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Paws for a Cause at the Plaza slated for April 4 - 5 Largest event about pets in the Capital Region celebrates animals in our lives

One of the most unusual and stimulating events of the year takes place April 4 - 5 at the South Concourse of the Empire State Plaza in Albany.

PAWS for a CAUSE at the Plaza presented by The Mental Health Foundation, is the largest event about pets in the Capital Region. The event will feature, dozens of presentations, exhibits, and vendors celebrating the importance of pets in our lives. Admission is free!

Numerous nationally recognized experts will present programs throughout the event on keeping your pet healthy, promoting your own good mental health through your relationship with your animal, pet first aid, preparing for disasters with your pets and important sessions on the serious problems of animal cruelty.

Scores of exhibitors will also be on hand offering information about pet services and products, pet insurance and a wide range of crafts and other items. The program will also include tours of the American Humane Society's Pet Rescue Big Rig and Saturday performances by Purina's Incredible Dog Team.

The Mental Health Foundation is focused on programs that create understanding about mental health and ending stigma associated with it. The Foundation is supported in presenting Paws for a Cause at the Plaza by the Mohawk & Hudson River Humane Society and the American Protective Foundation.

Sponsors of the event are The Times Union, Together RX Access, CSEA – New York's Leading Union, the David Silipigno Foundation, Time Warner Cable, Purina, Price Chopper, the ASPCA, Pearl-Carroll Associates, Colley Asset Management, The Tri-City Valley Cats, Ruch Distributors, The Howard Group, the MP Group and Willard & Zeronda.

Due to liability concerns, only animals allowed at the event will be service dogs and those pets pre-approved to appear in educational and entertainment demonstrations. Unfortunately, we will not be allowed to make any exceptions.

Learn more at www.mentalhealthfoundation.net

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Editors Please Note: Many of the presenters are available for interviews in advance of the event to provide insight and understanding about their presentations. The full schedule of the presenters and their topics is available on the foundation website: www.mentalhealthfoundation.net.

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