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Friends share their talents to keep Penn Vet at the forefront of veterinary medicine and research

BY SUSAN MILLER

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since Penn Vet’s inception more than 125 years ago, the generosity and support of many good friends has sustained our School and assured our future. These friends – donors, clients, alumni, students, faculty, animal lovers and more – give of their time and their talents. They entrust us with the care of their animals. And many dig deep to help us meet our financial needs.

Some friends find more creative ways to support Penn Vet and our mission of education, research and service.

Lemonade for a Cause

When school is out, the homework is set aside and extracurricular activities are on hiatus, how might four young ladies in Philadelphia fill their long, summer days? By setting up a lemonade stand and selling ice-cold lemonade to thirsty friends, neighbors and passersby.

That’s exactly what Rachael and Emma Hunter, Teagan and Maggie Kirby all did one warm summer day. At the end of the day, these entrepreneurs donated their profits to the Matthew J. Ryan Grassroots Efforts Make Significant Impact.

The Hunter girls spend some time with feline kidney donors during their tour of Ryan-VHUP.
Veterinary Hospital at the University of Pennsylvania (Ryan-VHUP) to help sick pets.

Rachael and Emma’s father is Dr. Christopher Hunter, chair of Penn Vet’s Pathobiology Department. Entrusted with the girls’ profits, he brought their donation to the Development Office where the dollar bills and coins were credited to the Friends of Ryan Hospital Fund. The girls were very happy to learn that their gift helped us treat not only dogs and cats but birds, reptiles and fish.

After their generous donation, the girls came to campus to tour the place they had helped and to get a first-hand look at the hard work their donation allows our veterinarians to do. Of particular interest on the tour were the feline kidney donors, where the five spent much of their time with Lynne Beale, a renal transplant nurse, and the cats, giving plenty of thankful snuggles to these heroic felines.

Running through the Pain
Shortly before Thanksgiving in 2008, Maryjo Smith of Allentown, PA got the news no pet owner ever wants to hear: Her dog Bruiser had been diagnosed with hemangiosarcoma, an aggressive and common cancer in dogs that originates in the endothelium (the lining of blood vessels) and includes the blood vessels themselves.

Maryjo Smith’s Bruiser Memorial 5K Run is an annual fundraiser for canine cancer research at Penn Vet.
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friends with vision

Another good friend of Penn Vet is Dr. Christopher Anastasiou, ophthalmologist and owner of The Modern Eye, two boutique eye glass stores in Philadelphia. In addition to being a Penn Vet donor for a decade, Dr. Anastasiou’s dogs have been clients at Ryan-VHUP.

Like Maryjo, Dr. Anastasiou has lost a dog to cancer. He knows all too well that although there are new treatments that may prolong the life of a pet for a short time, cancer, in the end, is a devastating disease.
If you visit Dr. Anastasiou’s Walnut Street store on the Penn campus, you’ll find a big piggy bank on the counter. Next to it is a photograph of his two dogs, Buddy and Lucky, with an invitation to make a donation to support canine cancer research at Penn Vet.

As the piggy bank is filled up by patients and visitors to the store, the money collected is donated to Penn Vet and the Canine Cancer Research Fund. This fund supports research projects at Ryan-VHUP and encourages our veterinarians, veterinary students, interns and residents to engage in clinical investigations of various forms of cancers with which patients present.

All Gifts, Big and Small

Working from the heart, each of these wonderful friends found a non-traditional way to support Penn Vet and the work of our veterinarians, researchers and students.

It is through both traditional and non-traditional support that Penn Vet is able to lead the way in developing new treatments, build state-of-the-art clinical facilities, continue essential and necessary research of diseases that affect both animals and humans, attract and retain the highest caliber of faculty, staff and students and help future veterinarians fund their education and training.

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