

Thanks to a generous veterinarian

Dear Editor:

I have been volunteering at the North Vancouver SPCA for almost 10 years. On numerous occasions, the SPCA has received veterinary assistance from many of the local animal hospitals on the North Shore. They have helped out in many situations.

For example, if a dog or cat has been hit by a car, it is faster to take it to a local clinic than to drive over to the SPCA Hospital in Vancouver. As a citizen in this community, I would like to thank them all for their commitment to the animals.

I would like to extend an extra special "thank you" to Dr. Terri Clemett

and the North Shore Veterinary Hospital. There have been so many instances where we have taken needy animals to her clinic for help. She has performed major dental surgery, sutured cuts, repaired broken bones, treated abscesses, provided medication, and the list goes on. It was only this past year that I found out that she (and her staff) provide this professional care at no charge.

I brought in a dying abandoned kitten and asked her to please do anything to help it. It was a grim situation, but after being treated by Terri and fostered overnight by one of her technicians, the kitten amazingly survived.

When I went to pick up the kitty the next day, I asked how much was owing or whether the SPCA had an account to charge to. Dr. Terri said she doesn't charge anything.

She praised the volunteers for going in day after day to help the animals and then modestly said that this was her small way of contributing. Well, I want her to know that her generosity is in no way "small." On behalf of myself (and the animals), I thank her for the care she has provided. She is one of the North Shore's Silent Heroes.

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VETERINARIAN Terri Clemett was nominated as a silent hero by the SPCA's volunteer co-ordinator. Countless injured animals have been taken to Clemett's clinic, the North Shore Veterinary Hospital, where she has performed dental surgery, sutured cuts, repaired broken bones, treated abscesses and provided medication, all at no charge to the society.

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