

Dear Friends,

# Chesapeake Cats and Dogs, Inc.

"Working to provide a life of love and dignity for all cats and dogs."



March 14, 2007

### President's Corner

It has been a very busy month! I was thrilled with the results of our Trap, Neuter and Return (TNR) effort in cooperation with the State Police Barracks and Queen Anne County Animal Control. CCAD took all 5 kittens from the feral colony near the barracks into foster care, paid for the spay and neuter of all the cats plus medical attention for the three adults, released them back to their home after their surgeries, and coordinated the operation to care for this colony of feral cats. Animal Control trapped them and the surgeries were done in their clinic. Now we will find good homes for the kittens and the released adults will be fed and cared for back at the police barracks. The local newspaper featured an article on this very positive outcome for these cats.

Our Italian Night Dinner fund raiser was successful and fun for everyone. It was wonderful to see people we have not seen in awhile and to catch up with how their animals, adopted from us in the past, are thriving. The Moose Lodge created an excellent dinner for everyone and we are grateful for their support.

We are working on our new Adoption Center. Board members have been painting and cleaning the rented space to ready it for kitten season. Anyone who is willing to volunteer to take care of the cats for one hour at the center, (one shift per week) please call me at (410-827-3148). This is very gratifying work and I hope many people sign up as I would like to have three shifts per day rather than two so that the cats and kittens will receive the love and attention they need.

We are also working hard on the Longaberger Basket Bingo set for March 25<sup>th</sup> at the American Legion in Stevensville. This event will be a success only if we sell tickets, so please everyone, sell tickets! This is going to be as good as it gets for a basket bingo. All baskets are filled and have liners and protectors.

CCAD is moving forward so quickly and positively. I want to thank all of our members for the support that has enabled the organization to be so successful! **Sheila Wentzel, President** 



Our new center and sign in the Island Business Park in Stevensville.



#### **Adoptions**

In February, Lulu went to her new home in Stevensville. She now has a new sister, Lily, as well as a Chinchilla and two golden retrievers to play with. Congratulations to **Kathy Fearnow** and her family on their new addition. Then in March, beautiful Hercules went to his new home with **Amber Duty** in Queenstown. Hercules was a bottle baby who is an affectionate kitten. Congratulations Amber.



The dog at the top of the newsletter, Jack, is being adopted by **Marilyn Schroeder**. Soon Jack will be on an airplane to his new home in Denver, CO. The aunt of **Kathy Hunter** and **Mary Giolitti** saw Jack's photo on Pet Finder and instantly fell in love. Both of her dogs passed away last year so she is anxious to welcome Jack into her home. He is one lucky dog.

#### **Foster Cats and Dogs**



Gloria is still waiting for her forever home. She is being fostered by **Kathy Hunter** who describes her as one of the quietest, easiest, most wonderful kittens she has ever fostered. She is dainty and has quite unusual, beautiful markings.

Kathy is also fostering three younger brown tabbies. They are very playful and active kittens, but extremely lovable and social as well. They are true lap cats. Mickey is seen to the right.



Pumpkin, an 18 month old female Rottweiler, was found on Halloween nearly starved to death. She was extremely weak & undernourished and barely able to walk. She was reluctant to trust people and was accustomed to living a rough, not so happy life. Remarkably, she has successfully completed heart worm treatment, gained almost 20 lbs, and is ready to enjoy living! She is healthy, energetic, and is starting to trust her new environment. Pumpkin is good with other dogs. She will be best suited in a patient home with a handler who can devote time to bringing back her confidence and trust. Pumpkin's foster mom is **Elizabeth Chaney** of the **Perfect Pet Resort.** 

These are the five kittens that we rescued from the TNR at the state police barracks in Centerville. The first three, Fluffy, Shadow and Spike, are in foster care with **Eva Cianchetta. Joyce and Bill Barnes** are caring for Huff and Puff. All the kittens are very sweet and are quickly learning to trust and enjoy human contact.











#### Letter from an Adopter

I LOVE THESE BOYS!!! I can't wait for you to see them, they are so beautiful, Josh is filling out and his little face is so pretty - and Caleb is ridiculously affectionate....and intense! Lots of fun – we all go to bed together - and they stay put until I get up. Amazing,...lots to tell! Thanks, **Melinda** 



## Longaberger Basket Bingo Sunday, March 25<sup>th</sup> American Legion in Stevensville (Route 8 South) Doors open 12:30 PM Games begin at 2:00 PM

This event is a special one! All the lined Longaberger baskets will be sponsored and filled with gifts. You can purchase food, buy 50/50 raffle tickets, win a door prize and participate in the Silent Auction. Give yourself ample time before the bingo begins to check out the Silent Auction



items. If you have an item to donate for the Silent Auction, please email **Phyllis Lee** at <u>pblee2@verizon.net</u> or call her at 410-490-7484 or 410-643-9351.

The cost of the Basket Bingo is \$20 in advance and \$25 at the door. All proceeds of this event will further help Chesapeake Cats and Dogs fulfill our mission. Funds will be used for the medical care of animals and for a reserve

for our new shelter rental. Thank you to everyone who has helped make the Basket Bingo event successful. It has taken many volunteers and much board member time to sponsor this event which is expected to be the largest fundraiser that Chesapeake Cats and Dogs does this year. The more money we raise, the more cats and dogs we can help. Tell your neighbors and friends about it. We hope to see many of you there. It's just next week so mark your calendars. If you would like to reserve your tickets call **Joyce Barnes at 410-643-6146.** 







Meet some of the new center's painters – Carol Fordonski, Bill Barnes and Ken Wentzel.

**Thank you!** Several other board members also painted. We are looking forward to opening the center so you can see it too.

#### **Board of Director Changes**

Welcome to our newest Board member, **Teresa Peruchi** of Chester. Thank you to **Cynthia Harden** who was our Founding Board Treasurer.

Phyllis Lee, Editor