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Helping Teens Take a Break

by Anne Tiry

On Wednesday, January 18, Furry Friends participated in a "Take a Break from Finals" event at the Santa Clara Teen Center, 2446 Cabrillo Avenue in Santa Clara. The Teen Center is a facility that offers a variety of services to high school students who live in Santa Clara or attend a school in the Santa Clara Unified School District - there's a multipurpose room, lounge, snack bar, classrooms. There are movie nights, live band nights, and lots of activities for the 9th - 12th grade crowd.

During finals week, the Teen Center sponsored a variety of "fun" activities in the evenings, to give the kids a break from their studies. Furry Friends was asked to participate, so Randee McQueen and "Teruu," Anne Tiry and "Buddy," and Loree McQueen and "Rusty" visited the facility on January 18th, from 7 to 9pm. We had a room to ourselves, and the students flocked in to pet the dogs.



As we all know, petting an animal is a GREAT stress-reliever! Many of the staff also came in to get a dose of pet therapy, as did a Santa Clara policeman patrolling the area. We were a big hit with all.

We were accompanied by Sara Schutt, a 3rd year student at UC Santa Cruz, majoring in Community Studies, focusing on photography as a method of community exploration and communication. She is working on an independent documentary project, using still photography (as shown here) and interviews, and she came to document some of our work with Pet Assisted Therapy. She took some great photos, showing how much the young people enjoyed our Furry Friends.



Newsletter Editor is "Retiring"

Interested in helping PATS publish the quarterly "Short Paws" newsletter? Join the team! Email us at shortpaws@therustins.com.

Save the Date - May 21!

The Walk-a-Thon is set for May 21, 2006. Volunteers needed. Email admin@furryfriends.org.

President's Corner

by Sal Guardino, Furry Friends P.A.T.S. President



Sal and Casey.

I'm always amazed and appreciative at the level of support we get from our volunteers. Last newsletter we identified a problem in not having enough team captains. In January, we had 7 volunteers show up on a rainy Saturday to be trained as new captains and 4 more have requested training materials.

Now, I'm writing to ask for your help once again. I'm sure we would all agree that Furry Friends is a great organization and provides a wonderful benefit to our community. But the organization involves more than just the visits that we attend. Day-to-day management of Furry Friends is handled by our one part-time administrator plus the donated time of our dedicated board of directors.

Many don't know, but our Board of Directors (including myself) is currently made up of only five members. In order to accomplish all of our objectives while still maintaining our volunteer spirit, our ideal board size would be nine directors. Each of our Board Members takes on the management of a single (or few) core function of our organization and reports to the rest of the board on that function. These functions include managing our Furry Friends' web site, fundraising, grant writing, events planning, community awareness, public relations, marketing activities (such as this newsletter), and recruitment for new volunteers, sites and captains.

Have you ever thought about promoting Furry Friends? Have you thought about using your management and business skills for a good cause? Do you love to throw parties and organize events? Are you adept at raising money or approaching foundations for grants? How about donating your technical skills? Now is your chance. Becoming a director is a new level of commitment to Furry Friends.

Our board meetings are held on the first Tuesday evening of every month and last about 2 hours. To become a member of the board, we ask that you attend at least 2-3 meetings as a visitor. After that time, if you want to be on the board as a Director, you would let me know your wishes and the current board will vote on your request. Our board members are always listed in this newsletter and can also be obtained by calling our office, emailing me (sal@furryfriends.org) or asking your team captain. Please consider the benefits to yourself and to Furry Friends in donating your time and talents to this great cause.

As always, I wish all of you happy and safe visits with your pets. Thank you for your continued support!

Thank you.
Sal Guardino, President
sal@furryfriends.org



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Furry Friends P.A.T.S.

Our mission is to facilitate the delivery of the love and affection of our volunteers and their pets. We enhance the lives and reopen the closed emotional doors of people with special needs.

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Renew Your Membership for 2006

Continue Receiving Uninterrupted Benefits

Volunteering with Furry Friends is a great way to share your pet's love and affection with people in our community who have special needs. Help us continue to deliver these services by making sure your membership remains active. Renewals were due on December 1st. Anyone who has not yet paid their dues will not be permitted to visit with their teams.

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\$30 individual membership
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We understand that some members may have a financial hardship and cannot afford the annual dues. Those members are welcome to submit a letter to the Furry Friends Board of Directors. No explanations are required, just a note stating that you have a hardship and would like your dues to be waived. Emails can be sent to admin@furryfriends.org or address a letter to the Furry Friends Board of Directors, PO Box 5099, San Jose, CA 95051.

Here are just 10 of the great benefits you receive:

10. **Insurance:** our policy protects you if your animal injures a client during a visit.
9. **Administrative Overhead:** dues help support the administration of our site and volunteer information.
8. **Training:** in addition to supporting the delivery of our regular "Pet Behavior Etiquette" classes for new members, funding also allows us to launch new training, such as our upcoming new captain training.
7. **Special Services:** we offer the resources of a professional Animal Behaviorist to consult with you regarding your animal's behavior at no cost to our members.
6. **Communication:** we raise awareness in the community and communicate with active and prospective volunteers via our website, newsletter, and other direct mail efforts.
5. **Events:** we host events such as the Picnic, Walk-a-Thon and Team Captain's meeting.
4. **Marketing and Membership Development:** we focus on growing the organization and participating in community events, such as the Holiday Parade and Bark in the Park.
3. **Patient Services:** many of our teams bring special joy to patients and clients by providing mementos from their visits with our inventory of Polaroid cameras and film.
2. **Patient Gifts:** our teams help patients and clients help celebrate special occasions (i.e. bringing flowers for Mother's Day, etc.).
1. **Furry Friends is just a dog-gone great cause:** membership fees are tax deductible, too!

2006 MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL - DUE NOW

How to Renew for You and Your Pet(s) by Mail

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THERAPY PET(S) NAME(S) _____

YOUR VISIT SITE(S) _____

New Captains Trained

by Elan Winkler

On a wet, wild morning in late January, seven Furry Friends volunteers showed up to be trained as new captains.

The training lasted about 45 minutes and covered topics such as:

- Qualifying a new site
- Selecting team members
- Filling out incident reports
- Filling out attendance sheets
- Rules for running a team
- Mentoring program

Lynn Smith and Anne Tiry, long-time team captains, were on hand to share their experiences and offer their guidance. Anyone who takes over an existing team, or starts a new team, will have access to existing captains, as well as the board, for any questions, advice or ideas. This mentoring program is new to Furry Friends and we have high hopes that it will help ensure the success of all of our volunteers and teams.

Being a team captain takes only a few additional minutes a month and is an exciting way to get more involved in Furry Friends. The primary month-to-month responsibilities are to remind team members of your visit and to fill in the attendance roster. In exchange, team captains have the authority to determine the rules for their visits and establish the date/time for the visit.

Anyone interested in attending the next training class (date and location to be determined) can contact me directly at elan@furryfriends.org.



New Volunteer Recruiting Efforts

Lynn Smith has been busy on our behalf, contacting a number of companies throughout the Bay Area who sponsor Volunteer Days for their employees. So far she has received positive feedback from **Brocade, Cadence, Covad, EBay, Macy's, Microsoft, National Semiconductor, Oracle, Synopsis** and **Symantec**.

Many companies not only promote volunteerism by their employees, but will also provide matching funds for every hour spent by an employee. If your company supports volunteer opportunities, please let us know. Call the office at 1-866-4FF-PATS or drop us an email at admin@furryfriends.org.



2006 EVENT CALENDAR

Email shortpaws@therustins.com

March

3/12

Pet Behavior Etiquette Class
10:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
Sunnyvale
www.furryfriends.org

3/25

3rd Annual Fur Ball
Humane Society Silicon Valley
DoubleTree Hotel, SJ
www.hssv.org

April

4/21

Petchitecture: Pet-Set Lifestyle
Herbst Pavilion at Fort Mason, SF
www.pawssf.org

4/23

Pet Behavior Etiquette Class
10:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
Sunnyvale
www.furryfriends.org

May

5/7

Dog Day on the Bay with
Hornblower Cruises/SF SPCA
www.sfspca.org

5/12

Macy's Valley Fair Community
Shopping Day
see p. 6 of this newsletter

5/20

59th Annual Kiwanis Pet Parade
Los Altos
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www.losaltoskiwanis.org

5/21

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Los Gatos Creek Park
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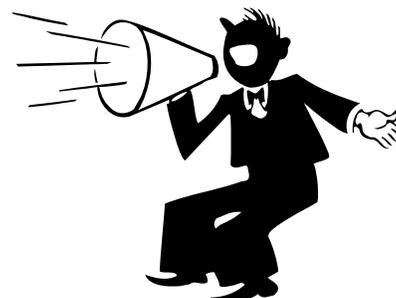
Pet Behavior Etiquette Class
10:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
Sunnyvale
www.furryfriends.org

3rd Week of May
National Dog Bite Prevention Wk
www.nodogbites.org

Furry Friends Adds Agnew State Hospital Site

by Elan Winkler with contributions from Randee McQueen

Furry Friends is now visiting at Agnew State Hospital on the 3rd Tuesday of each month at 6:30 p.m. According to the State of California's Department of Developmental Services website, "...the center has been utilized exclusively for the care and treatment of persons with developmental disabilities" since 1972.



We are looking for volunteers to fill this new site located at 3500 Zanker Road in San Jose.

This site is a great and rewarding site for most people and animals. Many of the patients at this site haven't seen a dog or other animal in years, and many come from families that did not have pets. We are seeking pets over 40 pounds since some of the patients have severe motor skill issues and we want to avoid smaller animals from inadvertently being mishandled. There will be numerous employees with the attendees at all times. It is held in a large room indoor room.

The facility is so excited about Furry Friends that they've already asked about a second monthly visit. If anyone is interested in captain-ing a second team, please let us know.

We are adding new sites all of the time. Please check out web site for sites that are looking for volunteers. At press time, the following sites need more help:

- Agnew State Hospital, San Jose (3rd Tuesday at 6:30pm)
- Belmont Village, San Jose (3rd Saturday at 3pm)
- Channing House, Palo Alto (3rd Saturday at 10am)
- El Camino Hospital Adolescent Health Unit, Mountain View (1st Monday at 6:30pm)
- Hope Rehabilitation, San Jose (2nd Tuesday at 10am)
- Los Gatos Meadows, Los Gatos (3rd Tuesday at 10am)
- Manor Care, Sunnyvale (2nd Saturday at 1:30pm)
- Pacific Coast Manor, Capitola (3rd Sunday at 11am)
- Pilgrim Haven, Los Altos (4th Saturday at 10am)
- Saint Louise Regional Hospital, Gilroy (3rd Tuesday at 6:30pm)
- Sunshine Villa, Santa Cruz (1st and 3rd Saturday at 11am)
- Vista Manor, San Jose (2nd Tuesday at 9:45am)



Belmont Convalescent Site Re-Opening, Needs Volunteers

Belmont Convalescent has been a Furry Friends site for many years. However, we recently lost the captain and the team disbanded. We now have a new captain, Harvey Schuster, who is reviving the site and is looking for new volunteers.

The site is in Belmont (San Mateo County) and the visit will be the 4th Monday of the month at 10:15am. This is a rehabilitation facility, with most of the patients in bed. There are some that can come to a meeting place, but it most likely that we would be visiting in their rooms. The staff is very excited for us to be present and welcomed us back with open arms. If you are interested in joining the team, contact our office.



Web Developer Needed

Furry Friends is looking to hire a web developer to support the organization's website.

Contact the office at admin@furryfriends.org.

What a Deal! Raise Funds for Furry Friends While Saving Money for Yourself

by Elan Winkler



You're invited! Macy's Department store at Valley Fair Shopping Center (located on

Stevens Creek Boulevard in San Jose) is sponsoring a Community Shopping Day on **May 12, 2006**.

This is a great fund raising opportunity for non-profits throughout the South Bay. Organizations such as Furry Friends are provided with tickets that are priced at \$10. The ticket entitles the bearer to a 10% - 20% discount off of almost everything in the Valley Fair store on Community Day, May 12. The tickets also have a stub that can be used to enter a drawing for a \$500 shopping spree.

Furry Friends gets to keep the proceeds from all of the tickets sold. Our goal is to sell all 100 tickets. In addition, we will be provided with booth space in the store to promote our organization. Macy's will also be matching up to \$3 per ticket for every ticket over 100 redeemed at the store on May 12th.

Special thanks to Lynn Smith for coordinating this effort.

If you would like to help us sell tickets, purchase tickets for yourself or as a gift, or have time to help us staff the booth on May 12, please contact the office at 1-877-4FF-PATS or send an email to admin@furryfriends.org.



Welcoming Our New Members!

Rosemary Greene & Jenny

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Critter Q&A

by Julie Bond, Pet Behaviorist

Julie Bond works with Furry Friends, P.A.T.S. as our Animal Behaviorist. This column features some of the questions she gets from members. Want to better understand your pet's behavior? Contact Julie at critterdoctor@furryfriends.org. Remember to identify yourself as a Furry Friends member.

Dear Julie:

Q: Since the death of one of my older cats, I've been having some issues between my two remaining cats. One of my cats used to hide all the time, but now is out and demanding attention from me and giving me attention. My other cat, who I've raised from kittenhood, has always wanted to be near me and is very playful and loving. The problem is my older cat does not want the younger cat anywhere near me, especially on the bed. Every time my younger cat tries to get up on the bed, my older cat attacks him. This has been going on for a couple weeks and really seems to be getting worse. What should I be doing? L. in Campbell

A: What you have is a case of competition on your hands here! Your older female is acting like the typical "queen;" she is garnering all the resources for herself. You and the attention you give are definitely resources for your animals. Your young male cat is simply trying to acquire some resources for himself. Previously, he had you all to himself since your older female cat at that time preferred the companionship of your now deceased cat. He doesn't understand why the change in the status quo. The bottom line is that you need to decide which cat YOU wish to have sleeping on your bed. Your older female cat will not tolerate it being both of them. Since your male cat had been sleeping with your previously, I'd suggest letting him continue to sleep with you and put your older female cat in another room at bedtime. You could even have her up on the bed until bedtime, then move her to her sleeping area and allow him up there to sleep. If you want her close by, you could teach her to crate in your bedroom for sleeping or keep her in the bathroom there, etc. You really want to make a decision on this matter fairly quickly as situations like this can really escalate. I've known cats who've gone from the situation you're describing to all out war in other areas of the house, urinating inappropriately and/or spraying, and redirected aggression toward the owner. So, it's best to nip this problem in the bud right now.

Q: Our five-year-old dog has never been destructive in our home. However, when we recently took a two week vacation, and she was home alone with our other dog and a housesitter, that all changed. While the housesitter was at work, our dog dug out of the yard and ended up out front. When we got home from vacation, we patched up the fence and figured it was just a temporary thing as a result of us being gone longer than we normally are. Then, when we left to run errands, she destroyed a section of fence and got out again. We fixed the fence yet again. During the interim, both my husband and I were gone for a period of time, but not at the same time. While I was gone, the dog chewed through a screen, jumped out the window, and tore through the newly repaired fence, and got out again. My guess is that our longer vacation traumatized her in some way and she now has separation anxiety. Unfortunately, we are planning another trip away together in the near future. I'm hesitant to leave this dog for fear that she will not only destroy the house, but that she will be further traumatized. What should we do? T & D in San Jose

A: This definitely sounds like a case of separation anxiety, but to see it come on so suddenly is odd and concerning to me. Perhaps something happened in the yard while you were gone that precipitated that first fence-destroying event. Now, any time she is left alone, she remembers that event and tries to escape. To be on the safe side, I would suggest you have your dog examined by her veterinarian to make sure there isn't anything else going on with her health. If your dog is given a clean bill of health, then we can safely assume this is separation anxiety brought on by your most recent trip away from the dog. Because your dog is so highly motivated to escape, you have a couple of options to consider with regard to her treatment.

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Critter Doctor (continued from page 7)

First, you might want to explore doggie daycare/boarding for her when you are away on your trips. By pulling her away from the home environment, she might still be anxious, but the anxiety won't be associated with her home. By choosing a daycare facility rather than a traditional boarding facility, you will find that your dog can socialize more with other dogs and humans while you are away. Since you are normally home during the day with your dog, this constant access to humans may be preferable for her too.

When you are home and need to run errands, you will need to create a safe enclosure for your dog. If she was crate trained as a puppy, you could re-train her to use that. If not, you will need to look into building a dog run for her. The run should be tall enough that she can't climb out, have a roof to protect her from the elements, and be sunk far enough into the ground (or anchored in cement) so she can't dig her way out. The run should have shade, water, and toys available and have a lock on it.

You may also want to speak to your veterinarian about starting a short course of Clomicalm. This drug has been shown to help many dogs suffering from both mild and severe forms of separation anxiety. Use of this drug would require routine blood work to be run on your dog, but may be worth the extra effort and expense. This drug, in combination with behavioral modification techniques, can help dogs overcome separation anxiety. Behavioral modification in a case like this involves such things as not emphasizing your arrivals or departures; rewarding the dog for calm behavior at all times and ignoring or shunning the dog for anxiety; and teaching the dog how to self-soothe and entertain herself in your absence. Good luck and do keep me posted on how she is doing.



When *Furry Friends*, PATS was in search of a new supplier for our Polo Shirts, we were referred to NBN Sports.

Rick and Kathleen Nunes at NBN Sports are very supportive of *Furry Friends*. Whether we have a big or small order to place with them, they always take the time to help us.

NBN continues to be a long-time supporter of our annual fundraising events, including Diamonds in the Ruff 2004. We're grateful for their continued partnership. If you or someone you know needs sports or custom corporate wear give Rick a call and tell him *Furry Friends*, PATS says, "Hi!"

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Dogs, Pizza, Kids and Red Wine

by Jean Cary

After spending the holidays indoors on your sofa you may have decided that it is looking particularly ratty, stained or worn. Many families snack or eat whole meals on their sofa, dropping crumbs under the cushions and splashing cokes and wine on the seats. Add in the effects of several years of muddy paws and four pounds of pet hair and you have the average American piece of upholstered furniture. When spot cleaning no longer reveals a fresh look it is time to consider replacing the furniture.

Now you don't have to sacrifice good looks for durability. Sunbrella® fabrics (which were once just for boat seats and outdoor furniture) have introduced over ninety styles of fabrics for residential use. The secret of their strength is that the yarns are solution-dyed with the pigment added during the fiber production. This creates a consistent color which permeates the fabric. This tough acrylic fabric is soft to the touch; yet it is resistant to fading from exposure to the sun or repeated washings. This fabric resists stains and mildew, is breathable, and is much more comfortable than the clear vinyl - fitted upholstery covers of the Sixties!

Cleaning is simple since liquids bead up on the surface and can be blotted off. Stubborn spots can be spot cleaned with mild soap and a brisk sponging. Zippered covers can be removed and washed in the washing machine before air drying. These fabrics are so durable that they are used in hotels and restaurants where staining is an everyday event. Sunbrella® is the only fabric on the market with a three year warranty for replacement if the fabric is damaged by sunlight or mildew or loses its' color.

Your designer can show you these fabrics in linen weaves, traditional stripes or dots, chenilles, faux leathers, denims, Navajo rug designs and basket weaves. Pricing is \$35 to \$75 per yard, which compares favorably to other medium grade upholstery goods. Your sofa can have a new life when it is reupholstered with one of these fabrics.

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Kara and Furry Friends Join Forces to Heal

by Elan Winkler

Kara is a grief counseling organization based in Palo Alto offering compassionate peer support and education to individuals, families and organizations coping with death and dying. Their mission is to empower children, teens and adults to find their way through grief so that they can rebuild their lives with renewed hope and meaning. Kara not only does regular scheduled counseling sessions for families, but is also called in to support official efforts during emergencies throughout the bay area.

On Valentine's Day, five children participating in the Kara program were treated to a pet visitation. Elan Winkler and her border collie "Rain" were invited to help these kids deal with the loss of a sibling. "Rain" (who is actually part princess as well as border collie) already knows how to provide love to kids. She has been visiting at Juvenile Hall and Eastfield Ming Quong for the last three years.

The youngest child at the session, a little girl age 5, was initially frightened of "Rain." She ran to the opposite end of the room whenever "Rain" stood up. But, that only lasted about 10 minutes. Seeing how

It's often hard for these kids to love again after losing a sibling. Once again, animals make the difference.

a paper crown and a number of braided rope necklaces. What else would a princess wear?

Because of the work that Kara does and the size of their groups, it is unlikely that Furry Friends will ever be able to establish a regular monthly visit. However, we are looking for volunteers who can be available a few times a year to attend a Kara session or to help out in the case of emergencies.

If you are interested, please let Elan know at by emailing her at elan@furryfriends.org. Learn more about Kara at www.kara-grief.org.

...after only a few minutes more, she was petting, hugging and kissing "Rain," exclaiming that this was her best friend. The counselors were thrilled to see her express such affection.

the other kids responded to "Rain's" gentle nature, she was soon willing to sit next to an adult who was sitting near "Rain." Finally, her curiosity won ... after only a few minutes more, she was petting, hugging and kissing "Rain," exclaiming that this was her best friend. The counselors were thrilled to see her express such affection. It's often hard for these kids to love again after losing a sibling. Once again, animals make the difference.

"Rain" got something out of it as well. The kids made her a fort out of cardboard boxes,

Kara's Mission

Kara is a center offering compassionate peer support and education to individuals, families and organizations coping with death and dying. Our mission is to empower children, teens and adults to find their way through grief so that they can rebuild their lives with renewed hope and meaning.





Furry Friends Financial Update

Prepared by Rande McQueen, Treasurer

Shop Albertsons Give Back to Furry Friends!



Did you know that Furry Friends is one of the many community organizations that benefits from the support of Albertsons supermarkets? Any time cardholders show their card at the cash register, a portion of the sale is donated to Furry Friends. If you need to replace your card or if you joined Furry Friends before we instituted this program, just let us know and we'll send one out. Email admin@furryfriends.org or call the office and we'll be glad to help. -jr

Help Wanted!

Are you a Furry Friends volunteer who likes to get your paws involved in writing and editing? Our newsletter editor is retiring. Why not donate a couple of hours every few months to help publish this quarterly newsletter?

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Ettiquette Class	150.00
Foundations and Grants	
Gir trust fund	10,000.00
Total Foundations and Grants	10,000.00
Fundraising	
Albertsons	215.49
E-Scrip	200.18
Total Fundraising	415.67
Individual Donations	100.00
Interest Income	106.86
Membership Dues	5,404.43
Merchandise	387.73
Pet Tags	3.00
Total Income	16,610.84
Expense	
Bank Charges	155.00
Office	
Copies	686.92
Data Base ConvrSION	875.00
Postage	78.00
Supplies	0.00
Total Office	1,639.92
Rent	55.00
Subcontractor Services	1,630.29
Telephone	72.33
Volunteer Support	
Captains Training	86.63
Film	1,585.79
Total Volunteer Support	1,672.42
Web Hosting Fee	90.00
Total Expense	5,314.96
Net Income	11,295.88

Furry Friends, Pet Assisted Therapy Services Balance Sheet As of March 7, 2006

	Mar 7, '06
ASSETS	
Current Assets	
Checking/Savings	
Checking	12,545.59
Morgan Stanley Checking	20,909.30
Total Checking/Savings	33,454.89
Total Current Assets	33,454.89
TOTAL ASSETS	33,454.89
LIABILITIES & EQUITY	
Equity	
Opening Bal Equity	22,168.52
Retained Earnings	-9.51
Net Income	11,295.88
Total Equity	33,454.89
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	33,454.89

Furry Friends, P.A.T.S. Logo Merchandise

Order online at www.furryfriends.org or use the order form on the back of this page.
Contact us before placing your order to check availability. Most sizes can be ordered if they aren't in stock.

Embroidered Products



Long-sleeved pullovers
\$40

Polar Fleece
100% poly.
Black, light gray.



Sleeveless vest \$35
full zip front XS-XL



Caps
\$18.50

2-Toned unstructured.
Adjustable Khaki w/ Navy,
Maroon, Ivy or Charcoal



Polo Shirt \$30
Pique Knit (men's sizes)
Colors: Lake or Cobblestone S-3XL;
Heather Gray S only



Jeans Shirt \$40
100% Cotton S-4XL (unisex)



Sweatshirt \$35
90% Cotton
S-2XL (Unisex, grey)

Special Offer



Guardian Angel Tags
\$10

For dogs or cats. Inscribed on back: "Guardian Angel, watch over me guide me home safely and keep me from harm's way."

Proceeds support Furry Friends and the Dove Lewis Canine Blood Donor Program. Help us supply our patients and the Portland area veterinarians with a safe supply of blood products to treat potential life-threatening situations.

Silk Screened Products



2-Tone Canvas Tote \$20
Natural w/ Navy, Black,
or Spruce
14"w x 14.5"h x 5.5"d



Foldable Pet Blanket \$20



T-Shirt \$12
Silk Screened front & back.
S-2XL (unisex sizing)



Bandanas \$10
S 12", L 14", XL 20"

Miscellaneous

HOW TO ORDER:

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4 foot Leashes
\$5
5/8", 3/4", 1"
teal - all sizes
purple - 1" only



Logo Pin \$4



License Plate Frame \$5

Membership Dues/Renewal
\$30 Individual \$50 Family/Household

Furry Friends, P.A.T.S. Merchandise Order Form

View our catalogue in each issue of *Short Paws*, or visit the Furry Friends store at www.furryfriends.org to shop and pay online. To order by mail, circle your size or color choices, mark the quantity, add up your merchandise, and send in your order with your payment by check. California sales tax is already reflected in the price of each item.

Category / Item	Price	Size (circle one)	Color (circle one)	Quantity	Total
SPECIAL OFFER					
Cat Guardian angel tag	\$10.00				
Dog Guardian angel tag	\$10.00				
EMBROIDERED LOGO ITEMS					
Polar Fleece Vest	\$35.00	XS S M L XL	Black Light Gray		
Polar Fleece Pullover	\$40.00	XS S M L XL	Black Light Gray		
Polo Shirt	\$30.00	S M L XL 2XL 3XL	Lake Cobblestone		
		S	Heather Gray		
Sweatshirt	\$35.00	S M L XL 2XL	Grey		
Jean Shirt	\$40.00	S M L XL 2XL 3XL 4XL	Blue		
Caps	\$18.50		Khaki w/ Navy Maroon Ivy Charcoal		
SILK SCREENED LOGO ITEMS					
Furry Friends T-Shirt	\$12.00	S M L XL 2XL	Caribbean Blue		
2-Tone Canvas Tote	\$20.00		Natural w/ Navy Black Spruce		
Foldable Pet Blanket	\$20.00		Green		
Bandanas	\$10.00	S/12" L/14" XL/20"	Teal		
MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS					
Logo Pin	\$4.00				
4 Foot Leashes	\$5.00	5/8" 3/4" 1"	Teal Purple (1" only)		
License Plate Frame	\$5.00				
Membership Dues	\$30.00	Individual - 1 Year			
	\$50.00	Family/Household - 1 Year			
Grand Total					

NAME: _____ **PHONE:** _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY, ST ZIP: _____

EMAIL ADDRESS : _____

TOTAL OF CHECK ENCLOSED: \$ _____

Please make checks payable to Furry Friends, PATS and send to:

NOTE: Returned checks will incur a \$10 fee.

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