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Have A Heart Recap:

The Potter League's silent auction was our largest ever!

The community showed its overwhelming support of the Potter League with over 450 animal lovers attending the 36th annual Have A Heart Cocktail Party and Silent Auction at the Hotel Viking in Newport. The event raised over \$75,000 for the animals.

Preview Party Ambassadors Mouse and Wyatt, greeted guests as they arrived. The Potter League's silent auction was our largest ever with over 350 items, including sport-fishing excursions, a catered Indian Dinner, works of art, yacht charters and more. The 50/50 raffle raised a record-setting \$3,200!

The Board of Directors, staff and animals send their sincere gratitude to the hundreds of local businesses, donors, volunteers and guests who made our event a huge success. Special thanks to our presenting sponsor, Bank Newport; media sponsor WPRI 12 FOX Providence, and auction sponsors: Generation Woodstock, NewportFed, People's Credit Union and Wag Nation.

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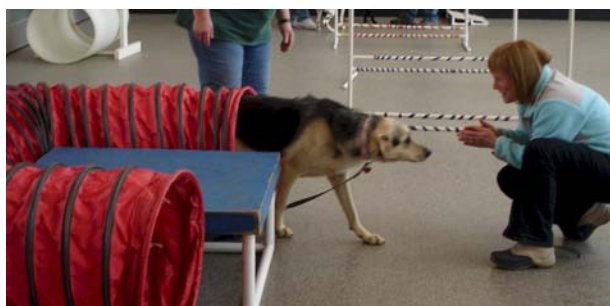
The Training Center

Our 1600 sq foot, climate-controlled, behavior training center is a great place for you and your dog to take obedience classes. The choices include basic obedience to advanced classes, small breed playgroups, and agility.



Basic training classes offer many benefits to pet owners. Using positive reinforcement, your pet learns to obey you because he or she is rewarded with either treats or praise. The quality time spent with your dog will strengthen the bond between you. Classes are organized according to the dog's age, and focus on basic commands such as sit, down, stay, and recall and the opportunity to practice loose leash walking. For those with basic obedience skills, try a refresher to correct a specific problem in our Open Obedience classes.

If your dog has mastered the basics, the Canine Good Citizen (CGC) course is a great next step. Your dog will learn to be a well-mannered member of the community and you will have the option to have your dog tested to receive CGC certification.



Looking for a fun experience with your dog? Give Agility or Doggy-O a try. Positive training teaches your dog to think and work cooperatively with you as part of a team. The end result is a relationship in which your dog follows your lead and looks to you for guidance in new situations. For shy or anxious dogs, training will lower their stress level and help them gain confidence.

Sign up for a Potter League class and experience the benefits first hand! Class schedules are located at www.PotterLeague.org, at the shelter, or call Jill at 846-0592x122.

Humane Education Workshops

School Vacation and Summer Camp

Clicker Training for Kids

Grades 4 through 7

April 14 & April 16th 1:00-2:00pm

Kids learn to teach dogs tricks using clickers.

Reading Fur Fun

Grades K through 3

April 15 1:00-2:00pm

Children read animal books to a doggie partner and create a craft.

Preschool Story Hour

Ages 2 through 4

April 16 10:30am-11:15am

Our humane educator will read age appropriate animal stories.

Summer Camp for Kids at the Potter League

We have an exciting program planned!

July 20-24 Grades 2-3

July 27-31 Grades 4-5

August 3-7 Grades 2-3

August 10-15 Grade 4-5

Camp will run from 9-12 Monday-Friday.

For further information contact

Lynne Mallonee at 846-0592 x120

or visit www.PotterLeague.org.

There is a fee to attend all sessions and advance registration is required.

Tile & Paver Legacy

Help the Potter League raise the remaining \$1.5 million needed for the new **Animal Care and Education Center**. Reserve a tile or paver and honor or memorialize a beloved pet or loved one.

For an order form, contact **Pat Heller** at PatH@PotterLeague.org, call 846-0592x114, or visit our website.

Touch an animal's life by leaving your mark.....



\$500
outdoor
6" x 9"
Paver



\$1,000
indoor **4" x 4"**
Black Marble
Wall Tile



\$2,500
indoor **8½" x 11"**
Black Marble
Wall Tile

Employee Spotlight

Kelly Radcliffe, Animal Care Manager

When asked what she likes best about her job at the Potter League, Kelly said, "I love the diversity of the day and the dynamics of working with animals and people. One day I can arrive to an over anxious canine in need of special attention and the next day I am greeted by the surprise arrival of a litter of kittens. With the new building we have so much more flexibility and room to work – it is fabulous!"

Kelly Radcliffe arrived in Rhode Island 14 years ago to attend the University of Rhode Island. She pursued a BS in Wildlife Biology Management. Upon graduation she decided she had taken a liking to Rhode Island and went out to look for work in the animal care industry. She discovered the Potter League and joined the team part-time as a Cat Animal Care Technician

For the past ten years, Kelly has grown with the Potter League while performing a variety of tasks. Kelly cares for our cats, dogs and small animals and ensures the animals have immaculate and comfortable housing. She also performs the duties of a Vet Tech monitoring the medical need of our animals, assisting our veterinarians and coordinating sterilization surgeries. Kelly is very knowledgeable about animal behavior and



conducts behavior assessments. She is always willing to jump in at busy times to assist the staff at the front desk helping with animal adoption, surrenders, and lost & found.

In the fall of 2008, when the animals and staff moved into our new animal care and education center, Kelly was promoted to Animal Care Manager. She

leads a team of 4 full-time and 6 part-time staff and a group of dedicated volunteers who maintain the highest quality of care for our animals. They work passionately to fulfill our mission of enriching the lives of animals and people.

Kelly resides in Newport with 3 Potter pets; Lola, a 4 year-old English Bulldog, Manchester, an 8 year-old cat, and Ghost, a ball python.

Puppies find homes



Last spring, the Potter League received 500 plush puppy dogs from Build-a-Bear Workshop as part of our involvement in the Pet Shelters Across America program. We have used them in our humane education programs, adoption promotions, volunteer recognition and fundraising events.

Pet Shelters Across America is the largest pet adoption sheltering network in the United States and is active in 35 major media markets to serve a combined population of 130 million people. They are the only national umbrella organization raising funds for the local humane organizations that provide daily care for animals in need.

This past holiday season, the Potter League shared the Build-A-Bear dogs with several local non-profit agencies that service children. Over 300 stuffed animals were distributed to Child & Family Services, Lucy's Hearth, Salvation Army and the Martin Luther King Center.

Save the Date

Potter Pet University

Date: April 22

Time: 6:30pm-7:30pm

Sweet Binks Rabbit Rescue returns to the Potter League to discuss rabbit care.

Critter Glitter Jewelry Sale

Date: May 6-9

Time: 10:00am - 4:00pm

Wednesday until 7:00pm

Location: Potter League for Animals

Heart & Sole Walk for the Animals

Date: Sunday, June 7

Time: 10:30am Registration

12:00N - Walk Start

Location: Glen Park in Portsmouth

Potter League Grand Opening

Date: June 20 and 21

Location: "The NEW" Potter League for Animals

Heart & Sole Walk for the Animals

Presented by Hill's Science Diet

June 7th - Save the Date...We Need You!

Sunday, June 7, marks the 20th year for our Heart and Sole Walk for the Animals held at beautiful Glen Park in Portsmouth. We are pulling out all the stops to raise as much money as we can for the animals and we definitely want YOU to be a part of it all!

Everyone who raises \$75 or more in pledges qualifies for great prizes...the more money you raise the more you win! Don't have a lot of time? You can raise money online by creating your own personal fundraising page.

On event day, bring the whole family, including the dog and walk in honor or memory of a beloved pet, or form a team.

We have lots of activities planned, including the famous feline fur-tography contest.

To register online and get started today, visit www.firstgiving.com/potterwalk. For more information contact Susan at 401-846-0592 x125. Brochures will be mailed on April 15. All proceeds to benefit the Potter League.



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Be Kind to Animals Week Poster Contest

The Potter League for Animals is inviting children in grades one through eight to enter our "Be Kind to Animals" Poster Contest. Below are the Poster Themes by grade level.



"Love Your Pets Give Them ID Tags" Grades 1 & 2

"Lost Pet + ID Tag = Ticket Home." Grades 3 & 4

"Missing Pet? Call Animal Control and Potter League for Animals." Grades 5-8

The deadline for entry is April 24th .

Visit www.PotterLeague.org for complete entry rules or call Lynne Mallonee at 846-0592. Awards will be given during an event to be held on May 6th at the Education Center of the new Potter League for Animals.

