

# **Bob DiCosola**

### to the Board of Directors

Bob DiCosola is thrilled to join the Board of Directors at Hallie Hill. He is the retired Executive Vice President of Human Resources for Old Second Bancorp, Inc., in Chicago, IL. Bob was responsible for all aspects of human resources management, including recruiting and retention, compensation and benefits, employee relations, diversity, and training and development.

Bob has been an HR professional for more than 25 years and has held positions of increasing responsibility for large and medium-size employers, including the Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago, Provena Mercy Center in Aurora, IL, Dean Witter, Discover and Co. in Riverwoods, IL and Jackson National Life, in Lansing, MI.

Bob holds an undergraduate degree in English and Journalism from Northeastern Illinois University, and a Master's in Human Resources and Industrial Relations from Loyola University. He enjoys teaching classes related to the HR discipline and is an adjunct faculty member at North Central College in Naperville, IL. Bob was honored to recently be invited to be a guest lecturer at The Citadel, where he spoke on contemporary compensation practices following the COVID 19 pandemic.

Bob has been an animal lover his entire life, especially canines. He never dreamed he would fall for a cat, but that all changed eight years ago when a stray Tuxedo kitty adopted Bob and his wife, Cindy.

Bob, Cindy, and Patches moved to Charleston in 2019 when Bob started volunteering at Hallie Hill, where he spends time with the kitties on Mondays. He was so impressed with the Sanctuary and staff that he inquired about potential participation on the Board. Bob and family live on John's Island, near the beaches. They enjoy long beach walks, beach picnics with a vintage Pinot Noir, golf and sampling the many culinary opportunities of the Lowcountry.

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Thank you to all of the volunteers who have been braving the cold mornings at the sanctuary, it feels like there have been a lot this winter! It's so heartwarming to see your enthusiasm, love and dedication to our residents! They really look forward to your visits and benefit immensely from the time you spend with them.



Dog volunteers, tier 2 and up, you will notice green tags on the back gates in some of the enclosures. These tags are to identify dogs that can be taken out into the adjoining play yard, behind their enclosure. On the tags, there will be instructions for each individual dog, whether they need to be leashed while in the play yard or if they can roam on their own. We ask that

you leash every dog initially, to walk them through the gate. We don't want them to get used to running freely through open gates! This would be a great time to practice the cue, "wait", at the gate with them. If you are not sure how to do that, please ask a staff member for assistance.

Just a reminder for current volunteers, if you'd like to progress to tier 3 volunteer status, you must complete the Fear Free Shelter program. Tier 3 volunteers are eligible to sign up for "sanctuary sniffaris," as well as other more "hands on" activities with the dogs.





We are really looking forward to warmer temps, welcoming new volunteers, and expanding current volunteer opportunities! If you'd like to volunteer at the sanctuary, please submit an application on our website. We will reach out to you and get you scheduled for an informational orientation so you can see if we are the right fit for you!



Apply to be one of our amazing volunteers <u>HERE!</u>



# **Henry Cheves**:

Artist, Lover of the Lowcountry and Friend of Hallie Hill Animal Sanctuary



















On February 10, 2024, the world became a less beautiful place with the loss of our friend, Henry Chavez. Henry offered his remarkable art to the public on the 'I Love Edisto' FB Page, and then safely delivered the canvases to those interested, asking for nothing but a donation to

Hallie Hill. His art will forever be treasured by the many people who acquired his beautiful paintings of the Lowcountry and many, many animals are living a happy life thanks to his talent and generosity. We will miss Henry's gentle, kind spirit, his support of our deserving

animals and his belief in our mission. Thank you Henry, for all that you have done for us. Your views of our world will be missed.



Henry's beloved cats, Cutie and Precious. Precious has crossed the rainbow bridge, and I am sure she and Henry are reunited!











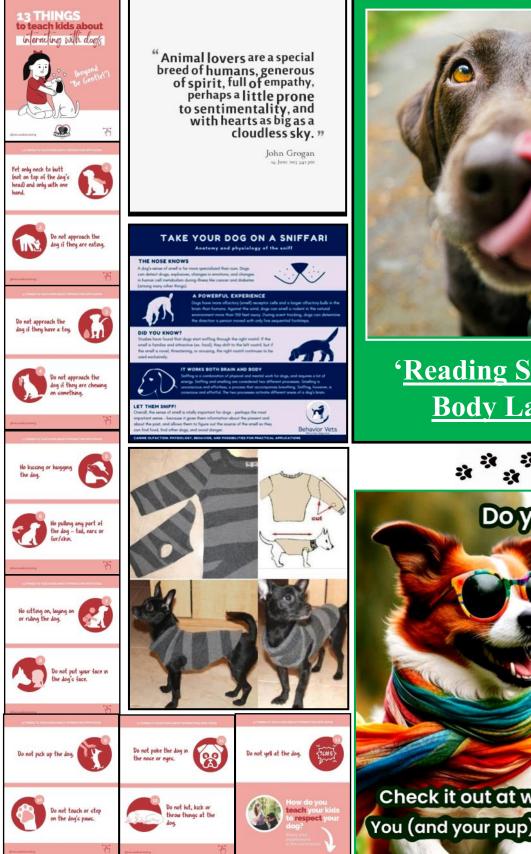












**'Reading Stressed Dog Body Language'** 

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Do you know about Sniffspot?

> It's a resource to find and rent safe and private dog parks hosted bylocals!

Check it out at www.sniffspot.com You (and your pup) will be glad you did!

#### THANK YOU! THANK YOU! THANK YOU!



#### A heartfelt THANK YOU to Northwoods Veterinary Clinic!

Their amazing doctors and staff rallied together, collecting nearly \$1400 from their generous clients. But that's not all they went above and beyond by matching the donations (and rounding up!), resulting in a remarkable \$3000 contribution to the animals of Hallie Hill. Your compassion and generosity make a world of difference. Thank you for being pawsitively amazing!

The kitties at Hallie Hill send out a heartfelt THANK YOU to Cheryl Banas for their 'kitty greens' and all the love, care and time she takes to make their lives the best they can be while they wait for their very own families!





#### A heartfelt THANK YOU to The Barker Lounge!

Your support of the deserving animals at Hallie Hill...your donations will go a LONG way towards helping them to be healthy and feel happy and loved!



# **Adoption 'Pup-Dates'**

"Almost one year ago I moved in with Julia, she calls me Salty because of my white muzzle, and she loves the ocean, especially Kiawah where we go for a walk sometimes. We live in a neighborhood with lots of dogs, Tucker and Hopper are my closest friends, they like to walk the fence with me. There are also kids that live in front and behind me, they are small, 3,4, and 6, and like to lay on me and read to me. They come over all the time to visit and have learned how to feed me a treat. I also have Ethan who takes care of me when Julia travels for work. He lives next door and stays with me almost the whole day until bedtime. He likes to watch Animal Planet and talk to me about all the animals. He also likes cheese doodles, he let me try one, but I didn't like it (don't tell Julia).

There is always music on in my house, and in the car when we go for a ride. We have coffee (treats for me) together every morning before work; I am invited to a lot of Zoom calls, but once they start talking, I fall asleep on my bed next to Julia's desk. I like it best when work is over so we can sit on the floor and have a cuddle, I can roll over on my back now, so lots of belly rubs for me.

This has been the best year ever, most of all because I found someone who loves me no matter what; I am still a big boy, and getting older, almost 14; so, have to take my time when I move around, but Julia doesn't care; she is patient and encouraging, always telling me what a good boy I am and how much she loves me.

# Salty (formerly Tron)





It's official! This girl is staying with us, officially adopted! She loves her new brother and is major snuggle bug.



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# Adoption 'Pup-Dates'

Nova

It kind of feels like she has been a part of our family forever. Nova is so silly. She launches herself about 3 feet up and straight over the couch to catch Lottie. I haven't seen another dog that is spring loaded like Lottie. They are so perfect for each other. And she loves to snuggle my son, which lottie won't do. Nova is such a perfect match for us."

'Just wanted to give you an update on Sugar Bear (formerly Sheba). She has been doing great. It seems at the one month mark a light just came on as she became much more comfortable with us. She was listening well and training is going good. Still a little shy around people, but think that will change with tim Overall, she's doing great and we lov having her!

#### Sugar Bear (formerly Sheba)

Hank



Another dose of Hank. He loves his pal Twister. He looks like a huge beagle next to him!



## Join us On Facebook!

#### SAVE THE DATES SAVE THE DATES SAVE THE DATES



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# Welcome to Hallie Hill!



Ben



Bud



Copper



Malachi



Spice



Sugar



does not change feeding time. Signed Dogs Everywhere DaylightFirst Day of<br/>Savings TimeHAPPY<br/>EASTER!3/103/193/31



## Is Charleston Dog Friendly? The Ultimate Guide for 2024



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All of our animal friends deserve a warm, comfortable place to "rest their paws."

Hallie Hill's Canine Cabin or Cat Condo sponsorship program provides a great opportunity for individuals, families, private organizations, and businesses to directly support the animals we care for daily.

As a sponsor, your name will be proudly displayed on the front of the cabin and included prominently on our website and in our newsletter.



"Sponsored by Karen Carter"



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Hallie Hill thanks Karen Carter for her support!





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## **THE CAT CORNER**

#### Touching Your Cat With Consent

#### Approach

Position yourself no closer than arm's reach from kitty. This can be achieved by calling her to you or if **she** happens to approach **you**, but you should avoid being the one to approach!



#### **1** Finger Invitation

Offer one finger, several inches from her head and below her nose level. Hold still until she sniffs or rubs. Always show her you're trustworthy. Touch can overwhelm cats, so let her be in charge of what happens to her body.

Cat's choice

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If she rubs against you, great! Go to step 4. If she only sniffs, wait for the rub. If she does nothing, you can try gently tapping the ground a few times or rubbing that fingertip on your thumb to entice her to sniff. Otherwise she has made her choice and this interaction is over.

#### Rules of 2s

Touch her very gently with that one finger only in the area that she rubbed on you (often cheeks or forehead). Pet for two seconds or two strokes no longer than two inches,

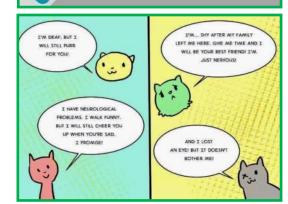


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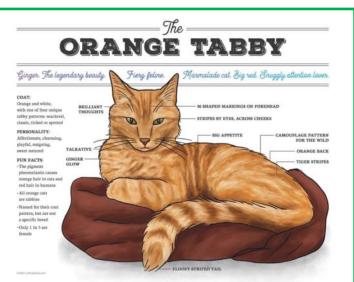
Stop petting, and move your finger a few inches away. If she rubs, keep repeating steps 4 & 5. If she walks away, this interaction is done.

2024 www.JonesAnimalBehavior.com





## <u>Can</u> <u>Cats</u> <u>Lose</u> <u>Their</u> Meow?







## We are Happy at Home!



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**Chanel thanks Pamela Mecke!** 



**Gracie thanks Patricia Linton!** 





**Adora thanks Kyle Mangels!** 

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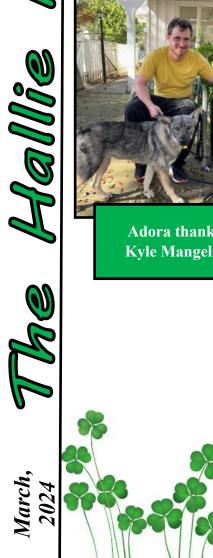


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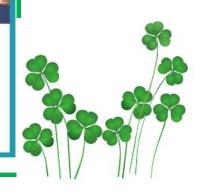
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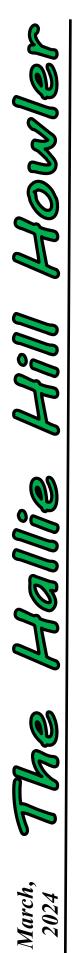
Nova thanks the Sallee Family!







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#### Beautiful Ways to Give:

With your help, we can continue to provide respite for animals until they are adopted or be a forever home for those in need. If you give to Hallie Hill through your will, trust, or other financial plans, you can help ensure the sanctuary continues saving the lives of homeless animals in the future.

120 Memorial & Tribute Gifts

**Beneficiary Designations** 

Your generosity will provide a lifetime of love for our animals in need: your legacy, their future.

Wills & Living Trusts

#### Join TODAY at HallieHill.com/Legacy-Society



Wear your love of Hallie Hill for the world to see! Click <u>HERE</u> to purchase your **Hallie Hill Merchandise!** 

## March's Adorable Adoptables!

Go to halliehill.com and fill out an application to come out to HHAS to meet these wonderful animals!



## Bubba

This handsome boy LOVES to run, play and sniff everything in sight! Bubba is a little aloof when first meeting people but hopes to have a home of his very own where he can be shown the love and attention he deserves. He has always lived with other dogs and done well with them at the sanctuary.







## <u>Cal</u>

Cal is a beautiful fellow who will come up for affection when it suits him, but he is never overly pushy. He is mostly black with a touch of white on his chest. He has a shiny coat and beautiful eyes that make him stand out among our mini black panthers. We don't think he is confident around dogs or small children, but he is really a laid-back kind of guy.

## **Catniss**

Catniss is a fun, lovable, female terrier, with a stunning brindle coat. When first meeting people, she will roll over and expose her belly. Once comfortable, Catniss really opens up with happy licks and wiggly tail wags. She visits local elementary schools and greets excited kiddos with enthusiasm and joy! Catniss is patiently waiting to meet her forever family and is ready to share the love she's been saving up!

## **Charlie Brown**

Charlie Brown is a high energy, bouncy boy – a typical adolescent! He came to the sanctuary from an overcrowded shelter and has very little experience of what it's like to live in a home. He's food motivated and with guidance and patience, will learn fast with positive reinforcement! He would really love a home with active guardians who have the time to spend with him, going on adventures and sharing fun experiences!

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Hallie Hill thanks Crews Subaru for supporting our mission to change the future of the animals in our care!



## How Can You Help Hallie Hill? Our March Wish List!...

## Consumables we need <u>all</u> of the time!

Trash Bags Dry cat food Friskies wet cat food Dog treats and biscuits Bottled water Kitchen can bags

**Canned dog food** 

Granulated ant poison Scoopable Cat Litter Paper Plates and Paper Towels Swiffer mopping cloths Laundry Detergent Multipurpose spray cleaner

Thank you, but at this time we are NOT in need of blankets or sheets!

Check out our <u>Hallie Hill Wishlist</u> on Amazon.com Check out our <u>Hallie Hill Wishlist</u> on Chewy.com





March Happenings at Hallie Hill!

Channel 2 Midday News - 3/8 and 3/22 at 11:50 AM

Mel's Mutts - 3/26 at 6:10 AM Good AM Charleston

'Quintin's Close Ups' - Pet of the Week - 3/12

Low Country Live - 3/13 at 10:00 AM





THIS is Hallie Hill!....



Many thanks to Katy Roberts, of Katy Roberts Media, for shooting and producing this wonderful video! It is guaranteed to make you want to visit this amazing place!



## **Click here to enjoy the video!**





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Mission Statement

Hallie Hill Animal Sanctuary is a 501c3 organization that provides a compassionate safe-haven with quality food and medical care for dogs and cats; a temporary home for those able to be adopted, and a forever home for those in need.

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