



# 20th Anniversary!

Winter 2019 Newsletter

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## We Are Celebrating Our 20th Year Rehoming Pets!

Time flies when you are saving lives! Since 1999 we have been building everlasting bonds between people and animals. Founded by a small group of concerned, animal-loving citizens Father John's has rescued, rehabilitated, and rehomed thousands of homeless pets.

Now, in our 20th year we are taking the time to set new goals but reflect on what has made us what we are today...a staple of the community. ***If you have not been by the shelter lately, come and celebrate this amazing achievement with us!***

### Volunteer Input

"It was great to find Father John's, but it's been even better never to leave. These animals and this place have done more for my life than anything else ever has. If you ever



want to find something you truly love, volunteer at an animal shelter."

- **Leon Richards**

Adopt!  
Volunteer!  
Donate!



### 2018, What a year!

What a year we had! Having found homes for **573** homeless dogs, cats, puppies, and kittens, we are proud of the year we have had. It was a year of growth for us at Father John's forging new relationships with many local veterinarians, iHeart Media, numerous Daisy and Girl Scout troops, and many of the local schools.

### Santa Made Some Special Deliveries

The best partnership of all....with Mr. Claus himself! For another year we have been able to have Santa and some elves travel out in the FJAH van on Christmas morning to deliver newly adopted pets into warm, welcoming, loving homes. Father John's Animal House is all about building everlasting bonds between humans and animals, what better way to start it off than with the magic of Christmas!



**Squeeky**



## One Very Memorable Story

Not every animal that needs a new home is found running as a stray, abandoned, or homeless as the result of a large-scale disaster. Very often we see a family who has fallen on hard times, losing everything around them, ridden with the fear of uncertainty, and with nowhere to go. Frequently these folks have pets that they love and cherish but know they can no longer provide for them. When this is the case, Father John's Animal House is there

**Sandy**



to provide the comfort of knowing they will be well cared for, loved, and ultimately placed into a great home. **This was the story of Squeeky and Sandy.**

Two 12 year-old sisters who's owner had lost everything. All she wanted was to see her two dogs have a better tomorrow. Sandy, Squeaky, and their owner walked through our doors to a team who could not wait to help. The two dogs were in need of very quick and serious attention. Flea infested, matted, dirty, and extremely uncomfortable these sisters needed a make-over. It became very apparent that Squeaky was in need of even more serious medical attention. She was unable to lift her head, would fall over, and had difficulty moving and standing.

Following x-rays and examination we discovered she was disabled but could be made comfortable. Well, with some hard work and great advice from our veterinarian, we got these two girls



looking and feeling great and excited to find their new home. We were so happy to find out that a volunteer of ours, spreading the word of Squeaky and Sandy, found a great couple interested in adopting them. Meeting with them we could see right away they were in love! We thank them for opening their home and hearts to these special girls.



***They have a tomorrow,  
because you donated today.***

## 10th Annual Beefsteak Dinner

If you missed this event last year, you better buy your tickets early! Our annual beefsteak dinner has been **SOLD OUT** the last two years and for good reason. Catered by **The Brownstone** and featuring DJ Sebastian Monte, a 50/50, Tricky Tray and Auction the Beefsteak Dinner is a crowd pleaser! Visit our website for tickets and more information and be sure to join us on March 23rd!