

## RABIES PRECAUTIONS

The Wyckoff Board of Health would again like to remind all residents that the following steps should be taken to minimize the potential threat of contracting rabies by family pets and family members alike:

- Do not feed wild animals.
- Do not leave food or water for pets in the yard.
- Do not allow children to pet strange animals. Warn them of the danger involved in petting strange animals, even dogs and cats.
- Immunize your dogs and cats for rabies.
- Do not let pets roam free.
- Do not feed stray cats and dogs. If you wish to keep a stray cat or dog, immunize the animal and obtain a license.
- Be aware of any wild animals, especially raccoons, skunks and squirrels which are staggering and falling. This is a sign of sickness and the animal should be avoided and the Police Department contacted at 201-891-2121.

The Board of Health also cautions that the rabies virus can be transmitted to humans through an infected animal's saliva. Also, stay away from wild animals that come too close, sick animals are more brazen and can attack without warning. For information about dog and cat licensing, call the Municipal Clerk of the Township of Wyckoff at 201-891-7000.