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Hello ARF Friends,

RAFFLE CALENDARS

Monday, May 21st is the next drawing. 742 Calendars sold. A \$10.00 Raffle Calendar gives you 244 chances to win and you can win multiple times. It is the gift that keeps on giving all year long. Call ARF if you would like to purchase a calendar.

NEWS FLASH

Again I want to thank all our volunteers, players and sponsors of our past event, Longerberger Basket Bingo. The proceeds from this event: \$5,757.93.

Adoption totals: Jan. 1, **2007** to May 17, **2007** – total animals adopted **81**
Jan.1, **2006** to May 17, **2006**– total animals adopted **66**

UPCOMING EVENTS

May 19, 2007 – **Kent Island Day**

May 20, 2007 – **6th Annual Howard County Pet Expo** – 11 am – 3:00 pm at the Schooley Mill Park. In Highland, Maryland. Rain date Sunday, June 3rd

June 2, 2007 – **2nd Annual Pet Adopt – A – Thon** – 11 am – 4 pm at the Tuckahoe Steam and Gas Show grounds on Rt. 50 in Easton, Maryland

June 16, 2007 – **Art Council Event** – Centreville, Maryland

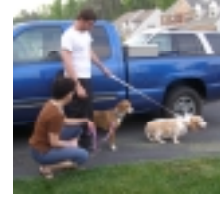
June 23, 2007 - **Chesterwye Center, Inc** – 4-H Park

August 26, 2007 – **Crab Feast** – Kent Island Yacht Club

ADOPTION NEWS

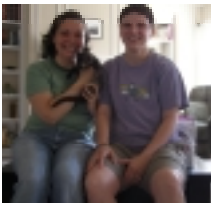


Charlotte has finally gone home! She has been with ARF since August 2006. Charlotte is very shy and likes things to be quiet around her. We thought for sure she would always be ARF's office dog, but we were wrong. Darlene of Chester, Maryland came to ARF everyday for two weeks and developed a relationship with Charlotte. The rest of the family also came to meet her and although they were not as optimistic as Darlene about adopting such a shy dog they agreed to give it a try. If anyone can help Charlotte it will be this family. They are very caring, kind and they have the patience of a saint. ARF's volunteers, staff and Board members have great hope that this will be Charlotte's forever home.



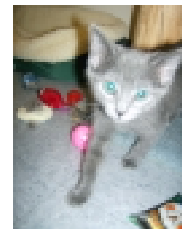
Spanky arrived to his new home on Saturday evening in Ellicott City, Maryland. He will be living in a very busy household with 3 small children. Spanky did not even notice when Wayne and Susan left as he was so excited running around his new backyard with the children. This lovely family is the perfect fit for a pup like Spanky.

Brooke made a trip to ARF's Adoption Center all the way from Elizabethtown, PA just to meet Edison the kitten. She instantly fell in love with him and couldn't wait for him to come home. Wayne and Susan delivered Edison to his new home on Saturday night where Brooke and her fiancé were waiting patiently for his arrival.



Ann and Penny from Annapolis, MD adopted Rosemary on Saturday morning. She is now living in a home with 2 other cats and lots of cat trees and wonderful toys. Rosemary was busy exploring her new home and meeting her new friends when Susan and Wayne left to go to the next adoption scheduled for that day.

Nicole delivered Baxter to his new forever home last Friday afternoon. Kat from Stevensville, Maryland adopted Baxter once she instantly fell in love with him visiting ARF's Adoption Center.



Alexander also moved to his new home in Grasonville, Maryland Friday afternoon. The Thomas family is so happy to have him home. Before Nicole left, Alexander was on the floor playing with the dogs.



The Shanahan family adopted Glen (left pup in picture)! Kris was helping Donna and Bill foster Glen while they were on vacation and that was all it took. ARF was notified that the family has fallen in love with Glen and that he will be staying. Glen is now living with two small children and Molly (pup on right of picture). Molly also was adopted from ARF last fall of 2006.

Delilah and Annie were lucky enough to move to a family that had the room for both of them. They are now living in Grasonville, Maryland in a very busy household with 5 children and two cats.



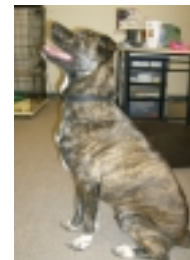
Susan and Wayne left bright and early Thursday morning to deliver Casey to his new home in Philadelphia, PA. Casey's new Guardian is a veterinarian and he will be going to work with her each day.

KITTEN/CAT NEWS

ARF has a few more new temporary residents. Montgomery County Humane Society called asking us for help. They just had a mama cat with 6 two-week old kittens turned over to them and they were running out of space. ARF was saving a room just for a case like this so Debbie (volunteer for MCHS) brought mommy and babies to us. If anyone would like to foster this group until the kittens are 8 weeks old, please give us a call.

DOG/PUPPY NEWS

Cody was adopted from ARF last year but was returned to us last weekend. The family is having some medical problems and could no longer keep her. She is an Akita/Shepherd mix and is as beautiful as she is sweet. Cody is about 1 year old, spayed, housetrained and up-to-date on her shots.



WISH LIST

Mr.Clean multi-purpose cleaner, **BLEACH**, large kitchen trash bags, **FANCY FEAST GRILLED KITTEN FOOD**

CAT SHIFTS

There are still more shifts available for taking care of the cats, they are:

Morning Shift – Sunday

Mid-day shift - Sunday, Monday and Thursday

Evening shift – Thursday

DOG SHIFTS

The shifts that are available for the dogs are:

Mid-day shift – Monday and Tuesday

Evening shift – Sunday, Tuesday and Thursday

Late Night Shift – Monday and Wednesday

If anyone would like to give any of these shifts a try please contact the office.

He's Just My Dog



He is my other eyes that can see above the clouds; my other ears that hear above the winds. He is the part of me that can reach out into the sea.

He has told me a thousand times over that I am the reason for his being. By the way he rests against my leg. By the way he thumps his tail at my smallest smile. By the way he shows his hurt when I leave without taking him. (I think it makes him sick with worry when he is not along to care for me).

When I am wrong, he is delighted to forgive. When I am angry, he clowns to make me smile. When I am happy, he is joy unbounded. When I succeed, he brags. Without him, I am only another human. With him, I am all-powerful!

He has taught me the meaning of devotion. He is loyalty itself. With him, I know a secret comfort and a private peace. He has brought me understanding where I was ignorant. His head on my knee can heal my human hurts. His presence by my side is protection against my fears of dark and unknown things.

He has promised to wait for me...whenever...wherever, in case I need him. And I expect I will as I always have. **HE IS MY DOG!**



-Author Unknown

A SPECIAL REQUEST

Below is a letter from Sue, a long time member of ARF and her father Lee who adopted one of our dogs about 4 years ago.

Hi All, My Father Lee Melnick in Easton had adopted Nikki several years ago. My Father has been rushed to the hospital and is being transported to Baltimore for Bi Pass surgery tomorrow. I have friends as well as my family and I have been driving to Easton to care for her. The problem is she cannot be with any other animals. This was the problem Denise had run into while Nikki was in her care prior to her adoption by my Father. I cannot bring her here because I have a dog and a cat. She is the most wonderful dog, medium size looks like a small Lab. Has never chewed on a thing nor had an accident in the house. She loves people, kids, very sweet temp. except for being around other animals. My Dad is worried to death and said for me to call you guys and see if you can help us in any way? He receives your newsletters and we attend most functions so have kept up to date with ARF. Is there any way she can be cared for by a foster family for approx. 8 weeks? He will have to go into rehab after the surgery, he is almost 81 and it will take some time to recoup from the surgery. I don't know if this is possible but I am racking my brains trying to figure out what to do. We will continue to go back and forth and care for her I just feel badly that she is left all alone now day and night except for a few visits by us and friends that are helping us out. She is so use to Dad being with her 24/7 constant companions as he doesn't go anywhere except to the store and doctor appt. etc. Please let me know if you have any ideas of what we can do I would really appreciate it. Thank you very, very much, Sue

If anyone can help out by being a temporary foster family, please contact the ARF's office, 410-643-8700.

DOG TRAINING CLASSES

If interested in signing up for ARF's next puppy and adult classes please register soon.

Puppy/Adult class, ages 18 weeks to older begins again on **Monday, June 4th** and **Wednesday, June 6th**.

Puppy classes, ages **10 weeks to 18 weeks** begins again on **Friday, June 8th** and **Saturday, June 9th**.

Allison is also offering a class called **Hollywood Hounds**. This class begins **Saturday, June 9th** for a 4-week course. Sounds like lots of fun!

For registration information you can go to ARF's website www.arfusa.org or contact ARF's office 410-643-8700.

SURPRISE!

Oops, Nicole was caught! We can officially say that Nicole was the very first one to use our beautiful new bathtub. She says it works very well.



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