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Our Mission:

KPETS is a non-profit organization established to promote Animal Assisted Therapy / Animal Assisted Activities (AAT/AAA) by recruiting, educating, uniting and coordinating volunteers with the facilities, social agencies and special-needs programs whose clients may benefit from the healing and rehabilitating effects of the animal/human bond. The unconditional love of our pets is shared with those of all ages and from all walks of life.

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KPETS Keynotes

Keeping Pet Therapy Volunteers Konnected!

Don't miss it: Volunteer Recognition Gathering

Mark your calendars for April 13th as a date made especially for you! KPETS would like to recognize our volunteers, during National Volunteer Recognition Month, which is in April!

On April 13 starting at 12:30 pm we will be hosting a luncheon at Outdoor World Circle M Campground at 2111 Millersville Road, Lancaster. KPETS will be providing the luncheon in thanks for all your dedication and hard work! It'll be a wonderful feast to enjoy with fellow volunteers who love sharing their pets with others as much as you do!

Unfortunately, for this event you'll have to leave your furry friends at home. It'll be a perfect opportunity to mingle with other therapy volunteers, to put names with faces. We'll update everyone on KPETS past successes and our plans for the future.

Keeping our teams connected with the community and with each other is what sets KPETS apart from the larger national organizations. We have a great program planned so be sure to join us!

If you're planning on attending this event, please contact Jenny at events@kpets.org or 717-808-0143.

Looking forward to seeing you there!

- Adella Houck

KPETS Annual Dinner: TAILS BY JAY STUTZ

Our dinner this year will be held on Saturday May 17, 2008 at the beautiful Felcita Resort. This year's fundraising dinner promises to be even bigger and better. Paul Scott of Smooth Jazz 92.7 will be our Master of Ceremonies and Valerie Pritchett of ABC 27 News will be our guest host introducing our very special guest, Jay Stutz of Animal Planet's - Good Dog U.

Mark your calendars and plan to attend. We will have lots of wonderful items to bid on at our silent auction. Tickets go on sale April 1. \$50 per person or buy a table for eight \$360 and save. Contact Gini at vpom-poo@aol.com or (717) 732-5772. Details on page 3.

*Don't get left behind...
Save the Date!*



"Tails By Jay Stutz"

Keystone Pet Enhanced Therapy Services
Fundraising Event

Saturday evening, May 17, 2008

At The Garden Room at Felcita Resort
in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania

more information to follow....



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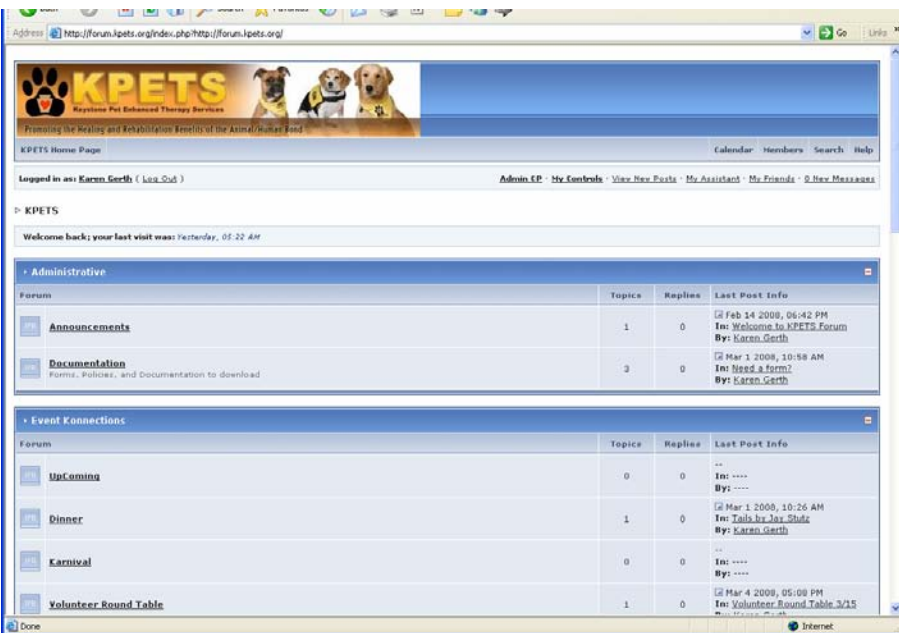
KPETS is making progress. We've just updated our website to a new look. Volunteer, Beka Schiller agreed to do the site within a week's time in preparation for the news story in the Sunday paper on 2/24. She did an awesome job! Thanks, Beka!



AND there is another addition to the site. We've added a forum! This is a place where KPETS teams and facility reps can sign up to participate. Once 'approved', you will be able to converse with each other on the forum on various topics. We've set up some categories to get you started. If you think we've missed something, let us know.

This has been set up for YOU. This way you have access to other volunteers. You won't need to ask Jenny or Laura for someone's email, etc. You can connect with them directly on-line. You can converse by region or topic, etc.

The Forum has been started with some folks testing it out. It'd doing pretty good. It may be a slow-growing perk, but I foresee it to be so helpful in the future. As technology continues to be so widely utilized, why not get us started NOW. It can only help us to fulfill our mission in the future.



Here is an outline view of the forum as it is now.

Administrative: This area is read only for information and updates.
 Announcements
 Documentation

Event Konections: Committees can converse here or others can see what's happening or see if others are interested in making something happen

- Upcoming
- Dinner
- Karnival
- Volunteer Round Table
- Maybe add a suggestions area????

Facilities Seeking Teams: Facilities can post requests here and volunteers can respond directly to them. It is broken down by county.

Teams Available: Teams can post what they are looking for, other teams to go with them or new places to go. This area is broken down by county, too.

General: This is place to have fun, brag and share
 Stories
 MY pet

So sign in today. Don't be afraid. We're all learning this together!!

We have a Winner!!

Mary Merrell took second place in a photography contest. It is of her Nexi and was taken at friend, Peggy's house. The contest took place at the Potomac Valley Regional Dog Show in Frederick, MD. There were entries from Ohio, Pennsylvania, Delaware, Maryland, DC and Virginia. You go, girl!! The shot is awesome! Congratulations, Mary!



Progress

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**Tails by Jay Stutz
Dinner Menu**

HORS D'OEUVRES

- Fresh veggies with creamy house dill dip
- Cheese Display with grapes, strawberries, baguettes and crackers
- Fresh Fruit Kabobs
- Bruschetta Display

DINNER

- Spinach and Poached Pear Salad with sugar encrusted walnuts drizzled with raspberry vinaigrette
- Roast Pork with apple bourbon sauce
- Herb roasted red skin potatoes
- Fresh baby asparagus
- Coffee, Tea, Iced Tea
- Dessert

OR:

- Vegetable Lasagna
- There will be a cash bar.

Example of silent auction items, round of golf for four at Felicita, overnight stay at Hotel Hershey, \$400 gift certificate to Hershey Country Club, training, kennel stay, Eagles football, dog biscuit basket, photography certificate and so much more.

See you there!

Triton Helps Kids at Schreiber

"I think Triton was enjoyed by the social skills class last night at Schreiber Pediatric. I know he enjoyed the kids, too. We did a lot of interactive playing with the kids and that kept their attention. They brushed and combed him, learned and tried some of his commands, threw ball, ran a short race to see how many could run faster than Triton, compared their ages and weight to his, etc. Thanks for asking us to help out. It was a neat experience!" - *Kris Frey*

FYI: Triton was Sandy, the dog in "Annie" at Dutch Apple last year. He's a star! So being the ham that he is, I knew he'd be a hit with the kids! Thanks for helping them out, Kris!
- *Karen*



Hershey Medical Center Goes to the Dogs

On Monday, March 3, 2008, Hershey Medical Center went to the dogs - literally! It was **Pet Therapy Awareness Day**, a fun-filled day for everyone, patients, family, doctors, staff and especially the dogs and handlers. We spent the day educating everyone as to what a Therapy Dog is all about. Perhaps you saw us on Channel 21, Channel 43, or in the Hershey Chronicle, Lebanon Daily News or Hummelstown Sun!!! Lots of publicity for KPETS. The day was a huge success with lots of inquiries as to how to become involved. And...as a result, the Emergency Department, after meeting our teams, has gotten approval to have therapy teams visit there on a regular basis - WE ARE GROWING FOLKS!!! Many, many thanks to all the teams that participated to make this day a huge success. Most of all, thanks to you for your continued dedication to KPETS and most of all your dogs!

- *Cindy Wilson*



Casey on the Move!

On February 23, Casey, the Captivating Canine took his show on the road to teach children (of all sizes) how he looks at Cindy as his master, as they should look to the Lord. The evening began with a little song and a few laughs, some stories, some Bible lessons, and even some tears. Cindy told a story to the big kids and demonstrated Casey's obedience commands and related them to Bible verses for the kids to understand, followed by a short question and answer period. Cindy then invited her friends Carol and Foo on stage. Carol told about Foo, where he came from and why she is doing therapy work. Laura and Reni performed with a Barry Manilow number on the piano (just kidding, but I thought it was a Manilow number! - after all, Barry is a HUGE beagle fan). Gini and Trey came

to stage and shared some stories with everyone. The kids loved Trey. Cindy finished up the night with the kids sitting with the dogs for a short children's story and then a prayer. A good time was had by all! The church is inviting us back in the near future and someone from another church has also asked us to do a program for them!
- *Cindy Wilson*

KPETS Recap

Microchip/Lifetime Dog License Clinic

KPETS had our third Microchip/Lifetime Dog License Clinic at That Fish Place / That Pet Place on Saturday, February 23, 2008 from noon till 2 p.m. This was a great event. We sold 16 microchips and four lifetime licenses. Jenny did an awesome job for getting volunteers to help with the event. I can't thank you all enough for your help. Monica Daniels, Marilyn Hapke and Kathy Shirk helped with paperwork and staffing the booth. Kelly Erb even showed up too, but with kids and sports things happening that afternoon, we figured we'd survive with out her. It was so nice to have so many dedicated teams wanting to help out. Usually we're hurting. This would have been a good event to have KIP attend. We'll plan for that next time! Again, thank you all!

Diane Schuj from Home Again was there to help explain the benefits of chipping and enrolling your dog with Home Again. They now offer for Emergency Medical Insurance should your dog be injured while lost! It really is a great program.

We chipped all kinds of dogs! KPETS volunteer, Susan Hetrick ventured down from Palmyra to have her new four-month old Chesapeake Bay retriever, Coleman chipped and their eight-week old Jack Russell puppy, Ajax. Karen Sage brought Bitsy and Sunny - two of her many Cavaliers to be chipped too. Thank you both for supporting KPETS efforts too.

Another clinic is in the works for a couple months down the road, so if you're thinking about doing it, we'll keep you posted via newsletter, etc for the date.

Karen Gerth

Tales to Tailwaggers on TV - KPETS on the News

In January when we showed up for our regular "Tales to Tailwaggers" reading program at the Ephrata library. Gio and Buddy Bear along with Jolene Newcomer and Marilyn Mackey were surprised to find that the local cable news was coming to do a brief (yes very brief) news story about the program. So we started as usual with the first readers and then the cameraman and reporter showed up. They were very professional and were really nice about trying to get in and out quickly with little disruption to our program. However, Gio particularly wasn't too sure about that guy and his camera. No way was he sitting down to be read to when he needed to worry about what the guy with the camera was doing. That evening on the 10:00 news they did have a very nice story, and had great shots of both dogs and children. The library spokesperson explained how having children read to dogs helps with their reading skills and she explained how the dogs were trained [KPETS Therapy dogs](#).

Jolene Newcomer

Visit to Lancaster Country Day School

KPETS teams, Jolene Newcomer and Marilyn Mackey were invited to visit the three -year old class at Lancaster Country Day School as part of their unit on friendship and helping others. On a cold Friday morning in February Gio/Jolene and Buddy Bear/Marilyn went to visit. Upon arriving and entering the school we were greeted by the unexpected movements of a class of

elementary students through the hallway. The teacher asked if they could pet our dogs and of course we said yes.

We then headed to the three-year olds' class. We had been warned that a few of the children were very afraid of dogs. The class was ready for us and well prepared. They had talked over how to behave, not to make loud noises and jump around as that may upset the dogs. The children were seated in a semi circle.

First the dogs showed off their vests which the kids really liked. We talked about how the dogs must be trained and the things that they need to learn to do the visits. Then we talked about how these dogs help others with their visiting. We went over with the children how to be safe around dogs, always asking before approaching a dog. Then both Buddy Bear and Gio had to show off their tricks.

After that each child was given the chance to come up and pet the dogs if they wanted to. Almost all the children chose to pet the dogs. Many were more comfortable petting little Buddy Bear first. It was very rewarding to see one fearful child choose to pet both dogs. Their teacher has since shared with me some of the comments the children made to their parents. "The dogs had working vests and were helper friends." "I like dogs now, dogs can be nice." What a difference this short visit has made for these children.

Jolene Newcomer

Girl Scout Troup Invitation

Sammy made a new friend this past summer at Schreiber Pediatric and her name is Melissa. Melissa went for therapy there for some loooong sessions, several times a week! So by the time of her appointment on Thursdays, she was not very excited to get in there and get to work. But one morning, she arrived about the same

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Welcome Margie Smith - KPETS Newest Evaluator

KPETS would like to welcome our new on-site evaluator Margie Smith.

Margie is a special education teacher in the Upper Adams School District. She and her animals have been working with AAA for eight years when Margie's horse started going to events at school and a summer day care where Margie was working with a special needs young boy.

In 2002, Margie and the staff at Lincoln School in Harrisburg, PA decided that Margie's kitten, Beamer, could help the students read body language. So, Beamer grew up going to school (eventually every day) with Margie and attending classes. Helping the students to focus on their reading and writing became his "job" – enough so that he was issued a staff ID card! Beamer was actually delivering a service to the kids – not only was he helping them to pay attention to his body language, but also patiently rewarding them for doing their jobs well – that was staying focused, using soft voices and having non-aggressive movements.

One year when a student that joined Margie's class mid-year had cat allergies, Rosie, Margie's Rough Collie, began taking Beamer's place by going to school every Friday.

Margie has been working in an AAA and AAT since then – sometimes with nursing homes, sometimes with the local libraries and also doing many demonstrations about what Rosie and Beamer have done. Margie and her therapy animals especially love working with the children. To read more about what Margie and her animals are, go to www.margiesmithanimals.com

Margie will be doing on-site evaluations in York and Adams Counties. She comes to us through Delta Society and is now becoming a very active member of KPETS. I have enjoyed all of our time together, and Margie is proving to be a very integral person in helping to expand KPETS into York and Adams Counties.

- Mary Merrell



Continued from previous page time as Sam! Since they were heading to the same gym, Sam thought it may be a nice idea if SHE walk him there. Melissa was all for it. She took Sammy's leash and was ready to book on down the long hallways in her walker. (Karen had Sam's short leash attached to his Gentle Leader, just in case, while Melissa held his long leash). Melissa was very proud of him as the other kids petted her new buddy. Once in the gym, Melissa needed to stretch out before starting any more hard work. So as she sat on the floor and Sammy's other friend was getting ready for him, he would get down on the floor and snuggle with Melissa and her Mom! Sometimes he could be quite squirmy but that made the stretching all the more fun. Lots of giggles and laughs were had by all. Melissa's Thursday therapies were now a lot more fun. This practice became a weekly routine for us for the rest of the summer.

Then a couple weeks ago, Melissa's Mom called Karen to invite Sammy to Melissa's Girl Scout Troop Meeting on March 3. They were learning about pets and Melissa thought Sammy would be a great pet to come in for this evening. It was Melissa who escorted Sammy and Karen into the room at the beginning of the presentation. Karen talked about all the different jobs dogs can do, how to take care of our pets and safety for kids around other people's pets, etc. And we

talked about what dogs like Sammy can do. We discussed the various ways therapy dogs can help so many different folks. We even chatted about how grooming a dog, tossing a ball, kicking a ball, unbuckling his vest can help with physical and occupational therapy. We even learned how to use a dog to help with speech and cognitive therapy. Melissa helped us demonstrate how he walks with her. The other children got to try each of the above tasks, but had to tell us how doing it could help a person during therapy.

For speech therapy, the child has to say "One, Two, Cha-Cha-Cha" to make Sammy "Cha-Cha". They understood that for someone with a stroke this could really help them practice talking again and make it fun. For cognitive therapy, they had to remember at least five of the tricks Sammy did. Well, they had no problem remembering all of them - including some I forgot that I had him do, such as stand, wait, etc. These kids had no cognitive issues what so ever.

I think this was the most fun presentation I've ever given! And I think the girls had a fun-time too. Who knows, maybe there are some potential OT, PT, ST therapists there that night!!

Karen Gerth

What's Coming Up?

Join the fun!

To sign up to help with events or if you have any questions, contact Jenny Rule at events@kpets.org or (717) 808-0143 or the contact listed for that specific event! Come enjoy the fun! Get involved!

® **March 12 & 13 - Church of the Apostles Pre-School Presentation.**

March 15 - Volunteer Round Table, Moveable Feast. 9 am.

® **April 2 - Church Presentation** at 12:45 p.m. Camphill area. Contact Gini for details. vpompoo@aol.com

April 5 - CGC Testing / Microchip Clinic 10 am -3pm. Nottingham Park, Nottingham, PA. Contact Bill Townsend for more details or if you can help out! wptownsendoxford@yahoo.com or 610-932-4401

April 5 - Open House at Oscars Pet Resort 9am - 5pm. Info booth. Need teams to do shifts, please.

April 13 - Volunteer Recognition Gathering. 12:30pm at Outdoor World Circle M Campground at 2111 Millersville Road, Lancaster. Free lunch. Please RSVP to Jenny

April 19 - Seibert "Bark" Dog Walk & Meet and Greet, 10:30am—3:30pm. Contact Gini for more info.

® **April 26 - Muddy Creek Lutheran Church** - Birthday Party for 80+ church members. 12:45pm. Need at least five teams to do this little info and fun presentation!

April 26 - Ruffin it...A day in the park! United Against Puppy Mills is holding it's annual event in Lancaster County's Central Park. Need booth staff

April 26 & 27 - USDAA Agility Trial, Head Over Tails Agility Club is holding it's 2nd annual USDAA Agility Trial at Governor Stable Park in Bainbridge, Lancaster County. Need booth staff

April 27 - PUP-E-PALOOZA! 12:00p-4:00p, E-town College K9 club is holding it's 3rd Pup-e-palooza! This is an outdoor event that is great fun for you and your furry friend. Could use some help with staffing booth

May 5—Arthritis Walk. KPETS is staffing a water stop. Or get some teams to walk. Contact Jenny for more info.

May 17 - Annual Fundraising Dinner. KPETS' 2nd Fundraiser Dinner with speaker Jay Stutz! If you would like to help distribute flyer for this event or have ticket questions please contact Gini at vpompoo@aol.com. You don't miss this one!

Be sure to check www.kpets.org on the KPETS Kalendar page for additional updates! Note: Due to insurance purposes, events designated ® are only open to REGISTERED therapy teams (KPETS, Delta, TD Inc. etc.) OR teams who have taken KPETS Orientation and are working on evaluations.

Please note:

When submitting your volunteer hours via snail mail, send them to KPETS, 590 Centerville Road #107, Lancaster, PA 17601. If submitting by email, send them to volhours@kpets.org. Andy and Linda have passed the baton on as membership files have become a quite a task in and of itself. Thanks Andy and Linda for all you've done and are continuing to do for KPETS!

When doing searches on the web, go to www.goodsearch.com. Type KPETS in the "WHO DO YOU GOODSEARCH FOR?" section. It will keep your choice each time you return. Then each time you search the web, a tiny amount is added to our account. Eventually, we'll be sent a check. It's a easy way to earn funds to a good cause!

KPETS Karnival - KPETS needs lots of help in pulling off the KPETS Kanine Karnival this year. We need folks to step up and pitch in for this opportunity or we will not be able to pull it off. With our growth and duties multiplying for everyone, we need more of our volunteers to help us with this. It is fun to do. You meet all kinds of doggie-loving folks. Or maybe you know someone with event coordination skills who would be willing to help out too. We'd really like to find a lead person for this event. Please contact Jenny or Karen if you have any ideas.

KPETS Kalendar Sale

There are still a few 2008 KPETS Kalendar available. Being that it is March already, we are selling them at the low price of **7 dollars or 2 for 10 dollars.**

Contact Jenny Rule at 717-808-0143 or events@kpets.org to order yours!

Visit Requests - Teams needed!

As you can see our list of requests is growing and growing. Word is getting out how wonderful pet therapy is for folks in these types of settings. And now there is gaining interest for more diverse types of visits. Even if you can do once a month someplace, each volunteer's commitment is so valuable. We all know how much it means to those we connect with. Thanks so much!

For any event that does not have a direct contact name included: contact Jenny Rule at 717-808-0143 or events@kpets.org for additional information and details.

Choices Rehab and Adult Day Care in Lancaster United Methodist Church. Special needs Adult Day Care program is looking for team(s) to visit Monday, Tuesday or Thursday any hour between 9 and 3, weekly or bi-weekly.

AseraCare Hospice - Contact Pat Henry at 800-551-4466 or HAP12@aol.com Requires flexible 4 hour hospice training

Compassionate Care Hospice - Contact Aubrey Smith at (717) 203-7104 or smith9900@comcast.net. Minimal one-hour orientation will be set up at your convenience - even before or after a visit. Looking for teams in the Honeybrook or Christiana area in Lancaster/Chester county, Masonic Village, Middletown Home, and Jewish Home, Hbg.

ECC Retirement Village - Myerstown. Skilled care and assisted living facility looking for teams. Very flexible. Contact Christine Haag directly at c.haag@eccrv.com or 717-866-6541 ext. 2217.

Evergreen Estates and SouthernCare Hospice - Lancaster, PA: 1st Saturday each month at 10 a.m. Contact Anita at gyanwolfe@dejazzd.com or 717-627-0478. Or contact SouthernCare Hospice, Karen Getz at 717-285-0177.

Friendship Community –Leola area group home: Looking for regular visits. Loss/grief situation - Pet therapy suggested. Prefer Hypo-allergenic, small dog. There are kids. No cats. Evenings after 5 or weekends. Wed/Thurs work best or 1 & 3 Mondays.

Good Samaritan Health System Hospice - Please contact Tracy Johnsen, Volunteer Coordinator at (717) 270-7672 or tjohnsen@gshleb.org. A mandatory hospice training at the volunteer's leisure is required.

Greyson View Adult Day Care - Derry Street Harrisburg.

Heartland Hospice has patients in seven counties from Harrisburg/Hershey down through Chambersburg/Waynesboro. Visits could be in: nursing home, assisted living, apartment or private home. Hospice volunteer training done at the convenience of the volunteer. Contact Sharon Funk, Volunteer Coordinator at 717-240-0018 or e-mail her at: 4675officestaff19@hcr-manorcare.com.

Lancashire Hall - Lancaster: Contact Kelly McIntyre, activities director - KMcIntyre10@comcast.net or 569-3211x 228

Lancaster General Hospital - additional hospital orientation required. Contact Phyllis Clair 717-544-5005 or paclair@LancasterGeneral.org

Lancaster House South- There are two high rise apartments, 10 floors each with 90 persons in each unit. They are for subsidized housing consisting of mostly seniors, fixed income and some disabled tenants. They are looking for teams to come twice a month in the evening to their rec room for some fun! They hope to motivate some of the tenants to come out and mingle with others and just to brighten their day. So if we can find a few teams to commit to this, they would be so grateful. If interested, contact Jenny at events@kpets.org. Then we'll figure out what day would work best for those interested.

Lancaster Regional Medical Center - Lancaster. Flexible times available.

Lancaster Rec. Senior Center, Lancaster 525 Fairview Ave (mornings once a month)

Landis Homes, Lititz—Contact Marva @ 381-3555. Visits would be so greatly appreciated!

Lebanon Teams Cedar Haven, Lebanon Valley Home, Manor Care, Hearthstone Nursing, and Stonebridge. Please contact Sylvia at 717-865-2385 or sylvia_flinchbaugh@yahoo.com

Mountville Area - Disabled children's group at church in Mountville, 2nd Sat of month. This group is set up to give Moms and Dads of special needs kids some free time.

York Area - private in-home visit for elderly lady

York Area - Three young ladies group home in York area just off S. Queen. Late afternoon or evenings or weekends, Contact Meredith Dahl at mere9184@gmail.com

KPETS Key Konnectors

Volunteer Roundtable Planner:

Carl Speros 717-397-7882 or misskatiesdad@webtv.net- 6:30 p.m. - Volunteer Round Tables are held every third Saturday of odd numbered months at Moveable Feast in Mountville.

Phone Buddy Coordinator:

If you do not have email, contact Bobbie to get set up with a phone buddy to keep you informed between newsletters. Bobbie Sayer 717-733-0929 or jsayer@dejazzd.com

New Recruit Contact:

Guiding and helping potential volunteers get lined up with orientation by responding to questions via emails and phone calls. Bev Smith 717-350-6175 or info@kpets.org or Chris Bordner 717-567-3852 or CBinPA@gmail.com

Orientation Follow-up Guide:

Guiding volunteers through the registration process once orientation has been completed. BJ Shollenberger 717-397-9384 or bjshollen@juno.com or Gini Swartzell 717-732-5772 or vpompoo@aol.com

Volunteer Hours Tracking: Please be sure to report your volunteer hours and travel time (as a separate amount) each month to us at volhours@kpets.org or the KPETS mailing address.

Membership Files: Andy and Linda Euclide maintain new and existing registered KPETS volunteers. Contact them at: membership@kpets.org or 717-355-5232

Events Coordinators:

Coordinating and staffing KPETS events AND visits - Jenny Rule 717-808-0143 or events@kpets.org and Gini Swartzell 717- 732-5772 or vpompoo@aol.com

Pre-assessment Testers: Wendy McKelvy 717-285-9719 or training@kpets.org and Mary Merrell 717-259-8759 or marym@kpets.org. 2nd and 4th Tuesday at Mennonite Home, Lancaster. Laura Whitman, by appointment - Pet HQ in Palmyra. 717-378-9993 or lauraw@kpets.org. Bill Townsend by appointment, 610- 932-4401 or wptownsendoxford@yahoo.com.

KPETS Keynotes Editor - Lori Reed has been helping get the Keynotes published each month. Please, if you staff an event or have any good therapy stories to share, please send them to her at keynotes@kpets.org. We'll get them in for all to enjoy. It's one way that we can keep our teams connected!

Safety Assurance Leader - Wendy McKelvy. Any questionable pet behavior observed should be reported immediately to Wendy at training@kpets.org or 717-285-9719

Development Coordination - Jackie Diffenderffer and Adella Houck. To help out on this committee, please contact Jackie at jdiddy@verizon.net or Adella Houck at ahouck@embarqmail.com

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No Email??

If you don't have email, and are not receiving calls from a phone buddy occasionally, be sure to contact Bobbie and let her know (717-733-0929). She'll hook you up with someone to keep you posted of opportunities that come out via email between newsletters.

OR—If you are willing to BE a phone buddy to one or two people to help keep them informed of emails that come out between newsletters, let Bobbie know this too. (jsayer@dejazzd.com). We just don't want anyone to miss out on anything. Help us keep KPETS teams connected! Thanks!

KPETS Listing of Facilities currently visiting

Due to the many additions and frequent changes we will list the facilities we are currently visiting, but not the actual days and times. That can still be found on the website.

If you notice any additions, deletions or corrections, please bring it to our attention and we will update the listing. Thank you!

Facility	City	Facility Team Leader	Facility	City	Facility Team Leader
*Acadia	Lancaster	*Carol Hopwood	Landis Homes Adult Day Care	Lititz	Mackeys
Asera Care Hospice	Lancaster		*Lititz Library - Paws to Read	Lititz	*Anita Wolfe
Audubon Villa	Lititz	Frank & Ginni Fossa	Lititz Senior Center	Lititz	Marilyn Mackey & Jolene Newcomer
*Barnes Hall	Lancaster	Mark Stoner	Luther Acres	Lititz	
Bosler Library		Roslyn Rhodes	Manor Care	Elizabethtown	Mary Merrell or Fran Holt
Berkshire Commons	Wyomissing	Ann Palmer	Manor Care	Elizabethtown	Mary Gottfried
Brethren Village	Neffsville	Darlene Creighton & Leanne Spurlin	Manor Care	Lancaster	Jenifer Cammauf, Marilyn Hapke
Bridges at Bent Creek		Roslyn Rhodes	Masonic Village	Elizabethtown	Joyce Grix
Cedar Crest High School & IU 13	Cedar Crest	Nancy Campbell	Masonic Village	Elizabethtown	Bobbie Sayer
Cambridge Colonial Hall	Lancaster	BJ Shollenberger	Menonite Home	Lancaster	Joe & Crystal Hess
Church Of God Home		Roslyn Rhodes	Messiah Village	Mechanicsburg	Roslyn Rhodes
Claremont Nursing Home		Roslyn Rhodes	Moravian Manor	Lititz	Frank & Ginni Fossa
Cocalico Place – Ephrata	Reinholds	Bobbie Sayer	Mount Hope Dunkard Brethren Home		
Cocalico Senior Center,		Marilyn Mackey	Oak Leaf Manor	Millersville	Shari Sellers
Colonial Lodge	Denver	Bobbie Sayer	Octorar Elementary	Octorara	Luann Rittenhouse
Conestoga View	Lancaster	Pat Wood	Perry Village	Mt Gretna	Roslyn Rhodes
Country Meadows	Lancaster	Luann Rittenhouse	*Phil Haven	Mt Gretna	Andy/Linda Euclide
Country Meadows	Mechanicsburg	Roslyn Rhodes	*Phil Haven Group Home		*Bev Smith
Ephrata Library	Ephrata	Jolene Newcomer	Pinnacle Health Hospice	Lititz	June Wise
Ephrata Manor	Ephrata	Kim Michener or Marilyn Mackey	Reidenbaugh Elementary		Wendy McKelvy
Evergreen Estates Village	Lancaster	Anita Wolfe	Rheems Nursing & Rehab Ctr	Rheems	*Karen Gerth
Frederickson Library	Mechanicsburg	Roslyn Rhodes	*Schreiber Pediatric	Lancaster	*Jenny Rule
Friendship Community	Neffsville	Marlene Varner	*Schreiber Pediatric	Lancaster	Mary Merrell
Golden Living / Aegis Therapies	Camphill	Nancy Campbell	Select Specialty Hospital	York	Roslyn Rhodes
Garden Spot Village	New Holland	Jolene Newcomer & Marilyn Mackey	Stonebridge Health & Rehab Cntr	Duncannon	Becki Lieberknecht
Hamilton Arms	Lancaster	BJ Shollenberger & Carl Speros	Susquehanna Rehab & Nursing	Columbia	Brenda Glauner
Hershey Medical Center	Hershey	Nancy Campbell	Tel Hai	Honey Brook	Jody Rosser
Hearthstone	Mount Joy	Connie McCarthy	The Glen, Willow Valley	Willow Street	Nan Hanshaw-Roberts
Homestead Village	Lancaster	Fran Holt	Twin Oaks	Campbelltown	Frank & Ginni Fossa
Heartland Hospice	York & Lanc County		United Zion	Lititz	*Linda Bunch
Lancaster Generations –	Lancaster	Lorrie / Emeber	*Upper Bay Counseling Village Vista	Eikton, MD	Nancy Thomas
Lancaster Rec Senior Center	Lancaster	BJ Shollenberger	Ware Presbyterian Village	Lancaster	Bill Townsend
LRC Adult Day Care	Lancaster	Marilyn & Bruce Mackey	Willow Lakes, Willow Valley	Willow Street	Jenny Rule
Lebanon VA Hospital	Lebanon	Nancy Campbell	Wicksham Elementary School	Lancaster	
Lebanon Valley Home	Annville		READING Program		
			Westminster Ridge	Westminster, MD	Mary Merrill
			York County Nursing Home	York	Mary Merrell or Fran Holt

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