

## DAY OF THE DOG

Media Advisory

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**WHAT:** Day of the Dog

WHEN: Saturday, May 7, 2016, from 10 am to 3 pm

**WHERE:** Congressional Cemetery

1801 E Street, SE

Washington DC 20003

Metro: Stadium-Armory (Orange/Blue/Silver)

Street parking available

**WHO:** All are welcome!

The general public and leashed dogs are invited to join the Cemetery's K9 Corps members and their leashed dogs.

**PLUS:** Day of the Dog 5K and Kids Fun Run

The 5k course will loop runners around the cemetery and out and back along the adjacent Anacostia Trail. You can choose to run either by yourself or

with your pup.

**Start Time:** The 5k begins at 9:30 am near the east end of the cemetery. The

kids run begins shortly after, at around 9:35 am.

Cost: \$40 for the 5k, \$10 for the untimed kids run (around a 2k distance).

For more details and perks see <a href="http://bit.ly/1MxumCl">http://bit.ly/1MxumCl</a>

## Historic Congressional Cemetery Hosts Annual Day of the Dog Festival

Join us for our annual puppypalooza as we celebrate everything we love about dogs! Congressional Cemetery is known on Capitol Hill as one of the best places to walk dogs, but usually that privilege is reserved for K9 Corps members. However, on Day of the Dog the cemetery will be open to all members of the public and their pups – a special opportunity for dog lovers to experience this beautiful and historic site. Many local pet vendors and services will participate; see the list of sponsors below.

Admission will be FREE for all dogs and humans, with tickets for sale for special activities, including a raffle. Activities will include contests and games (for both kids and dogs), demonstrations, and free yoga. Some of the most popular of DC's food trucks will be there, and beer-tasting tables will be hosted by Port City Brewing Company and Atlas Brew Works.

Several animal-friendly non-profit and rescue organizations will also be present, including the Washington Animal Rescue League, Rural Dog Rescue, Greyt Expectations, Pinups for Pitbulls, and People Animals Love. Participating rescue organizations will have dogs on the premises and ready for adoption.

Day of the Dog is made possible by our generous sponsors, including: the David Thomas Team, Anytime K9, the Fulcrum Properties Group, Capital Community News, Perfect Pet Resort, Howl to the Chief, The Hill is Home, Atlas Vet, Metro Mutts, District Veterinary Hospital, Fleur Howgill of TTR/Sotheby's, Wagtime, and Unleashed by Petco.

Congressional Cemetery is a 35-acre historic yet active burial ground located on Capitol Hill in Washington, DC. Established in 1807 and initially known as the Washington Parish Burial Ground, Congressional became the first truly national burial ground as Congress bought sites, buried noted civil servants, and funded the infrastructure.

Among the 67,000 burials at Congressional are scores of noteworthy citizens who left their mark on the city and the nation. Sites are still available for sale to anyone interested in joining these intriguing individuals. The Association for the Preservation of Historic Congressional Cemetery is a private, nonprofit 501(c)(3) organization. Please join the Association and help launch its third century of service to the Nation's Capital.

For more information on Historic Congressional Cemetery, please visit: <a href="https://www.congressionalcemetery.org">www.congressionalcemetery.org</a>

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