



SEPT. 17
DOORS OPEN AT 10:30am

9TH ANNUAL HALO Hoedown

ADMISSION \$7
VETERANS & ACTIVE MILITARY, KIDS 10 & UNDER FREE

NEW LOCATION!
VFW, Mohawk Street, Herkimer

5 Great Bands!

Food • Raffles
Chinese Auction • Vendors

Proceeds benefit HALO (Helping Animals Live Organization)

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It's back. It's Bigger. And It's Better Than Ever! The **9th Annual HALO Hoedown**, presented by Bug Country, will be held on **SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 17** at the Herkimer VFW (NEW LOCATION)!

The show starts at 11am. **ADMISSION: \$7** for Adults, Kids 10 and under **FREE!**

FREE ADMISSION FOR VETERANS AND ACTIVE MILITARY WITH VALID ID!

FREE face painting and Balloons By Scott (donations appreciated).

We'll have **food** available to purchase, a **cash bar**, and **great raffles**, including a **50/50** and our infamous **CHEER raffle!** Our always popular **Chinese Auction** will be back as well!

Various rescue groups and vendors will return as well. We support our local businesses and want to introduce you to some of the best that our area has to offer! Help support them! There will be a HALO merchandise table and limited edition 9th Annual Halo Hoedown T-shirts, thanks to our friends at **A&P Master Images** in Utica.

Set to appear: **Grit and Grace, Lonesome Dove, Fulton Chain Gang, Moonshine Junkies, and Tompkins Drive!**

Please consider bringing a donation of Friskies canned or dry food or scoopable kitty litter!

PLUS LOTS MORE SURPRISES!

BECOME A NEW CUSTOMER OF CHEWY.COM AND H.A.L.O. RECEIVES \$20.00!

We have discovered a wonderful new online company to order pet products, including food, litter, flea medicine, toys and treats, you name it! They have a HUGE variety and it's delivered right to your doorstep - even the 25 lb. container of cat litter!



Hello fellow supporter! Place your first order with us and we'll proudly donate \$20 to Helping Animals Live Organization (H.A.L.O.)!

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- ✓ Save 20% off your first Autoshop order

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Every person (new customers only) that visits **Chewy.com** through our link on our website and makes a purchase will help us receive \$20 for our H.A.L.O. House shelter!

ATTENTION:

H.A.L.O.'s new phone number is **315-985-3738.**

Thank you to H.A.L.O. volunteer Melissa Strait for taking the phone calls we receive. This number is monitored during lunch hour and after work. You can expect a return phone call within 24-48 hrs. Leave a detailed message so that you call can be addressed by the proper volunteer.

Remsen Barn Festival
September 23-24, 2017

Look for us at the Remsen Barn Festival, one of central New York's biggest craft fairs - over 250 exhibitors, farmer's market, entertainment and much more!
See You There!



Thank You To Seth Petras for making this "Cat Castle" for our kitties at H.A.L.O. House! "Trixie" immediately declared herself queen!



Thank You to Dolgeville Girl Scouts Olivia Lyon, Gracee Marino, Lilly Bladek, and Grace Seeley with their leaders Wendy Seeley and Jessica Bladek for helping us out one evening taking care of the cats and bringing food and supplies!
☺



Allie enjoying the view in her new home.

Allie Finds A Home
When Robert Sterling saw long-time resident Allie's photo in the Observer Dispatch for a pet segment, he offered to pay her adoption fee. Helping get the word out, Lynnette Munio answered the plea and took her home.
♥♥♥♥



Thank You!

H.A.L.O. HOUSE WISH LIST

* Cat Litter (Scoopable preferred)
When you have as many cats as we do, it's nicer on our volunteers for an easier scoop!

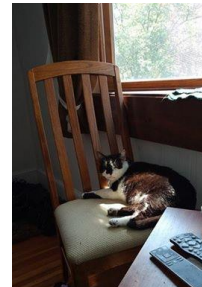
* Purina Dry Cat Food

* Friskies Canned Cat Food

* Paper Towels * Gas Cards for Vet. Visits

* Cat Treats (Any Kind - they love them all!)

Donations can be dropped off on the porch of H.A.L.O. House at 615 Albany St., Little Falls.



Junior making himself comfy in his new home!

WE LOVE OUR HAPPY ENDINGS!

Thanks to David Paracka for adopting our Big Lug Junior, Heather Carpenter for Angel, and Amy Stronach for Leia.



Angel

Leia



Purina Weight Circles

Please save Purina Weight Circles for us!

They can be found on bags of Purina Cat food - we can use them towards rebates to purchase food. - send them to our mailing address at 615 Albany Street, Little Falls, NY 13365.



BIGGEST CHINESE AUCTION EVER!

Thank you to the Herkimer VFW for hosting our Chinese Auction last March, which raised \$12,000! A Big Thanks to all of our donors, our sponsor Bug Country Radio, and to everyone who comes out to support H.A.L.O.!

Would You Like To Receive The H.A.L.O. newsletter via email?

If you would like to receive our newsletter via email, please let us know by emailing our newsletter editor Caryl at cadhopson@hotmail.com. This would help save on printing costs and postage. ☺

H.A.L.O. (Helping Animals Live Organization) is a non-profit corporation dedicated to responsible and loving stewardship for every stray, lost and abandoned animal that comes into our care. We are a No-Kill, Cage-Free animal rescue group that operates a cat shelter called H.A.L.O. House. In addition to rescuing animals in need, we offer placement and re-homing assistance for both dogs and cats and support caregivers tending feral cat colonies. We receive no local, county, state, or federal assistance and rely solely on contributions and grants to survive.

Board Members

William A. Heckel, President Faye A. Bunk, Vice President
Jane Cognito * Terry Cognito * Debra Estey

H.A.L.O., Inc.

615 Albany Street, Little Falls, NY 13365 * (315) 985-3738
www.halo rescue.net ~~~~ Like Us On Facebook!

Fall Trash & Treasure Sale

We will have a Fall Trash & Treasure Sale at the Herkimer Polish Club sometime in the Fall - tentatively November 4. If you would like to donate items for our Sale, please call Debbie at 315-866-8608 or Faye at 315-823-0239.

THANK YOU TO

STAFFWORKS CHARITABLE FUND

A Holiday matching program sponsored by the Staffworks Charitable Fund through the Community Foundation of Herkimer & Oneida Counties helped us raise \$635.00 last December. Thank you to Anita Vitullo and to everyone who sent in a donation.

SNOWMOBILES & BATHING SUITS

It's a bit warm to think about snow, but we wanted to thank Howard & Diane Chapple for hosting this fun event last January, which raised \$144 for H.A.L.O. A special thank you to everyone who braved the elements, the employees of Richardson's in Canajoharie for their donation and to Jon's Johns.



PET SIGNS FOR YOUR WALL

H.A.L.O. member Melissa Strait has made these beautiful signs for us to sell - we will have them at the Remsen Barn Festival and our Fall Trash & Treasure Sale. If you would like to order one, please call us at 315-985-3738. They are \$10.00 each.

♥ **STILL LOOKING FOR THEIR HAPPY TAIL ENDINGS** ♥



Radar

Our boy Radar is the friendliest of his litter who were born at Pine Lake and when the summer residents left, they had no one to care for them. He's a sweet boy!



PK & Spanky

These two are the most laid back teenagers you will ever meet. They get along with everyone and are so friendly and sweet. We thought we had a home for them, but they were returned because the kids weren't taking care of them, as promised. Just under a year old, they have a lifetime of love to give a lucky family!



Trixie

Trixie is our prima donna. She really would like to not have so many cats around her so she could get some more attention. She's very sweet and friendly - we really don't know why she hasn't been adopted yet! She's waiting...patiently!



Lilly

We would love to find homes for all of our cats, but if we found a home for "Lilly," we would jump for joy! She lost her chance as a kitten to find a home because her foster Mom decided to keep her, but then gave her up months later. She was with us a year and went into a foster home, but the resident cat was picking on her. She came back. She's a sweet girl who just wants a home of her own!



Shooter

His owner moved and had someone care for him, but he soon became an outdoor "stray." He's a sweet boy who is not entirely happy at H.A.L.O. House - another case of too many cats to share his space with.

5 Ways To Keep Your Cat Hydrated

Proper hydration is necessary for your cat's body to function like it should. Cats who don't drink a sufficient amount of water are more susceptible to life threatening health issues, including urinary tract ailments. Here are some tips:



- #1 - Provide fresh, cool water and refresh at least once per day.**
 - #2 - Provide several options.** Place water bowls in several areas of your home, focusing on your cat's most traveled routes or hangouts.
 - #3 - Use a water fountain.** Since many cats avoid stagnant water, consider adding a fountain to your home. A fountain will make a flowing, fresh, cool source of water for your cat.
 - #4 - Try a new bowl.** Cats can be very picky about the bowls they eat and drink out of because they have such fine-tuned senses. Use different types (materials, textures, sizes, depths) of bowls to place water in several areas of your home. Seeing which bowl she favors can give you valuable information.
 - #5 - Increase the wet food.** A simple way to increase your cat's water intake is to add more wet food to her diet.
- Taken from "I Heart Cats" by Andee Bingham

If you would like to give a "happy ending" to one of these cats or any of our cats at H.A.L.O. House, please call us at 315-985-3738!

A BIG THANK YOU FOR YOUR DONATIONS!

H.A.L.O. wouldn't be possible without your support!

C. J. Heilig Foundation for their contribution of \$5,000.

United Way Campaign - Heather Berowski David Dellecese Julie M. Moran

Sarah Imundo and staff at Holiday Inn who donated a 1 night stay & dinner/breakfast package for our Chinese Auction

Herkimer Hannaford for collecting \$101 in their donation kiosk for HALO.

Bonita at the Sandwich Chef for selling soup during Christmas in Little Falls and donating \$155.

Little Falls Rotary Club for donating \$100.

St. Paul's Universalist Church in Little Falls for donating \$100.

Americu Credit Union in Yorkville for donating \$250.

Indium Corporation for donating \$100 in honor of employee **Carol Gowans** for 30 years of loyal service.

Mary Peng in honor of **Kate Pendergrass** for her kindness and generosity in mothering Jasmine.

Barbara Wainwright in honor of **Rocky Fiorenza**

Margaret Scringour In honor of **Elizabeth Susman**

In Memory of Carole Simpson by Nancy Edwards and co-workers at Walmart Transportation

In memory of Mary Jean Monaghan and Teddy Bear by Cathie Miller

In Memory of Jessie Wnuk Lois & Al Remington Matt & Valerie Mierzwa Jeanette Samuelson

In Memory Of...

Diane Van der Kraan by Dr. Gary Procelli, Nancy and Donna Morelle

Lynda Baumes, my sister, by Alan & Lori Suits

Christian Sands by Ruth Sands
Connie Casullo by Paulette Restante

Barbara Lewandrowski by Cynthia Chmielewski

Nedda Thomes by Anne Marie Dutcher

Paul Szarejko, my brother, by Debbie Szarejko

John Lukaszewicz, my son, by Jeanette Lukaszewicz

Leland Hoke by Linda Butler

Ernie Pelli by wife Carol Pelli

Paul Savas by Linda Wagner

Angie Mieczkowski, mother, and her beloved cat **Muffy** by Marie Marrone

Duane Wright by Vivian Bogerd

J. J. Carrig by Paulette Restante and Faye & George Bunk

Shelly Griffith, beloved daughter, by Susan Griffith

Memorials received in memory

of Gino Franchi

Bill & Dalia

Ed & Millie Battisti

Joe & Sandy Maiola

Dee Shaver

Dan Ruffle & Carol Brenon

Mr. & Mrs. Richard Miklic

Fred Staring

John Larenzoni and Maryann George

Mr. & Mrs. Terry Barrett and

Mr. & Mrs. Frank Lawrence

Michael & Jana Susi

Jane & Henry Verri

Louie Colongelo

Vernon Estey

Leslie & Henry Zuccaro

Memorials received in memory

of Gary Johnson

Laura Raymo, Peter, Georgie, Christopher, Larry

Rev. Anne E. Reynolds
Barbara & Jerry Cady
Ken & Maxine Schultz
West Canada Valley Unit #1524
Kathleen E. Hughes
Fred & Charlotte Rogers
Amy & Edward Healy, Jr.
Joseph & Elizabeth Jones
Janina Wnuk

Memorials received in memory of Jeff Shepardson

Nancy Coleman
Ron & Sue Braccini
Ellen Harris
Annette Palk
Erin Feiden
Mr. & Mrs. David Malone
Jeanne Munger
Randy & Connie Blais
Richard & Nicole Geraty
Anne Petkovsek
Roger & Michele Marocco
Louis Colangelo
Chris & Alana Connolly
Kathy & Mike Izzo
Argie Viskop
Al & Michele Peruzzi
Michael & Marie Oriolo
Judith Piana
James & Kathleen Prestopnik
Michael & Rosemary Manley
Stan & Joann Dickson
Janemarie Verri
Marie Miknavich
Linda & Dale Wagner
George & Mary Alice Rieman
David Flansburg
Leigh Pell
Gerard & Mary Jo Morrissey
Patricia Rudi
Michael Celio
Seth & Anita Petras
Jack & Carolyn Lull
Lisa & Jim Palmer
Kathleen Mocko
Carol Peli
Timothy Dewey
Colleagues at NYS Dept. of Health - Sue Zelezniak, Ann Tinger, Don Filkins, Nancy Tumey, Jeanne Aurelia, and Antoinette Reardon

Pet Memorials

Beloved cat **Summer** by Mary Ross Brock
Siam by Irene Tarnawa
Georgie & Miss Kitty by Rose Mazzei
Fraser by Marilyn Hughes
Delbert by Zipp & Tessa Smith
Always "Sherman" by Karen Thierry
My cat **Buggie** by Debbie Szarejko
Patches & Pepper by Chuck & Sue Heron
Sweet little Zoe by Frank & Susan O'Brien
Max by Marie Pulver



In honor of my cat "Nellie" who was abandoned near my home by Anne Laska
In honor of PK & Boppit by Colleen Griffin



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PET ADOPTION CLINIC AT JAY-K LUMBER

Saturday, October 7, 10-12

In celebration of their 80th anniversary, Jay-K Lumber in New Hartford has invited local rescue groups to a “Huge” Pet Adoption Clinic. Come out and see us in the morning!

GOLF RAFFLE WINNER

Congratulations to **RICH MILLER** for winning our Golf Package donated *by Gary and Bev Zilkowski*. Thanks so much to them for their support and *to Little Falls Golf Course, Paca Gardens and Ole Sal’s* for selling tickets!



Pictured is Peter Pawluk of the Little Falls Municipal Golf Course with the Golf Package.

TAPPED OUT? DONATE TIME INSTEAD OF MONEY

Helping H.A.L.O. doesn’t have to be expensive. Instead, consider contributing a bit of your time and effort. ☺

- ▶ Volunteer at H.A.L.O. House with cleaning and/or feeding our cats.
- ▶ Transport cats to appointments and adoption clinics.
- ▶ Help socialize shy or feral cats and kittens at the House.
- ▶ Organize and get donations for a fundraiser.



These are just a few examples of how you can help. Please contact Faye Bunk at (315) 823-0239 or email her at fabunk@gmail.com.

VOLUNTEERS BRING THE LOVE TO HALO HOUSE! ♥ Thank You to our volunteers who come in once a week to help care for our cats at H.A.L.O. House – *Laurie Bowman, Faye Bunk, Caryl Hopson, Candy Dean, Rosemary & John Dibble, Deb Estey, Alesia Forlenza, Carrie Heath, Joyce Humphrey, Tiffany Lawrence, Bob Meyers, Ron Parshall, Susannah Rose and Greyson, Wendy, Grace and Isaac Seeley, and Roger Tebo.* If you would like to be a member of the H.A.L.O. House team, please call Joyce at 315-823-0393! We also need people who can fill in once in a while for our regular volunteers!

THANK YOU to our volunteers who transport our cats back and forth to the veterinarian – *Faye Bunk, Alesia Forlenza, Carrie Heath, Joyce Humphrey, Karen Monahan, and Roger Tebo.*

THANK YOU to *Steven Malara*, a senior at Frankfort High School, for doing an outstanding selling Gertrude Hawk candy bars and to *Tom Zambri* for helping us with our trucking for the Trash & Treasure Sale.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

H.A.L.O. House exists because of the generous support from people like you and from our local business community and grant foundations. We are able to provide a sanctuary for homeless cats and kittens. It is our goal to re-home those who come through our doors, but for those who are not adopted, we provide a loving home for them for the rest of their lives.



KEEP CALM AND HALO HOEDOWN ON

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 17
Begins at 11 a.m.
NEW LOCATION –
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