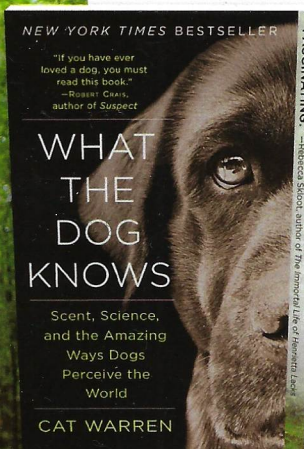
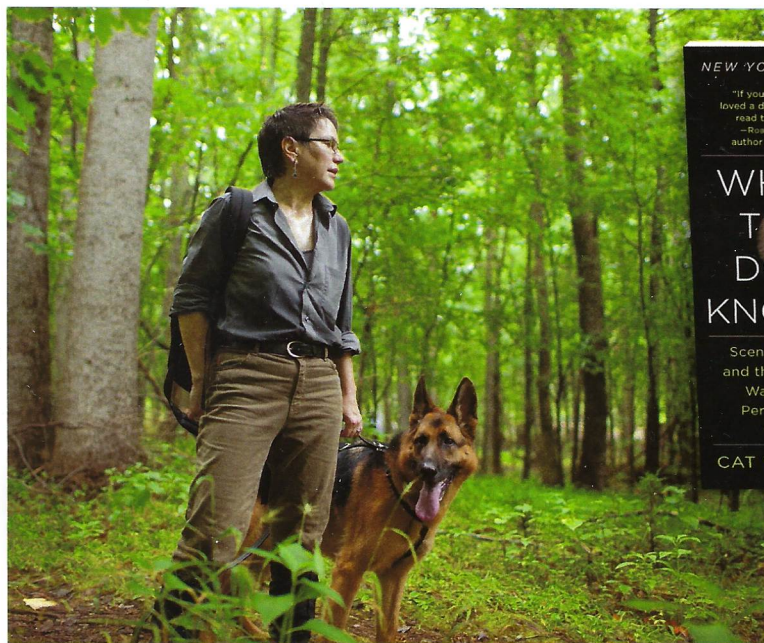


Tails of the heart

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The Newsletter of Animal Rescue Rhode Island

Cat Warren, noted author of 'What the Dog Knows' to speak at Whiskers & Wine Luncheon June 1



"What the Dog Knows is a fascinating, deeply reported journey into scent, death, forensics, and the amazing things dogs can do with their noses: sniffing out graves, truffles, bedbugs, maybe even cancer. But it's also a moving story of how one woman transformed her troubled dog into a loving companion and an asset to society, all while stumbling on the beauty of life in their searches for death."

— Rebecca Skloot, The New York Times Book Review

Cat Warren, a professor and former reporter, works with cadaver dogs who search for missing people who are presumed dead. What started as a way to redirect the energies of Solo, her smart, over-active German shepherd puppy, became a passion for them both. They searched for the missing throughout North Carolina for eight years. In her critically acclaimed book *What the Dog Knows: Scent, Science and the Amazing Ways Dogs Perceive the World* (March 10, 2015; Touchstone paperback), Warren writes about her journey into the world of scent-detection dogs, revealing the remarkable capabilities of these special canines, their trainers and their handlers. Ms. Warren explains how working dogs can capture the worlds their noses know and translate that knowledge for humans. *What the Dog Knows* recounts stories of cadaver dogs, drug and bomb detecting canines, tracking and apprehension dogs, even dogs who can locate unmarked graves of Civil War soldiers and help find drowning victims more than 200 feet below the surface of a lake.

Revealing the fascinating science behind these abilities, the book describes the intense training and skilled handling that helps develop scent-detection dogs' abilities and illustrates why the amazing noses of working dogs provide an invaluable tool for their human partners.

Cat Warren is a professor at North Carolina State University, where she teaches science journalism and creative nonfiction. She is also a cadaver dog handler. She lives with her husband, David, and her German shepherd cadaver-dog-in-training, Jaco, in Durham, North Carolina.

Please join us for this fascinating talk at the Dunes Club on June 1, 2016, 11:30-3:00 pm by reserving a spot on our website (animalrescueri.org), or by calling Maria Hoey at 401-783-7606, ext. 103. Funds raised at this event will benefit all our furry friends at Animal Rescue Rhode Island. Thank you for your support!

*ARRI is excited to announce
a partnership with
renowned animal behaviorist
Bob Midwood!*



Bob and his two dogs, Colbie, left; Casey, right

Meet Bob Midwood, dog behaviorist/trainer, and the owner of Golden Dog Training, Warwick, Rhode Island. Bob has spent over 50 years living and working with dogs. His unique method of learning how each dog's mind works, and dealing with dogs in ways they understand, produces astounding results.

"Early on, I was taught that if I wanted to be able to work with an animal, I first had to understand how the animal's mind works. That started me on a life journey into the K-9 world and the intricate structure of the K-9 pack," explains Bob.

It is with this knowledge that Bob Midwood has developed a fun and effective way to teach dog owners how to get the best out of their pet and enjoy life with a well-mannered and well-balanced dog.

Bob spends Friday mornings at ARRI consulting with the staff on any dogs who present behavioral issues. He is available to work with adopters to ensure long-term, consistent attention, as needed. Partnering with Bob, ARRI looks forward to offering dog care and behavior classes for adopters in the near future.

For more information about Bob's work, visit www.goldendogtraining.com



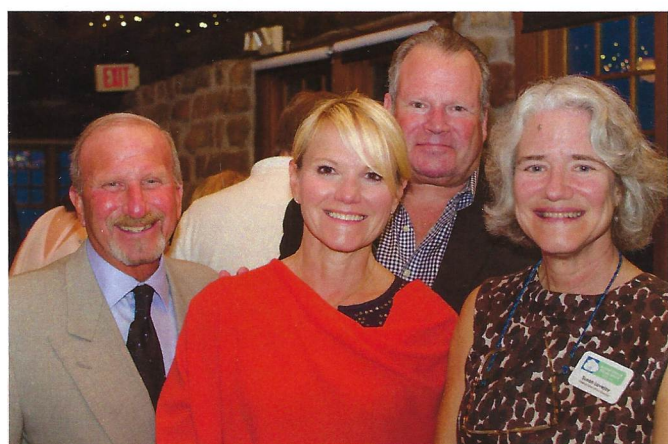
*Wanda Loedts and Bob Midwood with
Maverick, ready for a morning of training*

Diamond In The Ruff A Great Success!

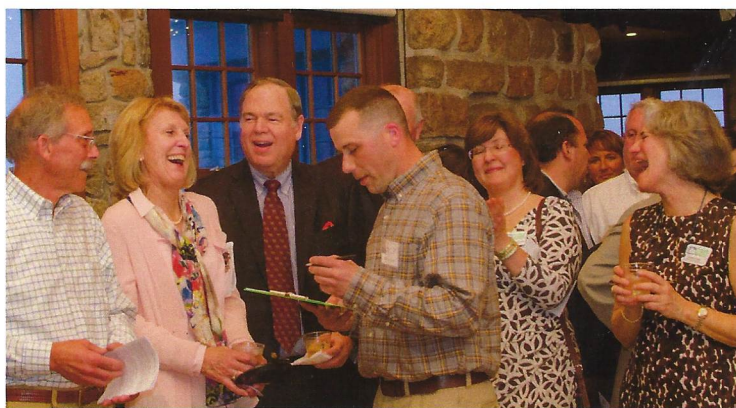
April 1 at The Towers was an amazing night for Animal Rescue Rhode Island (ARRI), when nearly 200 attendees gathered for the Fourth Annual Diamond in the Ruff Cocktail Party/Auction. Under a canopy of sparkling white lights, individuals and businesses came together to raise funds for animals in need and to extend thanks to ARRI's Golden Paw Award winners, Handsome Dan's Rescue and RI Foundation, for their statewide dedication to improving the lives of animals in need.



ARRI Board of Directors President Doug Rubinstein; RI Foundation's Director of Grant Programs Jenny Pereira; and ARRI's Interim Executive Director Susan Lovejoy.



Doug Rubinstein and Susan Lovejoy with ARRI donors and friends Jozy and Chip Mainelli.



After a round of good-natured bidding, David Moulthrop, Karin and Jim Aukerman, Matt Sargeant, Michele Vidmar, and Susan Lovejoy share a laugh.

Named after Mike Vick's fighting Vicktory Dog Handsome Dan, Handsome Dan's Rescue is a non-profit that helps dogs with the lowest chance for adoption and rehabilitates them into adoptable pets. Unique is that Handsome Dan's Rescue is not an animal shelter, but rather a network of trainers, foster parents and volunteers who together have had huge success in fulfilling the mission to assist with the placement, care, shelter, training, and overall well-being of canines in local shelters and other facilities throughout the state of Rhode Island.



Heather with some of her volunteers. From left to right, Jacqueline Baffoni, Sara Potter, Amy Gottfried Mayer, Heather Gutshall, Daniela Ponte, Dave Cravin, Trisha Torres and Kim Fiore.

ARRI's second Golden Paw Winner, Rhode Island Foundation, through its Program for Animal Welfare, has awarded more than \$1 million in grants to dozens of local organizations working to expand humane education, raise awareness and improve the welfare of animals in Rhode Island in the past three years alone. In 2015, the Foundation awarded nearly \$500,000 in grants to fund 28 animal welfare programs across the state, including that of Animal Rescue Rhode Island. This celebration of heroes was remarkable, and thanks to our generous South County community, ARRI raised over \$20,000 – twice more than last year. These funds will go directly to saving and placing hundreds of animals in loving,

permanent homes. Here are the many that were instrumental in the success of this event.

To the incredible restaurant, caterer and beverage sponsors – The Breachway Grille, Belmont Market, Cool Beans Café, Phil's Main Street Grille, The Bed and Bistro, Whaler's Brewing Company, Sweet Althea's, Joy's Chocolate Temptations, Coast Guard House, George's Of Galilee, ShuckIn Truck, and WBG Fine Catering and Event Design, we thank you.

To the over 100 individuals and businesses who donated items for our raffle and live and silent auctions (see the entire list of donors on the Event Program link at AnimalRescueRI.org), we are so appreciative.

To our amazing volunteers – Katie LaCroix, Jean Bate, Thom Bate, Amanda Henderson, Claire Hoey, Matt Sargeant, Mary Ann Lord, Vic Ventura, Caitlin O'Neill, Terrie O'Toole, Robin Leather, Clara Smart, Linda Landy, Kelly Cronin, Kerri Barber, Suzanne Marrow, Caitlin Duggan, and Andrew Bianchi, we are forever grateful for your enthusiasm, passion, and unending willingness to help.

To our Golden Paw Sponsors – Pier Liquors and South County Steel, we are sincerely appreciative of your generosity.

To our event sponsors – Bartending by Dennis, The Independent, SRI Newspapers, O'Neil's Package Store, Art B., Weedweavers, and Flowerthyme – and the nearly 200 attendees, your dedication, generosity, and commitment are so appreciated.

ARRI sincerely thanks the many who are always there when help is needed. Each and every one of you makes a remarkable difference in our community.



Almost all of ARRI staff (our fearless office manager Jeanne Sabin is again hiding from the camera!) with one of our many dedicated volunteers. Cayla Haggarty, Susan Lovejoy, Terrie O'Toole, Jennifer Gebar, Maria Hoey, Nicole Mathers.



Stesha + Lexie



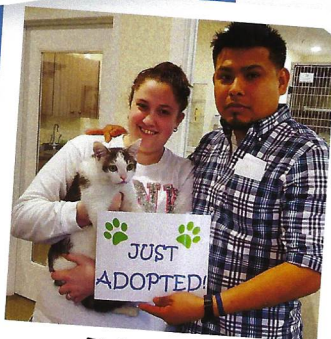
Sarah, Billy Bob, and Kevin



Jill + Cowboy



Jody + Garth



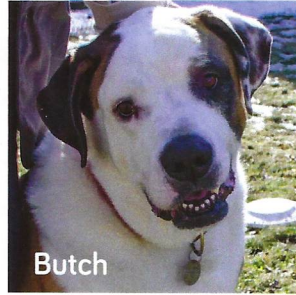
Julie, Henry, and Gonzalo



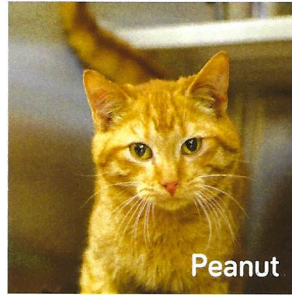
Your support saves homeless pets and brings families together EVERY DAY, enriching lives and making a difference.



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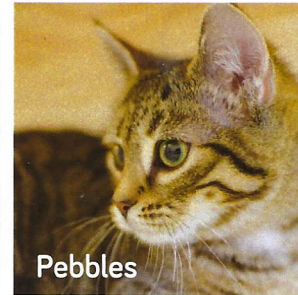
Butch



Peanut



Sadie



Pebbles

Upcoming Events



ARRI's Annual Cash Raffle | Ongoing through October 1

Win up to \$500 cash!!! 2nd prize: \$200 cash!! 3rd prize: \$100 cash! Proceeds benefit Animal Rescue Rhode Island - one of New England's few no-kill animal shelters. Drawing to be held October 1, 2016! Call 401-783-7606, or visit shelter, 506B Curtis Corner Road, to purchase your tickets! \$1 each; 6/\$5!



Belmont Dollar Days | Memorial Day Weekend

Belmont Market

Shop Belmont Market and support the animals in ARRI's care! Details to come!



Whiskers and Wine at the Dunes Club | June 1st

Luncheon Fundraiser with guest speaker Cat Warren, author of New York Times best-seller *What a Dog Knows*. Marketplace, luncheon, specialty drinks, raffle. Make your reservation at www.AnimalRescueRI.org, or call 401-783-7606, Ext. 103.



One-year Anniversary/Open House | Saturday, June 25, 11AM - 1PM

Celebrate ARRI's successful first year in its new shelter! Watch for details.



Bark and Ride 5th Anniversary Celebration | Saturday, July 30, 11AM - 1PM

South Kingstown Dog Park (off Broad Rock Road)

Join us for a celebration and reunion of our southern rescues and their adopters! Watch for additional details.



Bark on the Beach Charity Dog Walk | NEW DATE!!! October 15th, Noon - 2PM

Narragansett Town Beach

Watch for details on ways to register as a walker, a fundraiser, become a sponsor, and more! Questions? mhoey@animalrescuei.org, 401-783-7606, Ext. 103.

ARRI Board of Directors

President, Doug Rubinstein; Vice President, Michele Vidmar; Treasurer, Joseph R. DeQuattro; Board Members Denny Denelle, Kurt Jamiel, Thomas Gulluscio, Jr.; Deborah Elliott, Robert Procaccianti.

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Interim Executive Director, Susan S. Lovejoy; Office Manager, Jeanne Sabin; Community Programs Manager, Maria Hoey; Shelter Manager: Jennifer Gebar; Assistant Shelter Manager Nicole Mathers; Shelter Staff: Tina Stanciu, Cayla Haggarty, Jamie Morton, Stefanie Smith.

Happy Endings begin at ARRI!

Before



After



When longtime ARRI volunteers John and Ruth began their search for another dog, they couldn't help but to be drawn to the online photo of a scared Kayla. Kayla had been brought to ARRI through its Bark and Ride program, where we rescue dogs from southern shelters. She was originally found in a feral dog trap.

Upon meeting Kayla, John and Ruth knew they could give her the security she needed. On the first day in her new home, it took just until dinnertime for her to relax and play. At 4-years-old, Kayla still has a lot of puppy in her. According to John, "she is discovering her childhood all over again."

Before



After



Bobbie came to our shelter when her original caretaker fell ill and could no longer care for her. Shortly after her arrival, it was discovered that she was suffering from breathing and respiratory issues. ARRI staff had Bobbie evaluated by one of its partner veterinarians, who discovered that a large polyp in her nose was restricting her breathing. Surgery was performed to remove the polyp. Today, this sweet, talkative young girl, who is now known as Waffles, is enjoying her life and role as "Queen Couch Potato."

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Animal Rescue Rhode Island is on Social Media!

Would you like updates on all the exciting things happening at ARRI? Follow us on social media, where we post the latest adoptable animals, happy endings, upcoming events, and all of our PAWSitive news.

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