

Ways to help at the shelter:**1) Animal Care**

- Dog Walking
- Feline Enrichment
- Lovebugs
- Cleaning & Laundry
- Foster
- Vet Tech Student

**2) Administrative and Maintenance**

- Reception & Clerical
- Photography & Marketing
- Grounds & Maintenance

3) Animal Behavior

- MYM Canine Profiler
- MYM Feline Profiler

Upcoming Volunteer Orientation Class Schedule:

- Friday, February 5th at 4:00pm
- Wednesday, March 9th at 4:00pm

PHS VOLUNTEER FORM**Shelter Update:**

PHS is currently not completing cat adoptions, or cannot accept feline enrichment volunteers at this time. We have closed our cat rooms, and hope to be up and running as normal come mid-late February so check back! Thank you for understanding.

Fundraising & Outreach:**1) Centerplate**

Volunteers are needed for the Harlem Globetrotters event on February 17, 2016. Contact the shelter or email Betty at bjwolf@ix.netcom.com to sign up or for more information.

**2) Friends of Potsdam Humane Society (FOPHS)**

FOPHS is working on growing its membership. There will be an informational **Open House on February 13th at 11am** at the shelter. Light refreshments will be served. If fundraising is your cup of tea and you would like to join the group, email Bonnie Boyd at bsboyd4@hotmail.com or better yet, come to the open house and see what this group is all about.



FOPHS is currently working on the "Paws for a Cause" campaign. If you would like to help with the distribution of the paws and collection for the funds, or would just like more information on the event please email Susan Gibbons at SGibbons@slnysarc.org.

3) Best Friends Thrift Store

We are in desperate need of volunteers at Best Friends Thrift Shop! If you are looking for something to get you out of the house for even a few hours a week, and would be interested in helping sort inventory or serve customers please stop by the store on 8 Raymond Street in Potsdam to fill out a short volunteer interest form. Stop by the shop, email Bonnie Boyd at bsboyd4@hotmail.com, or call 315-353-2847 and join our team of dedicated volunteers today!

Be sure to shop the Best Friends Thrift Shop for your Valentine's Day treasures! They have picture frames, vases, wine glasses and more!

FYI, did you know that the Best Friends Thrift store has an eBay site? They have raised well over \$3500 for PHS by this site alone. Please look them up on Ebay under BESTFRIENDSTHRIF (no T). Winners can pick up items at the store to save on shipping. Happy Bidding!!

4) Dog Park

Please tell your friends to sign up for the dog park mailing list by emailing Contact@potsdamdogpark.com. You will be alerted to upcoming work parties as weather permits. Also, we need funds to finish the fence-building so please consider generously donating at this time. Send checks to PHS or go to their website and use the PayPal link. We appreciate your support!

Monetary & Item Donation:

1) [Animal Shelter "Wish List"](#) – Your generous donation of any of the items on our wish list will go a long way toward improving the lives of animals the Potsdam Humane Society serves. Even the smallest items are greatly appreciated! Please drop them off at our Animal Shelter at 17 Madrid Ave. on Monday – Saturday from 1 – 4 p.m.

If you use our Amazon Wish list link [Potsdam Humane Society Amazon.com Wishlist](#) you can have the items sent right to the shelter for your convenience!



2) **Sponsor** a Dog or Cat Adoption – PHS has a program where donors can pay the adoption fee for a dog or cat at the shelter. All you do is let the shelter know what animal you wish to sponsor and send in a check to cover the cost of the animals adoption. The next time you check out the PHS website of adoptable animals, take note of the animals who have had their adoption fees paid for by wonderful sponsors! To sponsor an animal Contact the PHS Animal Shelter at **(315) 265-3199**

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Featured Job of the Month:

Fostering

From nurturing pregnant mothers and watching them birth and raise their young, giving some extra TLC to a sick or healing animals, from working on basic behaviors to increase the adoptability of an animal, and caring for orphaned babies– You may be our perfect Foster Parent! Foster care allows for animals to receive a personal one on one care—by you or members of your family.



Please let the staff at the Potsdam Humane Society if you are interested in this program. We have an application and can go into more detail about the specific needs of the animal(s) you may be interested in fostering!

Dog Training Classes

PHS is hosting DOG TRAINING CLASSES with Happy Tails Dog Training. Classes are \$10. For additional information, or to sign up, Please contact the shelter (315) 265-3199 as spaces are limited. Classes take place on Saturdays from 10am-12pm. Friendly dogs are welcome.

Feb 6th - Basic Obedience

Feb 20th – Loose-Leash Walking, pulling, socialization, dog- to- dog

March 5th – Housebreaking, Submissive, Excitement Urination, Separation Anxiety, and Crate training

March 19th – Problem Behaviors (Barking, Chewing, Jumping, Digging) Leave it Command

Check back next month for more classes!



Up Coming Rabies/Microchip Clinics

March 9th (Wednesday) from 9am-12noon. No appointment needed. Cost of Rabies vaccination is \$15 and Microchip is \$25. Spread the word!