

It was a pleasure to meet her and see her content, playful kitten. We were happy we could help Sharon and Louie stay together especially during Thanksgiving week. We are also pleased that Sharon will be able to help us by being our newest kitten foster mom.

Shed Sale to Benefit Chesapeake Cats



Mary Giolitti cleaned out her shed at Giolitti's Deli in Annapolis and held a 2 day impromptu shed sale. Her 2 daughters, **Alia** and **Sophia**, worked the tables outside of the Deli on Saturday, November 25th. They were enthusiastic and adorable. Numerous diners stopped to talk to the girls and make a donation. Two of Mary's foster kittens, Jack and Will, were on display. The kittens were a real hit, especially with the families with young children. On Sunday, **Phyllis Lee** and **Kathy Hunter**, kept the sale going. A total of \$283.79 was collected during this event.

Meet More of our Foster Kittens

Lucy is our latest foster kitten. She is an adorable, black 10 week old kitten in the foster home of **Nancy Wiley**. Nancy has 2 adult kittens and a dog that the kitten is playing with. She was bottle fed by Sharon in the front page story so she is well socialized.

Layla is a female orange tabby born around the end of September. A construction worker found her and 2 siblings in a shed abandoned by their mother. He called **Sheila Wentzel** and she called **Diane Bedlin** to be a foster



mom to these young kittens that needed bottle feeding.

When the Bedlin family received the 2 week old kittens, they were very dirty and very hungry. Two of them became very sick and died which was very traumatic for the foster family. They were determined not to lose Layla and she became their focus. They are happy to report that she is a wonderfully spoiled little girl now. She is growing strong and playing hard. They want her to receive a very special home because they are so attached to this kitten who they describe as "wonderful".

If we had more foster homes, we could take more cats out of Queen Anne County Animal Control. If you would be interested in fostering a kitten or two, please contact **Sheila Wentzel** (410-827-3148).

Cats Being Shown at Bev's Grooming and Petco

Bev Thomas of Bev's Grooming has generously permitted



Chesapeake Cats to set up a playpen in her store so the kittens and cats in our foster homes may be seen by the public. Thank you Bev

and son **Frank Thomas!** Stop by their store in Stevensville on Marion Quimby Drive to see the cats and buy your furry friends some Christmas presents. We have also begun displaying our cats and kittens on Sundays at the Petco Store on Forest Drive in Annapolis.

Community Financial Support

Distribution of the Premier Issue of our newsletter has resulted in significant financial support from the community of animal lovers. This money is being used for the veterinary bills of the cats in foster care and hopefully towards the cost of renting a space for Chesapeake Cats and Dogs. Thank you to everyone who supports the work we do with rescued animals.

Reminder –Bingo Party

Sunday, the 17th of December, Chesapeake Cats is having a **Bingo/Christmas party**. It will occur at **Giolitti's Deli** in the Parole area of Annapolis between 2 and 6 PM. The \$20 tickets are available from Sheila 410-827-3148 or Phyllis 410-643-9351. The tickets will be \$25 at the door.

Internet Activity

Donations can now be paid through Paypal on our web site www.chesapeakecats.com. There are also pictures of some of our cats at this site. Our cats can also be seen at www.petfinder.com. Don't forget to sign up for the Chesapeake Cats Yahoo Group.

Founder's Circle

Chesapeake Cats is seeking people to join our Founder's Circle. The donation levels are:

\$1,000. – Tuxedo Cat
\$ 500. – Himalayan Cat
\$250. - American Shorthair Cat
\$100. – Maine Coon Cat
\$ 50. – Polydactyl Cat

The **Board and Officers of Chesapeake Cats and Dogs, Inc.** continue to be excited with the progress we are making. If you have any questions or have an interest to work within this organization, please contact any of the Board of Directors: **Bill Barnes, Carol Fordonski, Mary Giolitti, Cynthia Harden, Kathy Hunter, Peter Lee, Kathy Thomas and Sheila Wentzel.** Our new answering service number is

If you would like to have your name removed from our mailing list, just email Phyllis Lee at pblee2@verizon.net. If you would like to have future newsletters sent via email, just send us your email address at the same address or call Chesapeake Cats and leave a message. We are dedicated to keeping everyone who is interested informed of our activities.