

# Lizzy Talk<sup>®</sup>

*A Newsletter From Lizzy*

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## *Excited About The Bake Sale!*

Lizzy's Fund is thrilled about our July 1st major fundraiser! After having missed *all* of our fundraising opportunities in 2020 due to Covid, we were honored to have been chosen to host the Naperville Municipal Band's Fourth of July Concert in Naperville's Central Park. This coveted event was highly anticipated by our volunteers as a way to replenish our funds to benefit senior dogs at local area shelters and rescues. Questions arose! "Would it rain and would we be stuck with a lot of soggy inedible baked goods?" "Would the weather be blinding hot?" "Would the lingering fears of Covid keep people home?"



Well, we are happy to report that none of our fears materialized! There was no rain, the temperature was PERFECT, and we sold almost every last baked good, around 1,300 pieces. Other than a few patrons who were disappointed to learn that all of our rhubarb pie had been sold in the first half hour, the crowd could not have been more kind, considerate and generous. In addition to the funds raised by selling the baked goods, there were many kind people who made generous donations to further our cause. A generous group of donors decided to 100% match the funds collected during the festivities. We were humbled by the outpouring of generosity from all of our supporters. With the matching funds, Lizzy's Fund was able to increase our reserves, and expand our ability to help more animals.

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We need to give a special shout-out to our wonderful volunteers, numbering more than 20, who made this successful night possible. A huge thank you goes to Gail, Pam, Wayne, Miranda, Jim, Adam, Mike, Patrick, Brad, Lauren, Allie, Erin, Mary, Susan, Chris, Ginny, Zoey, Wendy, Dawn, Thom, Loredana, Chris, Addy, Sandee, and Michelle. Thank you also to the many volunteers who baked or made monetary donations.

And of course, we would be remiss if we did not thank the Naperville Municipal Band and director Ron Keller for the opportunity. They are an amazing organization of dedicated individuals who have served the Naperville Community for over 150 years, helping make Naperville the wonderful place to live that it is.



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## *November is Senior Pet Month*



November is the best month of the year for Lizzy's Fund. It is Senior Pet Month and we are again celebrating by paying the adoption fees for any senior dogs adopted during the month of November at any authorized shelter or rescue. In addition to covering the adoption fee, Lizzy will pay for a blood panel so that the new family has a baseline of their pet's health at the time of adoption. We are also excited to mention that **one of our generous benefactors will 100% match all donations made to the Fund during the month of November** to honor senior dogs everywhere! Please consider adding a wonderful senior dog to your family! Remember, with a senior dog, every day is a gift!

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## *Lizzy In The News*

A big shout-out to our friends at NCTV17 for giving us the opportunity to be highlighted on their "Spotlight" segment airing from November 1st through the 11th. NCTV17's host Jane Wernette (pictured here with Pixie) interviewed Lizzy's Fund's Bernie Slupik to share information about our not-for-profit organization and involvement in the community. Please watch for the video on NCTV17's Spotlight segment on the local channel or at [www.nctv17.com](http://www.nctv17.com) during the airing dates. It will also be posted on our website and on the Lizzy's Fund Facebook when it is available. We truly appreciate being given this opportunity!

*Jane Wernette with Pixie*





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## *The Brody Memorial Fund*

Lizzy's Fund is proud to announce a new funding opportunity to honor one of our treasured ambassadors. Brody exemplified all that is wonderful about senior dogs. He was a rough coat collie rescued by his loving family from the saddest of circumstances and paid the love of his family forward to everyone that he met. Everyone loved Brody. As a therapy dog, he was the commensurate representative of all that is good and kind about therapy dogs. He performed hundreds of visits at nursing homes, schools, camps, and Lizzy Fund events, spreading love everywhere he went. As all good things must come to an end and due to his sad health issues, Brody was set to retire from his therapy work and pass his noble torch to other animals. He was to be honored at Lizzy's Fourth of July bake sale but, as the humble and quiet gentleman that he was, he quietly passed away that morning. The outpouring of emotion and grief at the bake sale that night when his fans learned of his passing was truly amazing and many donations were made in his memory. Due to that tremendous outpouring of love, it was decided to start the *Brody Memorial Fund* as a restricted fund within Lizzy's Fund to provide care and support for senior collies. This fund will be an ongoing perpetual honor in his memory. We will continue to report back to you on this fund in future issues.



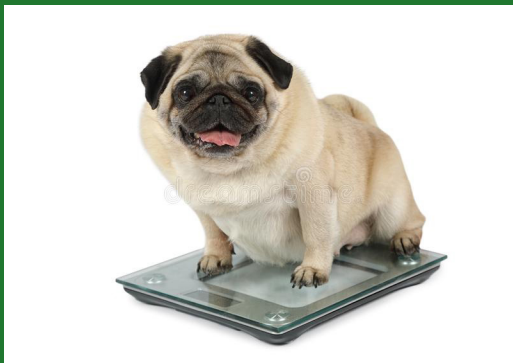
In addition to the funds received, both in donations and matching fund, that night, Brody's owner decided to have a month long Birthday fundraiser to add to the fund. Add to that, the fact that the owner matched all the birthday donations, we are proud to announce that Brody's Fund has a great start. Funds for financial support are available for the kind care of senior collies everywhere.

We are grateful to Brody's family for allowing us to share knowing and loving him.

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### *Did You Know...*

## **Seasonal Changes**



Temperature and daylight changes cause metabolic and hormonal changes in your pet. The amount of food it takes in a day changes. When the days are longer, during summer and spring, the brain signals for a smaller appetite and lower metabolism rate. It assumes that there will be more time for feeding because the day is long. When the temperatures fall, during fall and winter, the body's energy demands increase. The body needs more nutrients to maintain body temperature. The brain signals for slow metabolism and an appetite increase. A slower metabolism enhances fat storage in preparation for reduced food availability during winter. So, expect your pets to eat more in winter.



# Thanks For The Memories...

Lizzy's Fund gratefully accepts memorial donations for loved ones (human or canines) that have passed. It's a meaningful way to remember and celebrate those you care about and miss. ♥

- ♥ **For Mabel** by Art & Gail Diedrichsen, Patrick & Erla Flynn, and Ted & Bernie Slupik
- ♥ **For Grainger** by Stephen & Mary Baeten
- ♥ **For Joanne Skul** by Art & Gail Diedrichsen
- ♥ **For Missy** by Theresa Zuro, Nancy Lane Reid, and Michael & Mary Wu
- ♥ **For LucyLu** by Pamela Pappas
- ♥ **For Brody** by Leslie Zurita, Michael & Mary Wu, Debra Nord, Linda Chiaramonte, Mary Onorad, Nancy Mcentee, Theresa Sullivan, Dee Santucci, Julie Oskerka, Jackie Freeman, Christine Bil-lone, Love 'em & Leave 'em Pet Sitting, Rita Mueller, JoJo Kuhn, Nancy Lane Reid, Mary Zwirn, Thersa Zuro, Pamela Pappas, Charles & Mary Edwards, Thom & Dawn Higgins, Carol & John Foster, Dolores Burns, Ted & Bernie Slupik, and Art & Gail Diedrichsen
- ♥ **For Quincy** by Art & Gail Diedrichsen
- ♥ **For Ivy** by Art and Gail Diedrichsen

Many, many thanks to the Facebook donors who gave to the *Brody Memorial Fund* for Gail Diedrichsen's August birthday fundraiser.

In addition to memorial donations, the following other donor specific donations were received:

- ♥ Best wishes were sent to **Neala** by Dolores Burns
- ♥ Get well wishes were sent to **Zeus** by Dolores Burns

**Please remember that all donations made to Lizzy's Fund during November (Senior Pet Month) will be 100% matched, so your donation will go doubly far. Thank you!**

**Lizzy's Fund** is an IRS approved not-for-profit charity that provides financial support to senior canines, aged 7 and older. The Fund is named after a little long-haired Chihuahua named Lizzy, who after her owners discovered Alternative Care Medical help, lived to 16 $\frac{1}{2}$  after vets gave up on her at age 9.

**Would you like more information on Lizzy's Fund?**

Visit [www.lizzysfund.org](http://www.lizzysfund.org), or follow her on **Facebook (Lizzy's Fund)** and **Instagram (@lizzysfund)**!

***Donations are gratefully accepted, please consider helping a senior dog today!***

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