

for the Sunset Paws
Cruise on the Island Queen June
2 from 7 to 9 p.m. (rain date
June 7 at 5:30 to 7:30 p.m.).
Tickets are \$25 and are limited to
only 190 guests. Stage Door
Canteen will provide the fantastic
music again and we promise a
great dessert spread and a cash
bar and lots of fun! Call 508-3312929 or buy tickets from any
board member before May 15!
Note: Dogs are not welcome on
this cruise! Sorry, pups!



Ticks are out in force and the number of tick-borne illnesses have been on the

rise. Please protect your pet, and yourselves from ticks and mosquitos. Talk to your vet about options and also about the types of vaccinations and preventative meds you should consider if you visit a dog park or play area.

Please shop at our neighbor Brick Kiln Farms on
June 16! FDP gets part of
the day's proceeds and it's a great
place to find a Father's Day gift!





Big steps to celebrate FDP's 7th birthday

Each issue we ask you all to help the park and we do need that help but this issue we want to celebrate the fact that on May 1 we celebrated being open SEVEN YEARS providing a great time to dogs and their human side kicks! Wow! At our best estimate we have had considerably more than 140,000 dogs visit the park in that time and been able to grow from just a park for dogs to a park that serves all types of people as well, even those with no dogs! Each day, people and dogs of all ages come to the park, not only to let dogs play and get exercise, but for humans to see other humans, or to see dogs that they can't see and interact with otherwise. It is lots of fun to watch what the dogs do at the park, but also what the humans do!

But the Dog Park Board does not believe in standing still and thinking we can't do better. This year we will add our second solar light near the entrance to the walkway from the parking area so that people will be able to enter and exit their cars more safely in the winter after work hours and when the daylight hours are too short.

We also are adding a third area after careful study of our park and its needs. This section will be called the Acclimation and Time-Out Area and will be for dogs new to the park or those having a bad day and needing a little isolation for a bit. Dogs in need of a first step in getting used to other dogs around with the protection of a fence will find this third entrance and

play area a big plus.

We also have replaced the bubblers with stainless steel ones which we hope will serve us for many years. A huge thank you to John Mauer Plumbing and Witter Concrete for all their work pulling the old ones (which went to metal recycling by the way) and fitting the new ones - no small task I might add.

All of these improvements are funded by personal donations and a few grants that make all this possible. We celebrate that it takes a village but that we have managed to maintain that type of support thanks to a hardworking Board of Trustees, a dependable team of stewards, and loyal patrons that understand they need to help when they can.

So seven cheers for seven years of success and fun at the park and a huge cheer for all of you that make the park work every day all year long.

Sunset Paws Cruise with Stage Door Canteen June 2 from 7 to 9 p.m. on the Island Queen (tickets \$25) and Brick Kiln Farm Days Saturday June 16!

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