

Helping Over Population End

OPEN EVERY TUESDAY

7:30 AM - 6:00 PM

(859) 873-HOPE(4673)

FEE SCHEDULE

- Dog Spay \$60
- Dog Neuter \$50
- Cat Spay/Neuter \$30
- Feral Cat Package \$35

Feral Cat Package includes:

- Spay or Neuter
- Rabies Vaccination
- FVRCP Vaccination
- Dose of Revolution
- Ear Tip



Happy Tails — The Newsletter of HOPE Spay Neuter Clinic

Memorial & Celebration Donations

In Memory of

Julia Gustafson by Co-Workers at Family Support, Stephen and Krista Quarles, Bruce and Diana Radcliff

Badger Nielsen by Jacquie Nielsen

Freedom Stahler by Liese Coleman

Delay of Game by Marie Preston

Emma Sparrow by Tracy Bentley

Lucy Gay Bassett by Bennett Bell Williams

Elza Shearer by Baptist Health (Histology, Transcription and Gross Room)

Molly Bryant by DeeDee Lloyd

Memphis Hertweck by Co-Workers (Christina, Jeff, Lauren, Lynne, and Mindy), DeeDee Lloyd

Jerry Burton by Jennifer Reynolds

Belle Fiala by Marie Preston, Harold and Liese Coleman, DeeDee Lloyd

Mobil Stahler by Liese Coleman

Buster Prince by Mr. and Mrs. George Bentley

Maybe Hatfield by Ben and Gail Prewitt

Moe Milby by Paul and Terry Stahler

Charlie Stoops by Ron and Mindy Fiala

In Honor of

Gail Prewitt by Jennifer Reynolds, Liese Coleman

Terry Stahler by Liese Coleman

Mindy Fiala by Liese Coleman

Tracy Bentley by George and Edith Bentley, her Co-Workers at the Acquired Brain Injury Branch, Kentucky Department for Medicaid Services

Frank and Greta Miller by Thelma Wilson

The Marriage of Russell Lloyd and John Booker by Jean M. Brewer

The Antonini Family by the Butzer Family of Sun Valley Farm

DeeDee Lloyd by Lucy A. Breathitt

National Cat Day by Eugenia L. Johnson



Thanks to our **Pitties' Sake Fund**, Pit Bulls & Pit Bull mixes can be altered at HOPE for **FREE!**

To donate, or for details, call (859) 873-4673.



Kitty Cat

Round-up is the HOPE Spay Neuter Clinic's Trap, Neuter and Return (TNR) program for feral cats in Central Kentucky.



Since our first TNR in March 2004, over 4,000 feral cats have been sterilized and vaccinated! Learn how you can support Kitty Cat Round-up at hopespayneuter.org.

SUPPLIES NEEDED

- Liquid Laundry Detergent
- Bleach
- Hydrogen Peroxide
- 70% Alcohol
- Distilled Water
- Paper Towels
- Toilet Paper
- Postage Stamps
- Copy Paper
- Lunch for Volunteers (Tuesdays)
- Gently Used Cat Carriers
- Pet Pee Pads

How To Make Your Tax-Deductible Donation:

MAIL your check to HOPE Spay Neuter Clinic
PO Box 23
Versailles, KY 40383

ONLINE at hopespayneuter.org

CALL 873-HOPE(4673) and we'll return your call personally!

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The Newsletter of HOPE Spay Neuter Clinic

Fall-Winter 2016

Thanks to you, 12,000 Pets Are No Longer Reproducing!



Now in our sixth year, the HOPE Spay Neuter Clinic will have spayed and neutered over 12,000 cats and dogs by the end of 2016!

They've come from 65 Kentucky counties... Paducah to Hazard to Williamsburg to Corinth to Ashland and beyond.

As a result of your generous gifts and our commitment to using every penny wisely, HOPE continues to keep prices extremely low.

Who better to thank you than the dogs and cats whose lives have been touched by your donations?

Thank you!



A \$50 donation paid for Deuce's neuter!



A \$30 donation paid for Flipper's neuter!



Just \$10 paid for Bowie's vaccinations!

Make your tax deductible donation today to help more pets like Deuce, Flipper & Bowie.

Board of Directors

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HOPE continues to make a difference!

We have now performed 12,000 surgeries on animals from 65 Kentucky counties since opening on September 28, 2010!

HOPE is a 501c3 non-profit organization.

The HOPE Spay Neuter Clinic's mission is to end overpopulation and unnecessary euthanasia of companion animals through high-quality, low cost spay and neuter, education and community involvement.

Volunteer Spotlight



Marie Preston

On a cold January day in 2015 a warm presence with bright brown eyes and a beautiful smile walked through HOPE's clinic door and straight into the cat recovery room.

You'll find her there every Tuesday since, meticulously grooming and carefully watching over our precious felines. Marie also volunteers during Trap-Neuter-Return days, heading up the cat recovery effort for typically 40 to 60 lucky feral cats.

Marie is no stranger to caring for kitties and for giving back to our

community in many ways. As a retired nurse, Marie has a special touch she shares willingly. She tutors small children at Simmons Elementary School in Versailles and helps in Sunday school with the kids. Marie also spends many hours with the animals at the Woodford Humane Society.

If you were to ask anyone, Marie is like a breath of fresh air, a positive role model for the young and the old alike. She readily shares her sense of caring, compassion and medical knowledge with the people and pets in need. The cats at HOPE Spay Neuter Clinic are fortunate to have Marie as their cat recovery provider, watcher and detailed groomer. Although, Marie does



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have one dislike, and that would be a nagging flea...not one has a chance on her watch!

Marie and her husband, Dave, live down on the river in their quiet retreat with countless animals ~ cats, dogs and all sorts of interesting wildlife. She tells wonderful stories of wild turkeys, playful raccoons and frolicking deer. Then there are the odder varieties of visitors - a mysterious baby possum sitting on her TV and, oh, the comical antics of a wounded duck. As expected, Marie carefully packed that duck into her car and quickly drove to the vet. The duck did fine and Marie was able to bring it back home to its mate...a feather flying reunion, and a very "Happy Tail."

Our Marie, she knows no stranger whether man, beast or fowl. She cares for them all. Her beauty glows, not only on the outside, but within as well.



A Word From Our Veterinarian...

When is the best time to spay or neuter your pet?

There are several advantages to altering your pet at an earlier age:

- Reduced complication rate
- Quicker recovery from anesthesia
- Multiple health and social benefits
- No unwanted litters

It has been shown that animals altered before 2 years of age have fewer surgical complications during and after surgery. This is due in part to their smaller body size and weight. Animals that are younger also recover from the effects of anesthesia more quickly, especially puppies and kittens.

There are several health benefits and risks to consider when determining the age at which to alter your pet:

- Breast tumors are the most common form of cancer affecting female dogs. In fact, unaltered female dogs are 7x's more likely to develop breast cancer than spayed female dogs. The risk of developing breast cancer increases significantly with each heat cycle. Therefore, to decrease the risk, the best time to get your dog spayed is before her first heat cycle. (Female dogs tend to come into heat from 6 months to 1 1/2 years. Most female cats come into heat before 6 months of age.)
- Spaying your female dog also prevents her from developing a pyometra, which can be a life threatening infection of the uterus.
- Neutering your male dog or cat eliminates the possibility of testicular cancer.

Spaying or neutering your pet early also reduces a number of behavioral issues; spraying, mounting, aggression, and roaming. Curbing these unwanted behaviors is more successful when pets are altered before these behaviors become habit.

Spaying and neutering your pet at an earlier age can offer benefits of decreased complications, mammary and testicular tumors, uterine infections, behavioral issues, and also helps control the pet overpopulation. Please spay and neuter your pets!

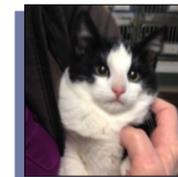


Lorie Fuller, DVM

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Thank you!

No matter how small or large your donation, every animal who has come into HOPE thanks you. Because of your support, over 12,000 pets are no longer contributing to the pet overpopulation crisis.



A \$15 donation to the Wild Cat Fund paid for this feral kitten's spay, vaccinations and parasite prevention.



A \$100 donation to HOPE's For Pitties' Sake Fund covered the cost of Arian's and Marshall's surgeries.



A \$20 donation paid for medication for Little Man and his brother, Copper.



A \$185 donation to our Oliver Rugby Fund helped alter and vaccinate Sophia, Little Girl and Buddy.



Just a \$30 donation paid for Stormy's spay!



A \$400 donation to the Oliver Rugby Fund covered the full cost of surgeries, rabies and FVRCP vaccinations and parasite prevention for Coco and 8 of her siblings.



A \$50 donation paid for Sampson's neuter!



A \$1,400 donation to our Wild Cat Fund covered the cost of 24 humane feral cat traps. In this photo, traps are used to trap, neuter & return a colony of 58 feral cats in Garrard County.

Another **\$1,100 donation** sponsored two HOPE TNR clinics where these and other feral kitties were spayed, neutered, vaccinated and treated for all sorts of bumps and bruises prior to being released back to their homes.

Visit hopespayneuter.org to learn how you can help more animals like these by volunteering or donating. Be sure to check out our **Oliver Rugby Fund**, **Wildcat Fund** and **For Pitties' Sake Fund**.



Help HOPE. For free.

Kroger Community Rewards® is committed to helping us continue our important work. A percentage of what you spend on **all** of your groceries and gas purchases can be donated each time you use your Kroger Plus card! It doesn't cost a penny. Register at Kroger.com and follow the Community Rewards link.

Thank you Keeneland for once again partnering with us for the GoodGiving Challenge (11/29-12/31). Visit GoodGiving.net to see our portrait.



Help us thank Addie's at the Woodford Inn. They continue to provide lunch for HOPE volunteers on the 2nd Tuesday of every month!