
The plight of homeless animals is not a problem confined to certain jurisdictions or boundaries; it is a local, regional, and national problem. And while the League is a local humane society, we recognize the interdependence of all humane organizations. Our executive director, Kay Speerstra, has worked hard over the past four years to make the League a cooperative partner with other local and national humane groups.

The Washington Metropolitan Council of Governments Animal Services Committee addresses animal issues across the region, and Kay has become an active member serving on the nominating committee for animal services awards. Jennifer Newman, Manager of Education & Community Services, serves on the PR and Humane Education Committee.

The Virginia Federation of Humane Societies represents animal welfare interests across the state; Kay serves on the board of directors.

The League is a long-time member of the American Humane Association (AHA). We hosted a two-day AHA Shelter Operations School in June for animal care staff from the region.

We also work with staff of the Humane Society of the United States (HSUS). In July the League hosted a training session on handling wildlife calls conducted by HSUS staff.

When the Washington Humane Society opened the National Capital Area Spay & Neuter Center to provide low-cost spay and neuter surgery to cats and dogs in the metro area, the League was the first shelter partner to join the effort. We send all of our cats and dogs to be spayed or neutered before adoption and we schedule and transport pets owned by the public to the Center for surgery.

The League has led the state in disaster preparedness for people and their pets by outfitting a special trailer and practicing setting up a pet friendly shelter. Seven other Northern Virginia jurisdictions have adopted our model to make pet friendly disaster plans.

We meet regularly with directors of shelters in Fairfax, Loudoun, Prince William, Manassas, and Alexandria. We often accept animals from other shelters in the region and transfer animals to other shelters to give them a better chance for adoption to an appropriate home.

We have established relationships with 14 private rescue groups in the area to place animals that otherwise might not find homes. These transfers have greatly reduced the number of euthanasias for small companion animals (rabbits, guinea pigs, hamsters, gerbils, ferrets, mice, rats, and birds) that had been necessary in the past. We are always looking for more rescue partners to help place as many animals as possible.

As more humane groups have reconsidered bans on specific dog...
Adoption Highlights
by Rebecca Gall

We are proud that 1,186 companion animals found loving homes in our community and that 103 other animals found care with local rescue groups and shelters in fiscal 2008. Photos of several of our adopted shelter animals appear in this newsletter.

Dog Obedience Training

Since we recommend it to all our dog adopters, we are very proud that we started offering dog obedience classes at the shelter this past year! Dog trainer Darby Crisp teaches classes here at the shelter at a reduced price for shelter graduates. Sessions include both basic and intermediate classes and run for five weeks.

Special Events

To bring attention to the homeless animals in our shelter, the AWLA Adoptions Team developed special events for Adopt-a-Dog and Adopt-a-Cat months. October’s event, Barks ‘N’ Beer, included free hot dogs and root beer and a raffle with great prizes donated by local businesses. Old Town Doggie Wash set up shop in the League parking lot and bathed any dog that needed it, while Darby Crisp, a local dog trainer, offered free dog advice, and shelter staff gave free nail clippings. Lots of shelter graduates stopped by to join the fun.

June’s events were kicked off with the Saturday Scoop on June 7th with free ice cream for visitors and a discounted adoption fee for adult cats. Everyone who adopted a cat in June was entered into a raffle to win fantastic prizes, and we had a contest for past adopters to tell us something special about their cat—the winning story appeared on our Web site and is featured in this newsletter. Congrats to Stewie and Christin!

Special Needs Pets

Sometimes a friendly, happy pet has special needs that must be met to make him or her more attractive to potential adopters. One example this year was a young German Shepherd/Husky mix named Nicky who needed expensive knee surgery for a chronic slipping kneecap. We were concerned that this condition was deterring adopters from considering him. We contacted the Washington Animal Rescue League’s Medical Center and were thrilled when they agreed to work with us at an affordable price. Post-surgery care was a major challenge to restrict the movement of a young, active dog, do his physical therapy exercises on a regular basis, and keep him in good spirits. Through the persistence of the adoptions team and kennel staff, we kept Nicky quiet in a crate in our kennel manager’s office for several weeks with only brief trips outside for elimination. Then we began several weeks of physical therapy. When Nicky was in much better shape, a loving family adopted him and took over the remaining care required.

Transfer & Transport

We continue to coordinate the spay/neuter program with the National Capital Area Spay & Neuter Center. This year we organized and transported 706 shelter dogs and cats and 237 animals owned in the community for their surgery. We also coordinated transfer and transport of animals to other shelters that have the space and are better able to adopt out a specific animal. We transfer animals in when we have the space and when we are more likely to place the animal than the transferring shelter or rescue.

In November of 2007, the League, along with several other shelters in the area, coordinated the transfer of several dogs from a puppy mill located in Southern Virginia. All of the dogs that we received were adults whose only existence had been in small cages. None were house trained, and some had...

The Year’s Numbers

- 1,186 adoptions
- 103 transfers to other shelters and rescues
- 323 strays returned to owners
- 210 animals fostered
- 706 shelter pets spayed or neutered
- 269 public-owned pets spayed or neutered
- 124 shelter pets received specialized medical treatment to make them adoptable
- 52 pets adopted to seniors at no charge
- 1,892 people received humane education lessons
- 20,000 hours given by League volunteers
- 54 pets helped with emergency veterinary care
- 53 pets cared for at no charge for owners in emergencies
- 2,200 individual donors
- 700 Walk for the Animals registrants
- 230 Catsino Night attendees
- 446 injured or orphaned wildlife transferred to rehabilitators
- 772 low-cost rabies vaccinations given
- 240 low-cost microchips implanted and registered

special medical needs. To help these animals our adoptions staff attended “Understanding the Special Needs of a Puppy Mill Dog” hosted by Your Dog’s Friend, a seminar that addressed how to help puppy mill dogs, training needs, behaviors to expect, and how to help them successfully adjust to a new home. All of these dogs needed to be spayed/neutered and received additional medical attention including dental cleanings. We placed all but one of these dogs in loving homes, and they have been thriving with the attention and patience of their owners. We placed the remaining dog in a foster home with the Fairfax County Shelter for intensive socialization, and he has since been adopted.

The number of rescue groups with whom we work continues to grow. This year we welcomed three new rescue groups:

~ A Forever-Home Rescue Foundation
~ Doberman Assistance
~ Rescue & Education, Inc.
~ Luna’s House, Inc.

Advice and Follow-up

Every adopter receives a follow-up phone call or e-mail to check on how their new companion is adjusting in the home. Our adoptions team and volunteers provide training tips and help with behavior issues for any animal adopted from the League. We also help anyone with a question through our Behavior Helpline (helpline@awla.org). This year we responded to 31 helpline inquiries.

Staff Training

Two members of our adoptions team traveled to New Mexico in February to learn about the SAFER Assessment program, an aggression assessment that identifies a dog’s comfort level with various stimuli and tests. This program was developed by Emily Weiss, PhD, CAAB and has been acquired by the American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals. We also take advantage of training available on the internet – one such example addressed programs that promote adoption of older cats in shelters. One member of the adoption team attended the ASPCA’s Shelter Operations Workshop at the Loudon County Animal Shelter where she learned about more accurate breed identification.

When the League’s Board of Directors adopted a policy of evaluating all dogs for adoption no matter what their breed, the adoptions staff researched pit bulls and other mastiff breeds to learn more about the behavior, strengths, weaknesses, and challenges that they may present when living in a shelter environment. We also had to consider how to make sure that they would go to responsible homes where they would receive proper exercise, socialization, and training.

We attended training on Pit Bulls and how to assess their behavior, researched material including that from Bay Area Dog Lovers Responsible About Pitbulls (BAD RAP) which is a non-profit dedicated to the issues facing this breed. In fiscal 2008 we placed 10 Pit Bulls in responsible, loving homes.

Dusty, adopted in April 2008.
Animal Care Technicians
Best Friends to Homeless Animals

We often get compliments from visitors on the cleanliness of our shelter and the contented behavior of our shelter animals. The group primarily responsible for maintaining those conditions is our animal care technicians (ACTs). They are critical to the well being of the shelter’s animals.

Each morning, ACTs clean the cages and kennels of all the animals (about 150 animals every day) and make sure they are as comfortable as possible in their temporary surroundings. Some are on special diets due to being overweight, allergic to certain foods, or even underweight. And the food of some animals must include nutritional supplements. ACTs are responsible for administering medications and monitoring the animals’ health.

Cats and dogs, rabbits, hamsters, birds and other animals surrendered by owners or brought to the shelter as strays must be checked over carefully at intake, and any available previous medical records must be reviewed. Shortly after the animals have settled in, ACTs begin the process of “receiving” them. This includes testing their blood for diseases, administering vaccinations, dewormers, flea medications, and other treatments, plus clipping nails and cleaning ears. Occasionally a cat or a dog will arrive with its fur so badly matted that even basic movements are painful. When that happens, an ACT must shave off the mats to make the animal more comfortable.

Besides caring for the animals, ACTs also work alongside the shelter’s dedicated volunteers to introduce our animals to prospective adopters. “Our ACTs and volunteers do a remarkable job showcasing our animals,” says Bonnie Wilson, kennel manager. “We love helping our animals find good families.” The happiest job for an ACT is preparing an animal to “go home” with her new family.

Sometimes going to a home is not possible for an animal because of severe health or behavioral problems. In these cases, ACTs perform humane euthanasia. Holding and comforting the animal during euthanasia is the last kindness that ACTs can give.

At such times, ACTs find comfort from their many happy work experiences. Those include socializing feral or very fearful kittens. These kittens have usually never had contact with humans and they are terrified. ACTs and other staff work with them daily, holding them in a soft towel and rubbing their heads and ears gently, until they gradually let down their guard and relax. When previously feral kittens are adopted, ACTs rejoice that their dedication has made a difference in the lives of our small charges.

The Top Five Reasons for Owner Surrenders

1. Moving
2. Allergies
3. No time
4. Owner problem
5. Landlord won’t allow pet

Bonnie Wilson, Kennel Manager

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Animals Sheltered in Fiscal 2008

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Positive Outcome Rate*                        81%  67%  74%

*Adoptions, returns to owner, and transfers divided by total outcomes

Adopt a Cat Month Contest Winner

Stewie’s Adoption Story by Christin Bell

I can’t believe it’s almost been a year (7/7/2007) since I adopted a wonderful cat named Stewie from the League. I like to say he adopted me. His little paw reached out to me when I was exploring the cat cages. I fell in love instantly. We had a rough patch at first: at his first vet visit a heart murmur was found, he was running a temperature and was coughing up a storm. With daily medication (as a first time cat owner, that was an experience!) and lots of attention, he totally recuperated. The murmur is no longer detectable.

I appreciate the support the staff at AWLA provided during the difficult time. I called and Rebecca listened patiently and shared her experiences with me. Another staff member called to check up on him, too. It felt good to know that I wasn’t alone during this awful time.

The health scare allowed us to bond very quickly. He is an amazing companion and so loving. He loves to crawl up in my lap, but also loves to chase me in the upstairs hall in the morning. He loves to type on my computer. He’s googled some nonsense searches and turned off my wireless card (he’s a very smart boy!) He’s basically obsessed with food (just like his mom!). I didn’t know cats liked people food, but Stewie sure does. The first day I had him, I caught him eating my fries from Wendy’s! If I turn my back he’s grabbing whatever delicious morsel on my plate and running with it. Last night he tried to gnaw his way into an empty pizza box. I’ve definitely created a monster!

He likes to be held so much that some nights I brush my teeth while holding him. And this evening I emptied the dishwasher with him in my arms. I know I’m a little ridiculous, but Stewie is the love of my life. He meets me at the door when I come home. I like to think he loves me as much as I love him! I can’t imagine a day without him. Thank you for bring so much joy to my world.

When I adopted Stewie he was a stray who had been attacked by a dog. You nursed my boy back to health, and I’m so grateful. I just made a donation to the Woody and Mickey Healthy Pet Fund so you may continue to do your great work. Thank you again for everything you do!
Education, Volunteers & Community Services
by Jennifer Newman

Volunteer Programs
The League utilizes volunteers for nearly every aspect of shelter operations. For the Fiscal Year 2008, the League trained 100 new volunteers, and volunteers gave approximately 20,000 hours! This is the equivalent of 10 full-time staff members. The League is extremely grateful to its dedicated volunteers for the help that they provide every day of the year!

Foster Programs
League volunteers help take care of animals that are too young or that may be undersocialized. Volunteers take these animals into their homes until they are ready for adoption. For the fiscal year 2008, League volunteers fostered 210 kittens, cats, and puppies giving 9,896 hours! Expenses for supplies and veterinary care for the fostering program were nearly $10,000.

Safekeeping
An Arlington woman had a serious fall and had to move to a nursing home for rehabilitation. She couldn’t find anyone to care for her four cats on such short notice. She called the League to ask for help. We took in her four cats and cared for them at no charge until she arranged for friends to take care of them until her rehabilitation was complete. She is now recovered and continues to live with the cats that are her family.

This is one example of our Safekeeping program providing temporary refuge at no charge for animals whose owners are experiencing emergency situations. Residents of Arlington and the City of Falls Church can request these services for animals affected by domestic violence, their owner’s death, health or housing crisis, except eviction. The safekeeping period is a maximum of two weeks.

For the fiscal year 2008, the League provided temporary, emergency care for 53 companion animals of people who found themselves in crisis.

Ross-Roberts Emergency Veterinary Assistance Fund
A young military family sought help from the League for their five-year-old German Shepherd dog. The dog had developed a bad cough and was unable to play and exercise as normal, all early signs of heartworm disease. Military veterinarians diagnosed the dog with heartworm disease but were unable to offer him treatment. After calling several local veterinary clinics, the family learned that treatment would exceed $1,000. Fortunately, Columbia Pike Animal Hospital agreed to give the family a special reduced rate. The League provided a no-interest loan for the dog to get the lifesaving treatment. The family makes small monthly payments to repay the loan. The dog now romps and plays just like before, and the children are especially happy to have their friend back. (All dogs need monthly heartworm treatment to prevent this potentially deadly disease that is spread by mosquitoes.)

The Veterinary Assistance program provides no-interest loans to low-income clients whose pets need emergency vet care. Residents of any neighboring jurisdiction who have a financial need may utilize this assistance. The typical amount of the loan is $150. This money can be used for initial examination, diagnosis, treatment, and medications. Money cannot be used for basic, preventive care or vaccinations and each client must agree to have their pet neutered if it is not already. We helped 54 animals this year through the veterinary assistance program at a cost of approximately $11,000! You can now help us help more pets in need by contributing to the Ross-Roberts Fund.

Humane Education
Our Humane Education Program for the 2008 Fiscal Year included 32 shelter tours and 54 humane education lessons presented to 1,581 children and 311 adults. The League’s presentations include responsible pet ownership, bite prevention, the importance of spaying and neutering pets, and League services in the community. We hosted three humane-themed birthday parties and participated in 12 other community programs, such as Girl Scout gold awards, career days, and Arlington school projects. We offered summer camps to 40 children ages 6-14 years old. Information on next summer’s camps will be available on our Web site in February 2009.

Hantke Memorial Spay/Neuter Fund
The Hantke Memorial Spay/Neuter Fund provides free and low-cost spay/neuters for those who have a household income of $40,000 or less. For the Fiscal year 2008 the League provided 13 clients with free neutering/spaying of their pets and assisted 138 clients with partial payment of the neutering/spaying cost through Fairfax Animal Hospital and National Capital Area Spay & Neuter Center. Expenses for this program for the fiscal year were nearly $9,000.

In addition to financial assistance, the League transported 119 pets of the general public for neutering at the National Capital Area Spay & Neuter Center in Washington. Your contributions to the Hantke Memorial Fund make low-cost spay/neuter possible.
FY 2008 Financial Report

County Contract Operations FY 2008

Under terms of a contract with Arlington County, the Animal Welfare League of Arlington provides the County’s animal shelter and animal control services

Support from Arlington County for sheltering/animal control $1,189,643.00
Expenses for sheltering/animal control: ($1,270,145.10)
Excess expenditure over revenue* ($80,502.10)

* The League subsidizes this deficit with its own funds

League Operations FY 2008

League Revenue & Support**: $701,485.80
League Expenses: ($618,642.79)
League subsidy to County contract operations: ($80,502.10)
Total gain/(loss): $2,340.91

** In FY 2008, the League received $245,346 in the form of bequests and grants from trusts which is not included in this total. The League also received a pledge of $200,000 from a bequest which is also not included in this total.

Revenue and Support FY 2008

Events (Casino Night/Fall Event, Walk, Misc. Events): $146,213.77
CFC/United Way: $115,902.01
Programs Revenue: $181,178.07
Contributions*: $258,191.95
Arlington County Appropriations: $1,189,643.00
TOTAL: $1,891,128.80

* Does not include $246,346 in bequests and a $200,000 estate pledge.

Expenses FY 2008

Animal Control: ($285,658.33)
Community Outreach: ($362,138.99)
Shelter Operations: ($984,486.77)
Management/General/Fund Raising: ($256,503.80)
TOTAL: ($1,888,787.89)

Temporarily Restricted Funds FY 2008

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League Services

Emergencies in Arlington
We respond to animal emergencies 24 hours a day.

Adoptions
We always have animals who need good homes. If you live in Virginia, DC, or Maryland call us about adopting a companion.

Animal Control & Cruelty Investigation
Animal control officers pick up stray dogs and respond to citizen complaints about animals in Arlington.

Community Services
The League sponsors community services that help people and animals. Visit our Web site at www.awla.org or call (703) 931-9241 x 200 for information.

Lost & Found
Call (703) 931-9241 x 200 or visit our Web site at www.awla.org to report all lost and found animals. We can help find animals’ owners and return lost pets home again.

Wildlife Rescue & Problems
We’ll help get injured or abandoned wildlife to a licensed rehabilitator whenever possible. We’ll also help you discourage wildlife from moving into your home.

Rabies Control
See the calendar on the back cover for clinic dates and times.

Speakers & Humane Education
If your neighborhood is having animal problems or problems with irresponsible animal owners, you might want a League representative to address your civic association. We also present educational programs on many topics to schools and clubs. Visit our website at www.awla.org or call (703) 931-9241 x 213 for information.

Pawpourri, the newsletter of the Animal Welfare League of Arlington, 2650 S. Arlington Mill Dr., Arlington, VA 22206, http://www.awla.org, is published quarterly and mailed to League supporters. If you receive multiple copies, please notify us and pass them along to friends.

A COPY OF THE LATEST FINANCIAL REPORT AND REGISTRATION FILED BY THE ANIMAL WELFARE LEAGUE OF ARLINGTON MAY BE OBTAINED BY CONTACTING the State Division of Consumer Affairs, Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, P.O. Box 1163, Richmond, VA 23209. REGISTRATION DOES NOT IMPLY ENDORSEMENT, APPROVAL, OR RECOMMENDATION BY THE STATE.
Fundraising Highlights
by Danielle Kouzoukas

Donations
The Animal Welfare League of Arlington is extremely grateful to all of our donors and supporters whose donations enable the League to provide our essential services to the many homeless animals in our community. In FY2008, the League received $245,135.43 from over 2,200 donors in response to our appeals, the business reply envelopes from Pawpourri, and unsolicited donations. Your support is crucial to our mission.

Bequests
Remembering the League in your will can turn your compassion for animals into your legacy for the future. This year the League received bequests from eight generous individuals whose love and compassion for animals still lives on with their bequests totaling $247,968.57:
- Estate of M. Sharon Baber
- Estate of Anne Wesley Chamberlain
- Estate of Kenneth Kemper
- Estate of Sandra Kruzman
- The Pietro and Thelma Raffaelli Family Foundation
- Estate of Theresa V. Swain
- Estate of Barbara M. Williams
If you are interested in adding the League to your will (or have already done so), please contact Danielle Kouzoukas at danielle@awla.org or at Ext. 220.

Events
Each year, the League hosts two major fundraisers. Every May, the Walk for the Animals inspires walkers and donors alike to spread the good word about the League. This year the League had over 700 registered walkers and over 250 dogs. With your support, the League raised over $104,000! You can join in the fun in 2009. Simply save the date for May 9, 2009 and watch our Web site in the middle of January to register.
In October 2007, the League hosted a Catsino Night and Silent Auction in the Historic Lobby in Terminal A at the Ronald Reagan Washington National Airport. Over 200 guests enjoyed music, dancing, food, drink, and casino games -- raising over $37,500 in support of the League and the animals we help.
These fundraising milestones are achieved with the great support of our community – from our supporters who attend each event, the donors who support them, and our very generous sponsors. Every year, the League asks local businesses to sponsor our two major fundraisers either with cash sponsorships to help defray our costs or with items that can be used as prizes or auctioned off in our silent auction. If you are interested in sponsoring either of our events or donating an item, please contact our Development Office at donate@awla.org.

Wishlist
The League would like to send a special thank you to everyone who has donated items from our wishlist. Your support truly means a lot to the League and all the animals that pass through our doors. Our current “Top Five” items are cat carriers and dog crates, bleach, plain copy paper, peanut butter, and kong chew toys for big dogs. (To see more items on our wishlist, please visit our Web site at www.awla.org/wishlist.pdf.)

Pet Pals Monthly Giving Club
Thanks to the following donors who support us throughout the year by making automatic monthly donations:
- Ms. Lisa Branco and Mr. Jonathan Dox
- Mr. Patrick Callahan
- Laura and Carey de la Calzada
- Ms. Dawn Dhavale
- Carla Dye and Luvenia Foster
- Mr. Lewis Goldman

Miscellaneous Friendraisers
The following activities raised $3448.85 to help homeless animals:
- Caring Hands Animal Hospital (Arlington) Open House
- Old Town Doggie Wash
- Sushi-Zen Restaurant
- IFFL (Football League)
- Shop for a Cause
- Pet Photos with Santa
- Arlington County Fair
- Doggie Swim at Arlington Village
- Barks N’ Beer
- Saturday Scoop

Lulu, adopted in April 2008.
- Jane, Todd and Madison Ihrig
- Patricia James
- Ms. Jeannette King
- Ms. Erin King
- Mr. and Mrs. Demetrios L. Kouzoukas
- Emily McGee
- Ms. Kara Rourke
- Ms. Joan Segerson
- Marie and Samuel Spaulding
- Ms. Kathleen I. Taimi
- Ms. Lani Takeuchi
- Ms. Katharine Torrey

To join the Pet Pals Monthly Giving Club, please contact the Development Office at 703-931-9241 x216 or e-mail donate@awla.org.
You won’t need a top hat and tails, but put on elegant attire and join us for our most glamorous event of the year on Saturday, October 18, 2008. Once again, the Metropolitan Washington Airports Authority has generously donated use of the Historic Lobby in Terminal A for our annual Catsino Night and Silent Auction.

Starting at 7:00 p.m. everyone will receive their chips (no monetary value) and will have their pick of casino games including blackjack, Texas Hold ’em, craps, and roulette. Dancing shoes are a must as The Bobcats will set the mood playing a variety of jazz, swing, and Latin favorites. Between wagers and dances guests can sip on martinis and sample delicious hors d’oeuvres provided by BasiKneads – named “Best Wedding Caterer” by Northern Virginia Magazine in their June 2008 issue. Auctions will take place throughout the evening for exciting prizes donated by our generous sponsors.

Please join us for this unique opportunity to spend an elegant evening with other animal lovers to benefit homeless pets in our community. All proceeds from the event will be used to care for the homeless animals that come in our door every day of the year. Tickets are on sale now for $100 per person or $180 per couple. Mail or fax the RSVP located here or call (703) 931-9241 x 216. Also, attendees can purchase tickets online by visiting http://awla.kintera.org/catsino2008.
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Noon – 4:00 p.m.  Sat. - Sun.
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The League depends on our many donors who donate each year through their workplace giving programs, the United Way and the Combined Federal Campaign. These donations allow the League to continue its good works. As the 2007 campaign begins, if you work for a participating organization, please consider designating the Animal Welfare League of Arlington with the appropriate codes.

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