# Humane News

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#### **Our Mission**

St. Hubert's Animal Welfare Center is dedicated to the humane treatment of animals. We believe in and provide services that support the human-animal bond and seek to foster an environment in which people respect all living creatures.

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## Roo's Story

## A Spunky Puppy Gets a Second Chance

One of our Sister Shelters, Cumberland County SPCA in Southern New Jersey, called on us for help with a dog in need of immediate medical care. Roo, a sweet and spunky puppy was found as a stray, virtually hairless with painful skin infections.

Thanks to donor support of the Rocket Fund, which helps us care for advanced medical cases, we were able to welcome Roo by picking her up along with other cats and dogs to relieve crowding at that shelter. As soon as she arrived, our staff treated her with a soothing Aveeno bath to immediately calm her skin, an experience that Roo clearly relished (see the video on our website). She received round-the-clock compassionate care and medications, all while being a grateful and loving patient to the staff and volunteers who cared for her.

Happily, the Reinhardt family came to St. Hubert's Madison facility recently to adopt a new canine sibling for their dog Bo (also adopted from St. Hubert's), and fell in love with Roo. They are now one big happy family, and Roo and Bo are the best of friends.

Our sincere thanks to the generous supporters who make this lifesaving work possible. If you'd like to support the Rocket Fund, please visit sthuberts.org/ aboutrocketfund or call our Development Department at 973.377.7094 to make a gift today.



Your support makes these happy endings possible!

## Princess Wilhelmina:

The Miracle Kitten

A good Samaritan was working on a local construction site and found a very sick kitten in need of immediate care. He scooped up the weak, grey kitten with eyes too swollen to open, into his arms and brought her to our North Branch Shelter.

Staff sprang into action, getting this small and furry kitten warm, clean and full of fluids. It was obvious she needed around-the-clock care, so she was fostered by a staff member to tend to her medical needs. She was soon dubbed "Princess Wilhelmina," a name fitting for such a beautiful kitten. After weeks of antibiotics and eye ointment, she became healthy enough to be spayed and placed for adoption.

Just a few days later, she was adopted by the Price family from Whitehouse Station, NJ. They report Princess Wilhelmina, now called "PeeWee" is loving her new home, and they couldn't be more grateful to have this spirited kitten in their lives!



# Letter from the President

Friends,

We've started 2016 strong for animals with large rescue efforts and coordination with local and national groups.

Our goals for the year aim high. St. Hubert's is a diverse organization with an array of programs aimed to support the human animal bond and foster an environment in which people respect all living creatures. We are only able to do all of this thanks to the support of people who care. We do not receive funding from the Geraldine R. Dodge Foundation. While she was our founder and believed deeply in the care of homeless animals, the foundation that bears her name moved away from funding animal welfare years ago. It is upsetting, yes. For those of you in New Jersey, I'm asking you to please share that message as the assumption that the foundation supports us is pervasive and clouds our outreach for support.

Whether for NJ animals, like "Roo" and "Wilhelmina" who you'll 'meet' in this issue, or shelters and animals in crisis in another state, we are here and doing all that we can to help. Thousands of animals will pass through our doors this year and thousands more will be served by our pet retention programs. We have many opportunities for participation—volunteering, joining our staff, donating. Please visit, call or visit with us online at sthuberts.org to learn more.

Warmly,

Heather J. Cammisa, CAWA

P.S. As I write this message, we are making commitments to Mississippi and the deep south to help with rescue and response to the historic flooding they're experiencing. Thank you for being a part of this work and all that we do.



## Shelter News

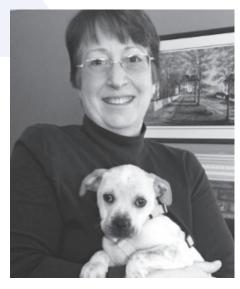
## Spring has sprung! Check out our latest happenings at St. Hubert's.

In March we launched the MaddieCam, a live-camera broadcast that can be seen worldwide on the Maddie's Fund website. This camera will be live in our Madison adoption center seven days a week showing our community cat rooms, small animal adoption and playroom, training and behavior classes and spay/neuter clinic. Check out the schedule at http://www.maddiesfund.org/maddiecam.htm.

Our Adoption Ambassadors program, made possible through support from the ASPCA, is in full swing, enabling foster pet parents to act as adoption counselors for their foster pets. Jaxon, seen to the right with his new mom, is just one of St. Hubert's pets recently adopted through this program. Interested in joining our Adoption Ambassador program and helping save more lives? Contact Kim Lehner at klehner@sthuberts.org to learn more.

**Updates from our Shelter Locations** The new adoption venue in Mt. Olive has facilitated over 200 adoptions thus far and construction is progressing

well at the new Noah's Ark campus in Ledgewood. The Madison campus hosted teens from Daytop recovery program in a humane training program and continues to host the ASPCA Behavioral Rehabilitation Center for canine victims of puppy mills, hoarding and similar cases. The North Branch shelter is leading our pack in outreach to people feeding feral cats and connecting them with our low-cost altering program to prevent homelessness and suffering.



### SPRING WISH LIST

#### **High-Priority Items:**

Kitten Milk Replacer (KMR)
Canned cat food (ground, no fish)
Canned kitten food (ground, no fish)
Canned dog and puppy food
Soft treats
Blankets and towels
Snuggle Safe heating pads

#### **Food Bank Items:**

Pedigree or Purina brand dog and cat food (canned and dry) Scoopable/clumping kitty litter Supermarket gift cards

#### **Enrichment Items:**

Kongs and peanut butter Hard dog toys, cat toys and Nylabones Feliway spray Chill Pill and aromatherapy oils String cheese PetSmart, Petco, or PetValu gift cards

#### **Other Items:**

Collars and leashes Small animal food, bedding, and toys Cat carriers All-natural cleaning supplies

Shopping online for donations has never been easier. Visit **sthuberts.org/wishlist** to view our Amazon Wish List and have items sent directly to our shelter!

### Calendar of Events

#### The Zephyr's 1st Birthday Party

Saturday, June 4, 12 - 6 pm 575 Woodland Ave, Madison Join us for a celebration of the one-year anniversary of our life-saving transport vehicle, The Zephyr. Festivities include outdoor fun and games for the whole family, adoption specials, shelter tours and much more!

#### **Ice Cream Socials**

Select Summer Wednesdays, 5 - 7 pm Madison Shelter Courtyard 575 Woodland Ave, Madison

Fun and treats for both you and your dog. Dates will be announced on our website.

#### **Tricky Tray**

Saturday, September 17 Doors open at 6 pm St. Hubert's Training and Behavior Center

575 Woodland Ave, Madison

Join us for our popular basket raffle event to win great prizes and raise money for homeless pets.

#### 5K9 Run & Walk

Saturday, October 15, 9:30 am
Central Park of Morris County

A 5K run and walk for you and your best friend to benefit St. Hubert's.

#### **Wine Tasting**

Date to Be Determined
Morris Museum
6 Normandy Heights Road, Morristown
A fun and elegant wine tasting to benefit
St. Hubert's. Check our website for
announced date.

#### **Pet Loss Support Group**

each month, 7:30 - 9 pm
St. Hubert's Community Room
575 Woodland Avenue, Madison
Free group support sessions facilitated by professional counselors in a compassionate environment. Visit sthuberts.org/petloss for more information.

First Tuesday & Third Wednesday of

For up-to-date, detailed information on all events, visit sthuberts.org or call 973.377.7094.







# St. Hubert's Assists in Largest Animal Rescue Case in ASPCA History

From Upstate New York to Missouri, to Alabama and as close by as Brooklyn, St. Hubert's Animal Welfare Center staff members have been all across the country assisting national animal welfare organizations with emergency cases. Most recently, St. Hubert's own Tom Burke spent 10 days serving on his largest case yet, which was also the largest rescue in the ASPCA's history.

On January 27th, Burke traveled to North Carolina to assist in the ASPCA's rescue of 696 animals from an unlicensed facility in North Carolina. Many animals were found lacking appropriate shelter and were in dire need of proper care, suffering from medical issues such as malnutrition, large tumors, serious skin issues and severe upper respiratory infections.

"We worked 10-14 hour days making sure these animals received the care they needed," Burke said. "We provided comfort and medical attention while also organizing the logistics of supplying food, supplies, and fresh laundry and setting up cages and crates."

For cases such as these, St. Hubert's staff has an established "Go Team" whose purpose is to be ready to help wherever they are needed, serving those animals who are most in need by mobilizing effectively and efficiently to save lives.

"It's important for us to offer our knowledge and expertise to situations where animals are suffering, whether locally or far away," said Burke. "By working together, we are able to help animals and communities—both here in New Jersey and across the country."



We call our monthly donors Angels, supporters we rely on every month so that we can help thousands of animals in need each year.

For more information visit **sthuberts.org/angels.** 



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#### ADOPTIONS 7 DAYS A WEEK

Madison and North Branch

Noon – 4 pm Sunday - Tuesday

Noon – 6 pm Wednesday - Saturday

Mt. Olive Adoption Center

9 am – 8 pm Monday - Saturday

10 am – 8 pm Sunday

#### **BUDDY'S BOUTIQUE GIFT SHOP**

(Madison Campus) 973.377.2295

Noon - 4 pm Sunday - Tuesday

Noon – 6 pm Wednesday - Saturday

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