

# Chesapeake Cats & Dogs, Inc.

“Working to provide a life of love & dignity for all animals.”

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## Celebrate the Fourth of July With a New Pet

Meet Leroy, Ginger, Annie, Butterscotch, Carrie and Molly. We have cats and kittens of all colors and sizes. Many of the cats



and kittens are at our Center on Kent Island across from Western Auto off Castle Marina Road. They have much love to share with you. (The puppies come and go so fast that we do not get the opportunity to include their pictures in the newsletter.)

## Freida – The Story of a Feral Mom Cat



“This first week of June I am pleased to celebrate the one year anniversary of Freida being at my house. For those who don’t remember her beginning, a girl walked into the Center carrying a laundry basket with four tiny kittens in it. She found them under her condo on Thompson Creek. Not even two weeks old, I feared they would not survive without their mother. So,



with trap in hand I headed over to the condo and set a trap in the crawl space. Two hours later I showed up at Bev's Grooming with a small gray cat that Bev confirmed was a nursing mother. Off to my home with a playpen in the other hand, we set up shop in the back bedroom. Freida and her babies were a family again. She was wild eyed and crazed, but a dedicated mom. She watched closely as I took the babies out each day to socialize them. I never touched her. After a few weeks, I got rid of the playpen and allowed them to run around the room. Freida still never came near me.

Eventually the kittens got homes -- two to one family and two to another. Freida seemed to enjoy her empty nest and soon began to venture out with my other cats. It would be 6 months before I could touch her and 9 months before she took her first leap of faith into my lap. Now she comes when she's called and can't get enough attention. She's an awesome cat. Good things come to those who wait. I couldn't love her more! I just wanted to share some before and after photos.”



Kathy Hunter

**You are invited to a cookout and pool party at Wendi Weinstein's estate in Twin Coves in Stevensville. Saturday, July 26<sup>th</sup> from 6 to 10 PM. Good food, live entertainment, raffles, 50-50, and animal loving people. All for a \$20 donation per person or \$30 per family. Come see the miniature horses, Great Danes & other pets. Please call Phyllis Lee at 410-643-9351 or the Center at 410-643-9955 to RSVP.**



## Letters From Happy Families



‘Sheila, You ask how our baby boy is? Let me tell you -- he is as happy as a clam. He claimed our bed as his. He prefers it when we fluff the down duvet so there is a "nest like" atmosphere, unless I am coming to bed -- then he explained that it was on top of me or between my legs that he would be sleeping. As it gets warmer I think there will be

some negotiating on that. All of our windows are opened in the afternoon and all are accessible to him. He has three different views - Morgan calls them his TV channels. They are the bird and people channel, the squirrel channel and the rabbit channel (with occasional wild chicken sightings). He gives them all equal time, but seems to enjoy the rabbits best.

He is an early riser and demands kisses right away from Randy and myself, then goes to Morgan's room for the royal treatment there. After love, comes breakfast and then a brief nap. Then come several hours of sunning, snacking and sleeping. He received lots of welcome toys from us, and family friends, but seems to enjoy his stolen piece of string (from Morgan) the best. I'm sure you can tell that we love him dearly and couldn't be happier that he chose us." Blessed Be, Jo"

"It's hard to believe that we have had Nelson in our home for a little more than a year now. What an amazing cat he has been! He loves to race into the bathroom to either the sink or tub for a drink the minute he assumes someone is on their way there! He must at all time have food in his bowl, hungry or not and will make sure you are aware of that! He has become quite the escape artist and literally talks back to you when you catch him to bring him back into the house. We have even tried to accommodate his need for the outdoors with a harness and he has outsmarted that as well. He is a three legged cat with a four legged spirit!!! We absolutely treasure him." **Gigi** (Editor's note: The Nelson Cheddar Fund, a medical needs fund, is named after this special cat.)

### Many Happy Adoptions in May and June

Many adoptions occurred recently. The new cat families are: **Pat & Bill Baker** of Edgewater who adopted beautiful Buffy, **Doug Johnson** of Stevensville whose home now includes 2 black and white handsome cats named Squeak and General, **Joy & Ron Leonardi** of Stevensville who renamed kitten Goldie to Torie, **Mr. & Mrs. Martin** of Easton who love stately King Tut, **Holly Johnson** who adopted kitten Tex whose new name is McNulty, **Emily LaCivita** of Stevensville who adopted friendly Olive and kitten Gunsmoke (renamed to Smokey), **Kelly Bagby** of Stevensville who is enjoying black and white Sprinkle (her 8 year old daughter can hardly put the kitten down), **Kathy Thomas** who adopted Silky and renamed him Herkie, **Ed & Nancy Wisherd** of Smithsburg who love the beautiful beige cats Zeus and Apollo renamed Baxter and Buster and **Sue & Robert Howells** of Chester who immediately bonded at the Center with Callie.

The new dog families are: **Michael Cate** of Stevensville who adopted the St. Bernard Bailey, **Abbie Traux** of Severna Park is enjoying her Miniature Dachshund named Peanut, **Susan Hunsberger** of Greenwood, DE whose new pet is a black Lab named Annie, **Christine Briggs** of Timonium who renamed her Lab mix Shila from Maya, **Jason & Heather Johnson** of Parkville who have another black Lab named River, **Connie Thomas** and family of Shadyside who are enjoying their black lab Holly, **Mr. & Mrs. Scott Price** of Kernersville, NC whose family now includes Hank a Perro de Pressa (seen at right), **Mary Giolitti** and family of Stevensville who fostered and adopted a Doberman Pinscher named Luke (pictured at left) and **Matt & Laurel Carr** who have a cute Lab/Chow mix named Chloe.



### CCAD Shows Cats & Dogs at the Chester Safeway Store & at Kmart

Local businesses are very accommodating to our group showing CCAD adoptable pets. Thank you to all the volunteers who baked for the bake sale and helped at these events. We appreciate all volunteers. Thanks!!!



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