



PAWS & REFLECT

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PFPP & FOCAS Merge to Save More Animals

Our Heartfelt Thanks to

Culpeper Animal Hospital

- └ Meredith Vargas, DVM
- └ Andrea Kellum, DVM
- Susan Jacobson, DVM

Their efforts to save the lives of homeless cats & dogs is making a difference!

Save the Dates!

3rd Annual Upscale Rummage Sale & Consignment "Barktique"
└ **June 17 & 18**

2nd Annual Spay-ghetti & No Balls Dinner, Dance & Auction
└ **September 17**

Want to Help?

- Donate your time
- Donate money
- Donate items for our annual Upscale Rummage Sale
- Donate items for our Silent Auction & "Barktique"
- Donate items on our "Wish List" - go to our website @ www.peopleforpetsfoundation.org
- Help Us Collect Dog and Cat Food
- Donate Real Estate, Cars, Gold or Silver. We can turn into \$\$\$
- Donate a van we can use to take animals to PetsMarts, etc.
- Donate professional services like advertising or fundraising assistance

Liz Dubenitz, President and Founder of the People for Pets Foundation (PFPP) and Rose McKinney, President of the Friends of the Culpeper Animal Shelter (FOCAS), announced plans to merge their organizations in an effort to save more animals in Culpeper and Rappahannock county. Starting in January, 2011, both Board of Directors will meet as one group to plan for future events.

The two groups began working together last fall when the PFPP Board invited Rose and FOCAS Vice-president, Liz Larson, to attend a monthly board meeting to tell them what FOCAS was doing. PFPP board members were so impressed with the group that they agreed to "grant" \$2,500 to FOCAS for their ongoing programs.

"It didn't take long for us to realize that we could do a lot more for the animals in need if we merged the two groups, says Liz Dubenitz. The PFPP Board is made up of professionals who have quite a bit of experience in business and fundraising. Several of our members have served as Directors for other humane groups. Everyone has good business and fundraising experience."

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PFPP President, Liz Dubenitz, presents check to FOCAS President, Rose McKinney

and Liz Larson the cats and dogs to the Culpeper They are the ple who have done working with Director, Jamie other county em- r e d u c e t h e euthanasia rate.

Culpeper also has an Animal Advisory Committee which is headed by Culpeper Supervisor, Bill Chase. The committee was formed in 2004 to "address animal welfare issues in Culpeper County." Today the Committee is made up of members of the Humane Society of Culpeper, FOCAS, the Culpeper County Animal Shelter and private citizens. Monthly meetings are held and are open to the public. The PFPP looks forward to working with this committee in the new year.

Future plans for both groups include continuing and improving our relationship with the County Shelter, working with the Animal Advisory Committee, facilitating funding for low cost spay/neuter clinics for cats and dogs, creating a special "emergency fund" for seriously injured homeless animals (see enclosed letter) and continuing our long term goal of establishing a low cost spay/neuter clinic and adoption center in Culpeper County. We'd also like to offer public programs to raise awareness about animal abuse and increase adoption venues.

Of course, all of this takes money so fundraising will still be where we have to devote a lot of our time and efforts. We hope that you will continue to support these efforts by attending our fundraisers and volunteering your time.

Please go to our website to learn more about us. We look forward to hearing from you. ■

www.peopleforpetsfoundation.org

Ever Wonder What We Do with Your Donations?

In 2010 the People for Pets Foundation Accomplished the Following:

- PFPF granted \$2,500 to the Friends of the Culpeper Animal Shelter (FOCAS). They were able to purchase two large cat condos to house cats recovering from injury or illness and to loan to foster parents to care for cats waiting for adoption. They also purchased medicines & food for homeless & injured pets including some emergency cases. They also provided spay/neuter funds for those who could not afford it.
- PFPF granted \$2,500 to the Humane Society of Culpeper to help fund their ongoing TNR (trap/neuter/release) program for homeless cats in Culpeper and Rappahannock county.
- PFPF provided free spay and neuters for pet owners living on a fixed income as well as underwriting spay/neuter surgeries for homeless cats.
- PFPF assisted the Culpeper County Animal Shelter & FOCAS initiate special monthly spay/neuter clinics for Pitbulls & bully breeds, Hounds & hound breeds, Cats - strays and otherwise, etc.
- PFPF set aside \$1,000 to start an "emergency medical fund" for cats and dogs that require emergency care but either they have no owner or their owner cannot afford treatment. This is a MAJOR need in our area!
- PFPF invited FOCAS to join the PFPF so that together they can provide more help to more animals in the Culpeper & Rappahannock area.

With Your Continued Support We'll Accomplish Even More in 2011!!!



Computer Kitty says you can easily find us on the Internet @

www.peopleforpetsfoundation.org

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We Invite You to Help the Unwanted, Abused & Abandoned Animals in Our Area!

- \$25.00
- \$50.00
- \$100.00
- \$250.00
- \$500.00
- \$_____ PFPF Friend

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- A gift donation in memory/honor of:

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1st Annual SPAY- GHETTI DINNER & DANCE

Pet Lovers Show Their Unconditional Support for Our First Major Fundraiser

The first annual *Spay-ghetti and No Balls Dinner & Dance* was held at the beautiful home of Nancy Hughes in Jeffersonton on September 18, 2010. We could not have asked for a better evening. The weather was perfect for a party in Nancy's beautiful party pavilion and tents.

Guests were treated to gourmet spaghetti made by chef Rob Townsend from the Hunter's Head Inn in Upperville. The lasagna was provided by Luigi's Italian Restaurant in Culpeper and hor's d'ouvres, wine, beer, and extras were provided by our hostess, Nancy Hughes, and other generous donors. Music was provided by Up & Up Mobile DJ's and many took advantage of the lovely dance floor provided by Hunt Country Rentals.

The Silent Auction & "Barktique" were also a huge success. Organized by Sally Cunningham, Liz Dubenitz & Donna Brune *all* items were sold by evenings end!



One of many fabulous gift baskets offered in the Silent Auction & "Barktique"

Save the Date!

for the
**2nd Annual Spay-ghetti & No Balls
 Dinner, Dance, Silent Auction
 & Very Special Raffle**
September 17, 2011

- Please consider becoming an event Sponsor.
- We're also collecting items for our Silent Auction & "Barktique"
- All monies go directly to helping the animals!



Theresa Setti (PFPF Board Member) & husband Gary enjoy the party.



The Fauquier Springs Contingent! Angela & Mark Smith with Regine & Jean Steinier and guests.



Party Girls - Mickey Newman & Frankie Kendrick



Everyone loves Spaghetti & Lasagne! - Table decorations by our own Sally Cunningham, PFPF Board Member



Bartending was a popular job - volunteers Bob Counts & Caroline Emerick do the honors while Donna Brune awaits her glass of wine!



The winners of the fabulous Silent Auction Prize - A Carriage Ride (in an antique coach pulled by two beautiful Shire horses from Ayrshire Farm into Upperville for dinner at the Hunter's Head Pub. L-R, Liz Dubenitz (PFPF Founder), Trevor & Jane Hubbard visiting from the UK, Susan Ross, Greg Dubenitz & Lloyd Ross.

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Announcing
**3rd Annual *UPSCALE* RUMMAGE SALE
 & “CONSIGNMENT “BARKTIQUE”**

Friday & Saturday, June 17 & 18
 St. Stephens Episcopal Church Parish Hall, Culpeper

- **NEW!!** Friday, June 17, **PREVIEW NIGHT**, 6 - 8 PM \$10 suggested donation
 Get first dibs on the best things!!
- Saturday, June 18, Sale Opens to Public, 9 – 3 PM
- Many of you already know that this sale is VERY UPSCALE. We'll still have a table or two for the \$5.00 shopper but we'll also have a wonderful “Barktique” where we'll be selling “upscale” items at reasonable prices.

DO YOU HAVE ITEMS YOU'D LIKE TO DONATE?

- We're looking for Furniture, Electronics, Designer Clothing & Shoes, Hand bags, Jewelry, Art, Housewares, Picture Frames, Antiques, Rugs, Decorating Accessories & More!
- We'll gladly come and pick items up. Please call us @ 540 229-5594 or email us @ info@peopleforpetsfoundation.org.



Don't get caught napping! We need help so please donate today!

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