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## **TRICKY TRAY TICKETS—ON SALE NOW!!**

The 9th ANNUAL BEEFSTEAK & TRICKY TRAY benefitting the Friends of the Shelter of Clifton will be held Friday, April 26! As many of you who faithfully attend this successful tradition know, our tickets sell out each year, so please gather your friends and book your table early!

Prizes are pouring in and these are items you will want to bid on — watch our website to see prizes as they are added! **We are always grateful for donations of new unopened items and gift certificates/gift cards to just about anywhere.** In addition to great food and a *quality* tricky tray, we will also hold a 50/50 raffle during the evening, so there are many ways to be a winner on April 26!!

There are **three ways to purchase your tickets**: You can stop in the shelter during open hours (listed bottom left on this page), **mail us a check or get your tickets online** via PayPal on our website [www.cliftonanimalshelter.com](http://www.cliftonanimalshelter.com)!

Like last year, we will include **one free value pack with each admission**. Every ticket includes dinner, drinks AND a Value Pack, admission is \$60 per person. If you book a table of 8, the cost is only \$55 per person or 8 tickets for \$440.

You can purchase additional Value Packs in advance at a **discounted cost** of \$20 each or for \$25 the night of the event. The Value Pack includes: 1 sheet of small prize tickets, 10 medium prize tickets, 7 large prize tickets and 3 extra large prize tickets; total value of the Value Pack is \$32.

Our Beefsteak/Tricky Tray Flyer is featured on page 2 of this newsletter— **please feel free to post up at work or share with your family and friends**, it promises to be a lot of fun! If beefsteak isn't your thing, no worries — we offer a pasta or chicken meal alternative if pre-ordered.

This is our major annual fundraiser—it produces the bulk of the money we require each year to care for the animals. We are so fortunate to enjoy wonderful attendance and we hope this year is no exception. **Join us and support the homeless animals of our area while having a great time!**

**Hope to see you there!**

**APRIL 26, 2013**

**THE BOYS & GIRLS CLUB 7:00 PM  
TICKETS ARE LIMITED!**

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# FRIENDS OF THE SHELTER 9<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL

## BEEFSTEAK DINNER BENEFIT



## TRICKY TRAY & 50/50 RAFFLE

**Friday, April 26<sup>th</sup>, 2013 @ 7:00 pm**

*Boys & Girls Club of Clifton  
181 Colfax Avenue  
Clifton, NJ 07013*



**Tickets: \$60 per person**  
**GROUP DISCOUNT - Table of 8 @ \$55 per person**

**\*\*SPECIAL BONUS\*\***  
**(ALL TICKETS INCLUDE "FREE" VALUE PACK - \$25 VALUE)**

**ADVANCED TICKET SALES ONLY – TICKETS ARE LIMITED**

**VALUE PACKS for TRICKY TRAY - \$20 each (\$25 on April 26)**  
**( Value Packs include: 1 sheet of SMALL prize tickets, 10 MEDIUM tickets, 7 LARGE tickets and 3 X-LARGE tickets)**

### To Purchase Tickets/Value Packs:

Stop by the Shelter (in the Municipal Complex, behind City Hall)  
Mon. - Fri. 6:30 pm to 8:00 pm or Sun. Noon to 4:00 pm  
OR

Mail your check, payable to "Friends of the Shelter" to:  
**Friends of the Shelter - Beefsteak Dinner, PO Box 4923, Clifton NJ 07015**  
**(Please be sure to include number of tickets and a return mailing address)**

OR

Buy your tickets on-line: [www.cliftonanimalshelter.com](http://www.cliftonanimalshelter.com)

For more information, call (973) 470-5936, visit the website or E-mail: [cliftoncats1@gmail.com](mailto:cliftoncats1@gmail.com)



Menu (catered by Nightingale Catering) includes: Sliced Filet Mignon on French Bread, Salad, Fries, Ice Cream, Soda, Coffee, Tea and Beer  
**(Chicken/Pasta available. Must be ordered in advance)**



## HOLIDAY TREE of LOVE

These beloved animals were remembered over the holidays last year...

Black Jack, Nuby(I), Nuby(II), & Valentine Ackley  
 Angel & Spanky Agostino  
 Simba, Juju, & Lulu Akyuz  
 Lady, Missy, & Jack Alongi  
 Noelle, Mandy, Lucky, Buck, & Munchkin Anderson  
 Cleo & Baxter Binaso  
 Misty, Chloe, Penny, & Baxter Bionci  
 Cookie & Muppet Bonfante  
 Heidi, Klaus, & Nicky Bremer  
 Nick Brienza  
 Suzie, Sophie, & Lily Brown  
 Sadie Buchanan  
 Patty Campbell  
 Rigel, Smudge, Flash, Tex, Blaze, Sweetie, & Kit Campo  
 Sunny, Tommy, & Tammy Carafello  
 Bubba Casale and Shelter Cat Susie  
 Mott, Mugsy, Hank, Harley, & Hoop Casamenti  
 Puddin Chambers  
 Taffy, Sabrina, & Lacey Chiarella  
 Lola & Brody Colacino  
 Sean, Brett, & Casey Connor  
 Sammy, Simba, & Sophie Corradino  
 Sunshine, Ginger, & Midnight Dandy  
 Princess Dec  
 Big Daddy, Tweety, Godzookie, & TinkerBelle DeLuca  
 Tabithia DeVries  
 Sebastian, Peepsie, Kaico, Gambit, & Honey-Bunny DiBari  
 Pepper, Angel, & Beauty DiSanto  
 Buddy, Morris, & Chopper Doyle  
 Belle & Scruffy Dymek  
 Tommy Ferlise  
 Ivy, Samantha, & Squirrel Fernandez  
 Fugi Ferrara  
 Oliver Feuss  
 Jojo, Benny, Jordan, & Scotty Fisher  
 Gus & Cody Fisher  
 Sundance, Lady Jane, Serena, & Juan Fisher  
 Jake & Elwood Folsom & Shelter Cat Kiki  
 Sedona Friess  
 Kiwi, Cocoa Bean, & Pipa Frim  
 Coco Galazzo  
 Henry Galden  
 Tuck, Tony, & Teddy Gallo  
 Mikey, Penny, & Abbie Gelman  
 Suzie Gevas  
 Gus, Diesel, Gypsy, & Taz Giardelli  
 Kelly & Kasey Gray  
 Rascal, Willie, & Nelson Greco  
 Lucky, Moose, Dune, Aries, Harley, & Chase Gruno  
 Jimbo, Tucker, & Butters Haik

Lorelei, Samantha, & Camellia Hamilton  
 Tuxx & Sneaker Herrmann  
 Shanna Lee & Maggie Lee Hilsinger  
 Gizmo, Max, Tippy, Peanut, Lincoln, Cody, Gizmo & Misty Horn  
 Corki Huber  
 Bandit, Baby, Perry, & Salem Hughes  
 Sidney & Vito Iannicelli  
 Onyx & Shadow Janusz  
 Pepper Josephson  
 Homer, Mr. Dinkins, & Rusty Kaminski  
 Button & Booper Kievit  
 Keshmesh & Mittsie King  
 Tabby, Marby, Shane, & Bella Kircher  
 Peanuts & Teddy Kommer  
 Jeter Kondel  
 Lilly Belle Koske  
 Bubba, Little Boy, & Willow Krausse  
 Simbina & Midnite Lazor  
 Kiki Lewis  
 Lana, Happy, Fritz, & Floyd Lohnes  
 Simba & Abby Lynch  
 Luna, Mommy, Snowy, & Honey Macejka  
 Shannon, Chloe, Myles, Owen, & Nikki Mariano  
 Jimmy Marotta  
 Precious, Muffin, & Tammie Marren  
 Toby & Tiger McCormick  
 Nikki, Kelly, Princess, Midnite, & Pappy McShane  
 Molly Mekita  
 Toby, Murphy, Rambo, & Buddy Meyers  
 Cody & Chancy Mihalik  
 Shelter dog Mikey  
 Dayton Myers  
 Beethoven Nareiso  
 Pepper, Samantha, Kitty II, Donna, & Mandi Narish  
 Peanut Ozimek  
 Molly Pappas  
 Trouble & Romeo Pinchak  
 Bud, Weizer, Palamina, & Sweetie Pinke  
 Calico, Princess, Target, Montague, & Mooch Pirozzi  
 Spotty Plokhooy  
 Rocky & Coco Price  
 Venus PraSisto  
 Star, Darla, Munchkin, Trinkz, & Toby Rastaetter  
 Maisie Remer  
 Spike & Prissy Roback  
 Starbucks, Dunkin, & Sara Lee Romaniello  
 Zumba Rosario  
 Blinky & Minky Reonieri  
 Maggie, Penny, Toby, Gigi, & Annie Sadowski  
 Seymour & Sally Scary

### 2012 Holiday Tree of Love

Baby & Zorro Schembri  
 Travis Sciancalepore  
 Beau & Mittens Sgambat  
 Molly, Lila, & Teri Sinisi  
 Coco & Harlem Sinisi  
 Lady Sisco-Rusnak  
 Adam Sisco  
 Leo Skeahan  
 Smokey, Dukie, Tawny, Missy, Tiffany, Vivi, Suko, & Keiko Smolensky  
 Zoey Sorenson  
 Dutchess, Melissa, Chewie, Tobey, & Maggie Mae Sunshine  
 Squeaky Talamini  
 Rita Thorn  
 Shelter Cat Our Beloved Tuck  
 Blake & Crystal Turba  
 Kristal, Shadow, Brandi, Timber, Holly, Reggie, Barbara, & Fred Tyma  
 Topsy, Velvet, Cleo, & Panera Van Duyne  
 Jake, Casey, & Emma Van Vliet  
 Trax, Tippy, Cali, & Ditto Wasnesky  
 B.B., Sammy, Cosmo, Lucy, Mojo, & Mookie Wilson  
 Misty, Church, Maxwell, Elvis, Penny, & Freckle Winters  
 Lucky Woehrle  
 Romeo & Julie Zangara  
 Specky Zastawny  
 Beau, Andie, Harley, & Tony Zisa



# MARCH 2

**Eat at Uno's in Clifton on Thursday, May 2!!!**  
**The Shelter will earn up to 20% of sales-** Visit our website to print out the coupon which must be presented to your server that day!

# BAKE SALE

## Sat. March 30

### 10:00AM-2:00PM

Please feel free to bake and/or buy - calling all animal lovers who want to support our cause! Please visit the day before Easter and buy dessert for Sunday! Those of you who bake, please make something for us to sell and drop it off the morning of the bake sale or the night before between 6pm-8pm. Always a Yummy Selection! See you there!

### PEOPLE FOR ANIMALS

People for Animals is a **low cost spay/neuter clinic for dogs and cats.** Located in Hillside, NJ this clinic is well known for affordable surgery, vaccines, microchipping and FELV/FIV tests.

#### SURGERY FEES:\*

Dogs:	Male	Female
Under 65 lbs	\$110	\$120
Over 65 lbs.	\$130	\$140

Umbilical Hernia Repair cat or dog: Add \$35

#### Feral Cats

(part of TNR only) \$55 \$55

**Pet Cats:** \$75 \$75

\*Exam, rabies and distemper vaccinations, an antibiotic injection to aid in preventing infection (\$10 for cat, \$15 for dog), pain management, and waste disposal are all included in this fee.

#### Additional Services Available on Surgery Day:

Microchip (includes registration) \$35

FELV/FIV test \$25

Nail clipping: Dogs \$10 /Cats \$10



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 www.pfaonline.org  
 401 Hillside Avenue  
 Hillside, NJ 07205



YES! I would like to help combat the pet overpopulation problem. Below is my contribution towards spaying/neutering an animal:

DOG \$ \_\_\_\_\_

CAT \$ \_\_\_\_\_

OTHER ANIMAL \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Please make your contribution payable to **The Friends of the Shelter** and mail it to us today!

## Notes and Letters

Finally got your email to send these pics of our boy. So what do you think?

Everyone who meets ELI just loves him. I can't believe he is at our house a week today!

Thanks again!  
Fran & Nick



Just wanted to update you on the MUSHY BOY we adopted. Archie has been great. WHAT A BABY! He loves curling up with us and he has definitely settled in very nicely. He's very smart - doing well with his commands and has calmed down a lot. He still has his silly moments and he loves to mess with Rob, but overall, he's just a big baby and we are completely in love with him.

Hope you are well.

Nicole Avellan



Thought you and the staff would love to see new pics of the cats and an update on them both:

Mia: She is too funny! She loves her treats and her little purr/cry whenever she wants love or attention is too cute. She sleeps with me mostly every night either right next to me or above my head on the pillow as you can tell by the photo. She is cuddlier than I thought she would be - sometimes more than Dexter.

Dexter: Definitely a big brother - he is always cleaning Mia and taking care of her. He loves being scratched under his chin and he's so good about being picked up and loved. He sometimes sleeps on the bed in the middle of us as well after playing with his toys upstairs. Such a mush and he can't get enough of his favorite toys. He is very athletic and jumps super high!

We are officially in love with them both and cannot thank you enough. Please let the rest of the staff know they are doing great and they love their new home.

We love our bookends!

Kate Drummond

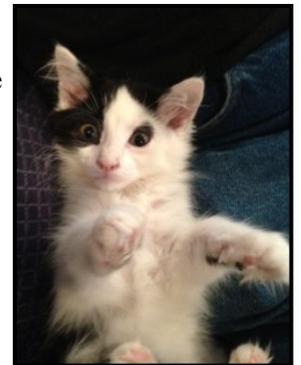


JoJo is great. She is very comfortable around the family. She runs into the kitchen behind you whenever you go in. I'm pretty sure she's looking for all the food a previous owner fed her but she is doing fine eating the weight maintenance stuff we are feeding her. Richie plays with her with her toys - especially the pointer. She purrs loudly and head butts him. She is very affectionate and will sit on your lap or just next to you purring away. I think she is happy. We think we found a terrific cat (and we hope to help her shed some pounds).



Many, many thanks!  
Maria

Madonna is a total angel! She is beyond special!!! I am playing with her, as we speak. She slept in my arms on the way home and she was sleeping next to Frank for about an hour this evening! :-) We temporarily have her staying in our pink guest room, until she has a few days to adjust, and it's perfect for my little Diva. I think we'll sleep in her room for the next few nights, and I plan to work from home tomorrow to be with her. I absolutely adore her!!!! Thank you so much For all that you do!!



She's adjusting so well, I'm amazed!

Thank you again!  
Jessica

Jackson is doing wonderful and has adapted so quickly. About a week after he arrived, he made his way to our bed at night with the other 2 cats! All 3 cats pile into our bed just about every night which has been so funny. Nala still hisses at him if he gets too close but she's gotten so much better. Guinness accepted him from the beginning but only likes to play every so often so I think he is still getting used to having a younger, more active cat. Grace loves playing with Jackson and her energy level is perfect for him. Thanks so much again for letting us take Jackson. He has been a wonderful addition to our family!!

Melissa Hyland



Just wanted to give you an update on Cupcake (FKA Baby). She slept with me and Pebbles (my Maltese) in bed last night. I did hear her bark, so she does have a little voice. She was excited, jumping in and out of her new bed and I guess wanted me to pick her up and I wasn't fast enough for her; so she let me know it...

Agnes and Cupcake



Back in July of this year, we experienced the sadness of the last of our three cats (two of which had been adopted at the Clifton shelter) passing away. Our hearts were broken and our house felt empty. We knew that another kitty would join our family one day, but we had no idea that Toby would tug at our heartstrings so quickly. After seeing his video on your website, we just had to meet him. Holding him in our arms, we immediately fell in LOVE with him. We did set up a few meetings just to be sure that we weren't rushing into getting another pet too soon. Toby melted our hearts and we just KNEW that he was meant to be home with us.

Toby has added so much life back to our house. He's happy, healthy and so very playful. It seems like he has more toys than all three of our last cats put together (did we mention that he likes to put them in his water dish and try to fish them out?!?!). Our little furry baby is also becoming a lap kitty and loves to be held and get neck & back massages. We absolutely love and adore our new bundle of joy! Loving everything from his quirky behavior of carrying his stuffed moose from room to room to his squeaky baby meows!!!

We just want to thank you for all the hard work and dedication you put into running the Clifton Animal Shelter. If it were not for you, we wouldn't have our precious little kitty today



Tom & Ann-Marie Lancaster.

You crossed my mind the other day and I wanted to send you these pix of Pappy from Halloween this year. I was dressed a cop, but there are no pix of Pappy and me together.



I hope that all is well with you!  
Dr. Daphne Mobley

Thank you for letting me save this poor girl's life. If it wasn't for me she would never make it to work on time (she used to have 5 alarms, now I just get in her face and meow), and she would never get out of bed in time if I didn't insist she clean my litterbox, give me fresh food and water. And if it wasn't for me she would never vacuum!

She is a little strict with letting me eat things I want and so far I've only gotten away with licking an ice cream lid once (and she caught me right away!). I pay her back though when I get mad -- I have lots of ping pong balls so I try to make as much noise as possible at night. She got me two scratchers, so I don't need to scratch the rug (although it really is ugly so it wouldn't hurt to get her to buy a new one); and she keeps saying this word I really don't want to hear every time I want to climb somewhere high like on the stove "no." I go along with it and then do whatever I want at night. Oh, she did get me this glow in the dark ball so that I wouldn't wake her up in the middle of the night and asked her to play with me...it's not really that entertaining to me, but I try to occupy myself.

She does take a long time to get home, but she leaves enough food and water and toys and I get fresh everything when she gets home. And she does sit on the floor and reads things to me while she plays with me when she does get bored. I think she feels guilty for not being around all day...I guess she hasn't figured out that I sleep during that time!

Hope my buddies are finding humans in need of special care...seems there's a lot of humans like that out there, but I wouldn't really know because aside from the two window seats she made for me, I don't get to see the outside world because I'm not allowed outside.

Lots of love to my friends,  
Pantera Ree Bonfiglio  
(can you believe this name???)

P.S. I'm attaching a photo of me and the human. She's not really photogenic, but I look good in it.



I just wanted to let you know how well Lily is settling in with our family – **she is a perfect fit.** Everyone has bonded really well with her (even my husband who was not sold on getting another dog!). She had been an absolute angel and could not be sweeter. As promised she is 110% house broken. We have discovered that she loves long walks, car rides and the couch! We followed up with Foster Animal Hospital and she got her clean bill of health. She has never even looked at her incision from the surgery. She has also been a great comfort to my daughter who is recovering from pneumonia - they have become a fixture on the couch curled up together. Thank you and all of your staff for taking such good care of her until we "found" each other! ~ Barbara Sconzo

**In Memory of TUCK**

Tuck, age 13-15, was left abandoned in a box outside...one look into his eyes and we decided to adopt his as our own. He quickly became part of our Shelter Family! Although his time with us was too short, he surely left pawprints on our hearts...

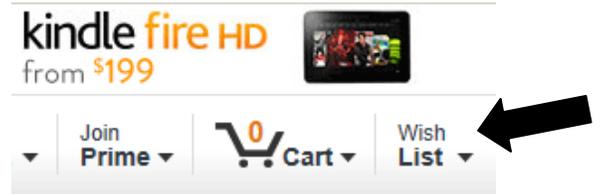


**TUCK**  
God saw You were getting tired,  
Your cure was not meant to be,  
So He put His loving arms around You  
and whispered "Come To Me"  
A golden heart stopped beating  
adoring eyes went to rest  
God broke our hearts to prove...  
He only takes the Best.

**AMAZON WISH LIST**

We have a cool new way to donate items to the shelter that we really need — the **AMAZON WISH LIST**.

Just visit **AMAZON.COM**, and look in the upper right corner of your screen:



Click on "WISH LIST" and then type CLIFTON ANIMAL SHELTER under the "Find Someone's Wish List tab like this:



Then hit GO and you will see everything we currently need:

**Clifton Animal Shelter Wish List**

This Wish List includes a ship-to address, so you can pick out an item and have it sent to the shelter.

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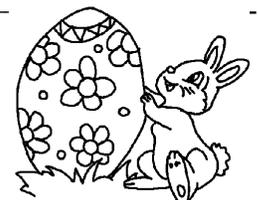


What better way to celebrate life than to help those less fortunate? A \$5 donation purchases an egg on our **SPRING HOLIDAY TREE** with your animal's name on it that will be hung outside the shelter. The **SPRING HOLIDAY TREE** tradition is observed **MARCH 10—APRIL 10**. All proceeds will benefit the homeless animals in our care. Celebrate the life of a beloved pet while helping other animals trying to find new homes ! We will list participants in the next newsletter!

**SPRING HOLIDAY TREE COUPON**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Telephone Number : \_\_\_\_\_  
NUMBER OF EGGS : \_\_\_\_\_ X \$5.00 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
ANIMAL'S NAME (S) : \_\_\_\_\_

Please make checks payable to **Friends of the Shelter, Inc.**  
and mail To: **FOS, P.O. Box 4923, Clifton NJ 07015**



**\*\*UPCOMING EVENTS\*\***

**SPRING HOLIDAY TREE**

March 10-April 10, 2013

**EASTER BAKE SALE**

Saturday March 30, 2013  
10:00 AM—2:00 PM

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**Beefsteak Dinner and Tricky Tray**

**APRIL 26, 2013 7:00 PM**

For more information, please call 973-470-5936

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Spring Rabies Clinic

Dogs: Wed. April 10 & April 17

Cats: Wed. March 20

Call 973.470.5758 for more info

**WISH LIST**

- ITEMS WE NEED THE MOST ARE BOLD:
- CAT'S PRIDE Cat Litter (non-clumping)
  - SPECIAL KITTY Cat Litter (WalMart-red bag)
  - COMPLETE FORMULA Purina CAT & KITTEN Chow
  - Friskies & Fancy Feast Canned Cat Food
  - KMR Kitten Formula Powder**
  - PEDIGREE or DOG CHOW Dry Dog Food**
  - PEDIGREE Canned Dog Food (Ground)
  - Leashes, NylaBones & Kong Toys
  - Gift Cards to Corrado's Pet Store, Petco, Wal-Mart, Costco, PetSmart
  - Jars of Baby Food (chicken, turkey or beef)
  - Small & Medium Plastic Litter Boxes
  - PUPPY CHOW Dry Food
  - Collars & Harnesses (all sizes)
  - Liquid Anti-bacterial Soap, **DISHWASHING LIQUID**
  - Purell, Paper Towels, Disposable Gloves
  - Sponges, Dish Towels
  - Dog Crates, Rabbit Cages
  - New/Clean Dog & Cat Beds
  - Comfy Cones ( Dog E Collars, All sizes)
- VISIT OUR NEW AMAZON.COM WISH LIST**

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