

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, **Sept 8** 1-4pm for students

Upcoming Volunteer Dog Training Orientation Schedule:

- Friday, **Sept 15**

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

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Upcoming events, Please save the dates:

- 1) *Octoberfest*: **Sept 30 & Oct 1, 2017**
- 3) *Wine Tour* : **Oct 21, 2017**
- 4) *Flaming Leaves Festival*: **Oct 7 & 8, 2017**
- 5) *TV Raffle: Drawing* **Nov 21, 2017**
- 6) *NY Gives Day*: **Nov 28, 2017**



Fundraising & Outreach:

Centerplate

It's that time of year again! PHS is looking for volunteers to help us with the upcoming Centerplate fundraising events! Anyone 16 years or older can volunteer. **Volunteers are needed** for Oktoberfest on **September 30 & October 1** and for Flaming Leaves Festival on **October 7th & 8th**. Contact the shelter or email Betty at bjwolf@ix.netcom.com or email Tracy Adle at horsefeathershaunts@yahoo.com. You can also call Tracy at 315-420-4487 to sign up or for more information.



DogPark

Over the past 3 weeks tremendous progress has been made toward readying the Dog Park for its grand opening at noon on Sunday, October 1, 2017. The parking areas and entryways are well on their way to completion. We need help with three large work parties for this Labor Day Weekend!



Saturday, September 2 from **11:00 am to 3:00 pm**: mowing, weed whacking, burdock and vine removal, and bringing brush and waste to centrally located piles for removal with the tractor/backhoe on Sunday.

Sunday, September 3 from **12:30 pm to 3:30 pm**: more of the above and loading waste and wood into the backhoe's shovel for removal (many loads by the backhoe will be needed).

Monday, September 4 from **12:00 pm to 3:00 pm**: mowing, weed whacking, burdock and vine removal, and bringing brush and waste to centrally located piles for removal.

As usual, wear appropriate clothing and shoes, bring bug spray and water, and bring your work energy. Anyone who can bring a good, relatively heavy-duty weed whacker, please do.

UPCOMING VOLUNTEER PROJECTS- WE NEED YOU!!

1) **Build a shed**- We will be constructing a 10x20 shed at the Potsdam Humane Society. All tools and materials will be provided. No experience required-all levels of experience are helpful. Anticipated construction will be late September-early October with weather as our gage.



2) **Design and construct a Catio** (outdoor cat playground) - We will work throughout this fall and winter to design and build components for an outdoor space for tunnels, platforms, etc. for cats to run, jump and climb. Anticipated installation is spring/summer 2018.

3) **Design and build dog yard stuff**- We will be constructing and painting interactive platforms, tunnels, jumps, benches, etc. for the enjoyment of the dogs and volunteers. All tools and materials will be provided. No experience required.

4) **Design and construct the indoor cat displays**- We will be improving the small cat display spaces by adding colorful artwork and repairing walls and doors. Artists sought for painting. Helpers needed for construction-no experience required.

5) **Design and build cat towers**- We will be constructing cat towers and platforms for use at the shelter. All tools and materials will be provided. No experience needed.

6) **Video, photo, Facebook**- We are looking for individuals with a fun and creative edge to help us stay in the public eye...and funny bone

-Voice over videos- video shelter pets and voice over messages

-Pet pod cast

-Go Pro video- life of the shelter pet from the pets view

-Movie scene remakes using shelter pets

-Set up online interactive play with shelter pets



Featured Job of the Month:

Dog Walking

Fall is here and many of our volunteer dog walkers are heading back to college. Our dogs are so happy your back and are looking forward to their daily walks. If you are a new student in the area and are interested in volunteering to provide the dogs with a playful companionship and training that will help land them the home of their dreams stop in at the shelter today!

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 Colleen at 315-420-4902 as spaces are limited. Classes take place on Saturdays from 10am-12pm. Friendly dogs are welcome.

September 9th – Body Language; Fearfulness vs. Aggression; Food Aggression & Possessive Behaviors

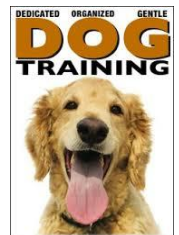
September 16th – Housebreaking; Separation Anxiety; Submissive & Excitement Urination; Crate Training

September 23rd – Puppy Socialization (only for puppies less than 5 months old)

September 30th – Basic Obedience I (Sit, Stay, Down, Recall)

October 14th – Basic Obedience II (Wait, Watch Me, Drop It, Go To Place)

October 21st – Puppy Socialization (only for puppies less than 5 months old)



Thank you for all your support with all of our fundraising events!