

# **VOLUNTEER NEWSLETTER** May 24, 2022

# THANK YOU FOR VOLUNTEERING

### WELCOME!

Thank you, Caitlin (right), for being an amazing new Cat Cuddler!





Welcome new Clinic Volunteer, Gabriella, (left)!

NOW ADOPTED LONG-TERMER, PEPINO, MADE THE NEWS!

Read the article <u>here</u>.



#### ANIMAL COUNTS

#### As of May 24, 2022

Total Number of Animals: 243 Adoptions Last Week: 32

#### Dogs:

Total Canine Count: 77 Pending Adoption: 6 Available for Adoption: 31

#### Cats

Total Feline Count: 149 Pending Adoption: 6 Available for Adoption: 43

**Small Animals** Total Rabbit Count: 4 Total Guinea Pig Count: 5

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 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.

### SUPER DUPER COOPER UPDATE

On November 2019, I adopted Cooper, aka Super Duper Cooper. It is with an extremely heavy heart of grief I must inform you Super Duper Cooper passed away at 3:30am on Wednesday, May 11. He was here at home on his favorite bed, with his favorite blanket and in my arms. I want to thank you for matching Cooper and me.

My life was enhanced epically by my sweet, smart, sometimes curmudgeonly lil boy. Cooper was always a joy to be with. He lived and loved- chicken, Sunday family movie day, falling asleep during car rides and hotel accommodations- lol. He would strut through the hallways like royalty...

Cooper was the love of my life and he made sure I knew the feeling was mutual. In the beginning he was so quiet. I became concerned he couldn't make noise and didn't know how to play. Then one day I came home from work and he grabbed his little guitar plush the York SPCA gave him and ran to me. He wanted to play tug of war! That feeling was the best in the world, my lil boy was ready to be a puppy. It didn't take long to see his funny, heart warming, comedic personality shine. When he would wake up in the morning he would army/belly crawl from the foot of the bed up to me, hiding behind blankets as he approached. When we were all but face to face he would pop up like a big loveable surprise. I would laugh and he seemed to laugh too. He would make noise like an Ewok from star wars letting me know how his night was and he was ready for our breakfast routine.

He filled and healed a large, gaping wound in my heart. I called his love the Cooper patch. He gave his patches freely to those he accepted and loved, which was nearly everyone!

He loved his sweater vest and wanted to wear it more than any other outfit I had for him. I joked that all lil old men love their sweater vest. He seemed to know that his vest was from my mother because he would pose for her when he would hear her voice over the phone. From our first visit and every time there after, we visited her he would run to her and jump up to sit with her on the recliner. It seemed like they had done for all his life even though he was 11 years when he chose to adopt me.

Right up to the end, he stayed with my every movement through our 1 floor house. When there was sadness - my mother dying, he would crawl into my arms for hours of snuggles and cuddling. Even choosing to fall asleep in my arms. He loved being lifted up in the air from behind, stretching out his legs

like he was flying. I would call him rocket man hero flying to the rescue as I helped him fly to the bed or chair of his choice for a nap or bedtime.

I can't believe he has passed. Even though our time together seems too short I don't regret one moment with our Super Duper Mini Cooper! I will adopt again and if a senior small breed comes to the shelter requesting to adopt a mommy ill be first in line, with Cooper's blessing. He rocketed straight into my heart and will be there for infinity.

Once I have reliable transportation I will volunteer all of my spare moments with you, the York SPCA. In my honest opinion, You are more than a shelter, you are all matchmakers of love! I know Cooper would agree and approve.

Thank you sincerely with love,

Kimberley





### 7TH ANNUAL PUTTING FORE PAWS GOLF OUTING

It's officially Spring and that means it's time to get back out on the golf course!

Mark your calendars and join us for the 7th Annual Putting Fore Paws Golf Outing to benefit the York County SPCA. Because of you, stray and displaced animals receive the second chances at life they all deserve.

The outing will take place on Monday, June 6 at the Out Door Country Club. Go here to learn more about the event and register a team.

There's space for only one more team, so be quick! Here's to a great day of golf!





## SPICY TOMATO ADOPTION UPDATE

"We are IN LOVE with Spicy Tomato! We had to keep the amazing name you all gave her, but like to use various nicknames such as Spicy, Spicy T, Spice Girl, and Mater. She is much sweeter than she is spicy! Within the second day she was hopping into my lap for cuddles and falling asleep. She is so playful and loves all of her toys/tunnels/games. She only had one accident the first night home and since then exclusively uses the litter box. She is the cutest cat I have ever seen, and I am so happy to call her mine."

-Karen

p.s... Spicy Tomato even has her own Instagram page! Check out the handle @spicytomatomeow.



# LOOKING FOR NEW WAYS TO BE INVOLVED?

If you see an opportunity you are interested in, please email Bekah Smith at bsmith@ycspca.org for more details.

### CLINIC

The clinic is looking for help during the following times. We do ask the volunteers helping in the clinic commit to a weekly shift.

#### Registration (Mon, Tues, and/or Thurs 7am-9am):

Help in the morning with the registration process.

End of the Day Help (Mon 2pm-4pm; Tues, Wed, Thurs, and/or Fri 10AM-2PM): Help at the end of the day with cleaning surgical equipment, laundry, cleaning cages, and other operational tasks as needed.

### DOG WALKING

Volunteers are needed to walk all of the dogs in our kennel each day. Walking provides the dog with the exercise, socialization, and outdoor time that they need. A dog walker's commitment to and impact on our animals well-being is invaluable. This is a strenuous, but necessary, role.

### KENNEL GREETING

We are looking for Volunteers who can manage the flow of community members touring the kennel during public hours. This is a great position for someone who is not comfortable standing or walking for long periods of time.

#### Hours assistance is needed:

Tuesday through Thursday from 10:30AM until 12:30PM