



**Pope Memorial
Humane Society**
Cocheco Valley

CELEBRATING THREE AMAZING VOLUNTEERS AND THEIR MAJOR MILESTONE!

They may not wear capes, but these three amazing people are all superheroes at PMHS! Pam, Joe, and Marcie have all passed an incredible milestone here at the shelter, each individually giving more than 2000 hours of service. It's a big number but in reality, the time and compassionate care they give to our animals, is immeasurable.

Pam Thompson is a human dynamo! She has only been working with the shelter for a couple of years, but she has quickly become one of our most dedicated and consistent volunteers, working Monday through Friday with our cats and with many of the shelter's most challenging dogs. In addition to working on multiple fundraising events, Pam provides most of the wonderful videos of adoptable animals posted on our Facebook page. Lucky for us, she is also a key member of our Volunteer Mentoring team, helping to orient and train future dog walkers at PMHS. Whether cleaning cages, sitting in the playroom helping a cat adjust to their surroundings or giving a dog a day trip away from the shelter, Pam always goes the extra mile to improve the lives of the animals at PMHS.

If it's after two o'clock in the afternoon at the shelter, the staff and the dogs know it must be "Joe time!" For over five years, **Joe Somers** has been coming to the shelter every afternoon to walk the dogs, putting a smile on everyone's face and setting tails wagging. Every day, Joe helps the dogs in his care to just "be dogs"—providing them a chance to walk, explore, play, and get loads of love and attention. The life of a shelter dog can be full of stress, but for two hours every day, Joe provides a friendly familiar face, consistency, and a daily routine that can transform a dog's experience. Joe's work and dedication is a priceless gift for all of the dogs here at PMHS.

There's barely a week that's gone by during the past two decades that **Marcie Price** has not been providing loving care to the cats at our shelter. A volunteer since 2001, Marcie is our longest serving and most experienced cat care volunteer. For nearly two decades she has spent countless hours working with our cats, providing them comfort, a soft gentle voice, and vital socialization. She has been instrumental in finding ways to reduce stress, creatively expand each cat's living space, and improve the day to day experience for the cats at PMHS. As a Volunteer Mentor, Marcie continues to pass on her knowledge and experience to our new cat care volunteers. Her devotion, passionate advocacy, and gentle care has made an enormous difference for the thousands of cats who have passed through our shelter.

THANK YOU, Pam, Joe, and Marcie for being our superheroes. Your compassion and dedication are inspiring!

(PHOTOS: Pam with Odessa, Joe with Gerty, and Marcie with Vivian)