On behalf of the Board of Directors of the Animal Welfare League of Arlington (League), I would like to thank you for all your support this past fiscal year. We begin fiscal year 2012 with optimism and excitement.

If you walk into the League today, you will notice many changes from the same time last year:

Our Very Important Pet (VIP) Lounge in our front office brings attention to animals that do not show well in our kennel and need extra socialization. Potential adopters can meet these animals in a more home-like environment in the Lounge.

On Wednesday nights our “Pit Crew,” consisting of shelter volunteers with a staff liaison, meets to discuss activities to promote a positive image of the breed to help increase our adoption of pit bulls.

Experienced and new volunteers are exercising our dogs and using positive reinforcement to shape behaviors that will make the dogs more attractive to adopters.

More volunteers are helping with the huge daily task of cleaning and sanitizing our animal housing areas.

Kittens under five months old are in a separate viewing room from adult cats to prevent the spread of disease.

The most significant change is one that you can’t see: we have decreased euthanasias by 60% over the previous fiscal year. Our positive outcome rate
Volunteer Programs

Volunteers are essential to the League’s operations, doing everything from morning cage cleaning to adoption counseling to special event planning. As of June 30, we have 661 volunteers. Some of these wonderful people have creatively used their special talents to help us in new ways. Ron Novak and his company, Segue Technologies, developed a free iPhone app of our adoptable animals; Vivianne Silverman created a beautiful slideshow to orient new volunteers to the variety of League activities; and Kevin Baer built shelving to maximize our storage space. Whether you want to show cats for adoption, take dogs to off-site adoption events, counsel prospective adopters, or think of a brand new way to help our shelter animals, we want you on our team. See our Web site at www.awla.org/volunteer to submit an application.

We always need more volunteer foster parents. This past year we fostered 174 kittens, five adult cats, two puppies, and five adult dogs. Most fostering is caring for kittens or puppies that are too young for adoption, but it can also include care of adult animals because of medical or behavioral needs. If you have some space in your home and some time to devote to animals, there’s nothing more rewarding than helping an animal thrive and seeing it adopted into a loving home. Indicate your interest in fostering on your volunteer application, and we’ll take it from there.

Community Services

Veterinary Assistance

Your donations make our community services possible. In the past fiscal year we have assisted owners of 88 animals in need of veterinary care. Our Ross/Roberts Veterinary Assistance Fund and general donations to the League paid $15,372 for these animals to be treated when their owners could not afford it.

One little dog had been scooting himself over floors and carpet for over a week. The owner was concerned that he might have worms since she did not have him on heartworm medication. The behavior could indicate heartworm disease or an unexpressed anal gland. We set up an appointment with a local clinic to be paid for by the League. The dog was found to have a ruptured anal gland that had to be flushed and ultimately treated with antibiotics and anti-inflammatory medication. All of this was made possible with a $241.55 vet assistance loan. The dog also had to wear an e-collar for a period of time but recovered completely, and the owner now has him on heartworm medication. The owner is repaying the loan in small monthly installments.

Low-Cost Spay/Neuter

We also spent $11,823 on low-cost spay/neuter surgery for animals whose owners could not afford it. This help can include partial to full subsidization of the surgery cost. Total animals helped included 118 cats and 165 dogs.

Safekeeping

Our safekeeping program provides free sheltering for animals whose owners are experiencing a crisis. This past year we had 16 animals in safekeeping. One example is Tarsh, a fox terrier. We were originally contacted by Virginia Hospital Center about a patient hospitalized for a seizure. After a previous seizure, the neighbors noticed he appeared unkempt and no longer walked his dog. His only family member lived in California and had no interest in keeping the dog.

Tarsh spent almost two weeks at the shelter while custody issues were sorted out. The patient’s lawyer obtained a legal Order of Appointment, the equivalent of a Power of Attorney, and came to AWLA and met the dog. He ended up taking the dog to his farm in the country to live with his other dogs. The owner was no longer deemed competent to live on his own and now resides in a nursing home.
## Animals Sheltered in Fiscal 2011

*(JULY 2010 - JUNE 2011)*

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<tr>
<th>INTAKE</th>
<th>DOGS</th>
<th>CATS</th>
<th>SMALL COMPANION ANIMALS</th>
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<td>Animals in Foster Care</td>
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<td>Intake (Live dogs and cats only)</td>
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<td>32</td>
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<td>From owners requesting euthanasia</td>
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<td>106</td>
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<td>228</td>
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<td>(unhealthy/untreatable only)</td>
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<td>106</td>
<td>17</td>
<td>228</td>
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<td>ADJUSTED TOTAL INTAKE</td>
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<td>972</td>
<td>281</td>
<td>1,899</td>
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<td>(minus owner requests)</td>
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<td>TOTAL ANIMALS SHELTERED</td>
<td>671</td>
<td>1,079</td>
<td>330</td>
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| ADOPTIONS                                   |      |      | 195                     | 1,201 |
| OUTGOING TRANSFERS                          |      |      |                         |       |
| to shelters and rescue groups               | 19   | 27   | 79                      | 125   |
| RETURN TO OWNER/GUARDIAN                    | 257  | 90   | 6                       | 353   |

| ANIMALS EUTHANIZED                          |      |      |                         |       |
| Healthy (includes owner requested euthanasia)| 0    | 0    | 0                       | 0     |
| Treatable-rehabilitatable                   |      |      |                         |       |
| (includes owner requested euthanasia)       | 0    | 0    | 0                       | 0     |
| Treatable-manageable                       |      |      |                         |       |
| (includes owner requested euthanasia)       | 2    | 0    | 0                       | 2     |
| Unhealthy & untreatable                    |      |      |                         |       |
| (includes owner requested euthanasia)       | 163  | 252  | 25                      | 440   |
| TOTAL EUTHANASIA                            | 165  | 252  | 25                      | 442   |
| Owner requested euthanasia                  |      |      |                         |       |
| (unhealthy/untreatable only)                | 105  | 106  | 17                      | 228   |
| ADJUSTED TOTAL EUTHANASIA                  | 60   | 146  | 8                       | 214   |

| SUBTOTAL OUTCOMES                           | 647  | 958  | 288                     | 1,893 |
| (Excludes owner requested euthanasia (unhealthy/untreatable only)) |       |      |                         |       |

| DIED OR LOST IN SHELTER CARE                | 2    | 14   | 10                      | 26    |
| TOTAL OUTCOMES                              | 649  | 972  | 298                     | 1,919 |
| (Excludes owner requested euthanasia (unhealthy/untreatable only)) |       |      |                         |       |

| ENDING SHELTER COUNT                        | 21   | 76   | 32                      | 129   |
| Animals in Foster Care                      | 1    | 31   | 0                       | 32    |
| TOTAL ANIMALS SHELTERED                    | 671  | 1,079| 330                     | 2,080 |

Annual Live Release Rate = \((\text{Adoptions} + \text{Returns to Owner} + \text{Transfers})/\text{Total Outcomes})x100\% = 91\% 85\% 97\% 89\%

* Based on the Asilomar Accords (http://www.asilomaraccords.org/)

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Paws Applause
Volunteer Visiting Vets

The following local veterinarians donate their time to examine and treat shelter animals. Their generous help saves us thousands each year on veterinary appointments.

Caring Hands Animal Hospital:  VCA Old Town Alexandria:
Dr Jeffery Newman  Dr. Laura Maclean
Dr Chris Miller  Dr. Janice Chang
Dr. Keith de la Cruz

Ballston Animal Hospital:  Kingstowne Cat Clinic:
Dr. Gretchen Tripp  Dr. Janice Chang
Dr. Lynne Gallitz
Dr. John Polk
Dr. Ryan Jennings Snow

Del Ray Animal Hospital:  Hayfield Animal Hospital / Springfield Regional:
Dr. Peter Farrell  Dr. Montine Mansell
Dr. Anne Mixson
Dr. Adrienne Hergen

Arlington Animal Hospital:  Dr. Lynne Gallitz
Dr. Frederick Jones

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.

Trap-Neuter-Return

We believe that supporting Trap-Neuter-Return (TNR) efforts in Arlington County may reduce the number of homeless cats and kittens and that supporting these efforts is consistent with our work as a progressive humane organization. The ASPCA states that “TNR [trap-neuter-return] helps the community by stabilizing the population of the feral colony and, over time, reducing it. At the same time, nuisance behaviors such as spraying, loud noise and fighting are largely eliminated and no more kittens are born.” The League has received support for this initiative from the county health department and representatives of the Arlington County Board.

In fiscal 2011 AWLA held five “Helping Community Cats” workshops in cooperation with Alley Cat Allies. These workshops taught interested residents how to safely trap and return feral cats that they are feeding. By June 30 we had helped 39 Arlington cats, having them spayed or neutered, inoculated against rabies and distemper, given flea treatment, and ear-tipped for future identification. The League covered all costs for these services as well as providing transport to the National Capital Spay-Neuter Center in Washington, DC.

For more information about upcoming workshops, e-mail tnr@awla.org or call 703-931-9241 ex.222.
Wildlife Rehabbers Needed!
by Grace Holden, Licensed Wildlife Rehabilitator

Do you care about our local wildlife and have time to help orphaned baby birds or mammals, especially in the late spring and in the summer? Then perhaps you should become a wildlife rehabilitator. The first step is deciding which species you would like to work with. Go to the Wildlife Rescue League (WRL) Web site at www.wildliferescueleague.org under the tab for “Volunteer.” This includes basic information about the process, as well as the Permit Conditions from the Department of Game and Inland Fisheries, the agency issuing permits to rehabilitators and their apprentices.

You can also contact the Volunteer Coordinator of the Wildlife Rescue League who can answer questions or will put you in touch with WRL’s Rehabilitator Liaison to discuss some of the time commitments and requirements for the various categories of species. The basic rehab categories are Birds (most needed and most time-consuming as most baby birds need to be fed every 20 minutes during the day!) with sub-categories being raptors and waterfowl, Small Mammals (squirrels, cottontails, opossums), Fawns, Rabies Vector Species (raccoons, foxes, groundhogs and skunks – a category requiring pre-exposure rabies vaccinations), and Reptiles. Once you choose a sponsor, and receive your permit, you can begin receiving healthy, orphaned animals from your sponsor. The apprenticeship lasts two years, after which you may become a rehabilitator once you find a veterinarian to work with.

Rehabilitators are needed for all species, but especially for birds and squirrels, and the need seems to grow each year as wildlife habitat shrinks and human interaction with wildlife increases. It is truly a wonderful and rewarding experience to watch as you release a wild animal and he scrampers or flies back into the wild!

Animal Control Highlights

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<td>Barking complaints</td>
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<td>Bite investigations</td>
<td>287</td>
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<td>Neglect investigations</td>
<td>99</td>
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<td>Park patrols for off-leash dogs</td>
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<td>Quarantines administered</td>
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<td>Pets running at large</td>
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<td>Wildlife rescues or complaints</td>
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<td>Carcass removal</td>
<td>500</td>
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<td>Rabies tests*</td>
<td>69</td>
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<td>*Five positive tests: one cat and four raccoons</td>
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Wildlife Statistics
July 2010 - June 2011

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<td>Released to the wild</td>
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<td>Euthanized due to illness/injury</td>
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<td>Died</td>
<td>84</td>
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<td>Picked up Dead</td>
<td>311</td>
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<td>Tested for Rabies</td>
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<td>Positive Rabies tests*</td>
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<td>*all were raccoons</td>
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Fundraising Highlights

**Donations**

The staff and animals at the Animal Welfare League of Arlington are enormously thankful to all of our donors and supports whose help enables us to perform the services to the homeless animals in our community. During the Fiscal Year 2011 over 2,870 donors donated $352,626 to the League in response to our appeals, the business reply envelopes from Pawpourri, and unsolicited donations. Your support is essential to all of our endeavors.

We would like to thank everyone that donated to the League during our last fiscal year. For a complete list of donors please visit our Web site at www.awla.org/donate.shtml.

**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 seven generous individuals whose love and compassion for animals still lives on with their bequests totaling $76,572.38:

- Estate of Annette Baker
- Estate of Gus and Helen Chinworth
- Estate of Anna Dorsey
- Estate of Muriel A. Johnson
- Estate of James R. Mailler
- Estate of George A. Parsons
- The Pietro and Thelma Raffaelli Family Foundation

If you are interested in adding the League to your will (or have already done so), please contact Lisa Kirschner at lkirschner@awla.org or at 703-931-9241 ext. 220.

**Events**

Every year the League hosts two major fundraisers. In 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 $93,000! You can join in the fun in 2012. Simply save the date for the second Saturday of May and watch our Web site in the mid-January to register.

In November 2010, the League hosted Catsino Night and Silent Auction in the Historic Lobby in Terminal A at the Ronald Reagan Washington National Airport. Over 260 guests enjoyed music, dancing, food, drink, casino games, and a live auction -- raising over $72,000 in support of the League and the animals we help. Please see page 8 for information on our 2011 Catsino Night.

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.

**Wish List**

The League would like to send a special thank you to everyone who has donated items from our Wish List. 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 Cave Cat Bed (see our Web site), gift cards to Staples, Home Depot, etc, Easy Walk Harnesses, plain copy paper, canned cat food.

(To see more items on our Wish List, please visit our Web site at www.awla.org/wishlist.pdf)

**Pet Pals Monthly Giving Program**

Thank you to the following donors who support the League throughout the year by making automatic monthly donations:

Ms. Zahra Alwazir
Sandra Amendola
Ms. Aurora R. Bafrnec
George Bowles and Elizabeth Cheyney
Ms. Lisa Branco and Mr. Jonathan Dox
Ms. Sasha-Vanessa Brenes
Ms. Michelle Buehl
Ms. Shirley Camper
Ms. Meredith Capps
Ms. Alexa Carnibella
Ms. Toni Coleman
Ms. Ann S. Cottrell
Ms. Dawn Dhavale
Ms. Pamela Dillard
Ms. Tavia Dopita
Carla Dye and Luvenia Foster
Ms. and Mr. Erika D. Elvander
Ms. Ashley V. Glacel
Ms. Linda Greenagel
Mr. David M. Hart
Ms. Melinda Hatton
Mr. Jeff Hawkes
Ms. Elizabeth Jacobs
Ms. Susan P. Johnson
Ms. Malinda Jurney
Dawn Keeler
Ray and Dana Koch
Mr. and Mrs. Josh Kramer
Ms. Suzanne M. Langsdorf
Ms. Nora Mcardle
Emily McGee
Ms. Cheryl L. Mendonsa
Michelle Miller
Ms. Karen P. Olin
Coral Lee Ramsey
Mr. and Mrs. Michael Ricard
Ms. Kara Rourke
Ms. Mary Sommerville
Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Spaulding
Ms. Hajira Stoman
Mr. Adam Sweetser and Ms. Anna Bruce
Ms. Kathleen I. Taimi
Ms. Cyndi Thomas
Ms. Hilary Thornley
Ms. Mary E. Turnbull
Elizabeth and Jerry Vick
Ms. Lizette G. Welch
Ms. JoAnn Williams
Christine Wolski
Mr. Zachary Zebrowski
Brenda and Felipe Zurita

**Miscellaneous Friendraisers**

The following activities raised $12,363.52 to help homeless animals:
Arlington County Fair
Ballston Art Fair
Barks ’n Beer
Blessing of the Animals at St. Clement Church
California Pizza Kitchen
“Eat out to Benefit the League”
Caring Hands Open House
Fairlington Yappy Hour
Freddie’s Beach Bar
Lenox Club Adoption Event
Octoberfest at Capital City Brewing Company
“Cause for Paws” at Bungalow Billiards in Shirlington Village
Photos with Santa
Pooch Paddle at Wyngate Condominiums
Riverhouse Apartments Yappy Hour
Wags ’N Whiskers at Shirlington Village

Woody and Mickey Healthy Pet Fund

Started in 2003, the Woody and Mickey Healthy Pet Fund gives the League extra resources when considering veterinary care for the animals staying with us. The shelter can now provide medical treatment for animals with serious medical issues to make them more adoptable. The staff and animals at the Animal Welfare League of Arlington are extremely grateful to all the donors that have help us raise over $28,782 for this fund.

Ross-Roberts Vet Assistance Fund

Everyone at the Animal Welfare League of Arlington would like to thank the donors that helped us raise over $13,595 to offer no-interest loans to members of the public who needed emergency veterinary care for their animals.

Hantke Memorial Spay/Neuter Fund

The staff and animals at the Animal Welfare League of Arlington would like to thank all the donors that gave to this fund, raising over $9,623 to help spay and neuter animals in our community.

FY 2011 Financial Report

The audited financial report will be available from the League in November 2011.

Revenue and Support FY 2011

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<td>Fundraising Events</td>
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TOTAL: $2,662,601.05

Expenses FY 2011

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TOTAL: ($2,508,512.45)

TOTAL GAIN/(LOSS): $154,088.60

Temporarily Restricted Funds FY 2011

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*Under terms of a contract with Arlington County, the Animal Welfare League of Arlington provides the County’s animal shelter and animal control services.
Last year’s Catsino emcee Greta Kreuz, from ABC7/WJLA-TV, auctioned a dinner with Arlington firefighters for $1,300 after a fierce bidding war between two determined groups. Greta will be on hand again this year to host our live auction to benefit homeless animals, and who knows which items will stir the most competition. The Metropolitan Washington Airports Authority has once again generously donated the Historic Lobby in Terminal A at Reagan National Airport as the stylish venue for the event. Last year 275 animal lovers helped to raise more than $72,000, and with your support this year’s event promises to surpass that incredible mark. The animals are betting on you!

Our glamorous fundraiser will kick off at 7:00 pm in the Historic Lobby where guests can enjoy the breathtaking views across the runway. Gamblers will have their pick of casino games including blackjack, Texas Hold’em, and craps. 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 an array of delicious hors d’oeuvres catered by Lebanese Taverna. Silent and live auctions will take place throughout the evening and attendees can bid on a number of exciting prizes donated by our generous sponsors. Current auction items can be viewed at awla.ejoinme.org/catsino2011.

We hope you will join us for this unique opportunity to spend an elegant evening benefiting homeless animals in our community. Tickets are on sale now for $100 per person and can be obtained by mailing or faxing the RSVP located on the next page or by calling (703) 931-9241 x 216. Additionally, attendees can purchase tickets online by visiting awla.ejoinme.org/catsino2011.

See you there on November 5th!
Yes, I want to support the League and the homeless animals!

- Yes, I would like to attend Catsino Night and Silent Auction Reserve ___ tickets in my name for $100 per person (All tickets will be held at the door.)
  
  Please list the names of your guests: ____________________________________________

  If you need additional space, please use the back of this card.

- Sorry, I am unable to attend but would like to make a contribution in the amount of $______ to support the League and the homeless animals in our community.

Payment Information:

- My check for $______ is enclosed.
  Please make checks payable to the Animal Welfare League of Arlington (AWLA).

- Please bill my MasterCard/VISA/Discover for $______
  Card # __________________________ Exp. Date ________
  Signature: ________________________ Name: ___________________
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We always tell our adopters that no one is perfect and that includes our pets. At the League we see a variety of wonderful animals that have been through so much and consequently have behavior or medical challenges. We try to identify these issues prior to adoption so that we can find the right home for that pet.

Patty is an example of a great dog that we worked with and accomplished a successful outcome. Patty is a 68-pound Cane Corso who came to us as a stray. She had mange and ear infections. After we had her medical issues under control, we found that she was not a fan of other canines: she would bark and lunge at other dogs. Many times this leash behavior is a result of frustration as opposed to true dog aggression. Patty is a gentle giant with people, and we all fell in love with her; but we knew that no one would want a big dog that would be hard to control around other dogs. Our urban environment means lots of dogs walking in close proximity. For a dog that is reactive to other dogs, this can pose a challenging and stressful obstacle course for both the owner and the dog.

Patty had no training prior to coming...
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On-site Spays/Neuters for Shelter Animals

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Another challenge for a dog like Patty was finding the right home to set her up for success. A high rise apartment building where the elevator has to be shared with other dogs is much more challenging for a dog-reactive dog than a single family home in a suburban neighborhood. This generally allows for more space in which to navigate a dog like Patty. We are happy to report that Patty was adopted into a wonderful home in April of 2011, about four months after she arrived at the shelter. We have spoken to her adopter and found that she is doing well and has not had any issues with other dogs. She has proven to be a “chewer” though. Oh well, no one is perfect.
Catsino Night
November 5, 2011
Register for Catsino Night at http://awla.ejoinme.org/catsino2011

Workplace Giving
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 this year’s campaign begins, if you work for a participating organization, please consider designating the Animal Welfare League of Arlington with the appropriate codes.

Rabies Clinics
Please bring dogs on leashes and cats and ferrets in carriers.

Rabies Shot: $10
Oct 27 • Dec 1 6:30 - 8:30 p.m.
Please bring proof of a prior rabies shot (a rabies certificate, not a tag) to get a 3-year rabies shot.

League Hours
Visiting:
Noon – 7:00 p.m.  Monday
Closed Tuesday
Noon – 7:00 p.m.  Wed. - Fri.
Noon – 4:00 p.m.  Sat. - Sun.
Receiving Incoming Animals:
8:00 a.m. – 10:30 p.m. daily
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