

The Capital Area Humane Society's Animal Cruelty Investigations

The work of the Capital Area Humane Society (CAHS) has been critical to the health, safety and vitality of our community for more than 125 years. CAHS is the lead agency in Franklin County investigating cases of animal cruelty, neglect and abandonment.

The Capital Area Humane Society's Animal Cruelty Investigations Program provides services to the citizens of Franklin County under Ohio Revised Code 1717.06. Our commissioned humane agents enforce all local and state laws pertaining to the care and treatment of animals as reported by members of the public and partner agencies. Outfitted in bullet proof vests, our humane agents are in the community seven days a week investigating complaints and educating the public. CAHS's work to protect animals also protects other members of the family from the dangerous potential of escalating violence. When a member of the family is being abused, whether a pet or person, the other members of the family are at risk for abuse.

Animal Cruelty Investigations in Franklin County (2009):

- 7,008 visits — includes new and pending investigations, reported abandonments, requests for support and follow-up on past complaints
- 2,655 investigations conducted
- 88 search warrants executed
- 179 people on active probation at the end of 2009
- 91 percent conviction rate for every animal where charges were pursued

**Thank you for running to
"Defend Your Friend"!**

Defend Your Friend 5K Past Successes

Over the past three years, the Defend Your Friend 5K Run/Fun Walk has raised more than \$27,400 to support the cruelty investigations program for the Capital Area Humane Society. This has enabled the purchase of these critical items: new laptops for three vehicles (and one backup) with extended life batteries and warranties; docking stations to allow for laptop use in the field vehicles; mapping/GPS software; winter care items (straw and dog houses); and funds towards the purchase of a new van in 2008 to help humane agents effectively investigate cruelty complaints. Fifty percent of the funds raised each year were used to help generally support the program's operations.

About the Capital Area Humane Society

The Capital Area Humane Society, a non-profit animal welfare organization founded in 1883, provides programs and services for animals and people in Central Ohio. Through animal adoptions and admissions, animal law enforcement, pet visitation, public health initiatives working with feral cats, safe haven sheltering for pets of families suffering from domestic violence, training classes and humane education programs, CAHS seeks to protect those who cannot speak for themselves. More than 95 percent of our funding is provided by donations and fees for services; we are not a government agency and we do not receive operating support from national organizations. For more information, visit www.cahs-pets.org.

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Defend Your Friend 5K
Capital Area Humane Society
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Columbus, OH 43026



Benefiting the Capital Area Humane Society's
Animal Cruelty Investigations Program

4TH ANNUAL

Homestead Park, Hilliard

Thursday, August 12, 2010

Registration: 6 p.m.

5K Run/1-Mile Fun Walk: 7 p.m.

Rain or shine

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Event Information

Registration: 6:00 p.m.
Start time: 7:00 p.m. RAIN or SHINE.

All runners, walkers and friendly, socialized dogs are welcome! The first 300 registrants and 75 dogs will receive an event t-shirt or bandana, respectively. T-shirts and goodie bags will be available at the registration area beginning at 6 p.m.

Homestead Park Race Route

5K – Starts to the left of the main driveway near the caboose/registration area. Make one loop (counter-clockwise) around the perimeter of the park at the start, then out/back on the trail, back to the park for one more loop (clockwise), to the finish.

1 Mile Fun Walk – Make one loop around the perimeter of the park.

Directions to Homestead Park

Exit I-270 at Cemetery Road and go west toward Hilliard. Follow Cemetery/Scioto-Darby Road through Hilliard and turn right on Cosgray Road. Park will be on the left.

Safety reminders

All dogs must be on a leash (please, no retractable leashes), and must be properly registered and vaccinated. By bringing your dog to this event, you assume full responsibility for the control of your dog.

Online Fundraising

Consider creating a personalized online fundraising page to raise money to help defend our friends against animal cruelty. Use your page like an online pledge sheet to ask for and collect secure donations. Can't join us at the event? Consider making a donation on our online fundraising web site. Visit: <http://www.active.com/donate/defendyourfriend>

Three Ways to Register

1. Online at <http://www.active.com/running/hilliard-oh/4th-annual-defend-your-friend-5k-2010>
2. On event day, beginning at 6 p.m.
3. Mail registration form, entry fee and additional pledges to: Defend Your Friend 5K, c/o Premier Races, 401 Charmel Pl., Columbus, OH 43235

Prizes will be awarded, immediately following the race, for:

- Top 3 overall male/female racers
- Top male/female racers in each of the following age groups: 19 & under; 20-29; 30-39; 40-49; 50 & over
- Top three fundraisers. Use the enclosed pledge sheet (right) or create an online fundraising page at <http://www.active.com/donate/defendyourfriend>

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Dewey's Pizza; G&J Pepsi-Cola Bottling Co. of Columbus; Lisa & "Jack" Riemenschneider; Panera Bread; and PetPeople.

Defend Your Friend 5K Run/Walk Registration Form

Name _____
Address _____
City/State/Zip _____
Phone _____
E-mail _____
Age on race day _____ Male Female
T-shirt size: S M L XL XXL

Entry fees:

- CAHS members: \$25 per person
- Non-CAHS members: \$25 per person on or before August 5, 2010; \$30 after August 5
- \$5 entry fee per dog

Total enclosed, including pledges: \$ _____
Make checks payable to: CAHS

Waiver: I agree that by participating in this physical activity, or event (the "Event") or the use of any Event facility/premises, I do so at my own risk. I assume all risk of injury, illness, damage or loss to me or my property that might result, including without limitation, any loss or theft of personal property. I consent to medical treatment in the event of injury, accident and/or illness during the Event. I agree on behalf of myself (and my personal representatives, heirs, executors, administrators, agents and assigns) to release and discharge the organizers of this event, its principals, its officers & directors, its employees, all sponsors and their representatives and employees from any and all claims or causes of action (known or unknown) arising out of their negligence. I acknowledge that I have carefully read this Waiver and Release and fully understand that it is a release of liability. By my signature below, I am waiving any right that I may have to bring legal action to assert a claim against any and all Event sponsors for their negligence. I hereby grant full permission to any and all of the foregoing to use my name and likeness in any broadcast, telecast, video or print media reporting or advertising of the event without compensation.

Signature _____

Pledge information

Collect additional pledges by using this form, or by creating your own personalized online pledge site at <http://www.active.com/donate/defendyourfriend>. Pledges should be submitted at the pledge table on the day of the race.

All pledges are tax deductible as charitable donations to the extent allowed by law. All proceeds benefit CAHS' Animal Cruelty Investigations Program.

Sponsor Name	Pledge	Paid
1. <i>Buckeye Beagle</i>	\$75	x
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TOTAL: _____

All checks made payable to CAHS.