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## **NEWS RELEASE**

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### **THE HUMANE SOCIETY ANNOUNCES CATS-A-PAWLOOZA WEEK FROM APRIL 15 – APRIL 20TH**

*JAMESTOWN, NY – Friday, April 12, 2013* – The Chautauqua County Humane Society is set to begin Cats-a-Pawlooza week starting Monday, April 15<sup>th</sup> and continuing through Saturday, April 20<sup>th</sup>. The week offers a terrific cat adoption promotion, an open house event to reveal the newly remodeled Cat Colony, an offsite adoption event, and a Pennies 4 Paws radio remote with SE-93's Lee John.

The shelter, located at 2825 Strunk Road in Jamestown, will waive all adoption fees on cats 6 months or older for the entire week. All cats have received spay/neuter surgery, a microchip and vaccinations. Adopters must meet the standard application criteria. Open shelter hours are Monday, Wednesday and Saturday from noon to 4 p.m. and Tuesday and Friday from 2 to 6 p.m.

The shelter's *Adoption Option Trailer* will be positioned offsite on Saturday, April 20<sup>th</sup> from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Everyday's True Value Hardware located at 797 Foote Ave. The trailer takes pets that are waiting for homes to area businesses to serve adopters who cannot easily travel to the Strunk Road shelter location. All offsite adopters must meet standard application criteria and the pets have also received surgery, vaccinations and a microchip. The trailer was made possible by a gift from the Bertha Hamilton Trust Foundation.

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The shelter is also inviting in the public for an Open House event to introduce the newly renovated Cat Colony on Saturday from noon to 4 p.m. The freshly-completed project is the result of a successful fundraising campaign held last year that raised over \$25,000. The new colony offers a better environment for cats that is easier to maintain, reduces stress, and provides fun exercise options.

On the same day CCHS's Adoption Center welcomes Media One Group's Lee John for a radio remote event from noon to 2 p.m. as part of the final phase of the 8<sup>th</sup> annual Pennies 4 Paws campaign that runs through the end of April. Anyone wishing to help the campaign is welcome to stop by and place contributions in the collection barrel in the shelter lobby or purchase a paper paw for one dollar. Volunteers are positioned at area businesses all weekend too for the annual Tag Days drive. For information on Cats-a-Pawlooza week call 665-2209.

The Chautauqua County Humane Society is a non-profit that is not part of any government organization and its mission to care for animals by promoting adoptions, preventing cruelty and providing education relies solely on public support.

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