

# New England Animal Control/Humane Academy 2017

## Topic Descriptions and Instructor Bios

***Monday, July 24, 2017***

### Humane Animal Handling & Capture Training of Dogs, Cats, Snakes, and Common Small Mammals

Animal capture and handling are necessary activities for any animal care organization, and yet getting an animal to do what we need them to do can be dangerous and difficult. This unique class is intended to give you and your staff the skills you need to safely, compassionately, and effectively handle everything from the most placid to the most dangerous animals you will ever encounter. Every animal care organization is unique. This class is therefore not a one-size fits all approach to handling. Because needs and outcomes vary, our class adapts for you. You'll have the chance to speak with our instructor in advance so that in addition to handling foundations, you'll get specific emphasis on tools, techniques, or situations that matter most to your organization. Our trainer has a wealth of knowledge and experience and has full access to our unmatched inventory of specialized equipment, both of which he will bring to your organization

**John Peaveler, ACES Master Trainer** - A co-founder and former Managing Director of the Kuwait Society for the Protection of Animals and Their Habitat (K'S PATH), now one of the largest animal welfare organizations in the Middle East. John's experience there allowed him to work in almost every position within an animal welfare organization - from Kennel Hand to Vet Tech, ACO, Educator, Dive Team Leader, Manager, and Director. John's unique position and experience led him to begin work as an international disaster responder and a specialized program consultant for a variety of organizations around the world. Working with animals in crisis from South Korea to Haiti and beyond, John has a unique perspective on what makes animal handling and capture humane and effective in many different environments. His continued work as a frontline responder helps to keep his skills sharp and his training relevant in virtually every circumstance. This class is the culmination of a long working relationship between ACES and John with the joint goal of providing the very best products and services to the animal care community. Our training goal is simple: help to make every organization the best they possibly can be.

***Tuesday, July 25, 2017***

### Livestock and Poultry Health and Regulations

USDA Veterinary Services presents on Foreign Animal Diseases, Tips on how to prevent the spread of disease, personal protective equipment, Livestock identification and tagging, Slaughter channels, General Poultry Exam, Risks on having visitors on your farm, and the USDA Veterinary Service's Foreign Animal Disease Response.

**Nicole Giguere, DVM, USDA, APHIS** - Dr. Giguere obtained her veterinary degree at Western University of Health Sciences. She also has a Master's degree in Animal Science from Texas A&M University, having researched ventilation and stress in beef cattle during transport, and is in the process of completing a Master's degree in Public Health with a concentration in disaster preparedness, response, and recovery from the University of Minnesota. Dr. Giguere currently works as a Veterinary Medical Officer in New Hampshire and Massachusetts for USDA-APHIS-Veterinary Services. She has been trained as a Foreign Animal Disease Diagnostician, and performs disease surveillance, investigation, and eradication work for the USDA, as well as education and outreach activities to livestock producers, veterinarians, and the public.

***Wednesday, July 26, 2017***

## **Latest Perspectives on Animal Hoarding: New Understanding and Approaches**

Animal Hoarding has received renewed attention from animal care and control and mental health professionals, including the recent classification of 'hoarding disorder' as a distinct mental illness by the American Psychiatric Association. It is a problem that impacts thousands of people and hundreds of thousands of animals each year and can place an enormous burden on the resources of responding agencies. Animal hoarding is more than an animal control or mental health problem - it is a community problem requiring coordinated community response. Authorities have been employing new and innovative ways to approach the problem. Communities must be proactive instead of reactive. The time to think about how hoarding will impact your community isn't when the case is reported to the media. This workshop will describe the underlying dynamics of animal hoarding and the special challenges of responding to and documenting hoarding cases. The pros and cons of prosecuting hoarding as animal cruelty will be reviewed. Some of the proactive measures your community can employ to handle some of its best kept secrets (hoarders) will be outlined and recent trends in establishing community-based responses and interventions will be reviewed.

### **Randall Lockwood, Ph.D., ASPCA Sr. Vice President, Forensic Sciences & Anti-Cruelty Projects -**

Dr. Randall Lockwood joined the ASPCA in 2005 and is currently Senior Vice President for Forensic Sciences and Anti-Cruelty Projects. He has a doctorate in psychology from Washington University in St. Louis, and was Assistant Professor in the psychology departments of the State University of New York at Stony Brook and Washington University in St. Louis and is currently Affiliate Assistant Professor in the College of Veterinary Medicine, University of Florida, Gainesville.

For more than 40 years, Dr. Lockwood has worked with humane societies, animal control and law-enforcement agencies, serving as an expert on the interactions between people and animals. He has testified in numerous trials involving cruelty to animals or the treatment of animals in the context of other crimes, including dogfighting, animal hoarding, child abuse, domestic violence and homicide. He serves on the advisory boards of The National Center on Violence Against Animals and the Association of Prosecuting Attorneys Animal Cruelty Advisory Council and is a Fellow of the Oxford Center on Animal Ethics.

Dr. Lockwood co-authored *Cruelty to Animals and Interpersonal Violence; Forensic Investigation of Animal Cruelty: A Guide for Veterinary and Law Enforcement Professionals* and *Investigating &*

*Prosecuting Animal Abuse*. Most recently he co-authored *Animal Cruelty and Freedom of Speech: When Worlds Collide* an analysis of the Supreme Court trial surrounding “crush videos”.

## Adult Protective Services: How it Works

The Adult Protection Services (APS) presentation will focus on the elements of the adult protection law which includes what is self-neglect, neglect, abuse, and exploitation. Mandatory reporting will be discussed as well as the elements of an Adult Protection investigation. Attention will be paid to what APS has authority to do as well as what it doesn't have authority to do.

**Rachel Lakin, DHHS, APS Administrator** - Rachel G. Lakin has worked for the Department of Health and Human Services Bureau of Elderly and Adult Services for 18 years. In her tenure with BEAS, she worked as a social worker in the Keene District Office and as a supervisor in the Portsmouth, Salem and Concord Offices. She has been in her current role as Adult Protection Program Operations Administer since 2009. Prior to working with BEAS, Rachel had several years working in child welfare as well as with the developmental services system.

## Animal Hoarding: From the Field Perspective

Review of the Animal Rescue League of New Hampshire's approach to hoarding cases, highlighting the resources typically offered so that it isn't just take all the animals and leave them with nothing. Also discussed will be the need for a better understanding on behalf of judges and prosecutors that court mandated counseling is so important with extreme cases, reducing the likelihood of repeat offenders and the necessity of responders to have some basic human medical knowledge and knowledge of zoonotic diseases in relation to some recent large scale hoarding cases.

**Maureen Prendergast, Animal Cruelty Investigator/Community Outreach Animal Rescue League of NH (2005-present)** - Responsible for Animal Welfare (1996-Present). Extensive experience in the field of animal welfare and cruelty investigation for 20 yrs., serving in multiple operational and management roles for one of the largest animal care shelters in the state of New Hampshire. As one of only a few animal shelters in NH that employ an animal cruelty investigator, responsible for representing the ARLNH and acting as liaison to local and state authorities in matters of cruelty investigation and prosecution, providing guidance and insight to law enforcement agencies in cruelty and hoarding matters. Responsible for executing investigations of cruelty complaints for a broad geographic region that encompasses both southern and northern communities within the state of New Hampshire. Responsible for all of the Animal Rescue League's public assistance programs including; Spayapalooza low cost spay/neuter clinic, Companion Animal Assistance Fund for medical assistance, Food Pantry pet food program, annual rabies and microchip clinic, small animal wellness clinic and Safe Haven offering temporary care in domestic violence/disaster situations.

## 24-Trauma

The topics covered will be: Bio-Hazardous Safety – Pertaining to investigators in the field; Exposures (Pre and Post); Possible Disease/Infection/Matter Exposures (includes symptoms, treatments, and necessary information regarding exposure); Infections and diseases carried by canine and feline species as well as birds and other animals; Motor Vehicle Accidents; Dangers of your job; and How to protect yourself upon entering a potentially hazardous scene.

**Mike Holleran** – Mr. Holleran recently retired from the Massachusetts State Police after a 31 year career. The last 23 years were spent in the Crime Scene Services Section. He was tasked with responding to all manner of crime scenes, homicides, suicides, fatal motor vehicle accidents throughout the State of Massachusetts. His job was to document the crime scenes with photo and video. Then he was responsible for processing the scenes for fingerprints and footwear impression evidence, collecting the evidence, managing the scene, perform fingerprint and footwear impression comparisons and generating reports on his findings. At the time of his retirement, he was the executive officer of the seven Crime Scene Services regional crime labs throughout Massachusetts.

**Kerry Gilmore** - Director of sales and marketing for 24-Trauma. Kerry started out in the business as a technician that would actually clean up the gruesome scenes. After doing that for a while, she transitioned over to the sales and marketing section. She is now the sales and marketing director. She oversees the sales and marketing department for all of New England.

***Thursday July 27, 2017***

## Red Cross Pet First Aid/CPR Certification Course

**Bobby Silcott** - Certified Maine ACO 2006; TLAER Certified; Completed Level 1, 2, 3 NACIS; Member- Cumberland County CART; Founder- Cat Coalition Of Western Maine; Founder- Maine POM Project; Host- Mainely Animals on LRTV; Instructor- Pet First Aid/CPR; Instructor- AHA First Aid/CPR/AED; FF/EMT ret- Naples Fire and Rescue