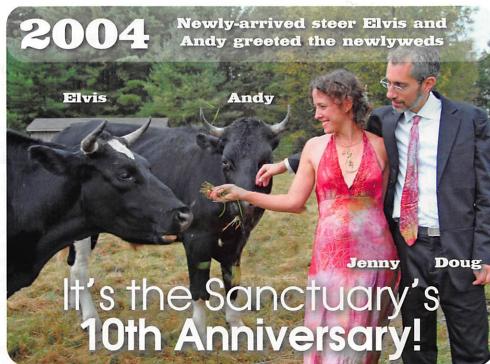






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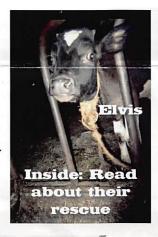


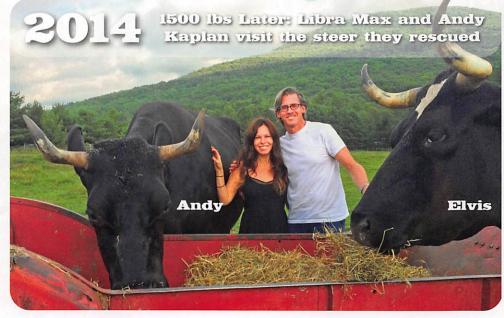
It's hard to believe that an entire decade has passed since we landed in Woodstock and began making a dream to build a sanctuary for farm animals come true.

Within a few months of acquiring the 23 acre property, co-founders **Jenny Brown** and **Doug Abel** built a small coop for an abandoned rooster named Rio, and six hens who had been rescued from a factory farm. Soon afterwards, we welcomed three young steer who'd been rescued as veal calves (see pg 2).

Within two weeks of the calves' arrival, Jenny and Doug held their wedding in what is now a field for a flock of rescued sheep. In lieu of gifts, they asked their guests to make donations to the budding sanctuary. Before that first winter, they were already breaking ground on what would become the first of several larger barns.

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In a world full of people who couldn't care **less**, be someone who couldn't care **more**.



In celebration of 10 years please donate today!

www.WoodstockSanctuary.org/give or PO Box 1329, Woodstock, NY 12498 or call 845-679-5955.

Woodstock Farm Animal Sanctuary is one the country's most recognized and respected sanctuaries for farm animals. At the heart of our mission is the hands-on work of rescuing, rehabilitating and caring for farm animal refugees – as well as educating the public about the treatment of animals who are raised for food and the many benefits of a vegan diet.

We can be reached at info@woodstocksanctuary.org, or PO Box 1329, Woodstock, NY 12498, or 845-679-5955. Our IRS filings can be found online at Guidestar.com, or upon request, the latest annual report can be obtained from the organization or from the Office of the Attorney General, Charities Bureau, 120 Broadway, New York, NY 10271.

Dear Friend.

We are ecstatic to share with you that August, 2014 marks the Ten Year Anniversary of Woodstock Farm Animal Sanctuary!

Starting with only passion and a dream, the Sanctuary is now home to over 300 amazingly resilient, happy animals who are living out their lives in peace. Thousands of people visit annually to learn the truth about the lives of farm animals, and they often find something in their hearts they didn't even realize was missing.

So much has changed in the last ten years, both good and bad. On one hand there are vegetarian schools popping up around the country, dairy consumption is dropping, and you can even buy vegan hot dogs and mayo at Walmart. On the other, so-called "ag-gag" laws have passed in some states to prevent undercover investigators from exposing animal cruelty, and global meat production is up 20% in the last decade alone.

We face immense challenges, but know that with your help, we are getting closer and closer to positioning farm animal rights as the next social justice movement.

The animals need you NOW more than ever. The important work of operating a sanctuary comes with enormous expenses, which increase every year. Any way you can, please give *today* – your generosity lives in their happiness.

With your continued support, just think of what else we can accomplish in the next ten years!

For the animals,

Jenny Brown and Doug Abel

Co-Founders



Our First Residents



Elvis, Ralphie & Andy have been with us for all ten years of our existence, thanks to their rescuer Libra Max.

Back in 2002 Libra came upon a dairy farm when she heard the heartbreaking bellows of cows echoing from a barn.

Upon entering, she found 30 or so dairy cows on one side of the barn. Tied up in a dark, dismal area behind a wall were their young male calves awaiting sale to a veal farmer. As is the case with all dairy operations, the babies were cruelly taken away from their mothers within a day or two of birth so her milk could be sold for human consumption—an event that leaves both greatly traumatized. "I left that barn overwhelmed with grief by what I had witnessed," Libra recalls, "but not before promising 3 calves who had locked eyes with me that I would be back."

This *very* hectic pace continued for the next few years, and with the help of friends and supporters like you, we are now home to over 300 formerly abused, abandoned, escaped and discarded farm animals. Here they have names, not numbers. They know only love, comfort and the care they need to grow old and live happily ever after.

While building and running a sanctuary has been a monumental undertaking, opening hearts and minds to the plight of farm animals makes it all worthwhile. Many people leave our gates forever changed by their up close and personal connections with our residents, while also learning about the treatment of animals on farms large and small across the country.

The animals themselves are our greatest ambassadors – revealing their unique personalities and desire for affection and attention – just like our cats, dogs and horses. Most importantly, they remind us that farm animals are sentient beings who value their lives as much as we do.

We've got some big announcements coming down the pike that will dramatically increase our ability to help even more animals, so stay tuned! We hope you'll continue to support Woodstock Sanctuary's vital work by making a donation today (see enclosed remittance envelope).





The very next day, Libra enlisted the help of her friend Andy Kaplan and successfully negotiated their release. She named them Elvis, Andy, and Ralphie, and scrambled to place them in temporary homes.

In 2004 Libra learned about a brand new sanctuary in Woodstock. She generously offered \$10,000 to fence in a pasture and buy a small barn for the trio. These funds were the seed

money needed to give us our start.

In celebration of 10 years and to help us continue our life-saving work, she recently challenged our supporters to match a <u>brand new</u> \$10,000 gift. We're so grateful to her and to all of you who make Woodstock Sanctuary possible!

And by the way, it's not too late to give in honor of our 10th Anniversary!

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Ralphie at 4 months 1
Tied by the neck at a dairy farm, he was weeks away from being sold off

With Libra and sanctuary Co-Founders
Doug Abel and Jenny Brown