

### **JANUARY 2024 E-TAILS**

## A Message From Our Executive Director



Dear Friends,

As we move into 2024, I look back on 2023 and am filled with joy. I'm grateful to all of you who chose to make a difference by supporting the animals at ARRI. Thank you!

Your donations have provided kindness and care to animals who were sick, injured, and abused. The gifts you provided made it possible for us to heal their hearts and wounds and find them loving homes. **You are the reason they had a second chance**.

Truly, our work is possible only with your support. In 2023, pet adoptions nationwide decreased - yet nearly 500 ARRI pets found families of their own. We were also able to provide more than 65,000 pet meals to pet owners in need and give humane education presentations to nearly 1,000 students across RI through our **ARRI Animal Scholars** programs.

Our hearts are full, and we're excited to see what this year brings!



# Thank You For Supporting Whisker Wonderland!



We're overcome with gratitude for all of our generous donors who've contributed over \$134,000 to our Whisker Wonderland campaign!

Your support is the best way to start 2024.

Thank you for the love and generosity you've shown for our four-legged friends!

### There's still time to be a part of the magic that's Whisker Wonderland!

When you give a gift, you help pets like Angel and Bear, both of whom battled health issues and homelessness. To read their stories, and to make a Whisker Wonderland contribution, please click here:

### **Give A Gift Now**

# **Looking Ahead to ARRI's 2024 Events**





*Mark your calendars now!* We'll be having many exciting happenings throughout 2024, including ARRI's flagship events, **The FurBall** and **Bark on the Beach**.

- The FurBall: The premier event of the summer will be held on June 14th, 2024 at The
  Dunes Club in Narragansett. For more information, including event and table
  sponsorship opportunities, please click <u>HERE</u>.
- Bark on the Beach: Our 13th Annual Bark on the Beach dog walk fundraiser will be held on September 28th, 2024 at Narragansett Town Beach. Registration opportunities will be available later in the year.

## Meet ARRI's 2024 Mascot, Maxx!



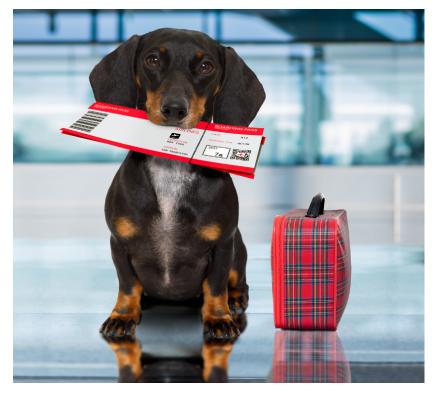
We're excited to introduce you to Maxx!

Maxx is a stunning 14-year-old. His DNA test results show he is 50% American bulldog, 25% Lab, and 25% bully breed.

After being rescued from the streets of Chicago at 5 months old, he came to live with his family in RI. He loves to go on long walks and play at the beach.

Maxx spent many years as a comfort dog, bringing love and support to people of all ages. He's now retired, and we are honored he is **ARRI's 2024 Mascot!** 

# **Sweepstakes Fundraiser Trip Coming Soon**

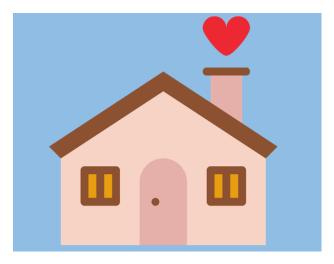


Are you feeling down with the winter blues? Are you daydreaming about going on a vacation?

Stay tuned for an announcement next month, when ARRI will launch a sweepstakes fundraiser. You'll have a chance to win an exciting travel experience while also supporting ARRI's pets.

Details of the fundraiser and the trip destination are coming soon!

Help Us Find These Longtime ARRI Residents A Home!



We currently have 3 sweet dogs who have been at ARRI for a while, patiently waiting for homes.

# Please help us do our best to get these precious, loving pups adopted by sharing with your family and friends!



Learn more about River

Learn more about Chipotle

Learn more about Bella

If you're interested in <u>adopting</u> or <u>fostering</u> River, Chipotle, or Bella, please apply by clicking one of the buttons below or calling us at 401-783-7606.

# Teachers, ARRI Animal Scholars Volunteers Will Read to Your Classroom!



Calling all Rhode Island elementary school teachers! Our ARRI Animal Scholars program has the perfect book to share with your 2nd - 4th grade students: Sugar's Story!

Sugar's Story is about a puppy who's adopted by a loving family and then escapes from her backyard. The story takes young readers on Sugar's journey and is filled with lessons about kindness, love, and responsibility.

Our trained **ARRI Animal Scholars** volunteers will come to your classroom and read this heartwarming tale to your students. Watch your students use their imagination as we project the book's illustrations while the story is being read aloud. *This is an ideal activity for Reading Week, Be Kind to Animals Week, or as a special treat for your students.* The visit is free, and you'll receive a complimentary signed copy of the book to keep for your classroom.

To arrange a classroom visit, or for more information, please email <a href="mailto:education@animalrescueri.org">education@animalrescueri.org</a>.

Sugar's Story is authored by Jane Greco Deming and illustrated by Sue Greco.

If you'd like to purchase a copy of *Sugar's Story*, please contact Allison at adegerlia@animalrescueri.org or 401-783-7606 x103.

# **Year-End Tax Summary For ARRI Donors**



We'll soon be emailing year-end tax summaries to donors who made contributions to ARRI in 2023. Keep an eye on your email inbox in the next week. If you don't receive your summary by January 24th, please contact us.

### Pet of the Month



Meet Athena, the sweet and playful cat with a heart of gold. This adventurous feline loves exploring, playing with springs and toys, and indulging in catnip. Athena isn't shy about asking for attention – she greets you with a loud "hello" when it's cuddle time. A social eater, she enjoys sharing snacks and is sure to bring joy to any home with her lively personality.

Ready to welcome Athena into your life? Please complete the adoption questionnaire here:

# **Happy Endings**



Our goal is to bring best friends and families together, and it's truly gratifying when we find wonderful homes for our furry friends!



Hi,

Dutchess is doing great! She and my family dog, Riley, have been getting along super well, and she's been loving spending time in Boston as well. We started training recently and that's been going well. We went on a trip to Acadia recently and she loved hiking. She's also had a great time meeting new dogs at dog parks and on puppy play dates.

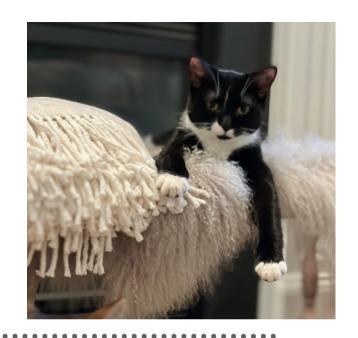
Thank you! Samantha



Hi,

Miles is doing great and settling in nicely! He gets along wonderfully with our other older cat, Wilson. He is full of great kitten energy!!!

Thank you! Sarah



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