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CASINO ROYALE 007
Presented by
Paul & Rosalie Walton
Saturday, May 18th 2024
7pm-11pm

Paul and Rosalie Walton

A Bond Themed Gala To Support The Animal Refuge Center
Hosted at the Hyatt Regency Coconut Point Resort & Spa
Tickets Include buffet and \$2000 in gaming play money

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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**
Purina Gentle dry cat food
Purina dry Kitten Chow
Friskies canned cat food
Temptations Treats &
Party Mix cat treats
- Dogs Wish List**
Diamond Maintenance dry dog food
Caesars canned dog food
Pupperoni dog treats
Milkbone small dog biscuits
Power Chewer Nylabones
- Shelter Wish List** -Paper towels, toilet paper, tall trash bags, dish soap, liquid laundry detergent, bleach, Clorox wipes, Lysol hand sanitizer, Windex, and linens.
- Equipment:** Equipment: cotton mop heads, brooms, buckets & dust pans. Garden hoses 50 feet & under with hose sprayers. New or gently used washers, dryers, pressure washers and golf carts. NEW air conditioners with heat capability. For make/model # email mgrarc@animalrefugecenter.net



Sponsorship Opportunities
Royale Title Sponsor: \$5,000 (SOLD)
007[™] Sponsor: \$2,750
License to No-Kill Sponsor: \$1,250
Diamonds Are Forever Sponsor: \$600
The Dog Who Loved Me Sponsor: \$300
Additional tickets: \$75



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Animalrefugecenter.com

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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 6:30 pm. Meetings are held at:

ARC 18011 Old Bayshore Road, North Fort Myers, FL 33917

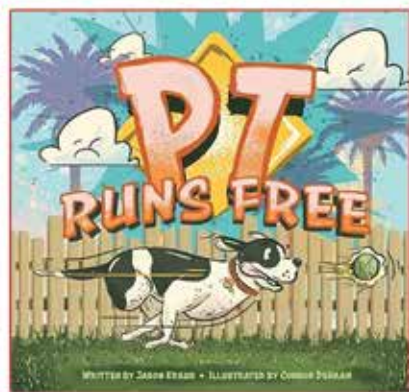
Never Give Up!

PT's story started with being found injured by the side of a road in Miami, FL. Thanks to his rescuers, Angie and Joe McGilvrey, PT now lives the good life as a therapy dog. Despite losing a leg, PT pushed through adversity like so many shelter dogs do. He is now the mascot at Apex Physical Therapy and inspires clients to work every day at getting better. PT has also captured his story in a picture book called "PT Runs Free." Funds from the sale of this book are donated to rescue groups.

ARC is very appreciative to have been selected in January to receive over \$6,870 dollars from the Bella's Heart of SW Florida Foundation. Thanks to PT, Angie and Joe, these funds will help support difficult and complicated surgeries that come to ARC. Purchase your copy of PT Runs Free on Amazon and get inspired like we did!



PT with Angie McGilvrey,
 Rich and Betty Hughes



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.

Always alive in the minds of their owners, the following pets have been memorialized through donations. **Revered for their kind hearts and the joy they bring, the following people have been honored through donations.** **Contributions have been received in memory of the following persons for their compassion and concern for animals.**

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Dakota is our longest canine resident at ARC and needs an active, younger family or Guardian who has time to provide exercise and obedience reinforcement. Dakota is a Foster to Adopt and ARC will provide food, medical and weekly sessions with our canine trainer. Why not come out and meet him?

Big Win for ARC!

Our beloved Florida Everblades hockey team hosted Affiliates Night in January for the benefit of ARC! The autographed jerseys were auctioned online via DASH and resulted in gross proceeds of \$28,500. This was the first time The Florida Panthers and the Everblades created a jersey that incorporated both team logos!

The Blades fell 1-0 to the S.C Swamp Rabbits but they will always be winners in our eyes. There are still many home games to attend so make plans to attend and cheer our Blades on to victory!



Ready to Celebrate the New Year on the Right Paw!

These ARC cats and dogs plan on spending 2024 getting loved and spoiled by their new families! We just know they have lots of adventures in store for them and will live long and happy lives. We hope their families spread the word in the community to come visit the other pets at ARC who also have lots of love to share.

Please continue to cross-post cat's and dog's bios from our website to your Facebook page. Encourage everyone to "Adopt Don't Shop!"



Howie Mandel



Cameron and Jonas



Tina Fey



Adria



Charlie Brown



Brandy



Mia



McGee



Leo



McGonagall



Shenron



Padma



Animal Refuge Center's 9th Annual

Purses for Pooches

Presented by
Bonney Leckie - Century 21 Selling Paradise

April 27, 2024, 12 p.m. - 3 p.m.
at the
Fiddlesticks Country Club

Lunch • Silent Auction • Purse Fashion Show
Live Auction • Giveaways

Sponsorships available

Catwalk Sponsor \$1,500	Canine Couture \$500
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Individual Tickets \$45	

For more information contact Betty Hughes **239-841-0810**

Help the animals at ARC by cleaning out your closets and donating your previously loved designer purses & scarves.

Drop off Locations

Bonney Leckie, Realtor

SELLING PARADISE
3409 Del Prado Blvd. S. Ste. 103
Cape Coral, FL 33904

Animal Refuge Center
18011 Old Bayshore Road
North Fort Myers, FL, 33917

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6400 Techster Boulevard
Fort Myers, Florida 33966

29th Starlight Auction – Record Breaker!



ARC's 2023 Starlight auction was a blockbuster beyond wildest dreams. Over two hundred and thirty guests came ready to enjoy the evening and support ARC knowing their generosity lays the foundation for what we can achieve in 2024. Sanibel Harbour Marriott Resort & Spa set the stage for an evening filled with joy and laughter and bidder paddles raised high and often.

Once again, ARC was blessed to receive a \$55,000 non-item challenge match on funds raised for general operations. Guests not only met that challenge but beat it raising \$61,000 for the benefit of pets in need in SW Florida. Add sponsorships, ticket sales and bids on silent/live items a total of \$296,000 was raised. We are so deeply appreciative to our sponsors, donors and guests who made this evening such a success.

This year, two very special guests made their debut at ARC's 29th Starlight Auction. Dallas, who came to us with neurologic issues due to neglect, and Star, who came to us with spinal cord trauma, put their best paws forward to show their appreciation for the support of ARC's Special Surgical/Medical fund. This fund provides specialized veterinary needs for canines (or felines) that need extra TLC. These precious pup's medical needs are being met and their expectations of extra doses of love are being exceeded in their foster homes. Attending this year's auction was a bonus beyond Dallas's and Star's wildest dreams!

When you need goods or services, please consider giving your business to ARC's sponsors and donors first and be sure to thank them for their support of ARC and their love of animals! Your patronage helps put them in the position to share their prosperity with ARC.

Very Special Thanks to Our Title and Presenting Sponsors



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