



Shelter News

Harvest Hills Animal Shelter

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4TH ANNUAL *Christmas Eve Sleepover and Maxwell Bernie Fund*

Our Christmas Eve Sleepover has become an Annual event where a 'celebrity' actually stays at the shelter on Christmas Eve. The animals get a lot of extra Christmas cheer while they await adoption.

This year, funds raised will do something extra special. Not only will the money directly impact the animals at the shelter as it always has, all the money will go into a special fund in honor of 4-year-old Maxwell Bernie. Maxwell sadly drowned in May of 2016. Since his death, his little piggy bank has been sitting on the counter at the shelter so that people could donate their spare change to the shelter in honor of Max. Max LOVED coming to the shelter and playing with the animals. According to his mom, Max would be so thrilled to know that the Christmas Eve Shelter Sleepover will help build his fund so that dogs and cats with health or behavioral problems can become more "adoptable" ...whether it be because they receive a major surgery or for things like special training for dogs, fencing, specialized veterinary care, carts for amputees; or anything else that will help make them more adoptable.

This year, Deb Cloutier, longtime volunteer and the person who started this fundraiser, will be back sleeping with the dogs. Deb will be posting updates from our Facebook page during the sleepover, so be sure to tune in. You can donate through our PayPal (on our website) GoFundMe (on our Facebook page) or in person!

**PLEASE spay and neuter your animals and always remember to
'Adopt don't shop'.**

**There are many wonderful animals at your local shelter that need
YOU to make a difference.**

Go to our website to view available animals
www.harvesthills.org

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Lights of Our Lives *In Honor/Memory of*



Sylvia

For many years, Sylvia was the resident greeter at Harvest Hills. Shortly after her 21st birthday, We lost our dear friend. Sylvia LOVED sleeping at the desk, so she could be petted by everyone who stopped in. She was a fan of warm laundry, Temptations treats, and catnip. She is missed by all staff and volunteers at the shelter.

Harvest Hills Animal Shelter holds an annual Christmas "Lights of Our Lives" program just after Thanksgiving and through to Christmas. We do this because so many people want their animals to be remembered and celebrated for the holidays, so the shelter honors them with stars and lights. We ask for a donation of \$5.00 for each animal. Their names will be decorating the inside of the shelter with stars and the lights will be lighting up the outside. We are not only happy to celebrate the lives of those beloved animals who have crossed The Rainbow Bridge, but are happy to honor those animals still living and making your lives so fulfilled with their love.



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Every Day Except Thursday
Open until 6 p.m. Friday**

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News • • • • • *Cat & Dog Improvements -*

CAT - This year we did some lifestyle improvements for the cats at the shelter. A community room was added, allowing some of the long-term kitties to have a



larger space to roam, with wall boxes, kitty condos and a Kuranda tower. We also added a 'catio' off our back porch, that allows our kitties to have 'outdoor time'. The catio features a screened in area with toys and outdoor furniture, as well as much needed fresh air. Birdfeeders will be installed in the spring so the kitties can bird watch.

DOG - Through the Kendal C and Anna Ham Charitable Foundation we were able to improve our outside dog runs with new fencing and concrete. We took down 3 of our existing yards and were able to make 3 new ones with new chain link, concrete steps down to the yards and a concrete pad in the front of the yards to prevent dogs from wearing down the dirt and digging out. We also were able to put in new chain link and expand our two, smaller socializing yards. The Kendal C and Anna Ham Charitable Foundation has been very generous, allowing us to revamp the inside dog kennels with glass block walls and epoxy floors, as well as numerous other projects over the years. We are truly grateful to this foundation for their continued support and generosity.



Freezing for a Reason to Raise the Roof

Freezing for a Reason is happening on February 17, 2018 during the Winter Carnival, hosted by the Greater Bridgton Lakes Region Chamber of Commerce! Held at Highland Lake in Bridgton, this is one of our largest yearly fundraisers, and it is ALWAYS a great time! Jumpers who DARE will jump into the frigid waters of Highland Lake, after raising money through pledges, to help the animals. Jumpers, start your campaigns now. This year we are raising funds for our shelter roof which is in desperate need of replacing.

FREEZING FOR A REASON
Save the Date: Saturday February 17th, 2018

Alumni News



Sophie

I adopted Sophie from HHAS when she was just 8 weeks old. She will be 12 years old in February. She is the definition of loyal and is the best girl. I am so lucky to have her in my life, she is definitely my best friend. Thank you for making it possible for her to be in our lives.

Kelly Cote

This is a picture of Nikita. We adopted her in April of 2000 and this was taken in Dec. of 2001. She came in to the shelter with her son - a big, gorgeous Chow! Best dog ever! She was 5 when we got her, and she lived to be 13. We still miss her. Harvest Hills does a magnificent job with their animals. ME/NH towns are so fortunate to have that place. Keep up the good work!



Nikita



Bert

We adopted Jack (aka "Bert") 10/21/2015. We had gone in looking for a kitten, and when we didn't find anything that we felt was a good fit for our family, someone suggested we take a look at the sweetest set of brothers you've ever seen. Unfortunately, we could not take both of them, but after a few days of settling in, Jack has never been happier. He is best friends with our youngest (now 3 years old) and they are inseparable. We have had other cats in the past, but he is amazing. He will play hard and snuggle even harder. He gets into a LOT of mischief, but we wouldn't change a thing about him. We don't know what our family would ever do without him in our lives.

The Slocumb Family

30th Anniversary



We celebrated our 30th anniversary this year with a big celebration at the shelter. We had a cookout, bounce houses, face painting, reiki, sno-cones and cotton candy! It was a great day with great turnout, demonstrations by local police department K-9's, Fish and Game, and even some HHAS alumni! Fryeburg Veterinary Hospital and Bridgton Veterinary Hospital were also in attendance to support us and all they have done for the shelter. This event was to say Thank You to YOU, our ever supportive community.



More News



ISABELLE
Alumni 2017
So very pretty
and she is a calendar girl!

New Parking at Nine Lives Thrift!

With new and improved thrift shop parking, comes a new traffic flow for both the shelter and thrift buildings.

The new ENTRANCE for visiting either building will be at the shelter and traffic going to the thrift and traffic will flow to either building from there. The new EXIT for all traffic will be at the thrift shop side.

A new DONATIONS and SHOPPER PARKING will soon open to offer one dedicated entrance for donations and also additional parking for donors who wish to shop too.

With the road improvements, traffic on Route 302 seems to move faster. This new traffic flow will be a safer solution for all who visit us or travel by. Please watch for signs and arrows to use the appropriate Entrance and Exit.

Different Ways to Donate

Looking for different ways to help the shelter? We have some different sponsorship opportunities available- sponsoring a cage/kennel, Kuranda beds, or a brick on our new memory path. Various options are available for each, so stop in to discuss them or check out our website under 'about us' and 'how you can help.'

Pet ID Tags... make great gifts!

Made right here at the shelter. No more waiting 4-6 weeks. On the tag you can put your pet's name, your address and phone number. Let's not forget your pet should also be wearing a rabies tag and license (for dogs). These tags are a great way to help ensure your pet makes it home safely if it becomes lost. Price per tag - \$8.00.

QUANTITY	TYPE OF TAG	PRICE /TAG	TOTAL
TOTAL			

Name: _____ Phone Number _____

Address: _____

Information for tag (We'll put as much info on as possible)

Side One: _____	Side One: _____
_____	_____
_____	_____
Side Two: _____	Side Two: _____
_____	_____
_____	_____

Make checks payable to HHAS, 1389 Bridgton Road, Fryeburg, ME 04037. Please include a self-addressed stamped envelope with your order.