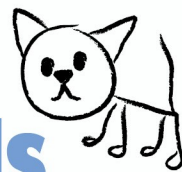


THE NEWS

Online News for all the Friends of Furry Friends August 2020

Furry
Friends



Helping homeless and abused cats

Hello Friends,

Our big news is that our parking lot/sidewalk project is coming to a close. We can't tell how happy we are to finally get through this. We also stay busy caring for about 45 kittens and getting ready for our ONLINE auction in September. More on these topics below.



Spike



Baby Girl



Leroy and Liam

Adoptions

We have adopted out 29 cats from July 4 to August 3, 2020. Congratulations to Baby Girl, Danny, DeeDee, Dora, Elliot, Emily, Emma, LeRoy, Liam, Lilly, Murphy, Nigel, Pastel, Pepper, River, Rizzo, Rocket, Rosencrantz, Rumpelstiltskin, Simba, Sophie, Tank, Theo, Tiberius, Tigger, Tilly, Tink, Trigger and Waffles.



Black Cats and Kittens

In honor of National Black Cat Day August 17, we turn the spotlight on our black cats and kittens. We currently have almost 20 in our care. You can see all of our cats and kittens available for adoption on PetFinder https://www.petfinder.com/search/pets-for-adoption/?shelter_id%5B0%5D=WA12&sort%5B0%5D=recently_added



Parking Lot Update

After four years and almost \$200,000, our parking lot/sidewalk project is nearly finished. Many of you have donated to this huge project and we cannot thank you enough. We had no idea that the cost would be so high to get this mandatory project done. It is not exactly how we wanted to use our resources. Asphalt is scheduled to be poured August 10. We will be so happy to have a place other than mud to park, and people with limited mobility will find it much easier to get to our front door.



Left: Julie Goldbeck and her mom, volunteer coordinator Malinda Goldbeck. Right: Julie and Bugbug share a moment.

New Board Member

Julie Goldbeck is the newest member of the Furry Friends Board of Directors. She has been volunteering with Furry Friends for five years. Julie has worked shifts at the Furry Friends adoption center and Halfway House; she also maintains the Amazon Wish list, orders cat food and serves on the Halfway House committee. When asked why she volunteers for Furry Friends she says, "I volunteer at Furry Friends because I want to help vulnerable cats find a permanent home."

Julie holds a master's degree from City University and works as a substitute teacher. She also volunteers for the Daughters of the American Revolution as their chapter Librarian. Her hobbies include reading, watching public television and political news programs.

Julie says, "It's important to volunteer to improve our community for everyone. For what affects one of us affects all of us".



Medical Team Update

We are making great progress with our medical teams. We now have three teams of vet techs and assistants that rotate weekly taking care of our cat intakes and kittens. We have a fourth team that will only do the monthly medical exams for all the cats in our care. Dr Ann Langer is a relief veterinarian that will be assisting

us. She has given our cat/kitten foster parents a workshop on basic procedures that they can use for their cats' care.



Tour of the Halfway House

Many of you have not been to our Halfway House so we thought we would take you on a virtual tour. It is a Hairy Pawter theme to keep in line with our Hairy Pawter Auction that is being held in September. Our actresses are Dr. Virginia Huang and Dr. Marci Koski. Our president Jaimie Garver wrote the script and was responsible for the props and cat wrangling, Margie McGhee was the cue card girl and seamstress for Hairy Pawter accessories such as scarves for the cats, and Diane Stevens was the photographer/videographer for the project. Now come with us on our tour. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bDm6oHKFhQQ&feature=youtu.be>

For those that would like to see a longer tour please watch https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=EA1K74_-s2l&feature=youtu.be



Spotlight on Tina Starks

Tina is an ambitious young lady who has volunteered with Furry Friends for many years. We are so happy to have her on our team.

Like almost every kid at the Recycled Arts Festival, Tina Starks saw the booth with cats and immediately dragged her parents over so she could see. When her father made it clear that none of those cats were going to come home with Tina's family, she did the next best thing: sign up to be a volunteer. So, at the age of 13, Tina began her journey with Furry Friends. She started in order to be with cats, but the seven years of volunteering have, as Tina puts it, "helped me realize the importance of volunteering and how much I love it. It has inspired me to volunteer more, which has opened my eyes to more of my community and world, gotten me valuable experiences, and helped me give back to others. All because I decided that I would scoop litter boxes every Sunday."

Read more here <https://furryfriendswa.org/volunteer-spotlight-on-tina-starks/>



SCPS Spa Fundraiser

Each year, Salmon Creek Plastic Surgery does what it can to support Furry Friends. Dr Virginia Huang will again be hosting a spa fundraiser for us **from September 7 to 11**. Salmon Creek Plastic Surgery will **donate 20% of all Spa proceeds** to Furry Friends. Book your appointment now. You can see the full line of services on their web site. Some procedures include facials, waxings, botox and lash and brow procedures. Salmon Creek Plastic Surgery is located at 13712 NE 10th Avenue, Vancouver, WA 98685. Call (360) 823-0860 to book your appointment, or visit <http://www.salmoncreekps.com/> for more information.



Hairy Pawter ONLINE Auction is coming

Invitations will arrive in the mail this month. Our ONLINE auction will be held September 12 to 19 located at www.32auctions.com/Hairypawter2020. There will be lots of great items for you to bid on. You will be able to

pick up your winnings at a location in the Salmon Creek area of Clark County , or we can deliver to the Clark County and Portland Metro area. All funds earned at the auction go to the care and housing of the cats.

Salmon Creek Plastic Surgery, Iron Gate Storage are Premiere Sponsors for the event. Other sponsors include Uptown Law (Platinum Sponsor), Riverview Community Bank (Gold Sponsor), Pacific NW Specialty Pharmacy, Feline Behavior Solutions and Portland Local 8 Federal Credit Union (Silver Sponsors). Salmon Creek Plastic Surgery will hold a spa fundraiser for Furry Friends the week before the auction begins. Please visit the auction page on our web site for more information about the spa fundraiser. If you would like to be a sponsor for next year's auction, please visit <https://furryfriendswa.org/sponsors/> for more information.

Please check out our web site for more information <https://furryfriendswa.org/calendar/hairy-pawter/> or visit the auction site. You will not be able to place any bids until September 12, but you can see the items as we load them in. Keep in mind it is a work in progress until the actual auction begins www.32auctions.com/Hairypawter2020 Questions? auction@furryfriendswa.org.



**Give More 24 will be here
before you know it.**

Thursday, September 24
Furry Friends is looking for people to
contribute matching donations.

Give More 24 is Coming!

Furry Friends is excited to announce we're participating in the online fundraising challenge Give More 24 on **Thursday, September 24**. Our goal is to raise \$10,000 to cover the unexpected, extraordinary medical expenses of the cats in our care. As you know, we're committed to providing the best possible medical care for the cats we rescue before they're placed in their forever homes.

SAVE THE DATE : September 24, 2020



and

UPTOWN INJURY LAW
MILA BOYD ATTORNEY AT LAW

A winning combination. Julie Baldino of Front Door Realty & Mila Boyd of Uptown Injury Law will be offering \$1,000 each in matching funds for this upcoming event.

Matching Funds for Give More 24

We're also happy to announce that Julie Baldino of Front Door Realty has pledged \$1000 and Mila Boyd of Uptown Injury Law has pledged \$500 in matching funds to help with our cats' medical needs!

To learn more about Furry Friends and Give More 24 go to:

<https://www.givemore24.org/organizations/furry-friends>

 <p>Thank you Julie Baldino of Front Door Realty</p> <p>Julie has been a Furry Friends sponsor for four years now.</p> <div><p>Hairy Pawter ONLINE Auction September 12th to 19th, 2020</p></div> <p>www.32auctions.com/ Hairypawter2020</p> <p>www.FurryFriendsWA.org</p>	  <p>Julie Baldino</p>  <p>1815 D Street Vancouver, WA 98663 (360) 450-4486 Info@FrontDoorNW.com www.frontdoornw.com/</p>
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Thank you Julie Baldino of Front Door Realty

Julie has been a Sponsor to Furry Friends for four years now.

We can't thank her enough for her generosity. She is a wonderful, caring person and we are so happy that she is helping the kitties. She is also contributing \$1,000 of matching funds for our Give More 24 Fundraiser in September.

Front Door Realty is located at 1815 D Street, Vancouver, WA 98663. (360) 450-4486

Visit <https://www.frontdoornw.com/> for information about Front Door Realty

Visit www.furryfriendswa.org for sponsorship information

Visit our auction site at www.32auctions.com/Hairypawter2020.

HELP! The kittens are eating us out of house and home. We are caring for many kittens right now and their food bill is high. Here is our wish list.

- Pawdiculture Pet Nail Polish –non toxic, it helps us identify kittens that look alike
- ProPlan wet and dry kitten food
- Natural Balance dry kitten food
- Gift cards to pet food stores
- Financial Donations

You can drop off donations at Woodin You Pampered Paws, 13305 NE Hwy 99 #102, Vancouver, WA 98686. Most items can be purchased locally at PetSmart & Petco. Or you can order online from Chewy.com or Amazon.com. You can have it shipped direct to our mailing address which is 6715 NE 63rd St., Suite 450, Vancouver, WA 98661. Or you can always make a financial donation at <https://furryfriendswa.org/donate/> Questions: information@furryfriendswa.org or (360) 993-1097



Several articles have run in the media for us

8/10/2020 Clark County Today – Newest FF Board Members <https://www.clarkcountytoday.com/people/furry-friends-announces-board-of-directors-changes/?fbclid=IwAR334WF5g61D5DHdZp9UlxjvNcmmRlVPip2SqKP1N1kaRmZoRgGuuEseDyY>

8/2/2020 The Columbian – Neighbors in the News – Ran a brief about our parking lot and the big checks that Dr Virginia and Glen Aronson gave to us. <https://www.columbian.com/news/2020/jul/25/furry-friends-parking-lot-started/>

7/29/2020 The Reflector ran an article on Furry Friends about our upcoming auction and available cats for adoption. http://www.thereflector.com/companion_pets/article_b5529a34-d03a-11ea-8a17-1b5d8dd0baf2.html

7/3/2020 NW Boomer Magazine ran Nomi Berger's article on Preparing your cat for you going back to work –featured article https://www.northwest50plus.com/news/prepare-your-cat-for-your-return-back-to-work/article_59ab3a74-b8a7-11ea-a6e5-979a0cc6aa91.html and in their Portland magazine https://issuu.com/nwboomerandseniornews/docs/p10962_nsn_07mp-met_2020

7/2/2020 The Peace and Justice Fair is usually hosted at Esther Short Park in September. Since they will not be able to have an in-person event, they are trying to create a virtual experience. They have created a page for Furry Friends on their website. <https://vancouverpeaceandjusticefair.org/furry-friends/>

Ongoing Resources

- **FF T-Shirts & Merchandise** <https://www.teepublic.com/user/furryfriends>
- **Email:** information@furryfriendswa.org
- **Message Phone:** [360-993-1097](tel:360-993-1097)
- **Website:** furryfriendswa.org
- **Facebook:** facebook.com/furryfriendswa We post daily news to this site
- **Twitter:** twitter.com/furryfriendswa

- **Instagram:** [instagram.com/furryfriendswa/](https://www.instagram.com/furryfriendswa/)
- **Mailing Address:** 6715 NE 63rd St, Suite 450, Vancouver, WA 98661
- *(Our shelter address is not published;; it is open by appointment only)*
- **Drop-off location for items:**
 - **Woodin' You Pampered Paws**, 13305 NE Hwy 99 #102, Vancouver, WA 98686, a fabulous pet care store located in Salmon Creek. The store is open Monday thru Friday from 9am-7pm and Saturday from 9am-6pm.
 - When purchasing something online for the cats and kittens, you can always have it shipped direct to our mailing address: 6715 NE 63rd Street, Suite 450, Vancouver, WA 98661.

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Furry Friends is dependent upon the kindness of our friends and sponsors to keep us going. Thank you all for supporting the kitties.

Having trouble receiving the newsletter?

Are you having trouble receiving the monthly newsletter in your inbox? Enter news@furryfriendswa.org into your contact list and that should solve that problem. This newsletter is compiled by Diane Stevens.

The Executive Committee: This board is the governing body responsible for the operation of Furry Friends. Members are all volunteers and meet once a month. Feel free to contact any member of the committee if you have questions, comments or suggestions at information@furryfriendswa.org or leave a message at (360) 993-1097.

Jaimie Garver, President, Operations, Community Events, Grants, Financials

Linda Rader, Vice President and Adoption/Foster Coordinator

Diane Stevens, Public Relations and Marketing, auction, social media, newsletters, photography, creative director

Marci Koski, Feline behaviorist

Margie McGhee, Secretary and Treasurer

Dena Hugh, Foster assistant

Julie Goldbeck, Halfway House Liaison

Other Leadership:

Sandi Long, Property management

Malinda Goldbeck, Volunteer Coordinator

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