

### **Spay-Neuter-Now (SNN)** 2017 Summer Newsletter

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### **Spay/Neuter Program Roundup**

We are excited to announce that our partner spay/neuter program with Town & Country Vet Clinic (Ogdensburg, Potsdam & Massena) has now passed **1,113** spays & neuters since August 2014! SNN is helping subsidize some supply costs and Town & Country is matching our mobile clinic package & price!

Clients eligible for SNN's mobile clinic through our application process are also eligible for this program with Town & Country. We have started a similar partner program with Dr. Liane Underwood from Little Friends Veterinary Services in Lyons Falls, NY! For applications and information, please call 315-486-0094.

2017 is also a year of milestones for Spay-Neuter-Now having reached over **18,643 lifetime program spays & neuters since 1994!** That means over 18,600 cats & dogs that have been spayed, neutered & vaccinated and an untold number of litters of litters of litters that have not been filling local shelters, succumbing to the harsh North Country winters or failing to find a good home.





Spay-Neuter-Now would also like to thank all of our mobile clinic hosts during our MASH clinic season over the winter as well as the Neuter Commuter clinics in the spring, summer and fall! Thank you all for opening your facilities for us to turn them into surgery suites for the day and helping to keep our clinic services available in your community!

Hosts over the 2016-2017 mobile clinic season include: Denise & Ray Betterman, Dr. Lucia Roberts, Little Friends Veterinary Services, Village of Clayton, Village of West Carthage, Jefferson County BOCES, Lewis County BOCES, Chaumont Fire Department, Three Mile Bay Fire Department, Chris Bears, Town & Country Vet Clinic, United Friends of Homeless Animals, All Souls Unitarian Universalist Church, Lewis County Humane Society, Watertown Tractor Supply, Pulaski Snowmobile Club, Blue Seal Feeds Watertown and Akwesasne Animal Society.

As you can see, it takes a lot of help to bring spay/neuter assistance over the North Country and it would not be possible without our donors and fundraisers too! If you know of any locations in your community that might be interested in hosting a Spay-Neuter-Now clinic at their facilities, please have them contact SNN at <a href="mailto:spayneuternow@hotmail.com">spayneuternow@hotmail.com</a> or call 315-486-0094.

## 5<sup>th</sup> Spay-ghetti Dinner & Silent Auction



Our 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Spay-ghetti Dinner cooperative fundraiser with Alley Cat Rescue of Alexandria Bay and hosted by the Riveredge Resort was a huge success!



Over 135 attendees, over 115 silent auction items donated by locals & area businesses and the take-home bake sale raised over \$4,200 for Spay-Neuter-Now and Alley Cat Rescue of Alexandria Bay. All funds raised go to both organizations' programs for local animals!

### **SNN Mobile Clinic Flat-Fees**

\$70.00 per Cat \$100.00 - \$160.00 per Dog Dependent on Weight

Flat-fee packages include spay/neuter surgery, pain meds, rabies & distemper vaccinations, flea treatment and a check/treatment for ear mites.

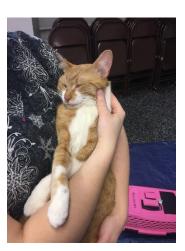
Contact Us at 315-486-0094 or spayneuternow@hotmail.com for more information or applications.

### Gift of Spay 2016-2017









Near the end of 2016, Spay-Neuter-Now asked you for donations to help provide sponsorships for spaying & neutering cats & dogs for families having difficulties affording even our subsidized clinic fees. Your donations from this campaign brought in over \$3,700 that went directly back to clients in the form of discounts at SNN mobile clinics, providing help to 62 animals!

We received so many thank you's from pet owners that were able to spay & neuter their pet thanks to our big-hearted donors! Spay-Neuter-Now would also like to send our thanks to Gift of Spay donors over the past two years for supporting our goal to reduce the overpopulation of cats & dogs in the North Country through spaying & neutering!

### **DONATION MATCH OPPORTUNITY!**

## Include this Article or Note "Newsletter" Along with Your Donation for it to Count!

SNN is honored to announce that Apollo Wealth Management, Ltd. – a national, fee-only financial planning firm <a href="www.apollowealth.com">www.apollowealth.com</a> – will be matching donations received from this newsletter!



We would also like to thank our long-time supporter and donor 'HH' for their help in bringing this fundraising opportunity together and for their continued dedication to helping animals in need!

# Mark Your Calendars! Santa Paws 2017 December 2<sup>nd</sup> Potsdam Agway

Our long-time Santa Paws volunteer and professional photographer Genine Gehret (<a href="www.gqkphotography.com">www.gqkphotography.com</a>) donates her time to take gorgeous photos of your pets & family 10am-12pm and 12:30pm-3pm.

2016 was a record-breaking Santa Paws fundraiser with over 80 registrants and we hope make this year even bigger & better! Photos are printed on-site.





### September Fundraiser: Glass-Bottom Boat & Rock Island Lighthouse Tour



SNN will be having a fundraiser leaving from Clayton, NY including a visit to Rock Island Lighthouse and a Glass-Bottom Boat Tour Saturday September  $9^{\text{th}}$ , 2017. Tickets are limited (49 total) leaving from Clayton Island Tours at 1:45pm and returning  $\sim$ 4:45pm.

For tickets & payment information, please call 315-486-0094, Facebook message us or email <a href="mailto:spayneuternow@hotmail.com">spayneuternow@hotmail.com</a>.

\$29 Adults, \$21 Children (6-12 years old). All proceeds benefit SNN!

Unable to make this event? Use our 3-letter promo code 'SNN' for any of Clayton Island Tours cruises (<a href="www.claytonislandtours.com">www.claytonislandtours.com</a>) and Spay-Neuter-Now receives a donation from Clayton Island Tours!

## Beatrice Schermerhorn Community Service Award 2017: Robin & Steve Boutot



Every year, SNN selects a person or group that has demonstrated a lifetime of outstanding dedication and devotion to North Country animals, people and communities. This year's recipients are Robin & Steve Boutot from Massena, NY!

The Boutot's are former Spay-Neuter-Now board members, as well as avid supporters of community animals including helping care for and spaying & neutering feral and unowned cats. They have been long-time hosts for SNN mobile clinics at Boutot Auto Sales in Massena and have also been involved with a Massena nonprofit feral cat organization called Kitten Pause. Robin & Steve have also been helping to sell thousands of candy bars as part of a fundraiser for SNN.

Pictured above are Robin & Steve Boutot, Spay-Neuter-Now board members and Boutot family members also involved in supporting community pets. We are honored to have supporters so committed to helping animals!

## **Jefferson County Public Health Rabies Vaccination Collaboration**

Jefferson County Public Health Service and Spay-Neuter-Now have been collaborating for the past three years to increase the rabies vaccination rates within the county. Public Health has been providing rabies vaccine and supplies to SNN to distribute as part of our mobile clinic program for the underserved populations that may not traditionally be able to seek veterinary services.

It is mandatory by law to maintain rabies vaccinations for your pets. Funds for the vaccine and supplies provided were secured by Senator Patty Ritchie as part of the North Country Low Cost Vaccine Program and resources are distributed locally.

SNN mobile clinics include both a rabies and distemper vaccination as part of our flat-fee package. Since 2011, SNN has provided over 6,000 rabies vaccinations for North Country cats and dogs. 91% of all cats and 48% of all dogs coming through our spay/neuter programs needed their rabies vaccinations.

Rabies is in the North Country. It is a serious threat to public health. Please keep your pets up to date on their vaccinations and check with your county's public health department for more information on rabies & clinics:

St. Lawrence County Public Health
Jefferson County Public Health
Lewis County Public Health
315-386-2325
315-786-3770
315-376-5453

### **Spay-Neuter-Now's Mission**

Our mission is to create & maintain a significant reduction in companion animal overpopulation in the North Country by providing help to animals, people and communities through education and prevention.

#### You can help your community by:

**Give Time:** Volunteer at an event or run a fundraiser.

**Give Resources:** Donate money or supplies.

Give Information: Share our program with others.

SNN is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit.
Please consider making a
tax-deductible donation today.





## Women's Council of Realtors 7<sup>th</sup> Annual Golf Tournament

A huge thank you to the WCR for selecting SNN as this year's beneficiary for the event this July! SNN thanks all the volunteers, donors and players for all their hard work, time and support!

