



## Wine & Whiskers proceeds to support 54 cats

**The third annual Wine & Whiskers event supporting Garfield's Rescue Inc. on Thursday, September 5, had a record attendance. Some 120 tickets were sold and 17 volunteers helped to make the event a success, according to president Karen Peterson. GRI serves the Northern Neck homeless feline population with rescue and spay/neuter/vaccination services. Since its inception in 2020, GRI has tallied 1,861 intakes with 1,719 cats "no longer homeless." Photo by Lisa Hinton-Valdrighi**



**Wendy Otterstedt offered Nancy George a spicy pimento cheese spread cup during the fundraiser. Donna Goodman Catering catered the event and George Christoforatos of Paragon DJs provided music. The event, which included nearly 100 donors for a silent auction and 29 sponsors, raised enough funds to cover veterinary services, including spay/neuter/vaccinations for some 54 cats and kittens, said Karen Peterson. Donations and pledges are still being collected. Photo by Lisa Hinton-Valdrighi**