

THE SCOOP



News from the Washington Humane Society

WALKING TO END PET HOMELESSNESS... one Step at a Time

On September 29, the guests were marching two by four, as over 500 attendees and countless furry friends walked to end pet homelessness. Thank you to everyone who supported the Washington Humane Society (WHS) at the DC Walk for the Animals & Pet-A-Palooza! With the help of your generous gifts and support, this event was a record breaker. You helped to raise over \$95,000 to support the critical programs and services that benefit thousands of homeless, lost, and abused animals in our nation's capital!

It was a fun-filled afternoon in Adams Morgan, on the field at Marie Reed Elementary School. Guests enjoyed contests, games, vendor booths, and other family-friendly

activities. Four-footed guests stole the show as they waded in doggie pools, showed off their best costumes, tested their skills on the agility course, and enjoyed treats and attention galore. Human guests were equally entertained with face painting, photos with pets, and a variety of educational information and demonstrations on the programs and services that WHS provides. Free dog licenses were provided on-site by the Department of Health and many of our community partners showcased their animal-friendly goods.

Adoptable dogs strutted their stuff in their very own parade, hoping to find their perfect match and forever home.

These amazing pups were escorted by WHS volunteers who then walked them across the stage and shared their individual stories. Fuzzy foster kittens enjoyed the view from their suites aboard Adopt Force One, attracting attention from attendees and passersby.

Dr. Katy Nelson, of *The Pet Show with Dr. Katy*, was a terrific MC for this community event along with Walk Grand Marshal, Jeannie Jones (*Kitty of the City*), and special guest, Big 100.3's Lisa Berigan.

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The Washington Humane Society publishes
The Scoop quarterly to inform friends and
supporters about our work protecting,
sheltering and improving the lives of homeless
and abused animals in Washington, DC.

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GETTING IN TOUCH

Cruelty/Neglect Reports: 202-BE-HUMANE (202-234-8626)

Call our main number, 202-BE-HUMANE (202-234-8626), and enter an extension for the following areas:

Development/Fundraising, ext. 221 Public Relations/Media, ext. 205 Finance, ext. 252 Human Resources, ext. 209



HOURS AND LOCATIONS 7319 Georgia Avenue, NW 202-BE HUMANE (202-234-8626) Adoption Hours 12:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. daily

Closed for adoptions on Wednesdays

Cruelty reports are accepted 24 hours a day

1201 New York Avenue, NE 202-576-6664

Adoption Hours
12:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. M - F
12:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. S, S
Stray and unwanted animals are
accepted 24 hours a day
Closed for adoptions on Wednesdays

National Capital Area Spay & Neuter Center

1001 L Street, SE For appointments call 202-88-ALTER (202-608-1356) (by appointment only)

Behavior and Learning Center 7315 Georgia Ave, NW 202-723-5730, Training and counseling by appointment only

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THE INSIDE SCOOP

At year's end we reflect on the past to plan for a brighter future; the Washington Humane Society is no exception. As I think of all that WHS and our community have accomplished for the District's animals in 2012, I eagerly anticipate the year to come. I hope that you will be a big part of that future – just as in years past – and enjoy reminiscing with me about 2012 highlights in this issue of the Scoop.



Lisa with Lila

Above all else, WHS strives to save lives. Everything we do contributes to this pivotal purpose. From fiscal year 2011

to fiscal year 2012 (Oct. I, 2011-Sept. 30, 2012), adoption rates increased by an astonishing 12.5%! We are thrilled to have helped find forever homes for hundreds of additional animals in need. But we don't focus on numbers alone – we look at every individual animal and ask what we can do for him and her. One of our favorite activities is to read the letters sent to us by grateful adopters, and I hope you enjoy reading about happy endings like Rosie's on page three.

This past year we also premiered our new mobile adoption center, Adopt Force One, bringing adoptable animals directly into our community to meet potential families. We also worked to ensure greater physical and mental health for our animals through increased medical and dental care, as well as exciting enrichment activities like canine play groups. Furthermore, we have reached out to rescue groups and other partners in the DC metro region and beyond, increasing transfers of WHS animals to partnering rescue groups by over 23%. I am proud of these accomplishments, all of which have helped transform the lives of animals in our care.

Perhaps most importantly, YOU rallied behind us like never before. Thank you for volunteering, adopting, fostering, and contributing financially to provide aid to DC's animals. This support was clear at events like our Walk for the Animals (see page one), where you helped us to raise over \$95,000, and it was also quite evident when watching dedicated volunteers supervise play groups, wash bedding for our animals, feed community cats, and lend a hand in various other ways.

Like WHS, you are dedicated to the safety, health, and happiness of the animals in our neighborhood. On behalf of our entire staff and Board of Directors, I extend my deepest gratitude and ask that you resolve to continue to help DC's animals in 2013 and beyond. Together we can make a huge difference in the quality of life for animals throughout our community. Happy holidays – and may your kindness be returned to you many times over!

For the animals,



Lisa LaFontaine President and CEO ceo@washhumane.



An ear tip means a community cat has been spayed or neutered!

BOBBY AND WHITNEY



Bobby and Whitney are two furry peas in a pod. These friends are simply inseparable and were fortunate to go home together. Shy at first, this pair quickly settled in and became too cute to look away. Whether it is Bobby chasing Whitney's tail from below a shelf, or the two of them snuggled up in a bear hug, there is no end to their adorableness. This pair survived together by staying together. They were part of a large group of cats found living in unsanitary conditions and brought in by a WHS Humane Law Enforcement officer. After four months of patience and love, Bobby and Whitney found the right family and were out the door and on their way to a new fur-ever home for two.

Have room in your heart for two? Visit us online at www.washhumane.org to find the right kitties for you. At WHS you can always adopt two cats for the adoption fee of just one.

ROSIE THE RIVETER





One morning in late September, there was a loud and urgent knock on the door of the WHS National Capital Area Spay & Neuter Center. A construction worker had found a tiny 6-week-old kitten on the verge of death at the 11th Street Bridge project, just across the street from the Center. She was ice-cold and gasping for air. A quick response from vet tech Margo Johnson and some tender loving medical care brought the kitten back to life. Her recovery was amazing and little Rosie was alert and purring when Gary, her rescuer, came back to visit her a few hours later.

We named the kitten Rosie the Riveter for her independent, can-do spirit. Rosie likely wandered away from her family, one of DC's many colonies of community cats, and into the construction site on one of the first cold nights of the season. Too young to keep herself warm overnight, she would have died if not for Gary. He's one of our everyday heroes, whose decisive compassion saved a life.

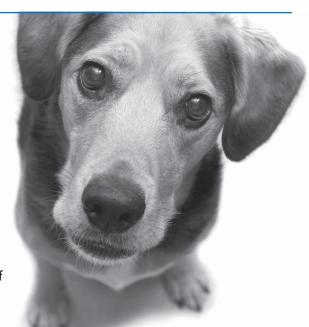
But the story doesn't end there! Gary and his wife Susan welcomed Rosie into their family, adopting her just one month later. When Rosie was big and healthy, Gary and Susan brought her back for a visit and to be spayed.

This heroic family saved Rosie's life. You can help save lives too by spaying or neutering your pet. Call 202-608-1356 to schedule a spay or neuter appointment.

SIT. STAY. DOWN. GOOD DOG!

Looking to spend some quality time with WHS pets? Then we have the perfect volunteer opportunity for you with the Behavior Training and Socialization Program. Under this program, volunteers will work with animals living at WHS to increase their mental stimulation and enrichment beyond their daily exercise. By learning basic cues and skills our animals will become even more likely to find their fur-ever homes, and will be more prepared when they get there. By having positive experiences while in our care, future pets are more apt to respond positively when meeting new people and a new home.

Interested in getting up close and personal with some furry friends? Then this volunteer opportunity is just for you! Contact Marika Bell, Director of Behavior and Training at 202-723-5730 to reserve your spot today.



Alumni Corner

GOA



Hi! Just wanted to update you on Goa. He is doing great. My daughter Ava loves showing him off to her friends. She has been busy finding out what he knows and teaching him some new things. His first night he woke up at 3am to go out, but last night he slept through the night. Ava read all the literature

you sent home in his folder and is the expert in his care. He has had no messes in the house. He doesn't try to get up on the beds or couch; he prefers his dog bed. He has been super sweet to everyone, but especially my daughter. He clings to her every word. We feel so fortunate to have found Goa. We keep looking at each other and saying "How could he have been in the shelter for so long???" We will keep you posted. He and our cat haven't worked out the terms of their living arrangement yet, but I am certain that they will.

Thanks so much! Kira, Tom & Ava (and grandma too)

LUCY (FORMERLY ANGIE)



This is Angie...
but we have
named her Lucy
because we
think it fits her
much better.
Lucy loves

her new home, the backyard, and all the furniture! She is happy to meet dogs in the neighborhood when we are out walking. She also has found her voice, after four days, and will do a little bark/growl sometimes when someone with a dog walks by outside. I guess that means she believes she is protecting her territory:)

We are very happy to have her as part of our family!

Janice, Jef, Jessica, Michelle and Lucy

OLIVER (FORMERLY CARBONI)

Hi, I adopted Carboni on June 14th and I wanted to give you an update. "Carboni" is now named Oliver, because like Oliver Twist he was an orphan, wears a black coat like Oliver did when he worked in the funeral parlor and I was an English major. I still need to think of a fitting middle name for him though.

I absolutely LOVE him! He has been such a great addition to my life. He is very sweet, loves to play, lounge, has a very healthy appetite and has been sleeping in my bed since day one. He truly does live up to his sweet and saucy nature. As you can see from his picture, he's even wearing a saucy custom-fit cat bow-tie! He does not usually wear the bow-tie, but he likes to show off on special occasions.



He is such a good little boy and I'm so lucky to have such a precious fur baby in my life. Overall, I wanted to share what a positive experience it has been to have Oliver. Although I lost my precious Betty, Oliver has managed to bring a lot of joy into my life. I care about him very much and being woken up by a big large black kitty every morning makes me happy. I want to thank you for such a wonderful cat.

Best wishes, Pilar

WASHINGTON WELCOMES WILDLIFE SPECIALIST



As Washington, DC grows and becomes more populated each year, there are an increasing number of animals being displaced from their "natural" habitats. At the same time, many of these adaptable species find a way to survive within the metro area, where food and shelter are readily available in the form of unsecured garbage bins and uncapped chimneys. Add in an abundance of infant animals that are injured in inclement weather, or accidentally taken from their parents by well-meaning finders, and we are left with an influx of urban wildlife with specific care needs.

WHS is proud to announce, and welcome, Robin Schindler into the new position of Wildlife Specialist.

This position was added to bridge the gap between humans and urban wildlife in the District. Robin is charged with helping our communities find a happy medium in coexistence and to better understand the animals who are still very much present in their lives. With a Specialist dedicated to wildlife issues, wildlife care, and community outreach, we hope to be able to carry on the WHS mission to save the lives of all species of animals, wild and domestic.

Want to learn more about urban wildlife? Join us on Facebook each week for Wildlife Wednesdays! Turn to page 12 to learn how you can connect to us online.

WASHINGTON HUMANE SOCIETY DESIGNATED FUNDS

WHS provides several ways for you to dedicate your dollars to programs that directly impact the lives of nearly 30,000 animals annually. If one of our designated funds touches your heart, please give generously at www.washhumane.org, via mail to Washington Humane Society, 7319 Georgia Avenue, NW, Washington DC 20012 or contact Darcy Levit, Director of Major Gifts for more information at dlevit@washhumane.org or 202-683-1824.

Sophie's Fund for Emergency Medical Care

• Contribute to this fund and provide special medical attention to the animals in our care.

Fund for Humane Education

Donate to this fund and support Humane Education for kids and teens in the district.

Feline Friends Fund to Save Cats

 Give here and reduce cat over population, eliminate the abuse and neglect of cats, and promote increased adoption of cats through our Spay/Neuter Program, Adoptions Program, Outreach Program, and by creating new programs to address specific issues.

William Blair, III Fund for Humane Law Enforcement

• Support this permanent endowment and help the WHS Humane Law Enforcement program to investigate cases of animal cruelty.

Canine Companion Fund

Contribute to this fund and and help us eliminate abuse, neglect, and overpopulation. Your gift will be
allocated to increasing adoptions, outreach, Spay/Neuter, Humane Education, and behavior and training
programs to enhance the adoptability of our canine friends.

General Endowment

• Your gift to our permanent endowment will support all WHS programs and services for years to come.

A PURRRFECT PARTNERSHIP: CATNIPP PROGRAM CARES FOR COMMUNITY CATS

The WHS Cat Neighborhood Partnership Program, or CatNiPP, provides vital services year-round for feral, free-roaming and marginally-owned cats. We are proud to call these felines our community cats.

Efforts to spay/neuter and vaccinate these outdoor cats helps to keep them healthy and works to reduce the number of kittens born on the streets, many of whom end up in our adoption centers. Community cats are found all across the District, from front porches to back alleys, from industrial areas to wooded havens. Dedicated volunteers, affectionately referred to as CatNiPPers, and other neighborhood community cat caretakers humanely trap and transport the kitties to the National Capital Area Spay & Neuter Center. Additional cats are brought in by members of the WHS Field Services team who respond to cat calls 365 days a year.

Thanks to your generosity, CatNiPP is on track to sterilize over 2,000 cats this year!

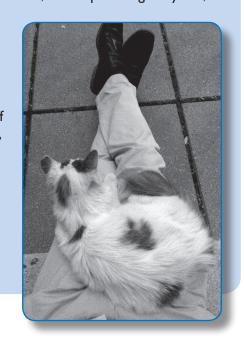
It is hard to miss the cats at Gerri's house at feeding time, when they all wait patiently on the porch. CatNiPP was glad to connect with her earlier this year and help her manage the colony she's been feeding for some time. Working with our staff and volunteers, Gerri trapped 22 cats this year alone, helping to stabilize the number of cats in her community.

Jon learned about CatNiPP when he brought social and street-smart Misty to the adoption center in August. He had been feeding the friendly cat regularly outside his condo for a month and was happy to continue to care for him. When Misty returned home after his visit to the spay/ neuter clinic, he found that he had a condo all of his own! Jon placed a snazzy shelter for Misty right outside the door to his own condo and filled it with straw to keep Misty warm through the winter. It took Misty a while to adjust to the new digs. Then one morning, when being called for breakfast, Jon reports, "Misty emerged sleepy eyed from the shelter! He ate a quick breakfast and quickly returned to bed. I can't blame him on this cold Monday morning."

When the Capital Bikeshare (CaBi) moved to their new bike yard in Southwest DC, they found a colony of cats were already in residence. CaBi took the cats under their wing...errr, peddle... and contacted CatNiPP for advice on how to go about trapping the cats. They soon borrowed traps and scheduled appointments for their felines, with the entire CaBi staff pitching in to help. Mila, Cap'n Petey, Uncle Montez, and five soon-to-be-named kittens now all proudly sport an ear-tip, the badge that a free-roaming cat has been spayed or neutered.

Pepco is another local business that deserves purrs and pats for supporting community cats. Ken, a facility operations supervisor from the Benning Road property in Northeast, contacted CatNiPP for assistance with the cats that some Pepco employees had been feeding. The sprawling facility is home to many cats, with some making their home in a warehouse, others patrolling the yards, and

more keeping close to a set of offices. In total, 16 Pepco cats have been CatNiPPed so far and we continue to work with their staff to trap, spay/neuter, and return (TNR) the remaining ones. Ken was familiar with TNR as he cares for his own colony of cats at his home in the suburbs!



SPOTLIGHT ON HUMANE EDUCATION

Under the direction of Program Manager Shakela Brown, the WHS Humane Educational Outreach Program supports school and community efforts designed to respect all life. In 2012, WHS provided educational programming at Hendley Elementary School, Bishop Walker School for Boys, Browne Educational Center, Anacostia High School, and McKinley Technology High School. This year our students also hit the streets, handing out information to city residents about the CatNiPP community cats program. Additional students from McKinley

Technology High School lent a hand at the Walk for the Animals & Pet-A-Palooza. Our Humane Education team also participated in Beat the Street, hosted by the Metropolitan Police Department, bringing the Adopt Force One mobile adoption van into the communities we serve together.

The Humane Educational Outreach Program continues to expand due to the referrals of teachers, social workers and community programs with the distinct goal of changing one community at a time by helping animals and the people who love them. If you have a group that would benefit from Humane Education, please call Shakela Brown at 202-723-5730 ext. 133 or email sbrown@washhumane.org.

YOUR WILL TO SECURE THE FUTURE OF WHS Today and Tomorrow

If you are reading *The Scoop* you are already showing your support for the Washington Humane Society. Have you considered securing the future of DC animals by naming WHS in your Will? Your compassion will ensure our capacity to provide animal rescue and cruelty investigations, shelter and adoptions, behavior learning, and humane education programs for decades to come.

Options to Get Started Today:

- Name "The Washington Humane Society" in your Will. Please let us know!
- Create a trust to benefit the animals in the care of the Washington Humane Society. A variety of trust options are available to match your personal financial goals.
- Name the Washington Humane Society as the full or partial beneficiary (or beneficiary and owner) on a life insurance policy.
- Designate the Washington Humane Society as the beneficiary of your retirement plan.
- Make a gift of highly appreciated stocks, bonds, or mutual funds and minimize capital gains taxes.

We urge you to discuss your estate planning goals with your family as well as a professional tax or financial advisor.

Since there may be special considerations that need to be addressed before legal documents or other types of action are implemented, please let us know of your intentions before moving immediately forward.

Please contact Darcy Levit, Director of Major Gifts, at 202-683-1824, dlevit@washhumane.org, or 7319 Georgia Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20012 with your questions, for more information, and to give notice to the Washington Humane Society that you are taking steps to secure our future toward protecting animals in our region.

Since 1870, Washington Humane Society has been serving our community, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. WHS operates on a tight annual budget. Pat Petro understands this and its challenges. She is a donor who is deeply committed to the WHS mission of animal welfare and wants to secure the future of this impactful organization.

A dedicated donor since 1987, Pat decided to name WHS in her will. After a tour of our New York Avenue adoption center, Pat saw an immediate need – cat scratchers! She donated cases of cat scratchers, so that each kitty gets a fresh scratch pad for their stay with us, until they are adopted. And thoughtfully, Pat sews small blankets for the comfort of our felines while sheltered at our facilities.

Thank you, Pat, for making our routine care practices part of your priority list. You are enhancing both our current conditions and our future capacity. The Washington Humane Society is most grateful for the breadth of your support! For more information on ways to support WHS, please contact Darcy Levit, Director of Major Gifts, at dlevit@washhumane.org or (202) 683-1824.

JUSTICE FOR ANIMALS: 2012 HUMANE LAW ENFORCEMENT REPORT

WHS Humane Law Enforcement (HLE) officers live the WHS mission. Each day, this dedicated team takes to the streets to protect the animals in the district from cruelty and harm, bringing to justice the humans responsible for these heinous crimes. WHS is proud to report on the following convictions and cases from 2012, just a small sample of what this team manages each and every day:

- WASHING TON HUMANE SOCIETA HUMANE OFFICER D.C.
- A man who slammed his dog into the ground was convicted and sentenced to one year probation, 120 days suspended jail sentence, and mandatory alcohol treatment.
- A man who threw his cat from a 7th floor window was convicted and sentenced to 18 months of supervised probation, anger management courses, mental evaluation, 50 hours of community service, \$50 payment to a victims fund, and 180 days suspended jail sentence.
- An underweight female brown brindle pit bull type dog was seized after an investigation revealed that the dog had been left unattended for over three days in a row. This case is pending further investigation.
- WHS received a complaint to check on the care and condition of several dogs who were also reported to be aggressive and
 jumping over their fence. A Humane Officer informed the owner of applicable laws and then brought two surrendered dogs
 to the WHS Georgia Avenue Adoption Center for medical care. Both dogs were underweight, had bite wounds and a skin
 condition. The the case is still under investigation.
- A Humane Officer seized a male tan and white pit bull type dog after he was found chained on the front porch of a single family home without shelter in below freezing temperatures.

CASH REWARD



On Saturday, October 20, Anne, a young black domestic short-haired cat was found severely injured. This incident occurred approximately mid afternoon behind 5615 Eads Street NE. The injuries to the cat, including serious head trauma, were so severe that she had to be humanely euthanized.

The Washington Humane Society desperately needs the help of the community for information leading to the arrest and conviction of the person or persons responsible for this horrific act of animal cruelty. The Washington Humane Society is offering a \$2,000 reward that will be given to any person who provides such information.

If you have any information about this case, please contact Washington Humane Society's Humane Law Enforcement Department:

Officer D'Eramo dderamo@washhumane.org or 202-723-5730 ext.131

Information will be kept confidential upon request.

CASH REWARD



On Wednesday, October 10, an adult female brown brindle dog, wearing a black harness, was found dead in a filthy crate at approximately 2 p.m. behind the abandoned house 2206 16th Street. SE.

We have reason to believe that this dog was alive at the time she was placed in this crate. Officers have

removed two dogs from this exact location within the last month after discovering there was no longer anyone living at the address.

The Washington Humane Society desperately needs the help of the community for information leading to the arrest and conviction of the person or persons responsible for this horrific act of animal cruelty. The Washington Humane Society is offering a \$1,500 reward that will be given to any person who provides such information.

If you have any information about this case, please contact the Washington Humane Society's Humane Law Enforcement Department:

Officer Russell arussell@washhumane.org or 202-723-5730 ext.132

Information will be kept confidential upon request.

WHS by the Numbers

Your snapshot of progress for fiscal year 2012. Increases reflect our growth from fiscal year 2011 to 2012.

ADOPTIONS	12.5% Increase
Cats & Kittens	1,707
Dogs & Puppies	638
Domestic Mammals	42
Domestic Rodents	19
Domestic Birds	15
Livestock	14
Other	82
TOTAL ADOPTIONS	2,517
TRANSFER OF ANIMALS TO PARTNER RESCUE ORGANIZATIONS	23.7% Increase
LIVE RELEASE RATE (animals who leave our centers healthy and happy)	15.8% Increase
CALLS TO HUMANE LAW ENFORCEMENT	1,404
ANIMALS OBSERVED BY HUMANE LAW ENFORCEMENT	2,912
CALLS TO ANIMAL CARE & CONTROL	12,808
CATNIPP FERAL CAT STERILIZATIONS	1,370
ALL SPAY AND NEUTER PROCEDURES	7,464
STUDENTS REACHED BY HUMANE EDUCATION AND OUTREACH	2,637



Honorariums

Allison Hawkins and Erin Lane Patricia Anderson

Bodhi Berman Nienstedt

Jennifer Brant

Brian & Helga Thomson

Terry Svat

Bryan and Tara Edgington

Genna Cohen

Eugene Kenny

Danielle Bays, Trinidad Cat Hero

Robert Parker David Robinson

Ioan Robinson

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Ellen Baker & John Doolittle Dr. Dana Greenwald, DDS

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Suzanne & Anna Youngkin

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Fenway & Rocksie

Francis McCarter

Gary Eyler

Hoffman

Elizabeth Nathans

Gary Nusbaum and Jennifer Jackson

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The Henry Family

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The Bennett Family

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Katie Yancy Linda & Michael Muncy

Anne Angstadt Katherine Giuffre Cat Needham

Paul Pharrel Karen's Kitties

Lee Salet Karin & Giles

Nancy & Fred Garcia Evelyn Maxwell

Kylie & Shimmy

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The Wickers Nan Yin and Carolyn Juan

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Linda Herrmann Jeffrey Herrmann Lisa LaFontaine

Michelle Mathy

Sharon Herman Maggie Mette Bory's Birthday Marjan Shallal

Azin Razavieh

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Rachel Allgood

Molly Williams

William & Cecilia Williams

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The Wedding of Neal Ullman and

Heather O'Loughlin Donations made through the "I Do"

Nora Colie Carole & Christopher Colie

Puppy Rescue

The Wedding of Rachel and Bill Young

Laura Winer with Bob, Rick, lessica and Shaun Richard & Shaun

Robert Guidos

David & Sarah Shulman

Ringo aka. Gringo

Marilyn Blandford & Michelle Boyd

Sarah Hamrick

Raymond White Wedding of Sarah Josephson &

Frank Fisanich

Cheryl Slayton Sarah Murray & Tony Walters

Christopher & Kirsten Casalenuovo Spiros Dimolitsas

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Sonia Torrico

Michael Wilson Theresa Beall & James Moran

Rebecca Clark

Tonka **Brittany Bowles**

Tonka

Amanda Uherek Ron Haeger & Karen Baumann

Lona Valmoro and Greg Speed Sponsor an Animal, Pete

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Asha Subramanian

Bentley Kirchart Rainbolt Elizabeth Bartheld

Bingo, Bolia, and Cocoa Stanley & Emilia Riggenbach Bob

Sangok Shin

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Elizabeth Buchbinder Frances Harding

Marlene Jaffe & Evelyn Aronson Francois Mizrahi

Diane Mizrahi Gatsby Bodron

Kathryn Killeen

Gracie Alice & Jerald Clark

Julie Kapral

John & Pat Henry & Martine the Bassett Hound

H. Joseph Berger Dr. Jeffery & Mrs. Barbara Phillips

Henrietta Herkert

Dorothy Webb

Henry Wendy Luke

Holly Keck

Amy Spokas Hoover Hudson

Julie Conway & Kathryn Lehman

Hudson

Andria Hayes-Birchler

Goodboy Elizabeth Nathans Indiana Bell

Stephanie Shayne

James Chester Boswell

Laura Boswell Joe, Brian's beloved best friend Susan Dickinson

Judy Matt McKay & Katie Garrett Kandy

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A caring community includes animals and the people who love them. Our community lost two women recently who were both caring and loving to people and animals near and far. Contributions in their memory have been filled with purpose and have touched many lives.



Karen Kirchgasser was loved by her friends and family. Her years of work as a public servant included deputy press secretary in the Clinton Administration for U.S. Secretary of State Madeleine Albright. In 2006 she fulfilled a life-

long dream when she was commissioned to the U.S. Foreign Service. She first served in the U.S. Embassy in Moscow and she later served with distinction as executive secretary for the U.S. delegation to the New START nuclear disarmament treaty negotiations with Russia in Geneva.



Patricia Liberatore, a volunteer art tutor, charity fundraiser and sports enthusiast who worked as a Washington public affairs specialist for about 15 years was loved by her vast network throughout the DC community, including her close friends and

family. "Patty was one of those people who juggled about 10 balls at a time without ever breaking a sweat, and always looking elegant, even in blue jeans," said a friend, NPR correspondent Nina Totenberg.



WALKING TO END PET HOMELESSNESS

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It was truly a community affair, with more than 80 volunteers pitching in to make this event a smashing success - thank you!

WHS would also like to thank our generous sponsors, without whom this event would not have been possible. Two paws up for: American Bankers Association, Carbone Entertainment, Fur-Get Me Not. Metro Mutts, The Petco Foundation, Petfinder, Spot On Training, Trade Center Management Associates, Unleashed by Petco, and the U.S. Chamber of Commerce.

Here's hoping for another record-breaking event next year, at the 2013 DC Walk for the Animals & Pet-A-Palooza!



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WHS Pins All the Things!

If you haven't heard, the new kid on the social media block is Pinterest, and WHS is on board. Follow us on Pinterest to see pictures of cute adoptable animals, events, adoption promotion flyers, pets of the week, wish list items, and more.





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