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## Karoo Restaurant Hosts ARL Cape Cod Fall Social

Eastham Business Owner Receives ARL "Champion for Animals" Award

This past weekend, the Animal Rescue League of Boston's (ARL) Brewster Branch held its Paws to Celebrate event, a social gathering to discuss ARL's past, present and future work to help animals in need and the people who care for them on Cape Cod.

Karoo Restaurant in Eastham hosted the event, and was filled with local residents who share ARL's vision to ensure that animals are safe and healthy in the communities where they live. ARL wishes to thank Karoo, along with the event's main sponsors – **The Cape Cod Five Cents Savings Bank Charitable Foundation, and Pamela B. Bankert**.

ARL President and Eastham resident Mary Nee discussed the organization's 97-years on Cape Cod -- from its humble beginnings in Provincetown, to the present location in Brewster. Since 1921 ARL has been a vital resource, including providing shelter services for five surrounding municipalities.

The spirited evening was capped with the presentation of ARL's "Champion for Animals" award to Katrina Boucher, owner of The Cape Cod Dog, for her many years of support and dedication to animals on Cape Cod.

"Katrina played a big role in organizing and supporting many ARL events on the Cape," said Sandra Luppi, Brewster Animal Care Manager. "Not only has Katrina rescued her own dogs, but she has touched the lives of many others, whether it be through her store or through volunteer efforts. The Cape Cod Dog and Katrina have played a significant role in not only the Eastham community, but the Cape Cod community both local and seasonal."

## Photos from event are in the Dropbox link below:

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Photo ID: From L-R: Sandra Luppi, ARL Brewster Manager; Katrina Boucher; Mairead Graf, ARL Development Officer; Mary Nee, ARL President (Photo Credit Kim Roderiques)

ABOUT THE ANIMAL RESCUE LEAGUE OF BOSTON:

The Animal Rescue League of Boston (ARL) is an unwavering champion for animals in need, committed to keeping them safe and healthy in habitats and homes. Founded in 1899, ARL provides high quality veterinary care, adoption, and rescue services; while also confronting the root causes of animal cruelty and neglect through innovative community programs, police investigations, and public advocacy. In 2017, ARL served more than 18,000 animals throughout Massachusetts. ARL is a non-profit 501(c)3 organization. We receive no government grants or public funding and rely solely on the generosity of individuals to support programs and services that help animals in need.

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