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SPCA's President's Response

There have been 3 negative letters to the editor in the Batavia Daily News, recently. I have written a reply, but they haven't published it yet. I investigated each one. Hannah Chandler wrote 2 letters. I spoke to her about what happened at the shelter. I also spoke to the staff involved that day. The assistant manager, Margaret Madison, was on duty and they were 3 other employees who witnessed what happened. Contrary to Mrs. Chandler's version, her children were unruly and she did nothing. They were given kittens to hold so they were stop terrorizing the cats and opening cages. She, also, did not state in her letter that the cat they had was killed in the road and she couldn't guarantee this one wouldn't get out because she has children and they open the door. After talking to her it is my belief she wanted a toy for her children, which is the same conclusion the staff the came to.

The second, from Cynthia Schiller, was about a cat she picked out, who had an ear infection. It seems she was too impatient to wait until the cat was better, to adopt it. If an animal is found to need medical care, we do not adopt them until they are ok. She also made comments about the shelter being dirty as opposed to the pristine Genesee Co. Pound. They have 20 cats to our 200+.

If you come to the shelter in the morning, it's dirty, but in the process of being cleaned. It's cleaned everyday, all animal areas, including cages,

dishes, bedding, shelves, floors, etc.

I never said, to anyone, I wouldn't deal with this. What I said was, "I don't have time to deal with these petty complaints about egos, not animals." We are extremely busy with the business of taking care of our animals! Raising money, thanking people who truly care about the animals, making sure they are medically cared for, trapping unwanted, feral cats, strays - I'm in the process of trapping 18 in one place and I will be going after 7 in another, in Batavia.

I don't have time for people who think they come before our animals. Just because we have a lot of cats doesn't mean we give them away to anyone who walks in. We want to be as sure as we can be, that they will go to good, loving forever homes!!

Sometimes, during the interview, we can determine if the applicant will be denied. We don't always have to call references. Sue and Margaret call me on a regular basis to ask my opinion on a situation. I've been trapping, calming and finding homes for animals, cats in particular, for 30 years. We have a large sign in the hallway, as you come in the door that states, "This shelter and organization is for the Care, Comfort & Happiness of the Animals, NOT people!" That's exactly what we mean. Leave your ego at home. The ANIMALS ALWAYS COME FIRST!!

We are not coldhearted, unsympathetic or dislike children. We get very emotional, cry a lot, worry, are very

touched by many things we see and hear. We have had many children who come to the shelter who are in awe and can't love enough cats while they are there. One little 6 yr. old girl, Mary Kathryn, who came to the shelter with her parents and sister, Christi, was amazed! I showed her a cat named Mary Clarence, who is cross-eyed. I told her the story of how I caught her and her 2 babies and what a good mother she was. Mary Kathryn listened to every word I said and asked me questions about Mary Clarence. Then we went into the Purr-fect room, where most of the cats are not caged. Her family was walking around, visiting with other cats when I saw Mary Kathryn sitting on the floor, surrounded by cats. She had 2 on her lap she was petting and with wide-eyed wonder and awe, not realizing she was being watched, looked around the room and softly said, "Oh, my goodness, look at all these cats. Oh, my goodness!" To her, that was almost better than Disney World. By the way, the rest of her family felt the same.

Some members requested I address these letters in our newsletter, but this will be the last time I address complaints like these. We have many more important things that need to be done for the animals. If you support the animals and care about the shelter, please write letters to the editor of the Daily News, 2 Apollo Dr. Batavia, 14020. Candee McConnell, President



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Board Meetings are held the third Saturday of the month, 9 am. October thru April. May thru September they are held the third Tuesday of the month. Members may attend meetings by calling the president and being put on the agenda. Dates are sometimes subject to change.



808 Creek Rd., Rt 98
 Attica, NY 14011
 585-591-3114

Shelter to handle
 Emergency calls every day
 11 am to 3 pm

ADOPTION FEES:

Cat: \$60 Dog: \$75.00

Adoptions:

Monday & Tuesday.....Closed
 Wed., Fri., Sat. 11 - 3 pm
 Thurs 11 - 4:30 pm
 Sunday.....9 - Noon
 And/or by appointment

Please, if you call the shelter and the answering machine picks up, leave a message and the Shelter Manager will return your call.

If there is an emergency, contact the local police, Sheriff's Department or State Police.

Upcoming Events

Fundraiser Event

May 10th - Quality Market, Prospect & Rt. 98, Attica. 10 am – 3 pm. Refreshments available. T-Shirts, Pet Locator window decals, candy bars, TV raffle tickets.

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May 24th-Valu Home Center, Rt. 20, Alden. Refreshments available. T-Shirts, Pet Locator window decals, candy bars, TV raffle tickets.

Celebration of Founders Day

June 7th - Come join us to celebrate Founders Day in Attica. TV Raffle Tickets, T-Shirts & Decals.

Duck Pond game for children.



SPRING CLEANING DAY

at the Shelter

April 5th, starting at 7 am. Everyone is invited to come at anytime that day, even if it's only an hour. We will need cleaning supplies, buckets, mops, paper towels, etc. If we have enough people we have some walls that need painting & if course, the paint. We would also like to tear out a counter in the room downstairs and build shelves to store fundraising equipment. If there are any carpenters who would like to volunteer for this, we would be ever so grateful. We could also use donations of shelving or lumber to build the shelves. We will be storing things in the big plastic storage boxes, if anyone can donate those. Snacks & Drinks will greatly appreciated. Please call the shelter at 585-591-3114 for more information.

GARAGE SALE

GARAGE SALE - HUGE, MASSIVE!!!

If you're Spring Cleaning, don't forget to donate your items to help the animals at the SPCA. The sale will be Saturday, June 21st & Sunday, June 22nd, from 8 am till 1 pm. Bag Sale Sunday. Everything you can get in one of our bags for \$3. Last year we made over \$3,000. Lets really break that record!! We will begin accepting donations June 1st. Please be mindful of how you leave the items. Please don't just throw them in the tent. Our volunteers work very hard setting this up. Help them by stacking as much as possible. Leave some room to move around. Last year we had a pair of saw horses stolen after the garage sale. They didn't belong to the SPCA. We borrowed them to use under a door to make a table. Remember, this is all to help the animals. We also need volunteers to help set this up. Call Joni 585-343-5342 regarding fund raising events only.

IN MEMORY OF:

Alyssa Rose Bruno..... John & Linda Schillaci, Colleen Kennedy, Joseph Rivielino
 David V. Huber..... Ann Falco, Frank & Virginia Meier, Doug & Cheri Cook,
 Bobby Baiocco, Jr., Maureen O'Brien, Don & Bev Joller, Millie Pilato, Bob & Joyce Meisner, Genevieve Argulski,
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 Beverly Gorecki, Connie & Frances Wilder, Katie & David Basson
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 & Gas Shop, Winnie Stoldt
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 Tucker..... Helen Goodman
 Daisy..... Margaret P. Johnson
 Chester & Mary Cott..... Pat Tamaka
 Anthony & Charlotte Nowak Carol & Joseph Klein
 Bear Sharon Mouratis
 Mick Joanne E. Cummins
 Bill Bruyere..... Patricia Linsey, Henry Hoskins
 Gwen Taylor..... Peggy LaWall
 Dean Tarkington..... Candee & George McConnell(Thanks for the papers, Dean!)
 Snickers (He loved his Mom)..... Candee & George McConnell
 Joan Bird-Mother, Wife & Grandmother..... Forrest & Barbara Hamer
 Little Bit Diane Bantle
 Gretel, Nickie & Maggie..... Gloria Marro
 Puddles..... Mary Haring
 J.P..... Mark Meyer
 Elna J. Redden..... Marsha Redden
 Edward Goral Irene H. Goral, Richard Drozdowski, Linda & Dan McGuire
 Lily Lou Sandra J. Allen
 Khar'pern, Kit & Sanvick..... Rosemary Winkelman, Bob Sacco
 Daniel Borowinski..... Joanne Clark
 Jane Williams (Take care of all the Cats) Candee & George McConnell
 Moses Candee & George McConnell & The Cats & Dogs at the SPCA

THOUGHTFULLY GIVEN BY:

HONORING SPECIAL ONES

Moose, Little Guy, Thurman & Harley..... Gene & Sue Thaine
 The Olszewski Family Oleta Feltes
 Ricky McFarland Julie McFarland
 Velda Reiman Donald Reiman
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 Amber, William & Chelsea Streichler..... Grampa & Granma Streichler
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 Santa & April

LOVINGLY GIVEN BY:

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Pete Treichler..... Tina Treichler
 George McConnell Willow, Binx, Charlotte, Woodrow, Belle, Molly, Simon Spook, NiNi, Gina,
 Bandit, Oliver, Tess, Gracie, Polyanna

FROM

MERRY CHRISTMAS

Gail Radke, Marge Hamric, Judy Matuszak..... Betsey Blake
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 Mariano, John Rogers, Darryl McAdory, Lynnette Fralick, Tom Walters, Charles Termini, Elvin Allen, Sue Nadrowski
If you don't see your memorial, please be patient, it will be in the next newsletter.

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