

VOLUNTEER NEWSLETTER

July 7, 2021

THANK YOU FOR VOLUNTEERING

HALF PRICE, FULL LIFE SUCCESS

Thank you to everyone who helped to promote Half Life, Full Life! During this promotion we were able to adopt out 40 animals.

That is 40 animals who now have a happy home!



AIR HORNS

If you accidentally take home an Air Horn, please continue to bring them back. We appreciate your help, as the cost of replacing air horns does add up.

Big THANK YOU to Deb for donating some air horns to the cause!



COMMUNITY CONVERSATIONS: TONIGHT

Our next community conversation: Demystifying Animal Welfare Practices, is tonight, July 7th, 5pm-6pm, on Zoom! we will discuss our admissions policy as it relates to surrendered animals, unowned stray animals, and free roaming cats. How do we manage it all? What species do we accept and what does it mean to be open admissions? What is Trap-Neuter-Return (TNR) and how do you manage community cats? How does the YCSPCA help manage animal population growth rates? All of these questions and more will be answered.



Register now!

ANIMAL COUNTS as of July 5

Total Number of Animals: 318
Adoptions Last Week: 25
Adoptions for June 107

Dogs

Total Canine Count: 83
Available for Adoption: 26
Pending Adoption: 6
In Foster: 11

Cats

Total Feline Count: 211
Available for Adoption: 36
Pending Adoption: 3
In Foster: 37

Rabbits

Total Bunny Count: 12

Animals are typically categorized as unavailable for adoption for the following reasons:

- They are new to the shelter and undergoing medical procedures, health evaluations, behavioral evaluations, or need some time to decompress.
- They are undergoing a mandatory hold
- They are a SafePet animal seeking refuge in our shelter
- They are protective custody animal due to the result of an animal cruelty investigation. These dogs are technically not our dogs to adopt out. We are going through the legal system to have the current owner or the court to sign the pet over to us.
- They are pending adoption
- They are too young for adoption

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

If you are looking for more ways to be involved at the York County SPCA, I will continue to share different opportunities that become available.

HIGH NEED FOR HELP IN THE CLINIC

Clinic-

- **Registration (Any day Mon-Fri 7am-9am):**
The clinic is looking for volunteers who would be interested in helping in the morning for the registration process.
- **End of the Day Help (Wednesday 2pm-4pm):**
The clinic is looking for volunteers who can help with clean up and check-out at the end of the day. This will include scrubbing surgical instruments, bringing laundry to the laundry room, and cleaning the areas. You may also be helping with bringing animals out to their owners.
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Satellite Sites-

- **PetCo:** We are looking for volunteers who can help consistently at this satellite site on Friday mornings.

Golf Event-

- **Day of Volunteers:** We are hosting a Golf Tournament this year, and we would love to have volunteers there to help out. If you are interested, save the date for Aug 27. I will be in touch with more details as we get closer.
- **Silent Auction/Raffle:** We are looking to form a committee for those who are interested in asking the community to donate items to a silent auction or raffle. If interested, please let me, Brandi, know.



If you are interested in any opportunity listed above, email me at bbisch@ycspca.org for more information.

ADOPTION STORY: STERLING

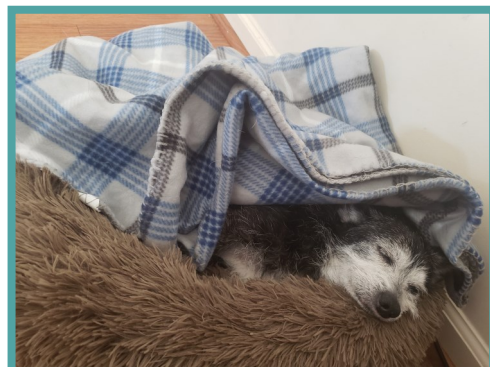
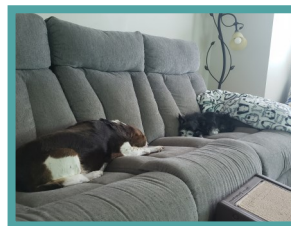
We received the adoption story about Sterling.

From the adopter:

So we did keep the name Sterling. Though it seems to not really matter as he may potentially be deaf?, but will ask on the wellness visit. We came to this conclusion as our one dog (ellie) (Coon Hound) is a barker and our other one is a howler (Edgar)(Beagle/Hound) and doesn't seemed to be phased at all when they go on targets when we leave and enter our house. He just remains sleeping when they are audible heard through a house wall about 20 ft away. But he does extremely well with visual cues.

When we originally brought him home we had a good laugh as he was so happy, his tail was wagging so hard he kept losing balance. Both the original dogs were jealous the first few days, but after i took them on personal car rides, they got over there jealousy. We found out quickly that he is a cuddler. So if we are sitting down the couch he will immediately come over and ball up against us and at night in bed he presses right up against us. We also found a little foam pop gun ball that he plays with as a toy which works for him cause of his size. He spends a good 40% of his awaken time outside, as our dogs have pretty easy access to a large fenced back yard. He sits in the yard and porch starrng into the farm fields that surround us.(he has a good view since we are on a hill). This however has lead to him becoming a tick magnet.... Which is odd since we as a family and or the other dogs have never had any issue with ticks prior(plus the yard lacks trees/bushes which is typical tick country). But he is extremely comfortable being handled, so removing them is not an issue.

Lastly with the cuddling he likes to kiss noses. He has been a great addition, and hopefully will be with us for several years.



ADOPTION STORY: BATMAN

We received the another update about Batman.

From the adopter:

Batman is known as George now and he is a sweet and sour kitty. Mostly sweet. He knows every inch of his home that he shares with 2 kitty sisters and his human mom and dad. He adores his sisters. George is also known as "the cat slipper" as he likes to wrap around our feet and hold tight. He is gentle but he does seem to enjoy wrestling feet. We love him dearly and it only took him 1 day to love us back and become family.



VOLUNTEER SPOTLIGHT: CHRISSY

Chrissy volunteers with Cat Cuddling, Dog Walking and helping at Petco.

Chrissy only started with us at the beginning of this year, but she has gawn above and beyond with learning quickly and helping everywhere. She especially enjoys working with cats that need extra time with humans in order to be adopted. Dracula was adopted after being worked with by many in order to overcome her fears around people.

Although Chrissy spends a lot of time helping around the shelter, she also teaches yoga. She has even helped recruit volunteers from yoga classes.

One thing you may not know about Chrissy is she has also jumped out of a plan before.

Keep an eye in your email for When it is your turn to be shown in the Volunteer Spotlight.



THANK YOU TO 4TH OF JULY VOLUNTEERS

We want to send a big thank you to all the volunteers who helped during the 4th of July Weekend!

The animals were grateful to see your faces during the holiday!!

