

Chesapeake Cats & Dogs, Inc.

Working to provide a life of love and dignity for all animals



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Considering Adoption?

By Kathy Hunter

WITH KITTEN SEASON upon us and puppies available all year long, people looking for a new pet tend to gravitate toward these cute little furballs. They all need homes, but we ask that you consider adopting a mature pet.



Ask about special discounted adoption fees for adults like us!—Coletrane (l) & Teddy (r).

There are many benefits to adopting an older animal. They are usually housebroken, calmer, and less energetic than puppies and kittens. Young animals require lots of care, which can be exhausting and frustrating for busy families. In addition to being housetrained, most adult dogs have basic obedience skills. Grown cats know how to use a litter box and scratching posts. There are also no surprises as to their true size and appearance. Most important, you get a sense of the animal's personality and can more accurately match a pet to your lifestyle and family.

Many of the animals in our system have lost their homes due to the economy, not because of health or behavioral issues. They grieve the loss of their families and don't understand the unfortunate turn of events in their lives. Please don't overlook these adult cats and dogs. They need a loving home as much as, if not more than, the others.

If you are not able to adopt at this time, please consider being a foster parent. For more information on this call or write CCAD. Thank you!

Stroll for Strays

ONE + ONE = HUNDREDS! Last fall, one volunteer had an idea for a fundraiser and the willingness to organize and carry it out. Last Saturday, her idea came to life as our first Stroll for Strays and made its mark as both a very significant fundraiser for the animals and a good time for all.

While I know that at times she was more than a little stressed about all the details including the uncontrollable weather, Kelly Cooper carried it off with a true dedication to the cause of animal rescue and welfare.

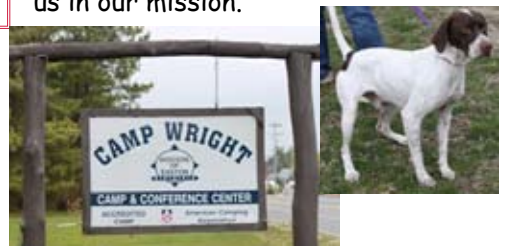
This one fundraiser will save the lives and improve the health of hundreds of animals that are in need this year.

We are ever grateful to our volunteers and supporters who participated in the Stroll, as well as those who do so many things to help us in our mission.

SEEKING AN ORGANIZED CHEERLEADER!

Our greatest need now is for a Volunteer Coordinator. We are a growing organization, and this role changes as we do. We need someone who can put together a working list of active volunteers, keep them updated on activities, help define what they wish to be part of, and keep in touch with our event organizers to ensure that we have coverage at all events. The coordinator will work with the Center manager to ensure that volunteer shifts at our adoption center are covered as needed. If this is something you would be willing to do to help CCAD grow, we would love to have your help. Contact Kathy or Sheila via Info@chesapeakecats.com for more info.

We also really need a **Dog Foster Coordinator** (some dog fosters would be great too!). Please consider taking on this job for CCAD dogs in need.



Top Pledge Forms (under 18)

- Summer Voss—(9 years old)
- Donald Ricker—(17)
- Amanda Fine—(11)
- Victoria Lafferty—(6)
- Jake Lafferty—(8½)

Top Pledge Forms (adult)

- Muriel Ortiz
- Deb Vogelsang
- Curtis Schmitt

It's not too late to send in your Stroll pledges, even if the weather kept you away!



Fundraisers



Kitten Shower








You're Invited!
 Doc's Riverside Grille
 Mardi Paw Party
 March 9, 2011 6-9pm
 to benefit
 Chesapeake Cats & Dogs



UPCOMING CCAD EVENTS

- April 23**—Spring Yard Sale, Safeway, Chester, 8 AM-1 PM. Call the Center to donate.
May 1—Longaberger/Vera Bradley Bingo. American Legion, Stevensville, Noon-4.
May 7—Western Auto Bake Sale, Stevensville, 8 AM-1 PM.
 —Spring Plant Sale, CCAD, Stevensville, 8 AM-1 PM.
 —Children's Fair, Big Vanilla, Arnold.
 —Yappy Trails on Trail Dogs Walk, CBEC, Grasonville.
May 21—Preakness Celebration, TBD. Great annual event!! Grasonville. Outside on beautiful waterfront; food, entertainment, silent auction, bar, adoptable animals!! Tickets on sale soon.
For information, to volunteer, donate, sponsor, etc., e-mail Cindy@acdd4@aol.com

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Vendors included Go Wireless (Stevensville), Spirit Paws, Grammy's Sewing Corner (which also donated a blanket for our Preakness Celebration Silent Auction), Jumpin' Jack Treats, Trish "B" Doggone Walking Service, Bow Wow Creations, Treasured Pet Creations, Benedictine School, Dandyland Pet Care Service, Dr. Janet Van Horn and Caroline County Humane. Thank you to the Community Volunteer Fire Department for your support.



RECENT ADOPTIONS

DOGS: *Smokey*, by Harry Smith, Oxford.

CATS: *Karissa*, by Brenda Geesaman, Centreville. *Rachel*, by Rudy & Debbie Lukacovic, Chester.

Raven & Valentino, by Jamie Root, Stevensville. *Lola*, by Kelley Cunningham, Stevensville. *Radar*, by Jamie Reed, Berwyn Heights. *Kit*, by Elizabeth Squires, Reisterstown.



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