Dear CPL Family,

I always look forward to this time of year for the opportunity to reflect and give thanks for the experiences, challenges and accomplishments that shape our direction and our path forward.

We have so much to be grateful for, including you and your commitment to Canine Partners for Life.

This year, we also celebrated an exciting milestone for our organization. Thirty years ago, Canine Partners for Life was founded with one volunteer and one service dog in training. Today, the service dog industry has a focus on placing guide dogs with individuals who had visual impairments. There were only a few organizations training dogs to assist those with physical, cognitive and developmental disabilities, which impact their everyday lives. As we continue this legacy, I am especially grateful for the opportunity to lead this organization with our Board of Directors, and work with the dedicated staff, volunteers and donors.

In the early years, the organization focused on budget advocacy and locating supporters, volunteers, and area breeders for puppy donations. Today, our focus continues to be on maintaining fiscal responsibility. In 1996 we acquired a mortgage, and thanks to the incredible support of our donors – all of you – we were able to pay off that mortgage making us debt free earlier this year! While our volunteer base is strong, with over 350 active individuals, we continue to recruit new volunteers, and have the need for more community puppy homes. Our breeding and whelping program is now located in the Marian S. Ware Program Services Center. We have successfully whelped 3 litter since January 2019 and welcomed 7 puppies into our program through the ADI North American Breeding Collaborative and area breeders. There are approximately 85 dogs in our training program and our graduate support program currently supports over 210 partnerships nationwide.

These 30 years have allowed for expansions to our programs, facility and in the types of people we serve. Looking at the increasing needs of the community, more service dogs than ever are being requested for balance and support and medical alert. Requests for courthouse and facility dogs are growing as well.

In Phase 2 of the Capital Campaign, we are striving to achieve our mission: “to increase the independence and quality of life of individuals with physical, developmental and cognitive disabilities or who are in other situations of need.” We need partners from across the country who share our passion to join us in giving others the gift of independence.

With best regards,

Jamie Cramer
Executive Director

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CPL’s Diabetes Alert Dog Program is Expanding

A few years ago, CPL developed and implemented a training program for diabetes alert dogs as there was an increasing need for this type of service in the assistance dog industry. Diabetes alert dogs are trained to detect low blood sugar levels, giving individuals with diabetes the opportunity to take precautions before their blood sugar drops to a critical low. When we first announced this new program, we had strict applicant requirements because we wanted to ensure the dogs we trained, and the placements we made, were successful.

After careful evaluation, we are ready to expand our diabetes alert dog program to serve more individuals who could benefit from this type of service! Some of the most significant changes are that we will now place diabetes alert dogs nationwide, with individuals as young as 12, who have Type 1 and Type 2 diabetes.

Applicants interested in applying for a diabetes alert dog must meet the following criteria:
- Have a diagnosis of diabetes with episodes of low blood sugar
- Are compliant to prescribed medications and testing protocols
- Are 12 years of age or older
- Have at least 2–4 episodes of daytime low blood sugar monthly without warning or awareness
- Are willing to commit to a full time service dog partnership, utilizing their dog 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

To learn more about this program, please visit our website, k94life.org, or contact us at 610-869-4902.

Assistance Dogs International Conference

Our staff is dedicated to staying informed on the latest developments and laws regarding the assistance dog industry. In September, Susann, our Chief Operating Officer, and Kirstin, our Director of Development and Communications, attended the Assistance Dogs International Conference in Indianapolis, Indiana. This conference brings together staff members from various accredited service and guide dog organizations from all across the world. Susann and Kirstin attended sessions on training, fundraising, working with volunteers, and were able to network with several other professionals in the field. They came back full of knowledge and eager to implement some new ideas to better strengthen our programs.

Assistance Dogs International (ADI) is an organization that establishes and promotes standards of excellence in all areas of assistance dog acquisition, training and partnership. CPL is proud to be accredited through ADI and we continually strive to be a leader in the industry. To learn more about Assistance Dogs International, visit assistedogsinternational.org.

Unleashed & Uncorked: Puppies & Pearls

May 4, 2019 | DuPont Country Club

Unleashed & Uncorked: Puppies & Pearls was a tremendous success! 175 people gathered at the DuPont Country Club to celebrate CPL’s 30th anniversary!

Guests dressed up in their pearls and spent the evening speaking with CPL graduates, playing exciting games like the wine toss and balloon pop, participating in the competitive auctions, and of course, meeting CPL puppies in training. Thanks to the incredible generosity of our guests and sponsors, we raised approximately $150,000 for Canine Partners for Life!

A Special Thank You Goes to Our Sponsors:

West Pharmaceutical Services, Inc.

PICK OF THE LITTER
Robert and Margaret Duyer
Tory Kitchell

BEST IN SHOW
Blue Yaki Foundation

TALLWAGGER
Jeff and Stephanie Gorris
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Grafton and Deenie Reeves

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Open House & Cow Bingo

September 14, 2019 | CPL’s Campus

Hundreds of guests gathered at CPL for our annual Open House and Cow Bingo event.

Guests spent time learning about our mission, kissing puppies, watching service dog demonstrations, eating lunch at the food trucks, enjoying a drink from our beer and wine vendors and, of course, cheering on the cow, named Minnie, during Cow Bingo! Thank you to our incredible sponsors, vendors, and volunteers for making this event such a success!
Have you ever wondered how a CPL puppy or dog in training got his or her name? Well, we are happy to tell you! Canine Partners for Life reserves the honor of naming one of our puppies for our leadership level donors. Individuals who give $1,000 or more, and foundations and corporations who donate $2,500 or more to CPL annually, are invited to name a puppy. We also extend invitations to extremely loyal donors who have set up a recurring monthly gift and continued it for years, a donor who has indicated that they have remembered CPL in their will, or someone who has done something significant to otherwise impact the organization and our mission.

Once invited to name a puppy by a member of the CPL Development Team, the donor gets to choose a name that is meaningful to them. However, there are a few criteria that must be met for each name. We strive to give each dog a unique name, assuring them continuity of care and special affection. We do not name a puppy for at least 10 years and try to get creative with spelling when a duplicate name is submitted. CPL keeps a list of previously used names online, and you can check them out at https://k94life.org/names. Names should be one word and easy to say. We attempt to know names shorter, with fewer syllables, in order to make training more effective and to accommodate individuals who may not be fully articulate.

Many people choose names to honor pets or loved ones that have passed on, however we also encourage donors to get creative and think about your favorite character on TV or in a book, hobbies you enjoy, cities or countries you’ve travelled to, or your favorite athlete or sports team.

As each name is submitted, it is helpful to know the meaning behind the name so we can share that with everyone the puppy meets throughout their training, including their human partner when they’re matched. Here are just a few stories behind some of our recent graduates:

Stuart was named in honor of a very loved foster dog; Nike was named after the Greek goddess of speed, strength and victory; Waldorf was named after a donor’s father; and Bella is “William” in Hungarian.

When puppies are named at approximately eight weeks, we send a photo to their name. We keep names updated with photos and status updates throughout the two-year training period. Names are also invited to attend the graduation ceremony when the dog they named graduates from Team Training with their new human partner. As generous supporters of our mission and programs, namers are given this opportunity to be an important part of a service dog’s life!

If you are interested in making a leadership gift or have questions about naming a future CPL puppy, contact Kirstin Downie, Director of Development and Communications, at kdownie@k94life.org or (610) 869-4902 x214.

Shelter dog

The Independence Society

VOLUNTARY SPIRITS – $50,000 & above

Mr. Russell W. Coxe* 
Ms. Debrah A. Nitsch 
Ms. Erica A. Miller 
Mr. and Mrs. Fred Keyes

The Independence Society members belong to a distinctive group of generous and compassionate friends of Canine Partners for Life. Members are individuals that make an annual leadership commitment of $1,000 or more to support CPL’s general operations during our fiscal year (July 1–June 30). Many choose to contribute their support via automated monthly giving.

Members receive special invitations to exclusive member events throughout the year, and are also invited to provide ongoing feedback and guidance pertaining to the future of CPL.

We are incredibly grateful to our Independence Society members for their belief in our mission!

The following list was created based on general operating gifts made July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2019. To view this list online and to download a 2017-18 Independence Society list, please visit www.k94life.org/give/independencesociety.
2019 PEER FUNDRAISING PARTNERS

Canine Partners for Life recognizes those who utilize crowdfunding, peer-to-peer fundraising, and third party events to support our teams and mission. The following individuals and groups have conducted successful peer-to-peer fundraising campaigns during this last fiscal year* to provide monetary and wish list donations to CPL.

PICK OF THE LITTER $2,500+
Brandywine Horse Show
Ron Storms and Meghan Shreiner (Onyx’s Great Adventure)
Sopranoessence Musical Ensemble

BEST IN SHOW
$1,000–$2,499
Classic Harley Davidson of Reading
Daughters of Grace
Owen J. Roberts Middle School
Youth and Philanthropy Club
Town North Woman’s Club

$500–$999
Moyo Yoga Studio
Kennel Club of Philadelphia
Concord Pet Foods & Supplies
Bailey and Buster’s Mission
Leo Club

$1,000–$2,499
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Youth and Philanthropy Club
Owen J. Roberts Middle School
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$250–$499
Welcome to Dogdom
Church of the Holy Trinity
Nora’s Pizzeria and Restaurant
CPL’s account with Facebook did not allow us to see the names of individuals who created fundraisers to benefit CPL. Only individuals created after 7/1/19 are listed here.

LUCKY DOGS $499 AND UNDER
Alex and Ari, King of Prussia
Bullfrog BBQ LLC, Chester Springs
David and Karla, Exton
Flowers by Jenna Paige, Gap
Godfrey’s, Exton
Welcome to Dogdom
Intelligence Systems, Inc.
JoanneS LLC
Keller Williams
Realty Group

Lafayette College Students, Dorms of Main Street
Lower Brandywine Presbyterian Church
Pepper Hamilton LLP
Attorneys at Law
Selig Investments
Stoltzfus Feed & Supply
Unionville High School PTA
PawPrints Club
Uno’s Pizzeria and Restaurant
Exton, PA

For more information on peer-to-peer and third party fundraising contact CPL’s Outreach Coordinator at 610-869-4902 ext. 221.

In addition, we’d like to thank the following individuals for creating fundraisers on Facebook* to raise money for CPL during our 2018–19 fiscal year.*

Tyler Anderson
Scott Blanchett
Mary Boyle
Jacequeen Burton
Dana Byrd
Elizabeth Chandler
Christine Coughmourn
Steffi Cramer
Ed Crane
Brianna Flynn
Gina Geldblatt
Scott Haskell
Christie Herbst
LeeAnne Kayati
Kensie Nogueira
LeeAnn Pungovski
Madison Renninger
Tina Ritter
Lexi Runge
Kimberly Schmeltzer
Sara Setano
LeeAnn Stehling
Ericka Timms
Monica Tramulli
Elyse Trench
Mindy Wilson
LeeAnn Yerian

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2019 Goal $60,000
k94life.org/givingtuesday

GIFTS IN ACTION DURING YOUR LIFETIME.

• Receiving regular payments for myself, my spouse or a loved one.
Consider creating a charitable gift annuity or a charitable remainder trust

• Retaining flexibility and control of assets
Consider a bequest in your will or living trust or naming CPL beneficiary of your retirement plan assets, life insurance, bank accounts or investment accounts

• Saving on estate taxes
Consider a bequest in your will or living trust, naming CPL as beneficiary of your retirement plan assets, life insurance, bank accounts or investment accounts; create a charitable remainder trust; a gift of life insurance

• Obtaining an income tax deduction
Consider creating a charitable gift annuity, giving a gift of life insurance or creating a charitable remainder trust

Not sure where to begin to make a legacy gift to Canine Partners for Life? It’s easy! First, decide whether you want to see your gifts in action during your lifetime or if you want your legacy at Canine Partners for Life to benefit our mission beyond your lifetime. See the charts below to see the options that best fit your financial interests.

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STEPS TO BUILDING YOUR LEGACY AT CANINE PARTNERS FOR LIFE

• Obtaining an income tax deduction
Consider a gift of cash, appreciated securities, or tangible personal property; or create a donor advised fund

• Eliminating or reducing capital gains tax
Consider a gift of appreciated securities or tangible personal property; or create a donor advised fund

• Giving without affecting disposable income
Consider a gift of life insurance or tangible personal property

• Creating a secure financial future for your family
Consider creating a charitable lead trust

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Next steps: Contact your local or financial advisor to discuss your options. Then contact CPL to let us know your gift. We acknowledge and respect if you wish to remain anonymous, but we encourage you to notify us of your plans on a confidential basis, as it allows us to plan for the future.

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SAVE THE DATE

#GIVETUESDAY
December 3, 2019

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2019 Goal $60,000

GIVE THE GIFT OF INDEPENDENCE
**MARY GREY & BELA**
Bela typically alerts me on a day to day basis with strong visual and positional cues – like a very overt stare or a ‘down’ directly in front of me while out walking. Bela improves my life on a massive scale – making me feel safe to be by myself and be truly independent. I can continue life unafraid from falls and injury, just as I did with my first service dog, Shiitake. I have also gained another great companion and assistance dog for my growing mobility needs.

**CHEYENNE & JEDI**
Jedi has changed my life in so many ways. Not only does he alert me when something is wrong with my heart so I can lay down, but he also picks things up when I drop them as well as open and close doors when I need a little help. He makes me laugh on a daily basis and wakes me up every morning with a smile on his face. We make a great team and I can’t wait to see where life takes us.

**WYATT & ELLA**
Having Ella has allowed me to become more independent and gain more confidence. Dropped pens or pencils, pulling off socks or jackets, getting shoes and clothing items from the floor are no longer a problem as Ella does it all! She’s a hit at school especially when dressed in her pearls and bows. In fact, several friends are wanting to set her up with a date for the Homecoming Dance! Simply put, Ella is my best friend!

**VICTORIA & JOHN**
Bear is my best friend and one of my biggest supporters! I have Ehlers-Danlos Syndrome, which causes my joints to dislocate frequently. Bear helps me prevent dislocations by opening doors, pushing buttons, picking up items, and taking my jacket off. I can’t imagine my life without him!

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We can’t find the words to express what a blessing Snugles has been to John and my family. Watching Snugles lay by the front door every day waiting for John to come and then John’s face lighting up when he steps off the bus is priceless! John has taken on so much more responsibility caring for Snugles. We think Snugles has instilled a maturity in John that we might not have seen in such a short amount of time. Thank you so much for such a wonderful gift of Snugles!!!

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RON & SAPPHIRE
Sapphire has enriched all of our lives. Ron lights up when she’s around. He really responds to her. We are so grateful to CPL for Sapphire.

Annabelle – Retired service dog to Michael
Britt – Retired service dog to Rita
Checkers – Retired service dog to Natasha
Decker – Service dog to the late Sally
Dutch – Retired service dog to Lynn
Finou – Home companion dog to Antonio
Lizzy – Service dog to Barbara
Mosey – Retired service dog to Rebecca
Myers – Home companion dog to Brian
Puffin – Home companion dog to Mackenzie
Shelly – Service dog to Michelle
Walton – Retired service dog to Desi

IN OUR THOUGHTS

*Indicates a successor placement

OUR MISSION AT WORK

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