatology

ADOPTION ADVOCATE

Alpha Cars
Colliers International
Digital Prospectors
Granite State Credit Union
Pam Bailey, Re/Max
Revision Energy



NHSPCA Executive Director Lisa Dennison accepts a check from world-renowned psychic medium John Holland and his dog, Koda. John's sold-out event raises money for the Koda Fund, which provides life-saving medical treatment to animals in our care.

Sold-out John Holland event raises life-saving funds

On a beautiful Sunday in February, over 120 guests gathered at the New Hampshire SPCA for an Afternoon of Mediumship with world-renowned psychic medium, John Holland.

People began lining up at the door almost an hour before the show began and before long, the room was completely full.

John opened by telling his journey of how the event came to be, and how his dog Koda was the inspiration behind the medical fund he created.

The Koda Fund provides life-saving medical care to animals in need and 100% of the

proceeds from the event benefit this fund. It has saved countless lives, such as Frankie and Grandpa Doo, two German Shepherds each requiring bloat surgery. Or Mirage, an adorable black and white cat who, without the Koda Fund, may have lost her leg to an untreated injury.

We are incredibly grateful to John, who puts on this event each year and donates every penny raised to the animals, and to everyone who supports this event by attending or buying raffle tickets. Thank you!

**Become a Faithful Friend by joining our
compassionate group of monthly givers!**

We're so thankful for the special group of committed friends that have set up a gift to be automatically made each month. Becoming a Faithful Friend is an easy and cost efficient way to provide the shelter with a reliable source of funding. Your contributions can also make a bigger impact by helping us save on postage and mailing costs. Monthly donations are charged to a credit card automatically and can be changed or canceled at any time.

Your ongoing support is critical to providing food, shelter and medical care for hundreds of animals every month.

TO SET UP A MONTHLY DONATION, PLEASE [CLICK HERE!](#) THANK YOU!



The Humane Education department hosted a new event in December called Deck the Howls. Children came to the shelter sporting adorable pajamas, books in hand, and spent the evening reading bedtime stories to the animals. We really don't know who had a better overall experience, the children or the animals!



This year, every animal at the shelter received a Valentine full of love and luck from thoughtful kids in our community at the "Need Some Bunny...or Kitty...or Puppy to Love?" event.

Join us for upcoming special day events

By Paula Parisi

Manager of Humane Education Programs

We have had a few special one-day events in our Humane Education department lately. If your child joined us, we hope he or she had fun! And if they haven't yet attended one, please watch for upcoming day events.

In December, we welcomed pajama-clad readers to spread holiday joy with our animals by reading bedtime stories to them. Everyone had a great time at "Deck the Howls," and the animals all slept very well that night!

In February, we had an event called "Need Some Bunny...or Kitty...or Puppy to Love?" right before Valentine's Day and the children

Programs for Children

Do you know a child who loves animals? The NHSPCA has a variety of programs, camps and one-day events that could appeal to children of all ages. Want to know more? Visit us on the website by clicking [here!](#)

who attended made sure every animal at the NHSPCA got a Valentine full of love and luck that they will find a new home soon! This event was the brainchild of Stella Pillet-Shore of Durham who wanted to do her Bat Mitzvah project at the NHSPCA. Stella planned and carried out the whole day's activities and everyone had a great time.

Keep watch for other special one-day events coming up in the future!



Interested in adopting a small animal but don't know which kind is right for you? Feel free to stop by the classroom to learn more!

Choosing the best small animal for you!

If you have ever visited the Humane Education Classroom at the NHSPCA Learning Center, you are no doubt familiar with our classroom pets. We have many different types of small animals — also known as pocket pets — living in the classroom that families often want to have as pets.

If you are looking to add a small animal to your home, we can help!

Maybe you want to know how often to clean a rat's cage, where to buy chinchilla food or what a guinea pig's cage even smells like! Or, maybe you are allergic to hay and want to know which small animals require fresh vegetables as an alternative. Because our classroom pets live here with us, we are able to show you how they need to be cared for in a setting similar to a home.

If you and your family would like to explore having a small pet, please call or email to set up a time to come see which pet is the right one for your home and family.



Junior Volunteer Emily Nadeau asked friends and family to donate to the NHSPCA at her Sweet 16 party!

Birthday celebrations with the animals

Birthdays are often happy, celebratory occasions and many people want to share their special day with animals. There are so many ways our supporters do exactly that and help homeless animals at the same time.

We offer birthday parties right here at the NHSPCA in our Humane Education Classroom for animal lovers of all ages, which is a wonderful way to show your friends and family how much you love all animals and want to help them. You can check our website for information on setting up a birthday party for you or your child.

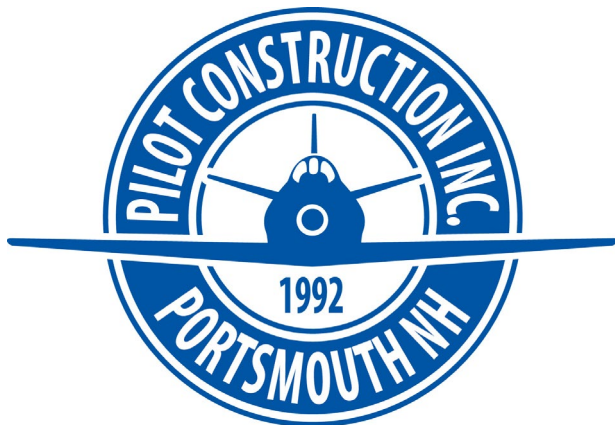
Other people host parties on their own and collect needed items and/or money to donate to help animals in honor of their birthday. These gestures are truly appreciated and help us continue to

provide high-quality food, supplies, veterinary care and enrichment to the animals waiting here to find their new homes.

A very special birthday donation recently came from one of our very own Junior Volunteers! Emily Nadeau of Manchester asked her friends and family to donate to the NHSPCA at her Sweet 16 party.

Emily has been a skilled and dedicated member of the Junior Volunteer program for the past two years and wanted to help by directing gifts to the animals instead of herself on her special day. She donated close to \$600.00 and various wishlist items!

Our favorite part of all this is that Emily is going to stay on with us for a while to help mentor the rookie Junior Volunteers!



**Newburyport
Bank**

JOURNEY WELL

Volunteer opportunities available for all interests

By Stephen Jones
Volunteer Coordinator

When a volunteer kicks off their involvement at the New Hampshire SPCA, they attend an orientation where we talk about types of animal care they can assist with and the many other jobs around the shelter. Somewhere around the middle of the tour I usually get asked, "What is the job you need help with the most?"

The answer may surprise you.

We have robust animal care programs with volunteers covering most of the support shifts. We also have a group of committed volunteers that

Get involved!

We're always looking for new volunteers to help care for the animals. We're also looking for volunteers to greet potential adopters, help plan fundraisers, and assist in a number of different ways. If you are interested in learning how you can get involved at the NHSPCA, please take a look at our website by clicking [here!](#)

help with administrative and clerical projects.

Where we can always use more help is with tasks like washing laundry and sorting the hundreds of amazing donations we receive every day. These tasks end up going hand in hand because once a load of laundry is in the machines, there's down time which gives volun-

teers the opportunity to help with sorting.

Everything has a home and any staff member in the Adoption Center would be thrilled to show you where the wet dog food goes or what to do with the bag of chew toys that got dropped off.

Besides laundry, there are plenty of other areas that we can use a hand with.

We are always looking for shelter greeters! This front-line position provides our guests with a warm and friendly "Hello!" as they enter the shelter. Greeters help answer questions and guide the public to the different animal areas. They help the staff hand out applications during busy times and allow the adoption counselors to be available when someone has a specific question about an animal.

Did you know that the NHSPCA holds youth birthday parties on weekends? Well, we do, and it can also be an area to help. With up to 15 kids and even more parents, our humane educators would appreciate having a helping hand.

School groups and businesses often want to hold a service day at the shelter to help the animals and we love having them. Walking the dogs and working with the cats, unfortunately, takes some extra training that can't be done in just one day; however, groups help us



Volunteer opportunities at the New Hampshire SPCA really are endless, and not all include direct animal care. Helping with registration at events like the Plunge, for example, is a different way to get involved.

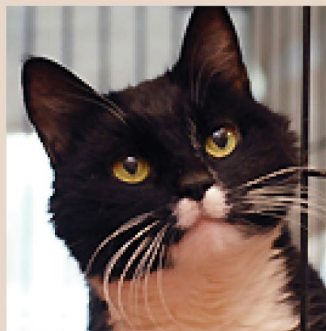
with community projects and there is always a behind-the-scenes tour and opportunity to see the animals. Groups can give back outside of the shelter by organizing pet supply drives or making fleece tie blankets.

If you're really in it for the animals and other things just aren't of interest, there are always animal enrichment activities that can be done after you have gone through animal training. From

reading to the animals and spraying fun scents in the enclosures to just spending some one on one time with an animal, there are always ways to get involved.

Regardless of how you want to give back, there is a place for you here. If you are interested in learning more about some of the volunteer opportunities or you would like to learn how to become a volunteer, please email sjones@nhspca.org today!

Offering the best of traditional and alternative medicine/surgery



FREE EXAM

Get your *PET WELLNESS CARD!*

SAVE 25% OFF

Medical/Surgical Services for 1 Year

NHSPCA Adopters: bring this coupon and your NHSPCA receipt at time of service to receive discount.

One per pet adoption



**Ocean Valley
Veterinary Hospital**

Dedicated to the Healing of Animals from a Compassionate Staff

Dr. Douglas Lemire
veterinarian of 36 years

72 Portsmouth Ave. Suite 111
Stratham, NH 03885

½ mile from NHSPCA in Stratham Plaza

603-778-8050 • www.oceanvalleyvet.com



Duncan, a nervous Rottweiler, was rescued by a beloved NHSPCA volunteer, Colette Murray. He is seen here snoozing comfortably alongside his special person, who took the absolute best care of him until the day she passed away. Duncan now lives with Colette's sister, Cathy, who adopted Colette's three dogs.

Duncan the Dreamboat

By Nancy Winkley
Volunteer

This is a story with a lot of heroes. It's a story with the worst of endings and the best of endings. It's a story about a dog.

His name is Duncan, and he was surrendered to the shelter in late 2018 severely lame and unable to walk without pain. Though only a year old, he already had been through a lifetime of grief.

Our first hero was the collective humanity in the shelter. Staff and volunteers rallied around Duncan, a big and nervous Rottweiler with some sizable health issues — the worst of which was thought to be Osteochondritis Dissecans. That's a fancy name for a condition that could lead to secondary osteoarthritis/degenerative joint disease. In short, Duncan was in bad shape.

Enter the biggest hero of them all, Colette Murray.

Colette took Duncan in as a foster. She already had two dogs — Jake and Frankie, the latter being a shelter dog she also had fostered, then adopted, while he was treated for heartworm. Colette knew she had room in her home and in her heart.

She also knew she was undergoing grueling chemotherapy for ovarian cancer. She was very sick, too. But the big dog needed help.

Besides administering the prescribed pain meds and joint supplements, Colette called Tails of Rye, a canine physical therapy facility whose owner is another hero in this story. Dimitra

Kofitsas and her staff took it slowly with Duncan. He loved Colette, but remained wary of others.

"As time went on, Duncan acquiesced to our treatments and began to respond so well that by the time he was discharged his muscle girth was equal to the other side and he knew exactly what to do for his treatment," Dimitra said.

She didn't charge a dime.

Colette, of course, adopted Duncan. It was January of 2019, a few months after the dog who could barely walk entered the shelter.

"She could not bear the thought that he would be in another home to start the 'getting to know you' process all over again," Colette's sister, Cathy Murray Houle, said. "Or worse, someone who wouldn't care for him as lovingly as she did."

So all these heroes helped save this sweet, drooling dog. But no one could save Colette. Not the best medical minds nor the most fervent prayers of friends and family. It was the bad ending no one wanted. Colette died in April 2019.

But there's one more hero in this story. Cathy Murray Houle gave her dying sister the greatest gift of all. She promised to take Duncan, Frankie and Jake. They would live with her and her husband Rob and their dog Winston. And because she knew that, Colette Murray died with peace in her heart.

Duncan now frolics in a big family. His health is good, his needs are met, his smile is ever-present. And he has a loving angel watching him from above.

2019 Volunteer Recognition

Let's hope Punxsutawney Phil was right and we can say goodbye to winter! Our devoted volunteers have been trudging through snow, ice, and freezing temperatures for the animals.

In the last quarter of 2019, 343 volunteers completed over 29,000 hours of volunteer service for New Hampshire SPCA. Among so many, the following individuals have reached impressive milestones through their continued service to NHSPCA. We wish to extend our congratulations to each of them, with our deepest gratitude for their service.

500 HOURS OF SERVICE

Scott Hodgdon
Cathy Scuto
Linda Severs
Donna Wilford

1,000 HOURS OF SERVICE

Norma Bell
Kim Caddle
Pamela Gaudette
Leslie Ann McGowan
Kiki Ng

2,000 HOURS OF SERVICE

Jennifer Melkonian

3,000 HOURS OF SERVICE

Colleen O'Keefe
Julie Rossetti-Cipullo

5,000 HOURS OF SERVICE

Kelly Marinel
Evelyn St. John

6,000 HOURS OF SERVICE

Rich Walker

[View all volunteer achievements](#)

ADOPTION CENTER

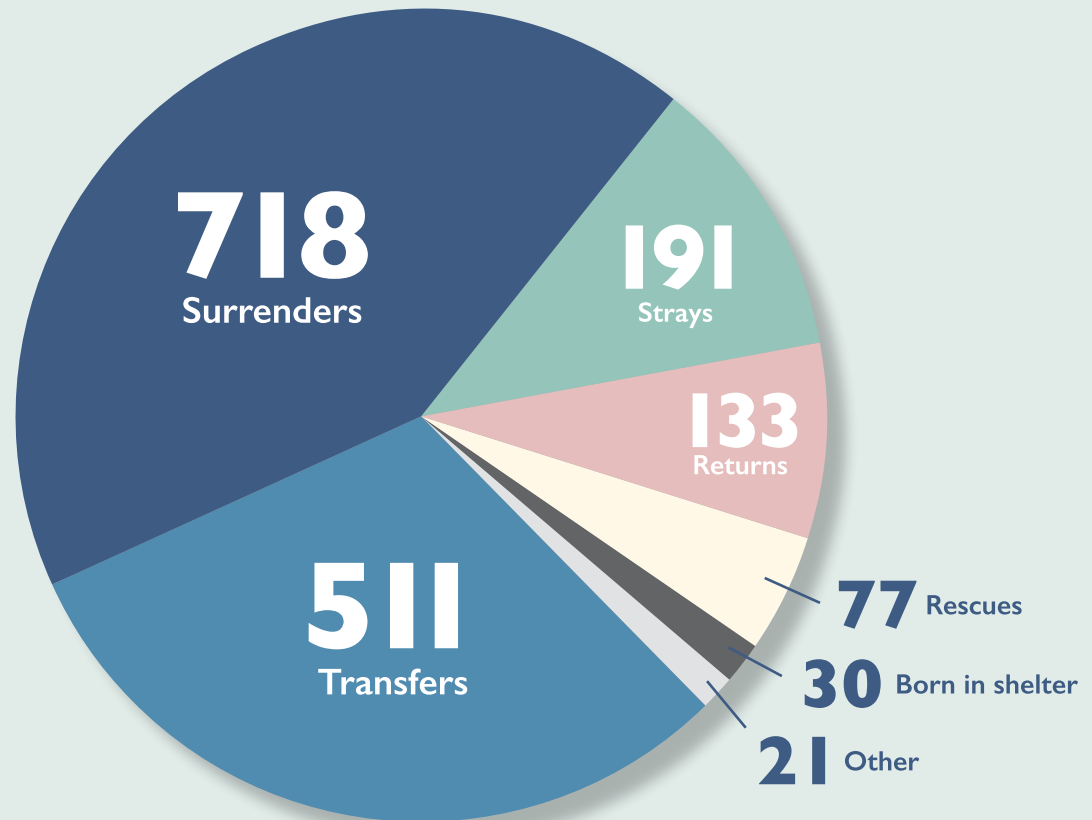
INCOMING ANIMALS IN 2019: 1,681

163

Animals already
in our care at the
start of 2019

67

Animals held in
protective custody
during 2019



SHELTER ANIMAL LENGTH OF STAY

The average length of stay is the time animals spend at the shelter from the moment they are brought in until they are adopted. This includes animals that require medical attention upon arrival and all protective custody cases. The median length of stay represents how many days animals spend at the shelter from the time they are made available for adoption until they are adopted.

ANIMAL	IN OUR CARE	ADOPTED	RETURN TO OWNER	AVERAGE LOS	MEDIAN LOS
Cats	492	448	37	20	10
Dogs	371	233	98	65	8
Kittens	378	313	1	19	10
Rodents	152	97	0	45	22
Guinea Pigs	99	85	0	19	11
Birds/Other	94	59	8	63	13
Farm Animals	80	67	2	67	58
Puppies	71	57	2	10	7
Rabbits	69	56	4	44	19
Horses	38	22	1	296	222
Total	1,844	1,437	153		

Please note: These stats include the 1,681 animals that turned to us in 2019 and the 163 already in our care on January 1, 2019.

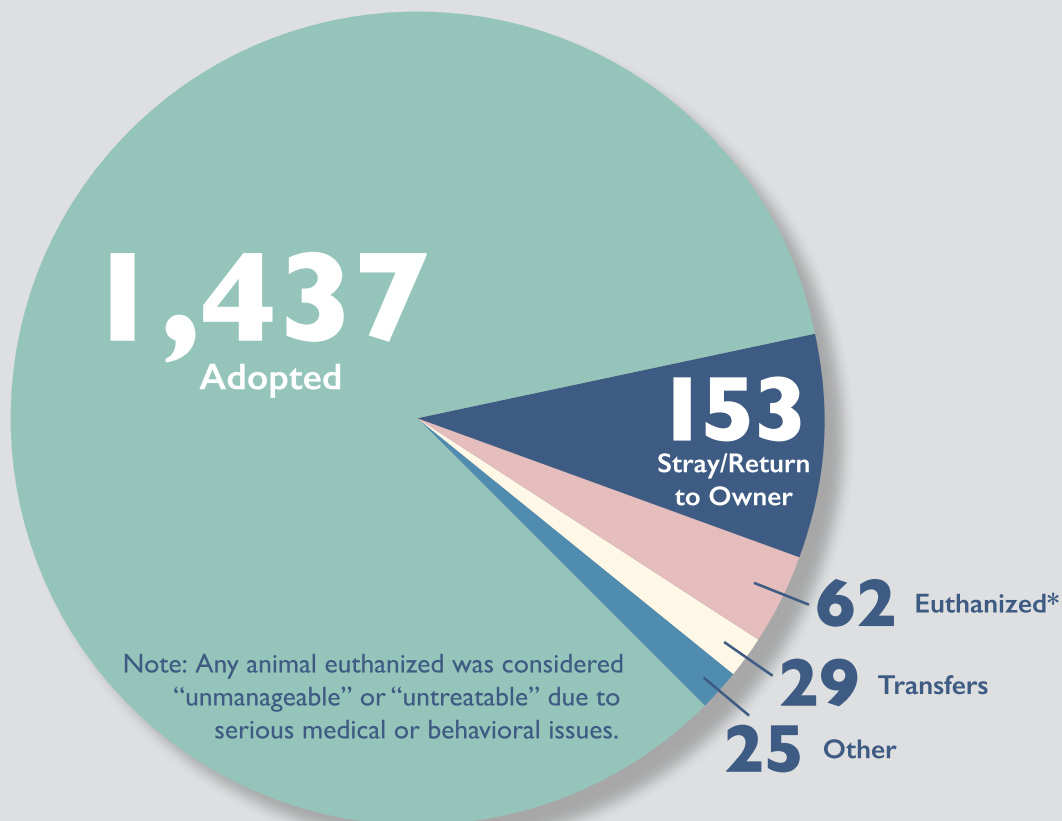
ADOPTION CENTER

13

2019

IMPACT REPORT

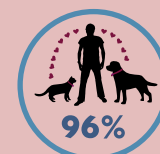
OUTGOING ANIMALS IN 2019: 1,706



placement rate of healthy animals



placement rate of treatable/rehabilitatable animals



live release rate

138

Animals remaining in our care at the end of 2019

SHELTER ANIMAL MEDICAL CARE



1,844

Animals receiving health checks



642

Spay & neuter surgeries



607

Rabies vaccinations administered



520

Microchips administered



28

Other surgical procedures



14

Horses receiving intensive medical care

MORE ONLINE

For our complete 2019 Impact Report — including additional statistics, our year in review, and agency anecdotes — please click [here!](#)



NHSPCA adds trainers, classes and workshops!

By **Linda R. Haley, CPDT, KPA CTP**
Behavior & Training Coordinator

This has been an exciting year in the training department.

We've added some new staff, trainers, programs and classes. Did you know we offered our first mini-series (3 week) classes on **Holiday Manners, Kids and Agility** and the newest, wildest sport **Parkour for Dogs**? We added some tried and true workshops like **Puppy Agility Workshop** to start

Have a question for our trainers?

Email your question to askthetrainer@nhspca.org for a chance to have your question featured and answered by our trainers in the next newsletter!

your budding agility pup off on the right (or left) paw and a **Reactive Dog Workshop** which consists of lecture and a follow-up semi-private for you and your oh-so-loveable but dog-reactive dog.

Want your dog to come and pay attention to you while off leash? Try the **Come When Called** class or **Control Unleashed**. Think how much fun it will be to go to the park now!

Speaking of fun with your dog, try the popular **Tricks** class. Did you know you can get certified for doing Tricks? Crazy, right?

Thinking more practical, but still want fun? How about combo classes like **Manners and Agility** or **Manners and Tricks**?

Got a new pup or new adult dog? Start with our traditional **Puppy and Manners** classes.

Been, there done that? How about **Agility**? That will keep you on your toes. We offer a whole program from Beginner, Advanced, Intermediate to Competition Agility.

Our **Puppy Play groups** on Saturday morning are super fun and great for socialization for those pups under 7 months. We also brought back our **Small Dog Play group**, for those little guys under 25 lbs.

Our staff, you ask? Simply, the best with two new additions!

Amillie Zickmund joined the Behavior & Training Department in November to help with the evaluation and training of our shelter dogs, help train staff and volunteers to improve their handling skills, assist with dog introductions for potential adopters and to help support our patrons by answering their behavioral questions which help pets stay in their loving homes.

Amillie has been working with dogs for more than eight years teaching classes and private session as well as running dog play groups. She



Amillie Zickmund, who joined the NHSPCA training staff in November, rewards Roxy, a shelter dog, during a dog introduction. In addition to new trainers, the NHSPCA has added a variety of new classes and workshops — something for dogs of all temperaments and abilities!

owned her own training business in Charleston, South Carolina where she taught basic obedience classes, CGC prep, advanced obedience, and private in-home training sessions.

Interested in taking a class?

Click [here](#) for our complete list of class offerings!

Like all our trainers, her style is to teach the dogs in a positive manner and minimize fear, stress and anxiety. She knows that helping them feel comfortable is the best environment for them to learn. She feels each dog and student teaches her something new and she loves to watch the bond between the owner and the animal grow.

Amillie is a Certified Canine Good Citizen Evaluator and teaches Puppy, Advanced Puppy, Manners, Canine Good Citizen and developed the

Holiday Manners mini-series.

Jake Belmont has been another great addition to our teaching staff this past year. He comes to us with more than five years training experience in addition to his background in dog walking and doggie daycare. He is fascinated with dog communication and learning theory. He is a Certified Canine Good Citizen Evaluator and is a Certified Professional Dog Trainer. He teaches Come When Called classes, Control Unleashed, Star Puppy, Manners and Parkour for Dogs.

I would be remiss to not mention the rest of our highly experienced teaching team who have an additional 60+ years of combined experience.

We are all Certified Professional Dog Trainers through the Association of Pet Dog Trainers. All of us have competed in various dog venues and we all are deeply committed to the welfare of dogs and the success of our students.

Nadine Perry and Liz Smith run our agility program and compete with the New England Agility Team. Both have several agility titles on their dogs, and several agility certifications. Nadine is also a Certified Canine Good Citizen Evaluator.

Liz teaches Beginner and Advanced Agility and developed the Kids & Agility mini-series.

Nadine teaches Beginner through Competition Agility, Canine Good Citizen, Puppy Star, and the Puppy Agility workshop.

Louise Daigle competes in Canine Nose Work, has several Nose Work titles, Tricks titles and is a Certified Canine Good Citizen Evaluator. She teaches nose work, tricks classes, CGC and Reactive Dog classes and workshops. She has a special interest in behavior and is working toward becoming a Certified Behavioral Consultant.

Linda Haley, the Behavior & Training Coordinator for the NHSPCA designs the training plans and trains the shelter dogs, works with staff and volunteers to improve their skills, supports the patrons with their behavioral questions, runs the Puppy Play program and New Adopter classes, teaches Puppy, Advanced Puppy, and Manners and is available for private consultations.

Linda has titled her dog and competed in Obedience Trials. She is a Karen Pryor Certified Training Partner and is a Certified Animal Chiropractor.

As you can see, we have a great team dedicated to making living with your dog a positive and fun experience!

Our goal is to help you and your pup realize your goals and be the best you both can be. Please [visit our website](#), give us a call or stop by to see what we have to offer and make 2020 the best year yet!

BARLEY...

Continued from Page 1

in the kennel and he learned that the door opening and the leash being picked up meant it was time to go outside. We paired him with another small dog who became his walking buddy. Walking nervous dogs with more confident dogs helps them relax.

One morning, I was walking by and saw the big bulgy eyes staring at me from the back of the kennel. He was still very afraid. My heart went out to him. I carefully opened the kennel, tossed in some treats, slowly bent down being careful not to stare, picked up the leash and brought him to my office.

At first, he just hung out in my office dragging his leash around. I randomly tossed treats on the ground, so he learned that this was not only a safe space, but a space where delicious food was served. I had to be careful not to move too quickly, stare or approach him in any way. If I did, he would bark, growl and lunge at me. This is a common reaction from dogs that are scared. Most dogs are not naturally aggressive. Their aggressive behavior (we prefer the term reactive) is really fear based.

Dexter didn't know me or anyone else here in the shelter. He had not had a lot of exposure to people in his previous home, so his response was understandable.

Each day, Dexter spent time in my office. Myself, armed with treats and a clicker and he, with a nervous but curious attitude. I discovered he was a smart little guy. He readily took to the clicker training, responded to his name, was easy to redirect from distractions, knew how to sit and wait when he wanted something and even learned to go over an agility jump.

A training plan was set up with the goal of getting him more comfortable with more people. It included things like, tossing a treat in the kennel when someone walked by, regular treating on walks to build a positive relationship and dropping treats whenever a stranger was near. We practiced walking through the shelter to help him get used to different surroundings and we would sit in the lobby where he would get treats as people walked by.

As Dexter became more comfortable, he began taking treats from some of the staff members' hands. He chose a select few and would nudge their hand, asking for some pets on the head, but we still couldn't touch his back. Dexter was a great communicator and let us know immediately when he had enough. He would give a low growl or just lift his lip.

Respecting these warnings is important as it helps the dog know that he is in control of what happens to him and it keeps people safe.

My relationship with Dexter grew as I spent more time with him. We hung out every day in my



Barley, formerly Dexter, is living proof that the best things in life are worth waiting for. Ellen, pictured, has been a soothing presence in his life. She has given him the time, space and love he deserves.

office and one day as I was sitting at my computer, he hopped into my lap. You can image my shock. Here sat a dog who still did not like to be touched and I could not pick up.

I slowly reached toward the bag of treats on my desk and tossed one on the floor. Thankfully, he hopped off and it soon became our thing. Jump up, jump down.

I had hope for him now but knew he would be difficult to adopt. He needed a quiet home with no children, and no pets. He needed a patient person to go slowly with him, someone who could let Dexter be Dexter, someone willing and open to continue his training, and someone who could resist the urge to pet and snuggle him. This was difficult as he was so cute!

All in all, he needed an angel.

His angel appeared in November. Ellen, a single, gentle soul who had previous experience with a

similar dog had read Dexter's story and saw his picture. Living a "peaceful life" as she describes — sewing and going for walks — she felt compelled to reach out.

"I may be the one to rehab him," she thought to herself.

Ellen visited with Dexter three different times, sitting with him, walking him, talking to staff, learning about him and what his needs were. She was patient with him, listened attentively, never tried to force herself on him and took the time to realize the commitment she was undertaking. We felt confident she was the right person for Dexter, and we were thrilled when she decided to adopt.

Ellen lived up to angel status and Dexter, now Barley, is living the best life. In a short three months, they have built a respectful trust with each other. Barley looks to her for guidance, he comes to her for love and affection, and he allows her to take his harness on and off and has learned to put on a coat for the cold weather. In the morning, they cuddle in bed. He rolls on his back, exposes his belly and waits for a belly rub. They play tug with soft toys, go for long walks and when they return, he races around the house with pure joy. Ellen finds this especially rewarding.

Under the guidance of his vet, Ellen has been able to reduce his anxiety medication to 1/3 of the original dose. She says she pairs kibble with everything, so he learns not to be afraid of new things, new people and new places.

When bed time comes, which for Barley is 9:50 p.m. specifically, he gets her attention, marches up the stairs, waits for his treat after hopping in bed, waits for her to cover him with his special blanket and then waits for her to sing him to sleep. As she sings, he swoons, snuggling into the covers and quickly falls asleep.

Ellen is waiting for the day she can pick him up, but she knows this day is coming and is willing to take the slow steps necessary for Barley to feel comfortable. Dogs like Barley need to take things in their own time and all dogs need an angel.

Thank you, Ellen, for being Barley's angel.

Interested in adding to your family?

Visit us on the web at to view our available animals!



Murphy, Powers & Wilson
Certified Public Accountants, P.C.

Michael J. Murphy, CPA

One Merrill Industrial Drive, Unit #1

Hampton, NH 03842

603-926-8063

www.mpandwcpa.com



Velma

Velma's doing awesome and we haven't had any issues with her. She adjusted to her new home as if she was already a family member! We thank all of you for letting us adopt her, and for all the loving, hard work you do on behalf of all the animals in your care. We love her so much and feel fortunate to have her with us.

— Darren, Christine & Jacki



Frankie

Hi, my name is Frankie, I am 8 ½ years young. Although, my life didn't start out so terrific, it sure did change! I have a lot to be thankful for. I have a mom who tells me every day that she loves me and how special I am — actually, sometimes every hour! I have a toy box full of toys and get a new tennis ball every week! We enjoy walks around our pond and a yard that is mine. But most of all, I am thankful for the NHSPCA who saved me and fought for me and helped me through my worst times. Life is good.

— Tammy



Frida

Frida is settling in well at home and we are really starting to see her personality. She is an absolute sweetheart and gets along well with our two other canine family members and has been known to sneak a nap with the cat. She's pictured here with "the gang" (Apache, tan mystery mix, Bella, black mystery mix, and Frida).

— Karen

OPEN 24 HOURS A DAY, 7 DAYS A WEEK, HOLIDAYS INCLUDED

Veterinary Emergency & Surgery Hospital of Brentwood

State-of-the-art emergency, general practice, and surgical-referral veterinary hospital. We provide compassionate, high-quality care at reasonable costs for dogs, cats, birds, reptiles, and pocket pets.

Emergency

Surgery

General Practice

Alternative Medicine



VESHNH.com



Veterinary Emergency &
Surgery Hospital

of Brentwood

175 Route 125
Brentwood, NH 03833

603-642-9111



Rory

My partner and I wanted to reach out and update you on how Allie is doing after the first week at home with us. We decided to name her Rory, after a character in my favorite show. She has been an absolute pleasure to have around the house with us. We brought her to the vet yesterday and he had told us that she was perfect (as we already knew). She is very energetic and playful, but also is very snuggly. She loves to snuggle up on our chests at night and when we are laying watching TV. She has a few favorite toys, a string attached to a wand and a chicken filled with catnip. She also loves to play with fluttering fingers, invisible objects on the floor, and something that must be hidden in the curtains. Along with loving cat food, we have discovered that she loves human food and will creep up on you and try to eat off your plate if it is in reachable distance for her.

— Ashley and Lane



Posie

We are loving our new family member, Posie, aka Rainbow — she is such a delight. I honestly don't think we could have picked a better pup. She somehow seems like an old dog in a puppy body! She is already crate trained and is doing wonderful with potty training as well. She loves any people and dogs she meets and has already made a few new friends. My daughter was completely surprised. She had no idea I was bringing home a pup for her and she still can't believe she finally has a dog.

— Elizabeth



Cashew

I adopted Cashew from the NHSPCA in February 2017 (he was named Nosferatu at the time). He was a 6-month-old agouti brown Flemish mix, and the cutest rabbit I have ever seen. He and two dozen other bunnies were surrendered to the NHSPCA by a farmer who had been raising them for meat. Cashew made me a bunny mom, and I have learned so much in the short time Cashew was a part of my life. I learned so much about rabbits and their care, and he changed my life. I am grateful that I was able to provide Cashew with a home, safety, good food, and most importantly, he knew love. He was absolutely spoiled rotten! He was fed organic fruits and veggies (along with all the hay he could eat!) and he had free roam of our house most of the time. He ruled the house — our dog and cats knew Cashew was the boss. He was a big bunny, too — he was bigger than a typical housecat. He was the funniest, sassiest, opinionated bun. Thank you so much for all you do for the animals. I received so much support from the NHSPCA when I adopted Cashew, and I am so grateful. Thanks to you, I was able to adopt this sweet bunny, show him endless love, and give him the very best life I could.

In memory of my darling bunny.

— Jennifer



Ty

Here's a picture of my dog, Ty, who I adopted on June 12, 2012. He was known as Garth before adoption. He is happy, healthy and has brought me a lot of joy. I work with individuals being released from prison. You wouldn't believe how much they love him. When I don't bring him to the office, they ask where he is. He is so gentle and sweet — he is perfect for it. Thank you for all the wonderful work you do.

— Robert

Want to Share Your Happy Tail?

We love receiving followups on the animals that were adopted from our shelter! Help us share the happiness your new pet has brought to your life by emailing your story to mmower@nhspca.org today!

THE CAMPAIGN FOR CHANGING TIMES

We are excited to announce that groundbreaking will be coming this Spring! Thanks to you, our wonderful community, our dreams will begin coming true with this first big step!

With this expansion and enhancement, we will be able to provide an even greater level of support and programming for people and animals and find even more animals loving adoptive homes.

If you would like to join in this incredible journey with us, it is not too late!

Your investment today in [the Campaign for Changing Times](#) will help us round out our plans which will have a profoundly positive impact for animals and our community. We invite you to help in whatever way you can.

To learn more, see the most up to date plans, and join us, please visit nhspca.org/campaign or reach out to Brienne Wood, Capital Campaign and Project Manager, at bwood@nhspca.org or 603-772-2921 ext. 150.

ALZHEIMER'S...

Continued from Page 1

tive environment.

In North America, the Café model removes the diagnosis altogether and simply offers individuals and their caregivers a welcoming place to gather and socialize with others.

Cafés can offer a much-needed opportunity for folks experiencing memory loss as well as their caregivers to continue being active participants in their community in a positive and stress-free environment, avoiding the sense of isolation that can too often take hold.

On the second Thursday of each month from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m., we open up our Humane Education Classroom — normally host to a variety of educational programs, birthday parties and camps — and welcome members of our community living with memory loss and their caregivers to enjoy the company of one another, our experienced volunteers and of course, our lovely animals.

Many of the animals folks can visit with are permanent residents of the Humane Education Classroom. Small and furry, these adorable creatures are accustomed to being handled and enjoy just sitting in a lap and being patted.

We also often have visits from dogs that are owned by staff and occasionally a snuggly kitten, puppy or other animal available for adoption.

Our volunteers are simply the most generous and gracious around. We have volunteers who work regularly in memory care or have experience in health-related services that bring so much to the Café experience. They have been truly integral to making the Café a success! We also have volunteers that regularly bake exceptional homemade treats that everyone always looks forward to.




As animal lovers, we can anecdotally say that our pets improve our sense of wellbeing and make us feel happier. Research supports this, indicating that interaction with animals can offer excellent therapeutic results for older adults and those living with Alzheimer's or dementia. Spending time with animals in a calm and safe environment could improve mood and decrease anxiety and has even been shown to lower blood pressure.

We believe this brief respite surrounded by friends and the joy that animals bring has had a positive impact!

We are so grateful to our community for the interest and support we have received for this wonderful program.

 **PORT CITY**
VETERINARY REFERRAL HOSPITAL

- Veterinary Emergency Services 24/7/365
- Board Certified Veterinary Specialty Care
- Advanced Diagnostic Tools
- Compassionate Approach To Medicine

 215 Commerce Way, Suite 100, Portsmouth, NH 03801  603-433-0056  ethosvet.com

CHARTING THE COURSE TO YOUR FINANCIAL FUTURE



603.964.4480 www.seascape-capital.com

Financial Planning · Investment Management
Retirement Planning · Tax & Estate Planning
Business Owner Strategies



It's more than just a piece of paper

By Sheila Ryan

Director of Development & Marketing

Your will is the most important document you will ever create. Though often seen as simply a legal document necessary for only the wealthy, it is so much more.

Your will is your legacy. It dictates how you will be remembered and can be created to reflect your values. That's why, no matter your age or your economics, you should be sure to take time to craft this important document.

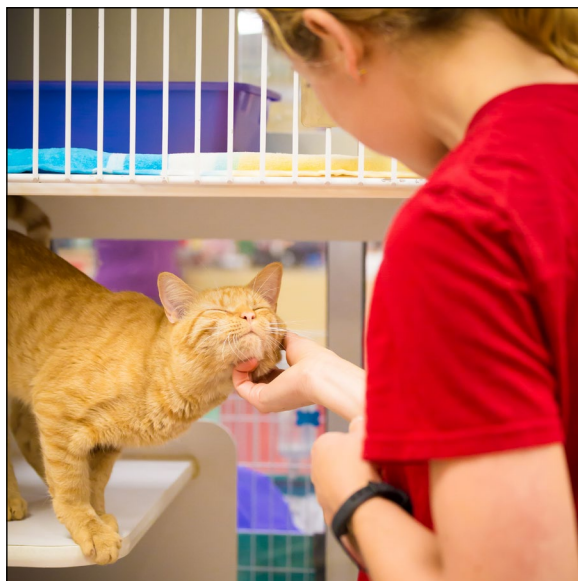
If you haven't yet, make it a goal for 2020!

You can use your will to:

- Name a guardian for minor children and dependent adults.
- Dictate how you want your assets to be distributed.
- Ensure your pets are taken care of.
- Reduce the administrative expenses of your estate.
- Make sure your support for the organizations you love, like the NHSPCA, continues.

Already have a will?

Great! Make sure it is up to date. It's a good idea to review your will regularly or when you experience a life event such as a marriage, birth or move. This makes sure your will accomplishes what you want and takes your current state's law into consideration.



When thinking about your will, remember that it's your legacy and can reflect your values. Please consider including the NHSPCA in your will to help us love and care for animals for years to come.

Consider including the New Hampshire SPCA in your will

Including a gift to the New Hampshire SPCA in your will is simple. All it takes is a sentence. Please contact Sheila Ryan at sryan@nhspca.org or 603-772-2921 ext. 106 to learn more about this type of gift or for assistance getting started.

There are helpful resources on our website to answer your estate planning questions. Please click [here](#) for more information.



Not sure how to get started?

Answer a few simple questions to get started making your planned gift.

[Take your Planned Giving Quiz](#)



PLANNED GIFTS RECEIVED

The New Hampshire SPCA greatly appreciates the concern shown by donors who give of their financial resources to assist the Society with its mission. Through their planned gifts, the following individuals made generous contributions toward our ongoing programs and services.

Jan. 1, 2019 — Dec. 31 2019

From the Estates of:

Genevieve R. Bumstead
Conway, NH

Brenda E. Carver
Londonderry, NH

Sydney G. and Betty E. Caslake
Lewes, DE

Carolyn R. Congdon
N. Hampton, NH

Bruce A. Homer
New Hampshire

Lewis C. Kotekas
Manchester, NH

Joan M. McDonough
Nahant, MA

C. Kevin Osborne
Portsmouth, NH

Allyson C. Pappas
Eliot, ME

Janet L. Reynolds
Concord, NH

Lester W. Rollins
Farmington, NH

Mary E. Staniels
Manchester, NH

Helga Washburn
Portsmouth, NH

Erving Ira Wheeler
Whitefield, NH

NEW HAMPSHIRE SPCA

104 Portsmouth Ave., PO Box 196, Stratham, NH 03885
(603) 772-2921, ext. 107 | www.nhspca.org

The Commemoratives listed below were received by the New Hampshire SPCA between September 1 and December 31, 2019

BIRTHDAYS FROM

Amelia Donahue Rachel Forbes
 Anabel Dervan Caitlin Brensinger
 Jason Dubrow
 Anna Goldkopf Corrina Kelley
 Avery Oleniak Bridgette Lea Beaulieu
 Beth Seale Betty and Bernard McGuirk
 Cailin Laurie Hartley
 Declan Frey Ms. Christen R. Leblanc
 Derek Hayward Shawn Flanagan
 Donna Randle Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Zink
 Elizabeth Pronzati Gina Pronzati
 Elliott Anita Mathur
 Jay Berry Mr. and Mrs. Shaun Berry
 Jen Gamache Linda St. Clair
 John Holland Ms. Joann Ianniello
 Kate Desmond Stephanie Scenna
 Kim Wannaphong Katrina Roberts
 Lani Mr. Mark Fritz
 Liam McPhee Kristen Applegate
 Linda Jeff Woodruff
 Marcia Main Valerie Fagin
 Maureen Foster Colleen Sweeney
 Maureen Sweeney Foster Shawna Sweeney
 Melissa Fisk Kendall Rasmussen
 Piper Caswell Jeremy Davidson
 Pippa Blaisdell Marilyn Blaisdell
 Sloane Huwar Abigail Perkins
 Steimke/Consilvio Family Ms. Cynthia Costa
 Tim Munroe Walter Munroe

IN HONOR OF FROM

Adam and Jason Fitch Goodwin Realty Partners
 Albee and Mick Rev. George J. Koch
 Allen Norelli Ilene Cohen
 Amy and Adam Moody Ms. and Ms. Lynn Warner
 Amy and Jim Pender Ms. Jacqueline C. Coons
 Angela Stevens Inger Arnott
 Michelle Carlson
 Erin Doyon
 Sophia Frilow
 Natalia Kubantseva
 Helen Traylor
 Lissa Ware
 Ann Federici Careyanne Davis
 Annabelle King Donna Theobald
 Aunt Connie Mrs. Marilyn Patten
 Barbara Ellis Ms. Anne Flaherty
 Bernette and Jesse Mr. and Mrs. James E. Lindsey
 Beth Seale Gina Gilmore
 Betty and Bill Smith Ms. Jeanne O'Keefe
 Bill Weiler Barbara Taplin
 Boxberger Family Ms. Anne Flaherty
 Brogan Shannon Schroyer
 Carla Dworestky Ms. Anne Flaherty
 Carol Henry's Daughters Carol Henry
 Cat Lyons Amanda Campano
 Chris Dowd Daniel Arguimbau
 Cindy Corson Ms. Kathy Corson
 Colleen and Michael Duffy Tami Mallett
 Colleen LeBeau Ms. Kathleen McChesney
 Corinne and Ken Moore John Moore
 Cynthia Mahar Jennifer Chisholm
 Dad and Carole Greaves Douglas and Jan Greaves
 Dale Craig Mrs. Gwendolen Y. Devoe
 Darci and Danielle Swain Mr. Kenneth Swain Jr.

Dave and Sherry Diamond Victoria Diamond
 David & Stephanie Greaves, Douglas & Janice Greaves, and Susan E. Swan Mr. and Mrs. Earl L. Greaves
 David Choate Priscilla Stephens
 Diane O'Callahan Mr. and Mrs. David Dougherty
 Donna and Michael Therriault Andrew Therriault
 Dr. Jessica Sutherland Ms. Nancy Grant
 Dr. Kristi Zimmerman Ms. Shelley Copp
 Dylan Kleman and Ariel Lugar Megan Isenberg
 Eliot Golding Elizabeth Durant
 Elizabeth Dena Stern
 Elizabeth Morrison Ms. Ann-Marie Opiela
 Gail Lamothe Tammy Gussman
 Gus and Nancy Poulin Ms. Laurie Pirini
 Gus and Steff Carlson David Carlson
 Heather Gilbert and Robert Wofchuck
 Sally and J. Robert Gilbert
 Heidi Hamblett Mr. and Mrs. Mark R. Hamblett
 Helen Dunham Lucinda Colburn
 Inner Truth Massage and Melissa Meaghan McNamara
 Jake Caven Ms. Madeline Bottari Eaton
 James Kelly Amanda Brown
 Jean Burbank Steven Bertozzi
 Jeff Ouellette and Audrey Peters Carol and Craig Plumer
 Jeff Walsh Joseph Walsh
 Jennifer and Eric VonDerLinden
 Donna and Robert Fletcher
 Jessica King Angela Vo
 Jim and Kathie Damon
 Dr. Alison Cassotis and Dr. Nick Cassotis
 Jim and Liz Moe Jennifer Chichester
 Jim and Sia McKenna Ms. Jacqueline C. Coons
 Joe Jarest Benjamin Krygeris
 Joyce Jennelle Barosin
 Kate and Jim Constance and Robert Couturier
 Katie Robbin Jennifer Butler
 Katy and Erick Bell Vincent Adornato
 Kelli, Jason and Elliot Sanborn Ms. Robyn Phillips
 Kristen, Jeff and Sydney Laurie Winslow
 Kristin Carlson David Carlson
 Kristin Parker Samuel Parker
 Larry Bird Mrs. Natasha Goyette
 Leigh Noble Melissa Stevens
 Lisa, Gigi and Angela Badalato Janice Donovan
 Lori Carlson David Carlson
 Mac and Mar Caristi Courtney Mason
 MacNeil Family Stanley Davis
 Madeleine Saltus Pamela Hollasch
 Maly Family Katherine and Joseph Fellows
 Marissa Ms. Linda Lambert
 Mary Ann Morton Ms. Lori Rainey
 Maureen Allen Brian Deveaux
 Melanie Dieringer Morgen and Dale Ames
 Meredith Foster Philip Husted
 Michael Therriault Rachael Bator
 Mike and Kim Hughes Mr. Thomas Hughes
 Mrs. Johnson Elizabeth Melendy
 Murray, Lesiczka, Smith and Albetski Families
 Ms. Mary R. Fielding
 Nancy and Kaleigh Batchelder Ms. Elizabeth Robinson
 Nate and Chantal Nicole Hancock
 Olivia Myers Robert Trussell
 Pam and Mike LaFond Mr. Peter LaFond
 Peggy Ms. Cheri Sheets
 Peter Flynn and Carol Dalton Mr. and Mrs. Robert F. Merwin
 Portsmouth Dog Walks Elizabeth Bristow
 Riley's Farm Marco Petroleum Ind., Inc.
 Rob and Alyssa Gibbons Katie Watts
 Rob, Kim and Angel Patrick Klocke
 Rod MacKay Ms. Georgia M. Kerns
 Mr. and Ms. Todd O'Brien

Rose and Greg Washak Denise Underwood
 Russ and Leah Earle Rev. George J. Koch
 Russell Carlson David Carlson
 Ryan and Jaime Hoynacki Tabatha Doherty
 Samantha Slater Mr. and Mrs. Tom Slater
 Sandra Dix Ms. Lori Rainey
 Sanphy Family Marie Dunleavy
 Sarah and Andrew Grosvenor Diane Bowering
 Sarah Bowen Bottomline Technologies
 Sean and Fiona Williams Jenn Bogard
 Sherrilyn Abraham Henry Hull
 Sheryl Batal Mr. William F. Batal
 Six AM Spin Korner Krew Ms. Jacqueline C. Coons
 Stephanie Bennett Mercy Frank
 Steve and Robbie Pellerin Donna George
 Steve Hamby Mark Kelliher
 Sue Robertson Ms. Victoria Robertson
 Susan Desjardins Kim Smith
 Tara Marie Tom and Susan Mast
 Ted Gray Mr. and Mrs. George N. Kidd
 Tom Roy Leo and Carolyn Roy
 Wanda Littlefield Ms. Sue Davis
 Winn Brook School Staff Mary Oteri
 YMCA Greater Newburyport Staff Ms. Ilene Harnch-Grady

IN HONOR OF (ANIMALS) FROM

Bella Rodalyn and Robert Knox
 Benny Ms. Jessica Taylor
 Billy Mr. and Mrs. Chip Kuzborski
 Brandy Richard Auren
 Chanel and Gucci Ms. Kathleen M. James
 Cleo, Tico, Tommy, Casey and Shay
 Ms. Donna Novelli, Ph.D.
 Corgan and Rufus Ms. Jillian Clemans
 Duffy and Kennedy Ms. Linda Burton
 Gus Ms. Carol Hobbes
 Heidi Ms. Allison Leach
 Heidi Mr. and Mrs. Wayne M. Stanley
 Jack Ms. Marcella Marciano
 Jenni Mr. Charles Pettigrew
 Larry Marianne Horn
 Leo Tara Paladino
 Lord Wimsey Ms. Nancy Ellen Clarke
 Milla Jenn Bogard
 Mingus, Sadie and Bob Gia Yannekis and Jens Ostergaard
 Ollie Ms. Jen Borda
 Ollie and Abbey Ms. Patricia Greene
 Reilly Tracey Mr. and Mrs. Martin Hoerberinger
 Riley and Lindy Jennifer Cusson
 Sammy and Simba Mrs. Maria Linvill
 Siobhan Ms. Aline M. Kuntz
 Trixie and Jack Mr. and Mrs. John S. Costigan
 Widdle Mrs. Julianne Behnke
 Willie Nelson Mr. and Mrs. Paul D. Marshall
 Willow Helen Walsh
 Willy David Carlson
 Winnie Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Labrack

IN MEMORY OF FROM

Alan Peters Mr. David W. Peters
 Andrea Batchelder Mr. Houssam Aboukhatir
 Keri Agan
 Angela Anderson
 Al and Theresa Aponas
 Ms. Pam Barnaby
 Lexi Thomas Batchelder
 Linda and David Batchelder
 Batchelder Sales Inc.
 Barbara and Bob Brown
 Kathleen Burgess
 Ms. Corey S. Collins

Andrea Batchelder Ms. Cathy Compagna
 Ms. Lisa Corman
 Ken and Lisa Dalton
 Ms. Constance T. Desjardins
 Mr. Michael Dionne
 Ms. Susan Ehnstrom
 Ms. Suzanne Finnis
 Laura Galvin
 Leslie Garrett
 Michelle Gauthier
 Don and Barbara George-Main
 Lindsey Gren
 Hanover Consumer Cooperative Society, Inc.
 Mr. Thomas J. Hanson
 Mr. Gerald Howe and Ms. Jocelyn Frechette
 Mr. Charles O. Hughes and Ms. Janice J. Michaud
 James and Margaret Jubb
 Karen Kapelos
 Bridget Kearns and Mark LaRoche
 Ms. Patricia Levine
 Bridget Marvinsmith
 Denise and Russ Mazzola
 Mr. and Mrs. Charles E. Minutelli
 Gordon and Lorna Moore
 Linda Mountford
 Mitchell Osbourne
 Brenda Page
 Susan Parker
 Ms. Catherine Reynolds Wood
 George and Kim Roy
 Ms. Teri Satz
 Ms. Jeanneen Shaw
 David Skerrett
 Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Slipp
 The Reed Corporation
 Mr. and Mrs. Jeffrey S. Upchurch
 Ms. Kimberly A. Willwerth
 Angela V. Derry Linda and Mark Heminway
 Ann Tolson
 Ms. Christine Jones Thompson and Mr. Donald S. Thompson
 Diana McLusky
 Anne Madison Ms. Katherine Moran
 Barbara Labrecque Patricia and Francis Cummings
 Bernice Porter Karen Munroe
 Beverley J. Frenette Ms. Jane Dining
 North Hampton Historical Society
 Mrs. Victoria Jones
 Ms. Priscilla Pettis
 Bonnie Moore Messer Mr. and Ms. David P. Gallagher
 Bonnie N. Hightower Lynda and Randel Blake
 Mr. and Mrs. Steve Buchanan
 Ms. Laura Futterer
 Ms. Marianne Matatal
 Mr. David S. Mayo
 Willow Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Sawyer
 Brian Shamis Ms. Diane Shamis
 Carl A. Johnson Judith Eastwood
 Kathy and Nick Elkherj
 Kathleen Orshak
 Irma Wallin
 Carl E. Hussey Mr. and Mrs. David P. Brownell
 David and Barbara Timmerman
 Carol Jessun Mr. and Mrs. Richard C. Wilder
 Carolyn R. Anderson Paul Campbell
 Christopher D. Gray Gregory Boddorf
 Mary Lou Boddorf
 John and Gay Dougherty
 Ms. Kelly Farragher-Paras
 Alex and Patricia Gray
 Kerry and Tom Harrison
 Dr. Lauren C. Hill, DVM and Mr. James R. Sanner

Christopher D. Gray Robert and Lynda Hilliard
 Ms. Jane Jones
 Larry Kroh
 Todd Kroh
 Ms. Carol Reed
 Ms. Robin Reed
 Joan Richards
 Vicki Rose
 James and Lisamaria Shaler
 Carol Thompson
 Christopher Pontier Ms. Carol Bitov
 Colette A. Murray Laura Goros
 Stewart Title Company
 Brianna Young and Nicole and James Pap
 Colin Hassett Ms. Lucie Springman
 Craig Thomas Malinsky Ms. Colleen Malinsky
 Dana Swain Mr. Kenneth Swain Jr.
 Daniel Leveille James Enright
 Danielle Bunker Mary Raven
 David T. Saraceno Marissa Hamilton
 Debra Goodwin Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Belleville
 Doctor Jones Ms. Laura Williams
 Donald W. Lord Deborah Church
 Jackson Lumber & Millwork
 Maureen Medley
 Ms. Susan Poulin
 Donna Breen Mr. Michael Breen
 Dorothy A. Ladrie Ms. Cynthia Drake
 Dorothy Flynn James Bowes
 Connie Burr
 Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Chasson
 Ms. Barbara Dunfee
 Marilyn and Cornelius Flynn
 Thomas P. LaVigne
 Losik Family Fund
 Mr. and Ms. John Packard
 Ms. Martha Pennell
 Gail Thompson
 Erin Flynn Wajer
 Ms. Sheila Welch
 Douglas V. Crook, MD Mrs. Lorraine Christensen Crook
 E. Lawrence Barcella NADA Foundation
 Eileen Balzer Mr. and Mrs. Michael J. Blinn
 Mr. and Mrs. Wayne M. Stanley
 Mr. and Mrs. Joseph E. Wadleigh Jr.
 Eileen Cummings Ms. Gia Yannekis and Mr. Jens Ostergaard
 Elizabeth Gouchoe Karin and Steve Siegel
 Ms. Marilyn Carlson
 Catamount Management Corp.
 Diane and Jonathan Clarner
 A. Rhoda Cohen
 Kathleen Curry
 Maureen Dazzo
 Corinne DeCicco
 Margery DeMay
 Karen Gouchoe
 Ms. Suzanne Keach
 Elsa Maxwell Ms. Janice A. Maxwell
 Emily S. White Mannschreck ... Dr. Dannen D. Mannschreck
 Eric Dunbar Jeffrey and Mary Dunbar
 Evelyn C. Panos Jill and Ken Brennan
 Fred Indech Ms. Barbara Indech
 George Murray Mr. and Mrs. John Meehan
 George O. Olson Ms. Jean E. Booker
 Robert and Sandra Brown
 Ms. Ellen Ferland
 Mr. and Mrs. Robert Herbert
 Ms. Roberta Stead
 George U. Gilman Mr. and Mrs. Paul Binette
 The Exeter Select Board
 Mr. and Mrs. Frank Flanders

George U. Gilman Jeffrey Frankel
 Ms. Jody Moore
 Mr. and Mrs. Robert Keir
 Gerald E. Brown Mr. Howard Gross
 Grier Monroe Helene Monroe
 Gwynne Redman Patricia and Allen Blais
 Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Lussier
 Donna Shanahan
 Harriet K. Swenson Ms. Diane Economides
 Peggie S. Elnau
 Ms. Carolyn Kerr
 Ms. Mary M. Lindstrom
 Ellen and John Patten
 Dr. and Ms. Oglesby H. Young M.D.
 Harriet Wallace Mrs. Cheryl A. Durling
 Hazel Hughes Mr. and Mrs. Richard Pinney
 M Suzanne Thibodeau
 Helen K. Weinheimer Amy Dehaen
 Helen Mae Hammond Ms. Vivian M. Morrison
 Howard Promer Mr. Douglas R. Tilton, Jr.
 Iris Richard Colleen T. Deluca
 Irwin E. Magerkurth Mr. and Mrs. Doug A. DeSilva
 Jeannette Lassonde James and Daniele Omeara
 Jeannine P. Berube Ms. Kathryn L. Oxford
 Jennifer L. Melkonian Mr. and Mrs. Daniel F. Heisey
 Jerrilynn Tucker Ms. Gail Hughes
 Mr. Stephen B. Lord and Mrs. Cheryl Mace Lord
 Sharon and Craig Musselman
 Mary and John Nadolny
 Kyle Ohlmeyer
 Mr. and Mrs. Robert L. Parker
 Anonymous Donor
 Ms. Nancy T. Seesman
 Ms. Desiree Tilton
 Mr. David Tilton Jr.
 Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Tyksinski
 Ms. Elizabeth Weaver & Family
 Mrs. Alice F. Wentworth
 Joe and Marilyn Stearns Mrs. Frances P. Paul
 John Chasse Mr. Lucien Chasse
 John J. Simon Melissa Brown
 Dolores and Carroll Caldwell
 Mary Beth and Bobby Crawford
 Linda and Paul Doherty
 Mr. Timothy Meschinelli
 Judith Meschinelli
 Ms. Linda Perkins
 Ms. Deborah Simon
 John Lynch Tracy Connor
 Robert Sullivan
 Joseph and Nellie Swasey Mr. and Mrs. Frank Flanders
 Joyce Daly Ms. Linda Russell
 Judith Farr-Finnan Adria Farr
 Judy Getchell Peter Getchell
 Judy Koch Rev. George J. Koch
 June Croissant Ms. Nancy Boucher
 Maryfrances Burke
 Elbit Systems of America
 Mrs. Nancy Ethier
 Mrs. Barbara Hallinan
 Karen and George Haynes
 Ms. Mary F. McManus
 Wally and Merrie Stevens
 Pamela Wiggin, Carol Barker and Evelyn Barker
 Karen Ellyn and Greg Phelps
 Katherine M. Lynn Leonard and Suzanne Boulay
 Brittany Buttery
 Judith Cantone
 Kathryn H. Langtry Carolann Chory
 Mr. and Mrs. Charles E. Minutelli
 MKS Instruments Inc.

Kathryn H. Langtry Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Wardle
 Kathy A. Scanlon Mrs. Carolyn H. Downing
 Ms. Judy Hanlon
 Ms. Kathleen Kennedy and Mr. Tim Francois
 Kelly R. Stallings Leslie and Carol Lashway
 Kelly Robinson Melissa Inglis-Elliott
 Kelly Stallings Pamela Woodside
 Kenneth L. Hatch Mrs. Linnea E. Carbonneau
 Kimberley Heil Mr. Nicholas Heil and Ms. Betty J. Heil
 Kyle Wells Leora Wells
 Laurie Ward Julie O'Hara
 Leanne Donovan Mr. and Mrs. Donald Donovan
 Linda Neubauer Carolyn Bernier
 Mr. and Mrs. Thomas R. Groleau
 Joseph Harden
 Kathryn Kelly
 Emily McCarthy
 Susan Palmer
 Nancy Spalding
 Lisa A. Hooke Mr. Sandra Goode
 Lisa Tremblay Ms. Kathryn Busch
 Lorraine Chambers Susan Taggart
 Lorraine McIntyre Ms. Joann Brooks
 Mrs. Judith Doyle
 Ms. Janet Parks
 Ms. Linda D. Sheltry
 Marc Therrien
 Madeline St. Pierre Ms. Toini Ganley
 Margaret Herbes Mr. and Mrs. L. John Spring
 Marimargaret Roberts Elizabeth Cole
 Marion Burt Christie Heilmann
 Mark Zudeck Glen Macisaac
 Marlene Bateman Mrs. Patricia A. Coolidge
 Matthew D. Carr Cheryl Affannato
 Melanie Furlong Ms. Katherine Collins
 Michael Parziale Mrs. Ernestina Parziale
 Michelle Currier Ms. Susan Currier
 Mildred Hewitt Mr. and Mrs. Robert C. Palfrey
 Mr. and Mrs. Kallagher Jennifer O'Hanley
 Nancy Wells Withington Helaine and Burt Fendelman
 Nicole Pelletier Ms. Jessica L. Fewkes
 Joanne Grieco
 Sandra Juralewicz
 Mass. Eye and Ear
 Mary and John Mighill
 Cynthia Murphy
 Richard Neville
 Julie Pelletier-Rutkowski
 Mary and Francis Penney
 Helena Santos
 Brennan Library Staff
 Sheila Sedler
 Robert and Carolyn Siegel
 Larry Simpson
 Janice and Edward Smith
 Nina M. Berryman James Anthony
 Norman J. Descoteaux Mrs. Joyce Descoteaux
 Pamela Mitchell Ms. Patricia ado
 Papa H and Chip Ms. Elaine Humphries
 Patricia A. Spina Manfred and Olympia Garanci
 Heine USA Ltd.
 Marguerite M. Melanson
 Patricia McCarthy Mr. and Mrs. Paul E. Carson
 Phyllis Bickford Anna Modée
 Renate G. Waller Ann E. Haskell
 Richard Barros Dunbar Jeffrey and Mary Dunbar
 Richard Farnsworth Carol Farnsworth
 Robert O'Connell Mr. and Mrs. Gary Alamed
 Roberta E. Stevens Olivette Aviso
 Hampstead Hospital
 Mr. Richard C. Heselton and Ms. Elizabeth J. Stanley

Roberta E. Stevens Charlene Higgins Crawford
 Rosemary Dolan Sharon Neville
 Sandie Foley Ms. Mary Ann Jaynes
 Scott Beattie David and Elizabeth Beattie
 Shaun E. Flaherty Mr. and Mrs. Shaun Flaherty Sr.
 Shawn Curley Donna-Jean Curley
 Sheldon Sanborn Mr. Mark Fay
 Shirley Buzderewicz Mr. Eugene Buzderewicz
 Sidney Friedman The Friedman Family Foundation
 Stephen Grossman Sheila Weiner
 Susie Leach Ms. Teresa A. Hemenway
 Terri Drexel Valerie Pycko
 Theresa Hailson-Clark Joseph and Sharon Bortolameolli
 Joni Kostiou
 Annmarie Miller
 Todd W. Metevier Stacy Elder
 Mary Marsh-Brown
 Joan McCarthy
 Mr. Lloyd Metevier
 Mr. and Mrs. Ronald U. Metevier
 Ann Rowe
 Mr. and Mrs. Peter A. Simmel
 Verda Murray Patricia Newell
 Wallace Pelletier Lynne and Gary Stevens
 William Sweeney Mrs. Sandra W. Sweeney

IN MEMORY OF (ANIMAL)..... FROM
 Abby Mr. James E. Batchelder and Mr. David B. Coope
 Ace and Willy Great Bay Equine
 Allie Carlton Cottrell
 Annabelle and Boon Mr. Charles R. Traver
 Ari Ms. Donna Novelli, Ph.D.
 Atticus Norman Leblanc
 Ava Ms. Rosemary Fearon
 Bailey Roxy Bone
 Bales Ms. Angela L. Brintle
 Bandit, Bunker, Scruff, Mittens, Princess and Murphy
 Mr. and Mrs. Dennis J. Patterson
 Barney Matt Cookson
 Baxter Dana Scott
 Beatrice Mrs. Dorothy W. Chicaderis
 Beauregard and Max
 Mr. Leon C. Asadoorian and Mrs. Leslie J. Asadoorian
 Belami Mr. and Mrs. Glen Parisi
 Bennett Ms. Donna A. Leonard
 Betty Ms. Sarah Glenn
 Billy Mr. and Mrs. Bradley Hughes
 Mrs. Susan Alex
 Blitz Mrs. Pauline C. Goodale
 Blitz, Sadie, Max, Sybil, Iddie and Spook
 Mr. and Ms. Jay Montoni
 Blue Ms. Susan Duchesney
 Bobcat, Sophie, Mittens, Kyna, and Ari
 Ms. Donna Novelli, Ph.D.
 Bradburn, Abigail, Kelly and Dudley Ms. Kathleen M. James
 Brodey Ms. Sandra Macdonald
 Brody Pauline Friars
 Bubba Mrs. Tina M. Ritter
 Buddy Mrs. Gwendolen Y. Devoe
 Casey Ms. Laurie Gill
 Casey, Sailor, Puck and Willow ... Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Pope
 Cashew Ms. Jennifer Couzins
 Cassie Ms. Anne McSally
 Charlie Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Stevenson
 Charlie and Rosie Ms. Lucille Williams
 Charlie Reid Dugas Allison Dugas
 Charlie Stevenson Ms. Joyce Breault
 Chief Scott and Kim Hamilton
 Chloe Ms. Ericka McCarron
 Chorey Joan Churchill

COMMEMORATIVES...

Continued from Page 21

Cleo, Turbo, Pauola and Harley Mr. and Mrs. Robert I. Follett
 Client's Pets Brentwood Country Animal Hospital
 Clouser Ms. Bethany Miller-Clark
 Clyde Mrs. Julie B. Gilston
 Cody Mr. and Mrs. Robert Davidson
 Cole Mr. and Mrs. Robert E. Cole
 Coltrane, Annie and Gracie Mae Gloria and John Pirozzi
 Cooper Mr. Jon D. Lindy
 Daisy Homkvist Ms. Cynthia Holmes
 Dakota Andrea Meyer
 Dick, Richie, Fleur Mrs. Jane Mcfarland
 Duchess Ms. Judith M. LaRosa
 Dude Ms. Heidi Sheehan
 Duffy Mr. and Ms. John P. McGrenaghan
 Duncan "Woogie" Ms. Kelly McGrenaghan
 Duncan William Dondero Briggs Gillian Bartlett
 Emperor Ms. Janet Novell
 Everest The Melchor Family
 Feline friends Ms. Dale Bachelder
 Gabby Bill Burnham
 Kathleen Dolan
 Ms. Georgina Murphy
 Giggles Sky Eno
 Gizmo Ms. Georgia V. Biggart
 Ms. Geri Bona
 Mrs. Geri Hart and Mr. Robert C. Hart
 Carol Twomey
 Goldie Melissa Tuttle
 Google Joseph and Lisa Wilson
 Greta Ms. Jessica Taylor
 Gunner Mr. Robert S. Rudowsky
 Mr. and Mrs. James W. Fogarty
 Hailey Mr. and Mrs. Richard Lord
 Hank Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Morin
 Harley Tanya and Andy Soha
 Hayley Mr. and Mrs. Brian Dumont
 Hershey Mrs. Gwendolen Y. Devoe
 Jackson, Charles, Camilla, Hannah and Blue Kearns
 Ann and Joe Kearns
 Jake Ms. Kathleen L. Belfsky
 Mr. and Mrs. John McCarthy
 James Ana Maria Oriol
 Jazz Ms. Lynda Mailhot
 Jerry Lee and Mya Mr. and Mrs. Mark Boisvert
 Jungle and Maude Mr. Michael Pickens
 Kaia Stephanie Stanley
 Kaia and Georgia Maureen Breisch
 Kato, Gizmo and Bisoux Ms. Susan S. Barrie

Kenji Ms. Sheri Burgoon
 Kenny Sarah and Ronald Guilmette
 Kerri, Jess and Sara Ms. Elaine Sullivan
 Kira Jack and Ellie Tishler
 Koda Mr. and Ms. Bob R. Warner Jr.
 Kona Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Hoffman
 Kora Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Knowlton
 Lenny Ms. Sandra Sherman
 Linxy Diane Gallant
 Loki Bethany Meierdiercks
 Lola Carol Romano
 Louie Morrow McSheehan Kevin McSheehan
 Luca and Mugzie Christine Leone
 Lucas Ms. Kathryn McLaughlin
 Lucky Ms. Lauren Batchelder
 Macy Mr. and Mrs. Eric P. Detweiler
 Maggie Christine and Jamie Martin
 Maisy Linda Belthoff
 Mandy Mr. and Ms. Todd O'Brien
 Marcello Ms. Heidi Levangie
 Marley Cyndi Jacoby
 Maverick Ms. Deborah M. Pelletier
 Max Debra Cappadocia
 Ms. Sandra Macdonald
 Mr. and Mrs. Bruce W. Pettengill
 Ms. Cynthia Brown Morrissey
 Mea Ms. Gayle Potts
 Meagan Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Labrack
 Mickey Mr. Robert J. Berman
 Ms. Linda B. Johnson
 Midnight Beth and JD Seale
 Miley Ms. Jill Paladino
 Mimi Ms. Linda B. Johnson
 Minnie and Jaxon Jane A. Vanni
 Misu George and Kathy Cheney
 Mitsy Ms. Norma Picard
 Mollie John and Beverly Kennedy
 Molly Ms. Barbara E. Grant
 Ms. Debra Woodward
 Molly and Runt Mr. Mark W. Thucaky
 Molly Kendell Welch Pamela Welch
 Molly Parker Mary Connal
 Monroe Great Bay Equine
 Monty Mr. and Mrs. Paul Eno, Jr.
 Moxie Ms. Elizabeth Franceschini
 Mr. Monty
 Ms. Michele L. Tremblay and Mr. Stephen C. Landry
 Munin Shawn Kelly
 Murphy and Pepsie Mr. Mark W. Thucaky
 Nadya Mr. and Mrs. William Fraser
 Nellie Karen Green
 Nigel Boisvert Dawn Warren

Nira Ms. Donna Novelli, Ph.D.
 Nova Meghan Mayhew & Family
 Nygel Mr. and Mrs. Bradley Hughes
 Olive Cris Blackstone
 Robert Eames
 Donna J. Macdonald
 Olive Warboys Ms. Joanna Bryant
 Ollie Mr. and Mrs. David Bruno
 Mr. Jonathan Vaccaro
 Oreo Ms. Debra A. Oliver
 Oreo and Skittles Great Bay Equine
 Oscar Erin O'Malley
 Peaches Courtney Hoelen
 Pepe Mr. Michael Gilon
 Phoebe Ms. Alissa Dillon
 Raymond and Rufus Ms. Gayle Potts
 Renny, Siggie and Honey Great Bay Equine
 Revvy, Cuspid, Zak, Oscar, Felix, Henson and Kermit
 Ms. Jessica Lepler
 Rhett Mrs. Judy L. Towle
 Rigs Caitlin Garcia
 Riley Ms. Nancy A. Caton
 Ms. Christine J. Smith
 Riley and Lindy Casey Noel
 Riley and Llama Doug Mr. and Mrs. Mark Boisvert
 Rocco and Welly Manson Diane and Tom Manson
 Romano Family's Dog Ms. Sarah Glenn
 Rudy Colleen Barton
 Saco Mr. Drew Kiefaber
 Sadie Mr. and Mrs. Robert W. Bogosh
 Samantha and Nikki Mr. and Mrs. Edward Cortes
 Sammy Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Cochran
 Samonsonite Susan Javurek
 Samson, Maxwell, Sam and Buckwheat
 Ms. Heather Holderman

Sandie Mr. and Mrs. Mark Poyant
 Sandy Mr. and Mrs. Richard Philbrick
 Sandy and Rocky Mrs. Diane Beach
 Sarge Melanie and Todd Baker
 Schimmie Dr. and Mrs. Brian Klinger
 Sheba and Smoky Wanda Demars
 Sherman Sagamore Animal Hospital
 Shiloh Mrs. Anna Lebrocqy
 Sierra Great Bay Equine
 Smitty Ms. Pauline Lecuyer
 Smokie Mr. and Ms. William R. Randle
 Sophie Mr. Peter Lennon and Ms. Susan Y. Desjardins
 Splash and Cooper Ms. Jillian Clemans
 Sprout Marie Hirsch Mr. and Mrs. Peter Hirsch
 Stewie Norman Leblanc
 Sweet Tara Anonymous Donor
 Tackle Sally Soule
 Taffy, Amber, Inky, Pumpkin, Pepper and Misty
 Ms. Pauline Mumford
 Tagliatelli, Magic & Tartufo Esmiol-Minas Lily Minas
 Tank Ms. Nancy Saunders and Mr. Peter B. Williams
 Teddy Mr. and Ms. Michael Higgins
 Ms. Roseanna Spizzirri
 The Scootman Judy and David Hanlon
 Toasty Mr. Frederick Courser
 Tucker Dr. Alison Cassotis and Dr. Nick Cassotis
 Tucker Davis Kuntz Mr. and Mrs. Richard A. Bowles
 Tungsten Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Sewade, Jr.
 Violet Ms. Cynthia Holmes
 Violet and Nellie Ms. Lois A. Zaremba
 Weezie Ms. Barbara A. Quinney
 Wing-Nut Ms. Ann Slocum
 Winnie Mrs. Lina Tracey
 Zima and Zappa Ms. Kathleen Kelley
 Zoey Ms. Jessica Taylor

Is there someone you'd like to honor or remember?

To make a commemorative gift, please click [here](#) or contact Lindsay Sherman at (603) 772-2921 ext. 120 or ls Sherman@nhspca.org

Please note:

Due to the large number of commemorative gifts, we will no longer be able to publish them in our newsletter. We will be moving all of the listings to our website to make viewing and sharing easier. Please visit [our website](#) for future commemoratives.



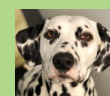
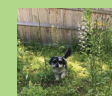
Audi Stratham



Audi Stratham is a proud supporter of the NHSPCA and the amazing work they do. Audi Stratham is your local Audi dealer located less than one mile from the NHSPCA. Pay us a visit after you pick up your new family member from the NHSPCA!



888-640-6786 | AudiStratham.com
 58 Portsmouth Ave Stratham, NH 03885



Our passion at Take Five Dogcare is to create a tight knit community by connecting through one common passion—the unconditional love we have for our dogs!

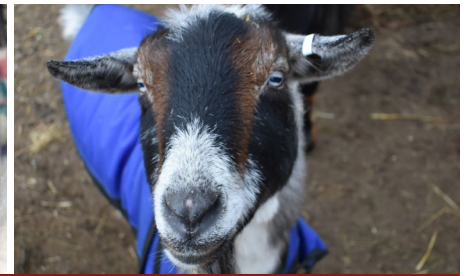
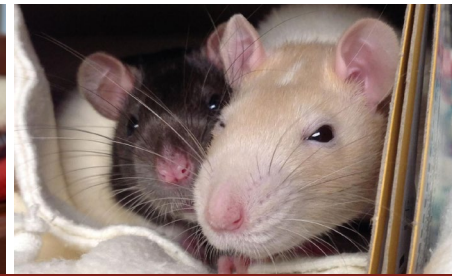
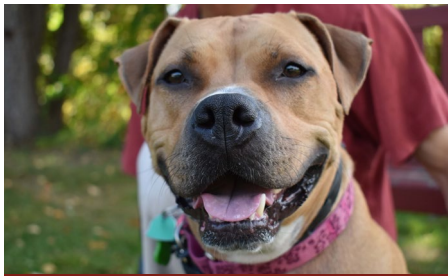
Daycare - 3000 sq ft of indoor play space! - Crate-free facility - An acre, 6 play yards of outdoor woody & grassy area - Viewing area to watch your pup both indoors & out!

Boarding - 4000 sq ft boarding facility with large quarters! - Staff member at the facility 24 hrs a day

Grooming - The benefits of grooming are endless!

122 Mast Road, Lee, NH 03861 info@takefivedogcare.com
 603.617.2345 www.takefivedogcare.com





CALENDAR OF EVENTS

MAR
22

CATVIDEOFEST

Portsmouth Music Hall, Portsmouth, 2:00 - 3:30 p.m.

CatVideoFest is a compilation reel of the latest and best cat videos culled from unique submissions and sourced animations, music videos, and, of course, classic internet powerhouses. CatVideoFest raises money for cats in need through partnerships with local cat charities, animal welfare organizations, and shelters to best serve cats in the area.

MAR
25

TEXAS ROADHOUSE BENEFIT

Texas Roadhouse, Newington, all day

Dine at the Texas Roadhouse and 10% of all proceeds (alcohol & takeout included) will benefit the animals of the NHSPCA! Plus, visit our table in the lobby and enter for your chance to enter some awesome raffles. Please visit nhspca.org/calendar/texas-roadhouse-benefit to download the flyer to present to your server!

MAR
26

EQUINE LECTURE III: EVALUATION, ADOPTION & TRAINING FOR SUCCESS

New Hampshire SPCA, Stratham, 6:00 - 7:30 p.m.

Join us for an evening with professional horse trainer and competitor Leslie Ann McGowen as we discuss the process of evaluating, training and preparing NHSPCA horses in transition for their new careers. NHSPCA Equine & Farm Animal Program Manager Carrie Fyfe will discuss finding your perfect match through a rescue organization and the NHSPCA's adoption process.

APR
29

THIRSTY MOOSE BENEFIT

Thirsty Moose Tap House, Exeter, 4:00 - 9:00 p.m.

Dine at the Thirsty Moose Tap House from 4:00 - 9:00 p.m., and 10% of the proceeds will benefit the animals at the NHSPCA — including alcohol and takeout! Plus, visit our table and enter for a chance to enter some awesome raffles!

APR
30

EQUINE LECTURE IV: NUTRITION, HOLISTIC CARE & THERAPIES

New Hampshire SPCA, Stratham, 6:00 - 7:30 p.m.

Join us for an evening with professional equine wellness provider Denise Bean-Raymond as we discuss the benefits of holistic care and customized nutrition for your horse.

JUN
5-7

PETSMART NATIONAL ADOPTION EVENT

Petsmart, Seabrook, 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Looking for a new furry friend? Stop by Petsmart to meet your match! The New Hampshire SPCA will be onsite with animals available for adoption! Our website updates frequently and new animals are added daily; keep checking back to see all of our wonderful animals looking for homes.

JUN
14

28TH ANNUAL PAWS WALK!

Stratham Hill Park, Stratham, 10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Join us for a day of dog demos, local vendors, yummy food, and a picturesque walk at our largest grassroots event! Best of all, every dollar raised through this event helps us support the thousands of animals in need every year.

JUNE
27

CPR AND FIRST AID FOR PETS

New Hampshire SPCA, Stratham, 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

This six hour workshop is a must have for all pet owners. The following subjects are covered: CPR; Rescue Breathing; Choking Management; Restraining and Muzzling; Heat and Cold Injuries; Breaks, Fractures, Sprains, Strains; Poisoning Bites and Stings; and Snout-To-Tail Wellness Assessment.

AUG
16

SEACOAST PADDLE FOR PUPS

Phillips Exeter Academy, Exeter, 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Raise funds and then spend the day paddling the Squamscott River. The event is open to all paddle craft and dogs are welcome!

LOW COST RABIES CLINICS

MAR
15

APR
19

MAY
17

JUN
28

AUG
16

New Hampshire SPCA, Stratham, 10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.
Rabies Vaccine: \$20.00 per animal. Previous vaccine history (with proof) and state law will determine whether the vaccine is valid for 1 or 3 years. No appointment necessary.



PAWS WALK

Come. Walk. Save Lives!
SUNDAY, JUNE 14 • STRATHAM HILL PARK
REGISTER TODAY AT NHSPCA.ORG!



Sunday, August 16 • 10:00 a.m. • Phillips Exeter Academy: Saltonstall Boathouse

Back for a second year, this dog-friendly event hosted by the Seacoast Paddleboard Club is open to all paddle crafts from SUP boards to kayaks and canoes. Participants will fundraise to support homeless animals and enjoy a recreational paddle along the Squamscott River in Exeter. It's fun in the sun that you don't want to miss! Please visit nhspca.org for more information.



BRING YOUR POOCH AND JOIN US FOR A DAY ON THE WATER AT THE SEACOAST PADDLE FOR THE PUPS!