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On behalf of The Kate Koogler Canine Cancer Fund, I would like to thank everyone involved in the Fifth Annual Kate Ride to raise money for bone cancer research in dogs. As a result of this year's fundraising efforts we will be donating \$15,000.00 to CSU's Animal Cancer Center where research is being done on naturally occurring cases of bone cancer that will not only help dogs with cancer but will help people with cancer as well. We are most grateful to the following people for helping us achieve our goal.

I would like to thank all of our sponsors: level 6 sponsor SynergX Technologies - Ken Wawrew and Stephane Lemieux; level 5 sponsors Wahl Business Solutions, Boggs Environmental Consultants, Fitzgerald Auto Mall and Braunstein & Ahern CPAs, LLC; level 4 sponsors Jay's Neon Workshop, Yoga at H'Om, 2 Paws Up Pet Boutique, Glade Valley Animal Hospital, Millennium Contracting and Animal Health Clinic of Funkstown; level 2 sponsors Peaceable Paws LLC and Peaceable Pastures LLC and Snap On Tools Patrick Bowman; level 1 sponsors Yellow Springs Veterinary Clinic, West Frederick Veterinary Hospital, Richard W. Gross Esq., Buckeystown Veterinary Hospital and Custom Imprints. We are so appreciative of your support.

We are grateful to all the businesses and persons that donated awesome merchandise for our raffle and those include Smith Mountain Lakefront Realty who donated a weekend getaway. Top prizes for most sponsorship per rider included a limited edition print from William Wegman, an overnight stay at Fox's Jus-Em-Tyme Bed and Breakfast, Personalized portrait by artist Elle Lawendoski and ski lessons for 2 at White Tail ski resort. Gift certificates were donated by Gladchuk Restaurant, Famous Dave's Restaurant, Thomas Scott Salon; all of Frederick; Longhorn Steakhouse, Dairy Queen, Buffalo Wild Wings, Hub City Tattoo; all of Hagerstown and Mr. Natural's Tattoo in Willimasport. Gift baskets were donated by Buckeystown Veterinary Hospital and Eastern Veterinary Blood Bank.

Other great raffle items were donated by Matco Tools Bill Hargett, Julia Beall with Nestle Purina Pet Food, Snap On Tools Pat Bowman, Dot Warfield, Pat and Paul Miller of Peaceable Paws and Peaceable Pastures, both Harley Davidson of Frederick and Williamsport, Jim and Julie Beecken, Natural Relief For Horse and Hound Patty Bianca, John Glander, Gene and Cathy Wahl, Ken Wawrew and Clare Galloway, Jay's Neon Workshop and Jon and Stacy Bowles. We truly are so thankful for your kind generosity.

I also want to thank Gene Stitely for the excellent posters and Larry Sorcher and Erin Mills for all their photos. Thanks to Cozy Restaurant and Vicki Grinder for letting us set up to start the ride. Thanks to everyone who helped put up posters. And I would like to thank Jon and Stacy Bowles, Sandy Tetlow, Julie Beecken and Patty Hovde for all their work setting up, cleaning up, selling pottery and scarves and for everything! Thanks to Julie Frizen for the nice story in the Frederick Post and thanks especially to WFRE's Linda West. Nancy Allen, and Nikki Bamonti for having us on the radio and for all your help Linda on the day of the ride. Thanks so much to Pam Wahl for all her help with printing, for all her contacts with radio, newspaper and magazine press, getting raffle items, for orchestrating the police escort, for picking up the food and getting the cakes, for creating the newsletter and handling the Gallery Walk contacts, for hosting our garage sale at Wahl Business Solutions Oct 13 to name just a few things and for all her fabulous ideas, tireless effort and support. Thank you Linda Nichols for all her work getting the raffle prizes Thank you so much to Pa. State Police Sgt. McAreavy, Cpl. Adams, Cpl. Garmin and Trooper Fortley and Thurmont Town Police for escorting our 69 motorcycles for the ride.

Thanks especially to The John Zahn Band who so graciously donated their time and talent, providing great live rock 'n roll entertainment and to everyone who pitched in to help, donated or bought T-shirts - thank you! To the 140 participants who came out for a beautiful ride and an afternoon listening to great music at wonderful Pen Mar Park, enjoying the fantastic food from Watson's Catering and the cool T-shirts from Custom Imprints, we so appreciate your making our day such a successful and enjoyable one. The 6<sup>th</sup> Ride is October 4, 2008 and will again end with a picnic at Pen Mar Park and we hope to see you again. Please visit [www.katefund.org](http://www.katefund.org) for pictures of this year's event and for information about other upcoming events.

Most sincerely,  
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