

**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, **Feb 3** at 4:00pm
- Wednesday, **March 8** at 4:00pm

**Upcoming Volunteer Dog Training Orientation Schedule:**

- Friday, Feb 10 at 4:00pm
- Wednesday, March 15 at 4:00pm

Please call the shelter for available time slots as presign-up is required to attend.

**[PHS VOLUNTEER FORM](#)****Upcoming events, Please save the dates:**

- 1) Centerplate ECAC Hockey Event: **March 17 & 18, 2017**
- 2) Strut Your Mutt : **May 6, 2017**
- 3) Pets for Vets Golf Tournament: **July 28, 2017**

**POTSDAM HUMANE SOCIETY**  
17 Madrid Ave Potsdam, NY  
Tel/Fax: (315) 265-3199  
shelter@potSDamhumanesociety.org

**Fundraising & Outreach:*****Strut Your Mutt T-shirt Design Contest!***

Do you have a *cool* idea for this year's coveted T-Shirt? Let's see your design ideas! Enter your design by **February 26 at 11pm**. The top three designs will be posted on facebook for the public to vote on and the creator of the winning design will receive a **FREE T-Shirt!!**

**Requirements:**

- \* Designs must fit in a 13" x18" space
- \* Designs must be sent as a .pdf
- \* Must have "8<sup>th</sup> Annual Strut Your Mutt" and "Potsdam Humane Society" incorporated into the design.
- \* Send designs to shelter@potSDamhumanesociety.org titled "Strut Your Mutt T-shirt"
- \* Please be sure to include your contact info!

**Best Friends Thrift Store**

A BIG THANK YOU to Bonnie Boyd and Randy Page (PHS Board Members) and Randy's son for building a much-needed washroom on the main floor at Best Friends Thrift Store.



We yearn to be open on Mondays if we can find volunteers to help work. It could mean another \$100.+ for the shelter every week if we can get register volunteer support on Mondays! If you have some extra time and would like to help all the animals at the PHS shelter please stop by the shop to fill out a short volunteer interest form, email Bonnie Boyd at [bsboyd4@hotmail.com](mailto:bsboyd4@hotmail.com), or call 315-353-2847 and join our team of dedicated volunteers.



**Dog Park**

IS YOUR DOG RIGHT  
FOR A DOG PARK?



In preparation for the Dog Park opening this year, experienced dog trainer, Linda Caamano, will present four evenings of Dog Park etiquette, behavior, body language, and understanding and being an advocate for your dog.

Potsdam Town Hall Community Room, 18 Elm Street (enter from the parking lot at the rear of the building)

Wednesdays 7-8:30pm: **February 15<sup>th</sup>**, **March 15<sup>th</sup>**, **April 12<sup>th</sup>**, and **May 10<sup>th</sup>**

Free and open to the public

**Centerplate**

We need you on **February 22<sup>nd</sup>** for our **Harlem Globe Trotter event**. We are running concession stands during the event in exchange for 10% of all profits going directly to the shelter. We need 15 people to make this fundraiser work. We love families, friends, and college groups. So let's make this fun, gather your friends and help the shelter raise funds! If you would like to volunteer please Contact the shelter or email Betty at [bjwolf@ix.netcom.com](mailto:bjwolf@ix.netcom.com) to sign up or for more information. Remember the only requirements to volunteer are that you are at least 16 years of age and you must wear black pants.

**Up Coming Rabies/Microchip Clinics**

**March 1** (Wednesday) from 9am-12noon.  
No appointment needed. Cost of Rabies vaccination is \$15 and Microchip is \$25.

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**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.



**March 4th** – Basic Obedience I (Sit, Stay, Down, Recall)

**March 11th** – Puppy Socialization Class (only for puppies less than 5 months old)

**March 18th** – Body Language; Fearfulness and Aggression; Food Aggression and Possessive Behaviors

**March 25th** – Housebreaking; Separation Anxiety; Submissive and Excitement Urination; Crate Training

**Featured Job of the Month****Feline Enrichment.**

Come and spend some time with the available kitties for adoption in the PHS Cat Rooms! Some of the adoptable cats maul new volunteers– seeking attention from newcomers! Others, however, may be a bit more shy and need some coaxing to come out of their shell! From giving treats, loving on, playing with, grooming, and tidying up their space– we need help making our cat rooms presentable for adopters and spotlighting our adoptable cats in the best way!

**Key Responsibilities**

- 1.) Safely provide the animals in the care of PHS with a relaxing and playful experience.
- 2.) Ensure that all of the animals have a clean space, including but not limited to fresh food, water, toys, litter boxes, and beds!
- 3.) Feel free to take videos or photos with your phone (or camera) while spending time with the adoptable cats and post them to our Facebook Page! The more exposure for the cats– the better!

