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SECOND CHANCE ANIMAL CENTER ANNUAL MEETING IN BENNINGTON

Anne Zepernick, an editor and teacher of literature, will be the featured speaker at the annual meeting of Second Chance Animal Center on Friday, April 23rd.

The meeting will be held at Second Congregational Church on Hillside Street in Bennington and will begin at 6:30 p.m. The public is invited to attend.

Ms. Zepernick has been an editor for Best Friends Magazine for the past ten years and, as part of her job there, she keeps an eye on the pulse of the animal welfare movement in the United States and around the world.

Her talk will focus on the treatment of animals in our society, and especially in New England and southern Vermont, and discuss ways we can better the lives of companion animals and provide responsible, humane care for the pets in our lives. Best Friends Animal Sanctuary, located in Kanab, Utah, is the largest animal sanctuary in the United States. On any given day 1,700 dogs, cats and other animals can be found living there.

Ms. Zepernick is also an instructor at Massachusetts College of Liberal Arts where she teaches literature and writing courses, including an animal rights writing course which she teaches twice a year.

She shares her home in Readsboro with two dogs, Juno and Gulliver, as well as three cats: E.D., Thoreau, and Sylvia.

“Personally, I look forward to the day when pets are no longer killed in shelters due to lack of homes--I believe I will see this day in my lifetime,” Ms. Zepernick states.

Following a brief social time to chat with friends and staff and partake of refreshments, the business meeting will start at 7 p.m.

Board President Judy Murphy of Bennington, will introduce new board members, thank outgoing officers, and give a brief update on the activities of the past year at Second Chance.

This will be followed by an awards ceremony with recognition given to those citizens who have gone beyond the call of duty to help animals in need.

Attendees will draw chances to win a door prize donated by SCAC staff member June O’Boyle.

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