

 **LOOK at ALL the PRIZES!**

Money must be received by 3:00 PM on the day of the Walk. The **Grand Prize Winner** is the one who has collected the most money and will get first choice of the prizes below. The **Runners Up** will select, in order of monies collected, from the remaining prizes until the prizes are gone.

- ▶ Week's Vacation for 12 at Kierwelann House in Wintergreen / *Courtesy of the Odum Group at RE/MAX 100*
- ▶ One Hour Therapeutic Massage / *Courtesy of Valerie Lapcinski, LMT, Medical Pavilion at Howard County*
- ▶ 8" x 8" Custom Pet Painting / *Courtesy of Kathy Osborne Art*
- ▶ \$100 Gift Certificate / *Courtesy of the Yoga Center of Columbia*
- ▶ \$250 Gift Certificate / *Courtesy of Brightwater Spa*
- ▶ \$100 Gift Certificate / *Courtesy of Define Salon*
- ▶ One-Hour Photography Session / *Courtesy of Brooke Tyson Photography*
- ▶ \$100 Gift Certificate to Ananda Restaurant / *Courtesy of an AAHC Volunteer*
- ▶ \$240 Gift Certificate / *Courtesy of Wagging Tail Portraits*
- ▶ \$100 Gift Certificate to Home Goods / *Courtesy of an AAHC Volunteer*

 **General Info & Guidelines**

- ▶ The Walk is held from 10:00 AM to 3:00 PM. Lots of fun activities will take place throughout the day.
- ▶ The Walk will be held rain or shine. In case of rain, please check our web site Oct. 7 for alternate location information.
- ▶ You do not need to bring a pet to participate.
- ▶ You can register by mail using the Pre-Registration form in this brochure.
- ▶ Or, register online at: animal-advocates.org or by using the symbol on the pre-registration form.
- ▶ Please try to get as many sponsors as possible. Use the sponsor sheet on the reverse and bring it with you to the Walk, and/or...
- ▶ **You can build your own personal fundraising page via our web site with your own photos and target goal to send to all your contacts! They can donate for you online!**
- ▶ Dogs must have current Rabies vaccine.
- ▶ Dogs must be controlled by an adult at all times.
- ▶ Be courteous and keep dogs on close leash – no FLEXI-LEADS please.
- ▶ Owners are responsible for picking up after their pets.
- ▶ Cats benefit from our programs too, but for safety reasons please leave your feline friend at home.

 **Thank You to Our Sponsors**

PLATINUM PAW



- VCA Lewis Animal Hospital
 - VCA Columbia at Centre Park
 - VCA Columbia at Hickory Ridge
- Ann and Paul Selnick
- Audrey and Jesse Selnick and Family
- The Wallace Smith Family

GOLD PAW



- Matt Moss dedicated to Rocky – The King
 - The Schultz/McDermott Family
- Brooke Tyson Photography • The Gagnon Family
 - The Outer Office • CityDog Magazine
 - The Beagle Buggy

SILVER PAW

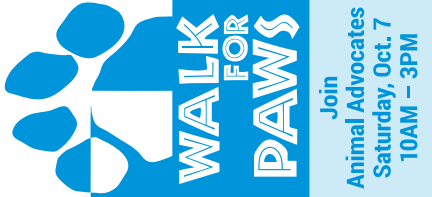
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- AcupunctureWithNoreen.com • Great American Cookies
 - Aron Selnick • Countryside Veterinary Clinic
 - West Friendship Animal Hospital • Wegman's
 - Pub Dog Pizza & Drafthouse • Brightwater Spa
 - David's Natural Market • Veritiv Corporation
 - Patapsco Valley Veterinary Hospital
 - Triadelphia Veterinary Clinic

BRONZE PAW

- Michael Yourtee • Haight Funeral Home and Chapel, PA
 - Deborah A. Wilson, DDS, PA • Jan and Tim Young
 - Wagging Tail Portraits • Apple Ford

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Walk for Paws
Animal Advocates of Howard County
P.O. Box 1403
Ellicott City, MD 21041

Join
Animal Advocates
Saturday, Oct. 7
10AM – 3PM

Join Animal Advocates of Howard County for the **17th ANNUAL WALK FOR PAWS AND PET FESTIVAL!!**

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LAKE ELKHORN COLUMBIA, MD
Saturday, Oct. 7, 2017
RAIN OR SHINE 10 AM – 3 PM

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For more information, call 410-880-2488 EXT #3 or visit www.animal-advocates.org

Registration Form

Please remember we are a non-profit charity and your registration helps fund our life-saving programs! A minimum \$30 registration is required to receive a Walk For Paws T-shirt and bandana. Please bring any additional monies the day of the Walk and don't forget to take a look at the Appreciation Prizes, as well as the Grand Prizes you could win!

TO PRE-REGISTER: Pre-registering is the **only** way to guarantee receipt of a T-Shirt in your size and a bandana. Follow the registration directions below but be sure to complete your registration by Oct. 4!

SAME DAY REGISTRATION: We welcome walk-up registrations, but remember we can't promise you will get a T-shirt or that we will have your size.



TO REGISTER ONLINE please go to www.animal-advocates.org or scan this symbol: 

You can complete a simple registration and payment, or you can build your own personal fundraising page with your own photos and target goals to send to all your contacts! They can donate to you online!

TO REGISTER BY MAIL please send this form along with a \$30 check to:

Animal Advocates of Howard County
P.O. Box 1403 / Ellicott City / 21041

Name: _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Phone: _____

e-mail: _____

T-Shirt Size: S M L XL 2XL 3XL

Contact us for information on discounts for groups of 10 or more.

I cannot participate in the Walk but am sending my tax-deductible donation of \$ _____

In consideration of my signing this agreement, I hereby for myself, my heirs, and my administrators assume any and all risks which might be associated with the Walk. I waive and release any and all rights to claims for damages which I may have against the organizers and all others connected with this event, their representatives, successors, and assigns for any and all injuries or damages of any kind whatsoever suffered by me as a result of taking part in the Walk and any related activities.

Signature: _____

If Under 18, Parent/Guardian Signature: _____

Animal Advocates of Howard County Presents the 17th Annual Walk for Paws

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Incentive Prizes:

\$100 or more: T-shirt, bandana, PLUS a special gift of appreciation!

\$200 or more: All of the above, PLUS something even better!

\$500 or more: All of the above, PLUS a \$50 Gift Card to Wegman's

Directions to Lake Elkhorn

From Interstate 95:

- ▶ Take Exit for Route 32 to Columbia
- ▶ Take Broken Land Pkwy Exit
- ▶ Bear right toward Owen Brown – Lake Elkhorn is approx. 0.4 miles ahead on right

From Route 29:

- ▶ Take Broken Land Pkwy Exit
- ▶ Bear right toward Owen Brown
- ▶ Lake Elkhorn is approx. 1.5 miles ahead on left

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PARKING

Please watch for signs and Volunteers to direct you. Park in the lot on the opposite side of Broken Land Parkway from the Lake. There is a walkway under the road to get to the Lake so please do **NOT** cross Broken Land Parkway itself!

Anticipated Attractions

Our very special guests will be shelter and rescue pets looking for their FOREVER homes. Lots of FUN activities for you and your dog:

- Pet Photographer • Pet Massage • Caricaturist
- Health and Fitness Screenings for Humans • Ask The Trainer
- Blessing of the Animals • Flyball • Agility Course
- Animal Communicator • \$20 Microchipping • Kid's Table
- Unique merchandise and gift items for sale! • Contests
- Games • Raffles • Lunch, snacks and drinks for sale

Meet some of our favorite veterinarians who are kind enough to support our life-saving efforts.

This Year's Walk is Dedicated to Tiki



Tiki was surrendered to our Rescue Program with a painful spinal injury that was affecting her ability to walk. Her previous owner had been told she required expensive surgery, a long recovery period, and lifestyle changes that the owner couldn't accommodate. In preparation for the surgery, we sent her to a neurologist. After a short course of medicine the issue completely resolved and surgery was not required. In addition to the disc disease, Tiki also had skin, eye and ear issues that cleared up with a quality food. Most rescue dogs don't have this many issues but when they come from "a breeder in Missouri" like Tiki did, it is cause for alarm. Missouri is known as a "Puppy Mill Capital" and "breeder in Missouri" is often a euphemism for a puppy mill.

Tiki was doing great, but then her Foster Mom found a lump in her mammary tissue. Because we knew she had not been spayed until she was an adult, which increases the risk of mammary cancer, this was a concern. So off she went to the vet again. The mass was surgically removed and was malignant. Soon an additional mass appeared on her lung. Her Foster Parents became her Forever Parents and Tiki travelled out of state to a prestigious teaching hospital for the best treatment they could find. Every specialist she saw, from the surgeon to the oncologist said "It's such a shame because of all of the cancers a dog could get, this is the only one that is almost 100% preventable if a dog is spayed before her first heat. And yet still people wait too long to spay their pets."

Like all pets when they're given up, Tiki had been depressed, stressed, and confused. But with patience, she blossomed into a funny girl with a huge fan club. All the attention, pink beds, and glittery collars brought out her inner diva. She loved her toys, working out with mom, yelling at intruders, and making her people smile. They fell in love, fast and hard. Tiki died in the arms of her heartbroken family, just a few months later. She was only 6 years old.

Every time you have a pet, you begin a journey, and each one is unique. Tiki's parents say that while their journey was brief, it was very meaningful, and an important one to share. Although they loved her the minute they laid eyes on her, they weren't sure it was time for a pet. Sometimes fate intervenes and places us each where we are supposed to be, for a reason. "Tiki was meant to be with us, and we were meant to be with her. It hurts to have lost her but it hurts more to think about all the pets whose owners abandon them when the going gets tough. Every pet deserves to leave this world surrounded by people who love them. That's why we're walking this year, to help ensure that more animals be given that chance".

ABOUT ANIMAL ADVOCATES

Animal Advocates is an all-volunteer, non-profit organization dedicated to ending animal suffering in our area. In addition to helping Shelter pets, our efforts include taking high-risk animals with medical needs or those considered less adoptable into the safety of our rescue program. But that's not enough to truly end homelessness. Prevention is the key. That's why we also have a nationally recognized Spay/Neuter program to help needy residents, and a Humane Education program to teach kids about compassion and responsibility. Each year, we serve thousands of people and pets; our goal is to end the needless killing of adoptable animals in our metropolitan region.