# WINSLOW FARM BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Winslow Farm would like to welcome 3 new member to its board of directors.

Linda O'Brien – assistant treasurer

Tracy Griffiths – secretary

Christine Crawford

These individuals join Debra White, president, and Carol Kozun, treasurer.

Each offering a unique understanding of Winslow Farm mission along with total dedication towards future goals.

### WINSLOW WISH LIST

AA and AAA Batteries; Tomato Sauce; Canned Corn; Hammers; Phillips Screwdrivers; Bird Seed; hard wood pellets for our pellet stoves in the cat shelter; Dura pitchforks; On a ongoing basis we need kale, broccoli, carrots, squash and romaine lettuce

#### FRIENDS WE WILL MISS

Rango, Sunny, Lyra, Ziggy, Edwin, Blue





OUR 2022 calendars are now available for \$20. They can be purchased at the farm. Quantities are limited so don't wait!

Thank you to the League School for allowing their students to sort our bottles and cans, then cash them in for us. They also sweep our walkways a few mornings a week!



This year, in effort to keep our patrons informed about our animals, news and events, we began sending out a monthly email newsletter. If you want to keep up with all the goings on at the farm, go to our website, www. winslowfarm.com and scroll to the bottom. You will see "Keeping in Touch. Click here to subscribe for our emails." to sign up.



## YEAR END GIVING

As the cost of veterinarian care, quality feed and general maintenance continues to rise, it is only through the generosity of supporters like you that Winslow Farm can continue.

Gift giving can be made in many ways, either by a direct donation, proceeds donated monthly through an insurance policy, stock, bonds (Winslow Farm has a brokerage account available for the purpose of donating investment securities), or pension/IRA distribution.

In preparing your will, estate plan or living trust, please consider including Winslow Farm as part of your charitable interests. It is important that you contact an attorney in preparing your will, trust or estate plan to ensure your wishes are carried out. Winslow Farm's Board of Directors suggests you use the following language in order to avoid any confusion: "I give (specific amount of property, percentage or residue) to Winslow Farm Animal Awareness, Inc. having its principal offices at 37 Eddy St, Norton, Massachusetts, 02766 for its general purposes to harbor and provide a stay for life sanctuary for abandoned and abused animals."

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Please contact Winslow Farm if you need more information on any of the gift giving options. We thank you for your help!

## Winslow Farm Animal Awareness, Inc.



Our Mission is to provide a high quality "stay-for-life" animal sanctuary, dedicated to the rescue, rehabilitation, and care of mistreated and abandoned animals; to promote the prevention of animal mistreatment through quality educational programs and events, and to advocate the preservation of wildlife habitat.

## Meet Our New Friends



LUNAR is a beautiful tabby cat whose family made a tough and unselfish decision to find her a home where she could be outside. Anytime anyone would go to the door to leave, Lunar would run out before they could close the door behind them. We were able to keep her in for two and a half weeks in the cat shelter. I decided to let her out under my watchful eye. Each day I allowed her to roam and explore while keeping a good eye on her. I am happy to say she has embraced the full spectrum of the farm and is happy to trot back to us. She is a beautiful cat and very much enjoys her freedom. We do keep track of her hours out and we make certain she is put into the cat shelter late afternoon if she hasn't already gone in. -Debra White



SNOW is a little lion head bunny who was brought to us just recently. He was found in Brockton loose on the streets.

Snow has beautiful blue eyes. He currently has a huge enclosed area to run and jump. Our other bunnies, Humphrey and Cookie quite like this handsome boy.

Donate toward little Snow's neutering: The office visit will cost \$80.00 and his surgery to neuter will cost \$175.00 not including medications if needed.



COCO is a tabby cat who was dropped in our driveway on a hot, summer day! She is a older cat that would make a nice companion for someone to keep company with. She would benefit from a one on one person to pat and interact with.

## President's Letter



Debra White, Cloud Dancing & Raver

I would like to thank all our patrons for supporting the farm during another challenging year of Covid.

I would also like to pay tribute to the dedicated people who work at the farm. I could not continue the work of Winslow Farm without their support and hard work. They are the salt of earth. The farm requires long hours of work, including cleaning, maintaining the grounds and buildings, feeding and grooming, as well as many other tasks. I and the animals are very fortunate to have such a steadfast and reliable staff.

This year and the end of last year saw a number of serious medical issues, necessitating numerous trips to Tufts in Grafton, incurring major medical bills.

Last Christmas Eve, Bean, our goat, was brought to Tufts as he was not eating and seemed under the weather. He underwent numerous tests. Tests revealed hardened, calcified material in his stomach which required immediate surgery. He arrived back home early January and I am happy to say he is fully recovered.

In February, Goldust, our mini horse, also required a trip to Tufts. He had been treated for cancer and seemed to be doing well, however, the cancer returned. It was determined a partial phallectomy would be needed. The surgery was successful. Once home, Goldust was restricted to his paddock to recover, which was hard for the little horse. His mini horse family, Echo, Raven and Forest missed him too. At this time, Goldust seems to be doing well. I continue to hope his cancer does not return again.

In July, Stardust, our white donkey, suffered a serious and dangerous ailment. Upon advice from the vet, he was rushed to Tufts in the equine

ambulance. After a week stay and additional tests, thankfully Stardust is now completely recovered.

Finally, (and hopefully) the last Tufts visit involved our turkey, Henri. Henri was walking with a limp and only able to stand on one leg. After an overnight stay, it was determined there was some deterioration in a toe joint was causing pain and inflammation. He also had an ear infection! He will need long term support with pain medication and a follow up visit.

While he did not need a trip to Tufts, Thomas, our alpaca, suffered a terrible skin lesion. This required the challenging task of cleaning out his wound several times on a daily basis. I'm sure you can imagine holding an about 175 pound alpaca is not an easy task! Happily, he, like the others is doing well.

I am so grateful to all who donated towards the farm's upkeep and all those who donated towards the many medical bills we had during the year. I wish all a happy holiday season!

Most Sincerely, Delya White



PEACE was found in a industrial parking lot this summer. We were notified and he was brought to the farm. He was dehydrated but gained his strength within four days with electrolytes and a special diet for doves. He became best friends with another dove here at the farm, by the name of Cooie. These two small doves will be fostered out to our volunteer of 17 years, Carol Staiti, for the winter months.



BARNABAS is a handsome brown bunny. He was brought to the farm because a family member was allergic to him. He is two years old and joins our other rabbits, Cookie, Humphrey and Snow.

### **DOVE RESCUE**

Unfortunately doves are released at weddings, etc. They don't always return to their home. Over the years. we have had 50 or more pigeons and doves brought into our care after their release. They do not always return to their owners because of hydration and exhaustion, always appearing in a parking lot or someone's back yard and even on the roadside.

Fortunately for three large doves there happened to be a nice woman who saw them sitting near a pond. One of them actually tried flying and fell into the pond. Her son jumped in and saved him. The other two were able to be picked up. I was called after hours to see if we could take them and was happy to. They are now in our aviary enjoying the companionship of the other birds. Everyone is happy and all getting along.

They are able to fly and sip water from our small water fountain in the aviary. ~Debra White



### **NEWS MEDIA AWARENESS**

Winslow Farm Animal Sanctuary began over 20 years ago with a powerful mission: to harbor abandoned and abused farm animals. In the early days, our exposure was via local newspapers and word of mouth. Slowly, our name began to get noticed thanks to news media from around the country, local TV and radio stations and students writing essays about the farm after they had visited.

Today, Winslow Farm has evolved as a nationally known animal sanctuary, in part, because of the ongoing and sophisticated methods of communication in our world. Exposure through the world of communication, radio, television, newspapers, magazines the internet, and social media, have reached and influenced people to visit, to support through financial gifts, and to spread the news about the work at the farm.

Recently, The Story Exchange, a nationally known, not-for-profit media organization in New York, interviewed and produced a powerful video, highlighting Debra White, the founder of Winslow Farm. The mission of The Story Exchange is to provide inspiration and information about entrepreneurial women from all walks of life. The interview with Debra was broadcasted nationally. There is a video of the interview on YouTube titled "Finding Healing Through Animals," and the transcript of the interview can be found on The Story Exchange's website. All these avenues of communication make it convenient and accessible for many people to learn about the special habitat of Winslow Farm and its amazing founder.

Additionally, stories about the activities and animals at Winslow Farm have been featured locally in the Boston Globe and other newspapers, on local television stations and radio stations. The reviews left by visitors on YELP

and Tripadvisor are impressive and complimentary. Currently, a student at Boston University, is working on a story about the farm. Who knows where that piece will appear and how many folks will read it!

If it weren't for the heart-warming, poignant, powerful coverage Winslow Farm has received from the media over the years, we would not have attracted people of all ages, from all over the world, who now have an appreciation of farm animals, their stories, their plight, their needs and, above all the respect, love and care all animals deserve. ~Carol Kozun

