



Wine, Whiskers and Wags

This year's Wine, Whiskers and Wags was a huge success, all thanks to our sponsors, donors, and attendees. The event held on May 19th at Paradise Springs Winery gifted us with beautiful weather, delicious food, and wonderful wine. Friends of the Fairfax County Animal Shelter took a new approach to our silent auction this year, using an online silent auction platform. This new silent auction approach allowed us to raise over \$54,000, making this Friends' most successful wine event to date! We had about 300 attendees, which is far more than we anticipated. We are so grateful for all the support we receive from the community, thank you for making our event everything and more!



Pictured from left to right: Rita Altman, Vice President, Michael Frey, Board Member, Lindsey Kellogg, Staff, Evelyn Grieve, President; Jill Westeyn, Secretary; Kelsey DeWispelaere, Board Member. Not pictured: Nancy Abbott, Board Member.

Fun in the Sun

It's summertime! Sunny days, warm weather, and plenty of opportunities to get outdoors with your pet, but the extreme heat can pose some threats for your pet. Follow these tips to ensure your pet is staying cool and safe in the summer heat wave:

- Know the signs for heat exhaustion such as heavy panting, dry or bright red gums, thick drool, vomiting, diarrhea, and wobbly legs
- Provide plenty of water and shade when outdoors
- Never leave your pet in a hot car
- Apply a pet safe sunscreen if you will be outside with your pet for an extended period of time
- Keep your dog's paws cool and off of hot concrete and asphalt when out for walks



Thank you for your support!



Sprout Has Sprung

When little Sprout made his way to the Fairfax County Animal Shelter, he had a severe injury on his back right leg that left him with exposed skin in serious need of treatment. Initially, it was thought that Sprout's back leg would have to be amputated. With some much-needed TLC and rigorous medical care funded by Friends, Sprout made a full recovery and was able to keep his leg! Sprout and his brother Bean were adopted shortly after Sprout healed and now they can live happily every after together healthy and pain free!

The support from our caring donors helped make Sprout's recovery possible. Our incredible community bands together to help and support the wonderful pets at the Fairfax County Animal Shelter. Thank YOU for making our mission possible and helping deserving pets such as Sprout!



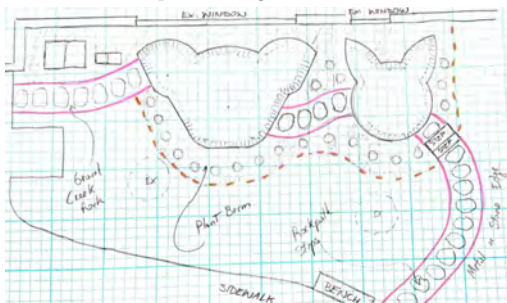
Sprout (mostly white with some tabby stripes) and his brother Bean



Coming soon...Friends Memorial Garden



Example of an engraved brick



Memorial Garden

Friends is excited to announce that coming soon a memorial garden will be built to allow you to honor or memorialize an animal companion, family member or friend while supporting the lifesaving work of Friends on behalf of homeless pets at the Shelter. The garden will be built bordering the main entrance of the Fairfax County Animal Shelter. Construction is anticipated to begin in the fall of 2019 and there will be an opportunity to engrave a brick or a stepping stone. You can reserve your brick or stepping stone now by contacting Friends at generalinfo@ffcas.org. Please provide us with the number of bricks or stepping stones you are requesting and your contact information including a phone number. We will contact you prior to construction to review and assist you with the order form and personalized information needed and to retrieve payment. Stay tuned for more information!

- A gift of \$250 will fund a 4" x 8" personalized brick (up to three lines)
- A gift of \$500 will fund a personalized stepping stone (up to six lines)

A Tribute to Beloved Friends Alumni, Milo

Friends would like to pay tribute to one of our star shelter alumni pup's, Milo. You might remember Milo from previous Facebook and Instagram posts. He was a staff and volunteer favorite at the Fairfax County Animal Shelter with the sweetest soul and most gentle demeanor. Milo was diagnosed with congestive heart failure (CHF) in August of 2018 while in the care of the Fairfax County Animal Shelter. In order to make Milo more adoptable and lessen the financial burden of medication costs, Friends offered to cover Milo's heart medication. Milo was a special guy, not only because of his wonderful personality, but because of his condition he needed to remain in a calm, quiet environment as to not stress his heart. Milo found comfort in staff members' offices and quickly wiggled his way into their hearts as well. After months of searching, Milo's forever family found their way to the Fairfax County Animal Shelter! In February of 2019, the Meagher Family took Milo home and he had been living like a king. The Meagher Family would often send us updates and stop by the shelter for visits, which warmed our hearts. It was wonderful to see how happy Milo was and how happy he made his family. The Meagher family took amazing care of him, showering him with love and affection every day. Sadly, Milo passed away at the end of June, next to the people who loved him the most. While we miss Milo immensely, we find comfort in knowing he lived an extraordinary life with his family for 5 months. Thank you, Meagher Family, for making Milo part of your life. We are so grateful that we could be a part of his care and to have had the honor of meeting him. We will miss you Milo!



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Friends of the Fairfax County Animal Shelter

Wednesday October 23, 2019
Westfields Golf Club
Clifton, VA

Spend the day with other animal lovers on a beautiful golf course!

\$150 per golfer includes 18 holes of golf, lunch, dinner, beverages, dog kisses, online silent auction, raffle and more!

2019 Early-Registration Challenge:
For every guest who registers and pays before September 21, 2019, Friends will receive from this donor an additional \$15! Sign up today!

New this year: Senior Tees 60+

Tickets and sponsorships available now at www.ffcas.org/golf

KIDS CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE, TOO!

Kids can have an huge impact on the community! There are numerous ways in which kids can help Friends of the Fairfax County Animal Shelter. Ideas to help give back to Friends include holding a bake sale, collecting dog and cat toys and bedding, and encouraging your friends and family to check out Friends and our mission! With your help, we can succeed in our mission of helping every shelter pet receive the best care possible to find their forever home!



About Friends

Friends is the 501(c)(3) nonprofit fundraising partner of the Fairfax County Animal Shelter. By funding emergency medical care, dental care, spay and neuter, parasite prevention, and animal enrichment programs, Friends joins in the Shelter's effort to ensure every shelter pet is offered the best opportunity to find and remain in a loving forever home. Thank you for all that you do to make our work possible!