



The Happy Howl

The Newsletter for the Volunteers of Cochecho Valley Humane Society

Dessert Tasting and Silent Auction

WINTER 2011

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On Sunday, March 20th, CVHS will be hosting its 14th annual Dessert Tasting and Silent Auction. Like last year, the event will take place in the Regatta Room in Eliot, ME from 1-4pm. Tickets are available for \$25 and can be purchased through the Special Events Coordinator, Rachel McCoy, at 603-749-5322 ext. 113. Volunteers are also needed to help the day of the event. We will need volunteers to assist at the silent auction tables, sell raffle tickets and retail items, and help with check in and check out for the auction. Volunteers can attend the Dessert Tasting at no cost and are welcome to enjoy the dessert samples! A list of available positions will be sent to volunteers at the beginning of March. Make sure you sign up early so you don't miss a chance to attend this delicious event!



Margaritas Full Moon Madness

Every month, on the night of the full moon, Margaritas hosts a Full Moon Madness event to support a local charity. On Friday, February 18th and Saturday, March 19th, Margaritas in Dover will be supporting Cochecho Valley Humane Society. The fun begins at 4:30pm and lasts all night long! Games will be played, prizes will be awarded, and 5% of the evenings gross lounge sales (where the full menu is available) will be donated to CVHS. Spread the word and join us for Full Moon Madness at Margaritas!

We're Looking for Humane Educators!

Our Humane Education program spreads the message of humane animal treatment to everyone from preschoolers to senior citizens. To help better meet the humane education needs of the community, we're looking to revamp the program. Do you enjoy working with children? Anyone who is interested in helping bring new ideas to the program is invited to join the Humane Education email list. Consider joining this important program and help us spread the message of humane animal treatment to the community! This is an exciting opportunity for anyone who enjoys public speaking and working with children. Friendly dogs are also encouraged to join the Humane Education team since we're always asked to bring a dog with us for presentations! To find out more, or to join the email list, contact Alaina at volunteerc@cvhsonline.org.



A local Daisy Troop visits with Humane Ed dog Chunk during a shelter tour

Thank you to everyone who helped with the JC Penney Holiday Fundraiser for the animals! We raised \$6,407.44! This event would not be possible without volunteers - THANK YOU!

Calling All CVHS Adopters!

We're putting together a slide show of CVHS Alumni photos - and we want to include your pet! The slide show will be featured at our 14th Annual Creature Comforts Dessert Tasting on Sunday, March 20th. Photos can be emailed to Rachel McCoy at specialevents@cvhsonline.org up until March 1st. Please include your pet's name and the year it was adopted.



Celebrate St. Patrick's Day at the Texas Roadhouse in Newington



**Thursday March 17th
4:00 - 10:00pm**

**20% of the evenings sales will be donated to Cocheco Valley Humane Society!
Patrons must present a coupon to their server. Coupons can be printed at
www.cvhsonline.org/news.cfm**

Raise a Glass for the Animals



CVHS recently partnered with Flag Hill Winery in Lee to create two unique wine labels to benefit the shelter. Whiskers White, a 2009 Cayuga White, and Fido Foch, a 2008 Marechal Foch, were available exclusively at Flag Hill Winery thru the month of January. Flag Hill winery donated \$4 to CVHS for each bottle sold. On January 14th, a wine tasting event was held at Flag Hill Winery to sample the two wines, along with a selection of other Flag Hill wines. At the event, which drew at least 100 people, CVHS was presented with a



check for \$605.77 from earlier sales of the wine. Throughout the evening, an additional 76 bottles were sold. Many thanks to everyone who attended this event and helped raise a glass to the animals!

Thank You, Volunteers!

Thank you to all our dedicated volunteers who have donated their time to help the animals at Cochecho Valley Humane Society! 2010 was a great year for the volunteer program. A total of **7081** hours were donated at special events and in the shelter. An additional **3348.75** were donated at our weekly Bingo game, bringing the total of hours for 2010 to **10,429.75** !

A special thank you goes out to everyone who helped with this year's JC Penney fundraiser. **644** were donated by volunteers over seven weekends at this one event alone!

Foster care remains one of our greatest needs at the shelter with hundreds of cats and kittens being surrendered each year. A total of 482 kittens, 104 cats, 25 dogs, and 6 puppies went into foster care during 2010. That's a grand total of **617** animals! Thank you, foster parents, for the countless hours you donate!

THANK YOU TO ALL OUR VOLUNTEERS!

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UPCOMING EVENTS

FEBRUARY

Friday, 2/18 - Full Moon Madness at Margaritas in Dover

The fun starts at 4:30pm and lasts all night long! Spread the word - 5% of the night's lounge sales will be donated to CVHS!

Saturday, 2/19 - Paws 4A Cause

Pack up your snowshoes and head to Kingman Farm in Madbury for a guided snowshoe trek for dogs and their owners! There's no entry fee. Instead, please bring a monetary donation for CVHS.

MARCH

Adopt a Guinea Pig Month

Tuesday, 3/1 - Last day to submit photos for the CVHS alumni slideshow. See page 2 for details.

Tuesday, 3/8 - Make Mine Chocolate Campaign Kickoff

The Make Mine Chocolate Campaign reminds adopters that bunnies are year-round pets, not a temporary Easter gift. To help encourage adopters to purchase chocolate Easter bunnies instead of live rabbits, we're kicking off this year's Make Mine Chocolate Campaign with a visit from the Lindt Bunny Car!

Thursday, 3/17 - Fundraiser at Texas Roadhouse in Newington

Celebrate St. Patrick's Day at the Texas Roadhouse and 20% of the evenings sales will be donated to CVHS! You must present a coupon to your server to participate in this fundraiser. Coupons can be found at www.cvhsonline.org/news.cfm

Saturday, 3/19 - Full Moon Madness at Margaritas in Dover

This is your last chance to support CVHS!

Sunday, 3/20 - 14th Annual Dessert Tasting and Silent Auction

1-4pm at the Regatta Room in Eliot, Me. Come support the animals at this delicious event!

APRIL

Saturday, 4/30 - Kitten Shower

11am-4pm at CVHS. Bring a donation to the shelter and help us prepare for kitten season!

MAY

Sunday, 5/1 - Kitten Shower continues at CVHS

Sunday, 5/1 - Deadline for Paws in the Park logo contest

Create a design to be used on t-shirts and other items for Paws in the Park. All entries must be 8 1/2 x 11
