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## Everyone Wins at Casino Royale!

ARC's 6th Annual Casino Royale, presented by Bonney Leckie - Century 21 Selling Paradise, will be held on **Friday July 6th, from 7pm to 11pm**. This Bond-themed signature ARC event will be sure to entertain and delight you. The event will once again be held at the beautiful *Hyatt Regency Coconut Point*. This year's venue will offer the best of both worlds, a spacious air conditioned ballroom, adjoining a beautiful outdoor terrace overlooking the Hyatt's beautiful grounds. As always, your favorite games of chance will be on offer: Blackjack, Poker, Roulette, Craps. We will, of course, also host both a silent and live auction, as well as a few new attractions. Attire for the event should range from cocktail to formal (if you're feeling Bond-like). We will have a spectacular selection of food available, as well a fully stocked cash bar. And of course, no event would be complete without a few wonderful ARC residents there to remind you why you came! Tickets to this year's event are \$75, and include \$2000 in "cash" to gamble as you see fit!

Of course, every dollar of profit goes to support ARC's wonderful residents. But did you know that there's an even more impactful way you can help our felines and canines? **Event Sponsorship** has the single greatest impact on event outcome. When you opt to sponsor an ARC event, you are contributing directly, and at a higher level, to ARC's mission and residents. And of course, sponsorship comes with great benefits! Depending on your level of sponsorship, you'll receive your corporate logo or name (if you sponsor as an individual) on event marketing materials, mention on our website, social media, and in our newsletter, prominence on table cards and stage posters on the night of the event, a free ad in our annual calendar, and of course, free tickets to the event! It's definitely a win/win for everyone!

Please consider becoming an individual or corporate sponsor at this event.

You will truly make a difference in the lives of our wonderful residents!

Please visit our website or contact ARC's Executive Director, Wayne Leinen, at (239) 233-4375.

### Sponsorship Levels:

**007 Sponsor - \$2000**

**License to No-Kill Sponsor - \$750**

**Diamonds Are Forever Sponsor - \$500**

**The Dog Who Loved Me Sponsor - \$200**

Details of what each level of sponsorship includes can be found on our website at:

[www.animalrefugecentr.com/events](http://www.animalrefugecentr.com/events)



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### Membership Application

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

New Member \_\_\_\_\_ Renewal \_\_\_\_\_

- \$25 Friend
- \$50 Supporter
- \$150 Patron
- \$ 500 Sustaining
- \$1,000 Krieger Leadership Society
- \$5,000 Guardian
- Other \_\_\_\_\_

**Cats Wish List**  
Canned Food  
Dry Food  
Tempation Treats

**Dogs Wish List**  
Biscuits & Treats  
Nulo Canned & Diamond Dry  
6' standard leashes

### Shelter Wish List

**Disposables:** Paper towels, tall trash bags, dish soap, laundry detergent, bleach, Clorox Bleach Wipes, and linens.

**Equipment:** Industrial washable mop heads, brooms, buckets, and dust pans. We can also always use new or nearly new washers, dryers and pressure washers. We can also always use NEW air conditioner/heaters for our residents' housing. Please contact us for model # details!

### Off Site Adoption Centers

Cats are available for adoption every Saturday and Sunday from 11-3 at the PetSmart at the Northpoint Shopping Center, 1819 NE Pine Island Rd, Cape Coral.

We are always looking for new volunteers to help transport and showcase our available residents at Off-Site Adoption Events. Contact our Executive Director, Wayne Leinen, at [dep\\_rep@msn.com](mailto:dep_rep@msn.com)!

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 Weds-Sun (except major holidays)  
 or by appointment.

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 Lily and ARC

ARC is a non-profit, no-kill animal welfare organization and sanctuary operated by tax deductible donations and volunteers. ARC also promotes animal welfare advocacy and employs education to teach responsible pet guardianship as well as kindness to all creatures. ARC is a tax deductible, 501(c)3 status organization, funded by individual and corporate donations and memberships, and operated by volunteers.

ARC's General Membership Meetings are held annually on the 3rd Tuesday of both June and December, at 6:30pm. Meetings are held at: Home-Tech 6400 Techster Blvd. Fort Myers, FL 33966

## Upcoming Events...

**CASINO ROYALE 007**  
 Presented by  
**Bonney Leckie**  
 Century 21 Selling Paradise  
**Friday, July 6 2018**  
**7pm-11pm**  
 A Bond Themed Gala To Support The Animal Refuge Center  
 Hosted Inside at the Hyatt Regency Coconut Point Resort & Spa  
 Tickets Include buffet and \$2000 in gaming play money

**Sponsorship Opportunities**  
 007 Sponsor: \$2,000  
 License to No-Kill Sponsor: \$750  
 Diamonds Are Forever Sponsor: \$500  
 The Dog Who Loved Me Sponsor: \$200  
 Additional tickets: \$75.

Bonney Leckie, Realtor



For More Information Contact  
**Wayne Leinen at 239-233-4375**  
 Animalrefugecenter.com



*It's almost that time again!*  
 Online bidding for the 2019 edition of ARC's  
 Annual Calendar will run from:

*June 15th, 2018 - July 15th, 2018*

*Dozens of Sponsorship opportunities available!*

*Stay tuned to our Facebook page and  
 web site for further details!*

*Details available at www.animalrefugecenter.com ...*



## Gifts of Love



All gifts to ARC "In Honor" or "In Memory" of a person or an animal are gratefully accepted. Send contributions to ARC PO Box 62605, Fort Myers, FL 33906. Your listing will be featured in our next issue. Please accept our apologies & notify us immediately if your gift has been overlooked.

**A**lways alive in the minds of their owners, the following pets have been memorialized through donations:

**R**eferred for their kind hearts and the joy they bring, the following people have been honored through donations:

**C**ontributions have been received in memory of the following persons for their compassion and concern for animals:

**Memorials for People:**

Ann Barger  
 Marie Bartrem  
 Kathryn Hughes  
 Janine LeDuc  
 Lisa Jackson  
 Bob & Farrell Lotts  
 Jo Nicholas

Kay Russell

Joseph Serino  
 Dr. A. Shevach  
 Medley Morris

**Memorials for Pets:**

Beau  
 Charlie  
 Fausto - A Very Special  
 Island Cat  
 Lucky  
 Mia  
 Regan  
 Sandy

**From:**

Diane & Charles Mather  
 Susan Hartwig  
 Betty & Rich Hughes  
 Todd Adams  
 Marie Bartrem  
 John Shaw  
 W. Janes Atkins Jr.  
 Becky & William Thompson  
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**From:**

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 Anonymous  
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 Jeanne Dufresne  
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**Honors for People:**

Ray Gee

Lila Kay Hurst  
 Kathy Totterdale

**Honors for Pets:**

Fritz-Mia

Kody  
 Lady  
 Leo  
 Shane (Chaos)

**From:**

Nancy & Gary Attala  
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 Buddy & Denise Fisher  
 Bonnie Gee  
 Ronald & Kathleen Patla  
 Judith Schroeder  
 Kim Coleman  
 Mary Baun, Chris France  
 Cindy Hanczar, Donna May

**From:**

Doreen Harrigan & the Red  
 Hat Ladies  
 Libby Brasfield  
 Tamea Sutphen  
 Phyllis Maynard  
 Kelly Cassidy



## Thank You to Our New and Renewing Members

**Friend:**

Holly Addair  
 Lee Anderson  
 Cyndy Atkins  
 Nancy Bailey  
 Aloma Barnes  
 Marc Benzing  
 Michelle Bourne  
 Kathleen Boynton  
 Rose Caskey  
 Stephen Chupack  
 Judy Churchill  
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 Joseph & Margaret Spielman  
 Karen & Charles Young  
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 Norman & Polly Bryant  
 Michele & John Cunningham  
 Lynda & AJ Scribante  
 Brenda & Howard Sheridan  
 Caroline Wolf  
**Guardian:**  
 Lisa & Steven D'Amico

## Shouldn't Pets in Crisis Have a Safety Net?

For thirty years ARC has been the safety net for tens of thousands of abandoned pets. Wouldn't you like us to remain a valuable resource for pets in crisis? Our mission is to save as many pets in need as we possibly can. We always operate at full or over capacity because an empty "spot" is an opportunity missed and a life not saved. We reach out to county shelters for pets that have run "out of time". We offer complicated surgical procedures to restore health to a new intake, take on the pets that are in need of longer medical treatment for mange or heartworm eradication and we seek out foster homes for those that need frequent medications to control diabetes, thyroid or heart issues.



We need YOU to partner with us so we can continue to help pets in crisis this year. Four months into 2018 and we have already provided ligament surgeries, heartworm treatments, tumor removals, life-saving limb amputations, removal of stomach obstructions and emergency treatment for diabetic ketoacidosis. Enclosed is a special appeal envelope that strictly funds medical treatments for pets in need. Won't you help save a life? You are the only one that can!  
 Pets in need thank you in advance.

## Our Best Friends Deserve Better Plans

Many people name the Animal Refuge Center in their estate plan and never let us acknowledge their invaluable support. If you have named us as a beneficiary, we hope you will share this with us. We feel strongly about expressing our gratitude and would be honored to welcome you to **The Legacy of Hope Club**.

Membership in **The Legacy of Hope Club** is open to anyone who has made a lasting gift through a will, estate plan, life-income or other deferred gift to the Animal Refuge Center. It is our way of recognizing such a thoughtful gift.

Your lasting gift to our sanctuary will provide a future filled with hope to thousands of orphaned pets that come to us for refuge or a safe haven for your own cat(s) or dog(s). We welcome the opportunity to talk with you about how to include the Animal Refuge Center in your will or estate plan.



Please contact us at (239) 841-0810 or e-mail [bettyhughes@comcast.net](mailto:bettyhughes@comcast.net).

## Bunny & Cottontail: The Long Journey Home

This March, two ARC heroes went on quite a journey to rescue two ARC alumni. Bunny and Cottontail were originally brought to ARC in 2012 when they were found abandoned. They stayed with us for a short time before getting adopted together, to what we hoped would be a forever home. We know that life has a way of throwing a curveball from time to time, and sometimes things change in unpredictable ways. That's why, at the Animal Refuge Center, we have it written into our adoption contract that if for any reason you cannot keep the dog or cat you got from us, that they are to be returned to us directly. As fate would have it, something must have changed in Bunny and Cottontail's lives. They found themselves abandoned at a shelter in South Carolina. Fortunately, the kind staff at *Jasper Animal Rescue* contacted ARC to let us know that they had our sweet hounds. The microchips still listed us as their original home.

Once an ARC dog, always an ARC dog. In quite typical fashion, we decided to go get these girls and give them a second chance at a forever home. Executive Director, Wayne Leinen, and Animal Caretaker, Kurt Donovan, drove through the night all the way to South Carolina, arriving just as the shelter opened. They were greeted by the two friendly hounds who howled and bayed with excitement. Luckily, they were not so noisy in the cargo van on the long trip back to ARC. Now that they are back safely with us, we are looking for that special forever home they were always meant to have. While we always hope that an adoption is forever, know that when you adopt from us, we always welcome back our dogs and cats should something come up that necessitates their return.



## Purses for Pooches: A Doggone Fashionable Event!

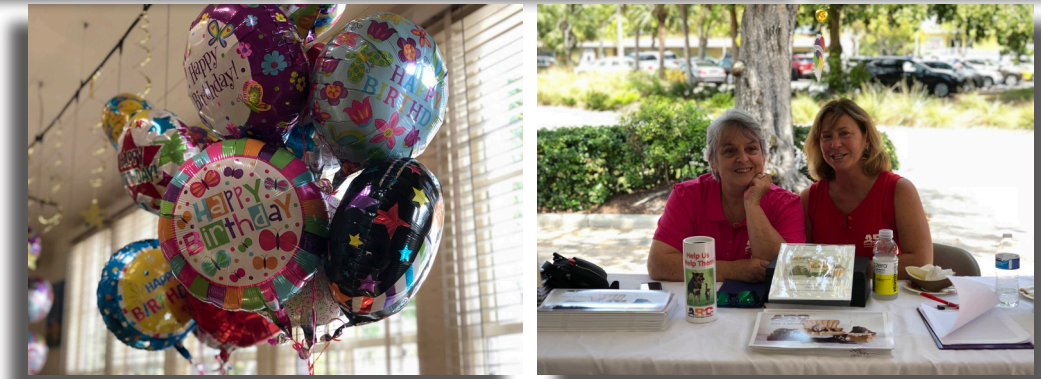
The 4th Annual Purses for Pooches was held on March 3rd at Fiddlesticks Country Club. Once again, *Bonney Leckie-Century 21 Selling Paradise* was our Presenting Sponsor. Thank you, Bonney!

This year our silent auction consisted of sixty designer purses paired with wine, jewelry or scarves to entice guests to bid high and bid often! The live auction selection offered Brahmin, Coach, Dooney & Bourke and a Louis Vuitton purse, to mention a few. Our lovely runway models showed off the handbags and were accompanied by ARC pooches dressed to the K-nines! ARC feline mascot, Lily, was present just to remind guests that ARC has many cats (as well as dogs) looking for their forever homes! Lily also saved her treat money to become the "Catwalk Sponsor", -totally appropriate! All in all, the event was a terrific success and the lunch prepared by Fiddlesticks was simply delicious!

Thank you to all of our purse donors, sponsors, guests and helpful volunteers, for making this an event to bark about!



## Lily & Co Jewelry Store Goes to the Dogs for ARC!



Store co-owners, Karen Bell and Dan Schuyler, really know how to throw a party in honor of their store mascot Lily. They also surprised us by introducing their newest canine baby; Jewel. Once again, Karen & Dan donated a table full of high-end raffle items to help raise funds for ARC which included a \$900 diamond dog paw pendant!

Artist Rafael Diaz drew caricatures, Island Paws provided gift baskets for the canine fashion show winners and Bailey's Bakery supplied cakes for both dogs and their guardians. To top it all off, Sanibel Catering fired up the grill and provided hot dogs, chips and homemade lemonade!

We'd also like to thank vendors Coral Veterinary Clinic, Lyn Morningstar Dog Training and Bike Bistro for their informative booths and demonstrations.

In total, \$12,786.57 was raised to help ARC continue its mission of saving as many abandoned pets as possible! ARC deeply appreciates the generosity of our Sanibel friends!



Even the smallest donation helps us to save more lives... [www.animalrefugecenter.com/donate](http://www.animalrefugecenter.com/donate).

Please consider making a donation to ARC using the enclosed envelope, or online at [www.animalrefugecenter.com/donate](http://www.animalrefugecenter.com/donate).