

# The Scoop

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This year has been a busy year for the Quincy Animal Shelter and with that comes heavy expenses. The Quincy Animal Shelter has an annual operating budget of \$100,000 for animal care and supplies provided by donations and adoptions. Our **medical expenses have doubled** with an average of \$13,000 – \$15,000 a month. The cost covers spays, neuters and any additional care our residents may need. Over the summer, we had quite the kitten season, with over 100 kittens in our foster care program. Along with the kittens, we have had numerous surrendered and

abandoned pets as well.

Quincy Animal Shelter

Trudie photo by Lisa Aimola

During the month of November, we began highlighting our cats and dogs on our website that have needed extra medical care and attention. These animals can be found under shelter programs and then to the Mickey's Medical Fund page. Please check back for updates and future candidates that have needed our help.

As a no-kill shelter for Quincy's abandoned dogs and cats, with over 100 volunteers, we do not receive any sort of state or federal funding. We rely on the generosity of friends like you. Since our inception, we have placed over five thousand abandoned and unwanted cats and dogs into permanent homes. We

have helped reduce overpopulation with our spay/neuter program, and helped manage Quincy's feral cats popula-

tion with our humane Trap-Neuter-Release projects around the city. Please consider a tax-deductible year end donation to help QAS continue serving abandoned and unwanted animals in our community.

The shelter has created the "Facebook Challenge" where we would like to get the word out about the shelter and meet our goal of 2,000 fans! If each fan of QAS' Facebook page donates \$10 by the end of the year, we would raise \$20,000! But a donation in any amount will be greatly appreciated.



Winter 2011

Leroy photo by Lisa Aimola

Please join our Facebook page and visit www.quincyanimalshelter.org to make a donation online — please indicate that your donation is for our Facebook Challenge. You can still participate even if you don't join QAS' Facebook page. If you would prefer to send your tax-deductible donation by check, please mail it to the Shelter at PO Box 690088, Quincy MA 02269. Please indicate on your check that your donation is for QAS' Facebook Challenge or submit the form on page 2 with your donation. If you would like your donation in lieu of a holiday gift for someone special, just let us know. We will notify the honoree of your generosity. Thank you for considering the Quincy Animal Shelter this holiday season!

## Come join us.....

December 4 & December 11: Santa Paws.

Come have your pet's photo taken with Santa.

Pet Supplies Plus, Quincy. 11:00 am -2:00pm

December 10, 2011: QAS Open House

Coming Soon: Raffle for 2 tickets to Bruins vs

Flyers game, Fan Box Seats

**Adoption Hours** 

At 56 Broad St. Quincy Tuesday & Thursday: 6pm - 8pm Saturday: 10am - 4pm Page 2 The Scoop

#### From the President



2011 has been a challenging year for QAS. We have had more animals than ever surrendered by people who found

themselves homeless or in foreclosure due to the economy. We have found animals dumped in our yards and left in carriers outside our door. We even had a little kitten left in a bag! Thankfully a volunteer happened along and noticed that the bag "moved".

There has been sadness over adoptions falling through or an animal passing away. Yet the spirit at QAS always rebounds! Our 100+ volun-

teers continue to be there 365 days a year for the animals. They come in blistering heat and pouring rain! They are the heart and soul of this organization; and without them, we could not rescue the 500+ animals a year that we do.

Our medical costs have skyrocketed; due primarily to the Federal Government's insistence that non-profits not have exclusive contracts with any provider. I know we will work it out, but it has been extremely challenging in 2011.

On a bright note, we have had a wonderful canine "happy ending". The Quincy Police K-9 unit always does a demo for the public at our Cause for Paws event in October. This year, Officer Brian Mahoney

took note of a young black lab that was in our care. He worked closely with Nancy Harris, our canine manager; and after a couple of bumps, it has been arranged that "Thor" our dog is going to a Police Department on the Cape to be trained as a drug sniffing dog! We are very proud of Thor and appreciate Nancy and Officer Mahoney's work to make this happen!

Thank you for your continued support of QAS. We need you more than ever to keep us in your hearts. We wish you health and happiness in 2012.

On behalf of the animals who cannot speak for themselves, we thank you!

Kit Burke, President

#### **Animal Control Corner**



This time of year is about feeling good and doing things for others. The volunteers should be very proud of themselves for the work they do and for all the successes of the animals that come through the shelter doors. Recently some animals have been adopted out to their forever homes after being in the shelter for a long time.

Thank you

Don Conboy Jr, Quincy Animal Control Officer

# **Facebook Challenge**

Yes, I want to donate to QAS' Facebook Challenge and help raise much needed medical funds Enclosed is my donation of \$10 or \$	1
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City, State, Zip:	
Email/Phone No: My company will match my donation. Enclosed is my matching gift form.	     

# **3rd Annual Cause4Paws is a Cause for Applause**

Over 250 runners and walkers came to the DCR's Squantum Point Park in Marina Bay on Sunday morning, October 23rd for the third annual Cause 4 Paws to benefit the Quincy Animal Shelter.

"Quincy Animal Shelter is a non-profit organization that is not funded by the city, state, or federal funding so we have to raise every dollar that we use," said Lynda Southerland, fundraising coordinator who along with the help of Libby Soo Hoo and Meg Nakahara, Shelter volunteers and committee members, organized the event. "We have been planning this event for 7 months, wanting to create one that would appeal to dog walkers, walkers, and runners. I think the turn out today proves we might have made it."

Among the activities that were part of Cause 4 Paws was a 5K race through Marina Bay and Squantum area, and a one mile dog walk around the DCR's Squantum Point Park, raffles, agility course and vendors. Eric

Drumm of Needham won first place in the men's division of the 5K race and although he is not currently an animal owner due to rental policies he says that he was happy to help out the cause.

A newly added competition was the Halloween or Celebrity Lookalike costume contest and despite a crowded field Celia Wilson and her



dog "Maisy" emerged the winner.
"I saw a doggy bathrobe but it was
too small for her," said Wilson "I
bought some other materials, made it
bigger, then added bubbles and a
rubber duckie. I found the shower
cap and then she was a soapy dog."
Quincy Police Lt Robert Gillan and
his officers provided assistance during the road race followed by an exciting and very informative demonstration featuring the department's
K9 division. A crowd of 100+ sat

mesmerized while the Lt. Gillan and his team of officers and dogs demonstrated their abilities in detecting bombs, weapons and tracking fugitives.

Channel 7 News Anchor and Quincy resident Sorboni Banerjee served as emcee for the day's activities. "I wanted to actually do the 5K, get Channel 7 involved, and try to drum up some publicity" said Banerjee "because a lot of the time the smaller town shelters don't get as much attention as the larger national organizations." With her help and the help of many generous donors and participants, the event raised \$11K for the animal shelter which will go toward the Shelter's annual animal care budget of over \$100K."Next year's event will be bigger and better than this year's "said Southerland "We'll reuse what went well and fix what could have gone better and be back with our 4th Cause 4 Paws in the fall of 2012."For more Cause 4 Paws information and photos visit QAS' website or Facebook page.



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## **Crossing the Rainbow Bridge** by Sandra Morse



People visit our shelter for many different reasons. There are those who want to

donate items they no longer need because their beloved pet has just passed away. They want to pass on these items to a deserving animal; it makes them feel good. Many times they just want to talk; they know that we will listen and that we understand the pain of losing a pet. To many of us they are not just pets, they are our family. They are the welcome mat when we come home, they are a big hug or a big wet kiss, lap warmers, they are our confidants, they do not to judge us, they keep us in line, and because they are in our lives we are never alone. The true value of our relationships with our pets cannot be underestimated. If you are fortunate enough to have had a wonderful pet in your life then you are blessed. The hard part is that we know our lives will be much longer than theirs. Even tougher is that when we lose them many people just do not understand that the sense of pain and loss is real.

Sometimes our pets leave us suddenly and unexpectedly. When our pets our lucky enough to live out their normal life span it is inevitable that their health will start to fail and we

are left to make decisions for them. Our decisions can be made based on quality of life, our finances and the time we have to care for them properly. Whatever we are faced with we know that our pets trust us to do what is best for them. In September, I had the misfortune of losing two of my dogs eleven days apart. My thirteen year old Pekingese Chewy had suffered from liver disease for most of his life. Over the summer I was faced with making the decision to put him to sleep because his quality of life was deteriorating and he simply was he not able to be a dog. I called Chewy's veterinarian for guidance. The advice he gave me was so helpful that I feel I should share it with everyone who might have this decision to make and maybe it will lessen your heartache as it did mine.

He told me that when the bad days outweigh the good days it is time to let them go. Let them cross the rainbow bridge. He told me not to wait until the animal has lost their dignity. Many people hold on too long. Make the decision to put them to sleep on a good day; don't wait until it is an emergency. With this advice, we made the appointment to put him to sleep a few day later, our family spent time with him and said proper goodbyes. We let him know how much we loved him, we took him to the dog park, we took some nice pic-

tures, and we walked him around one last time. The veterinarian staff at Old Derby Animal Hospital was ready for us, they gave us plenty of time, they explained everything that would happen and had genuine compassion. It was still painful and there were lots of tears but I left there knowing I did the best thing for my dog. Chewy will live forever. That night I read a kid's book that my best friend gave me many years ago when my son's bunny died. The book is called *The Tenth Good Thing* about Barney by Judith Viorst. It is perfect for any person dealing with the lost of a pet. Eleven days later and totally unexpectedly my greyhound Rainbow, died of bladder cancer. Her loss seemed so unfair and it did not even give us time to mourn poor Chewy.

Choosing to have a pet in your life is a great decision. Losing them or anything that you love is painful, but you are always better to have loved and lost than to never have loved at all. So even if you have recently lost a pet and have told yourself that you will never go through that pain again, and that you do not want to have another pet. I suggest to you that you should. I did. A few weeks later a cute little kitten with giant paws needed a foster home. He needed a friend and so did I. He is no longer a foster kitten. He has a family.

## QAS' 2012 Pet Photo Calendars

QAS' 2012 Pet Calendars are now on sale. Only \$15.00. Calendars will make a great holiday gift or stocking stuffer. Available online at quincyanimalshelter.org or at the Shelter during regular business hours. You can also purchase calendars at 501 Hair & Company, 216 Quincy Ave, Braintree or Pick of the Litter, 393 Hancock St, North Quincy. Get your calendar today before they are all gone.

## **QAS Volunteer Recognition Event**

On November 13th we had our annual Volunteer Appreciation Dinner at the Tirrell Room with 115 of our volunteers and guests attending. Those who had 5 and 10 years of volunteering with us were recognized with a Certificate and gift. We also presented the President's Award to Julianne Coleman Fonseca, Director's Award to Margaret Kinsella and Kathleen Lewis, and "Rookie" of the Year Award to Eddy Van Hunnik. Rita Minton was recognized for all the extra hours she puts in for dog training. Maria Andrews, Medical Manager, was also recognized for stepping up and taking over the medical team management and overseeing the medical care of the animals. Sandra Morse was recognized and thanked for her many years as Shelter Director. Kit Burke, President of the Board was given the "Best President Ever" Award for her continued dedication to QAS. Also, an Appreciation Award was presented to "Auntie" Peg O'Brien for all she does for not only the animals at the Shelter, but for the Volunteers and the many people that walk through the doors of QAS. We want to thank all of our Volunteers for their commitment to making sure all the animals in our care are well taken care of – we couldn't do the good work we do without our wonderful dedicated volunteers. Mayor Koch stopped by to greet us and presented a check for \$2500. This donation will go toward our low cost spay/neuter program.



**5 Year Awards:** Paulette Cappadona, Jean Hunter, Daphne Nolan, Christine Haque, AjitaPurohit



**10 Year Awards:** Liz Feitelberg, Joanne McCarthy, Maria Andrews



Don Conboy, Mayor Koch, and Albert Nogler



Kit Burke and Julianne Coleman Fonseca - **President's Award** 



Donna Culbert, Nancy Harris and Rita Minton – **Special Recognition Award** 



Sandra Morse and Kathleen Lewis - **Director's Award** 



Siobhan McCann and Eddy Van Hunnik - **Rookie Award** 



Sandra Morse and Margaret Kinsella - **Director's Award** 



Sandra Morse and Kit Burke – **Best President Ever Award** 



Sandra Morse and Kit Burke



Sandra Morse and Peg O'Brien - **Appreciation Award** 

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## **New QAS Board members**

QAS has added two new members to it's Board of Directors. Joining the Board are Daphne Nolan of Dedham, and Julianne Coleman Fonseca of Hingham.

Ms. Nolan joined the QAS' Board of Directors in April 2011 and has been



volunteering weekly at the Shelter since 2006. She is a certified public accountant with nine years

of public accounting experience in the financial services industry and currently works at a multinational financial services corporation in internal audit.

I Ms. Coleman Fonseca has been volunteering for the Shelter since August 2008, creating the quarterly newsletter, managing QAS' Facebook page and social media, as well as assisting with events. This year, she joined QAS' Board of Directors. She has

worked in fundraising for non-profits for over 20 years.

Current board members are Kit Burke
( President), Janet
Parisi (Clerk), Peg O'Brien
(Corresponding Secretary), Bill
Sempolinski (Treasurer), Nancy
Coletta, Bea DiMattia, Sherri Farrell,
Joanne McCarthy, and Lynda Southerland.



#### **Welcome to QAS' New Shelter Director**



It was determined in early 2011 that the best way to continue serving our animals, volunteers and the community was to hire our first

ever paid shelter director. While we responded to applications from around the country; at the end of the

day the best fit for QAS was Siobhan McCann, already a volunteer at QAS. Originally from San Francisco, CA; Siobhan had spent time working at an animal hospital. In 2006 she took a job as a zookeeper at Franklin Park Zoo in Jamaica Plain where she worked until joining us full time in September.

While there, she was involved with

animal handling, as well as with training and enrichment programs. You may recognize her from the number of times she was featured in the Patriot Ledger for her work at the

Siobhan, her husband Gabe and their pets make their home in Quincy. Please be sure to say hello when you see her at the shelter!

## **Holiday Plants**

Did you know that holiday plants are poisonous to your cat or dog? Poinsettias, mistletoe and Holly can be dangerous to your pet if eaten. Symptoms include vomiting, diarrhea or even death. Please keep these plants out of reach and have a safe holiday season!



# **QAS' Wish List**

We currently need:

- "Wet" kitten food and adult cat food
- Large "Easy Walk Harnesses" for Dogs
- Paper Towels
- Cat Food for Shelter Cats and Feral Cats -

(Canned WET Friskies or Fancy Feast for the Shelter residents)

- "Yesterday's News" Cat Litter
- Large dog chew-toys, Large Black Kongs, and Large Nylabones

## In Memory of Rocky 1999–2011

Rocky was 10 years old when I met him in the summer of 2009. His owners had fallen on hard times and so he came to stay with us at QAS. Like all the dogs at the Shelter he knew when the dog-walkers entered the building and he could hardly contain himself. He was a big dog - and oh so strong. It took a lot of muscle to get him out the door without falling flat on your face. Relieving himself was not his main goal here - playing with a rock is really what he lived for. His case was unusual and unfortunate in that he wouldn't be released for adoption for 7 months. During that time we got to know each other and he even spent a few days at my home. In January he was ready for adoption and normally I would be happy about that but I remember feeling slightly panicked at the thought of saying goodbye. I realized that I was hooked on this rock -loving dog and so he came home to live with me. It was tough going on him for the first couple of weeks. It was cat territory and the youngest, Ike, let him know it. Funny to see this tiny 9 lb. cat giving the one-two paw swat to this 95 lb dog. Rocky would look at me and cry as much as to say "why did he do that to me". They turned out to be good friends. Although we wouldn't have a long time together it was the best time. I couldn't be a couch potato with Rocky around. We were out all the time in all kinds of weather -- hiking, swimming, walking the rocky shoreline or trudging through the snow, we did it all. But time goes by so fast

and a dogs life is too short. Rocky was diagnosed with bone cancer this past March. Our hiking days were over but he still managed to kick around a rock or two until the very end. The house is quiet. The silence is deafening. And I miss him. Rest in Peace my big, strong, happy boy and know that you're forever in my heart.

Coleen



# **Holiday Travel With Your Dog**

Traveling with your dog can be a very enjoyable experience. Below are some helpful information (from MSPCA) to make your trip in your truck or car a safe one for both you and your pet.

#### RESTRAINING YOUR DOG IN YOUR CAR

The Risk. Unable to brace themselves against swerves and turns, animals in cars and trucks can be thrown against dashboards, windows or floors. A slam on the brakes at 30 mph means a 50 pound dog could lunge forward with a force equivalent to being pushed by almost nine 170 pound men, safety researchers have calculated. The American Automobile Association (AAA) estimates pets moving about in cars as the third worst distraction while driving. A recent survey by the Royal Auto Club found that nearly all drivers who traveled with their pets had been distracted by them at least once, and about 11 percent of those drivers admitted the distraction almost caused a crash. A tiny lapse in focus on the road is all it takes.

For your safety and your dog's, buckle him or her into a special pet seatbelt. Automobile pet restraining devices can be purchased at most pet store and are inexpensive. Crates or sturdy pet carriers are also an effective way to restrain pets, especially cats, in cars. Make sure to secure the crate so it does not shift in the event of a sudden stop. Barriers can also be used to keep dogs in the back seat and are sold in pet supply stores and catalogs.

Drivers should not allow pets to sit in their laps or in the front seat. Pets riding in the front seat can be thrown into the windshield if the driver has to make a sudden stop. Also, the pet can climb on to the driver's lap and interfere with driving or get in the way of the gas and brake pedals. In Massachusetts, it is against the law for an operator of a motor vehicle to allow anything in or on the vehicle that "may interfere with or impede the proper operation of the vehicle..." (Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 90 Section 13)

Protect your dog's eyes and ears. If your dog rides in the back of a pickup truck or convertible or is allowed to stick his or her head out the window, this can cause injuries, resulting from debris hitting your dog's eyes and ears. Also paws stepping on power window buttons can close the window on your dog's neck. Keep your Dog safe during holiday travel please!

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## **Pet Spotlight**



#### Meet: MAVERICK

My name is Maverick, but my close friends call me Mavi. I am a 3 year old male Smooth Coat Rat Terrier mix. I am a nervous guy until I learn to trust you. I have been in foster care, and my foster mom is very proud of me, and I shower her with kisses daily. I do like to cuddle on the couch, especially if I can burrow under a blanket. I have graduated from Basic Manners class and have had some agility training. I have lived with a female MinPin, and I am polite while meeting dogs and people. My foster mom rolls around on the floor with me playing, but another dog my own size just might fit the bill. I am house broken and crate trained. If you are patient with me, you will see what an affectionate boy I can be. Right now, I would probably do better in a home with no young children or cats.



Hi there. I'm Kiley and I'm three years old and quite a ham for a girl, who was previously named Whitey, which is rather strange as I'm all black. I know how to pose for the photographer and I know how to speak my mind to tell you to open my door and visit with me. Ok, it's just a way of getting the door opened so I can sneak out and explore, but I am curious and that's a good thing! I have been declawed – silly thing to do, but that just means your curtains and furniture are safe! I'm happy being loved and will purr back at you to show how much I appreciate your care and affection. Why don't you come to the shelter and check me out? I'll be waiting.

# **Sponsor a QAS Cage or Kennel**

Our Guardian Angel Cage/Kennel Sponsorships are available for three months, six months, or one year and can be dedicated to a family member, friend, pet, or to show your commitment to the community. Your sponsorship provides a roof over an animal's head each day of the period you choose! A Guardian Angel card will be placed on the kennel or cage for that period. We can also include on the card a picture that you provide. *Please mail in this form with your check*.

Yes, I would like to Sponsor a QAS Cage or Kennel:	[ ] Dog Kennel Guardian Angel [ ] Cat Cage Guardian Angel
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	[ ] \$75 (3 months)
City: State: Zip:	Name or information to be displayed on
Phone:	Kennel or Cage:
Email:	
The Quincy Animal Shelter will not share your contact information with any third party.	
Please make checks payable to Quincy Animal Shelter and mail to PO Box 690088, Quincy MA 02269.	[ ] picture enclosed

## **Happy Tails and Purrfect Endings**

Dear Quincy Animal Shelter: My husband and I adopted Wrigley from the Shelter in September 2011. We lost both of our beloved kitties this past summer, so we were a bit apprehensive about adopting so soon. After moving into our new house in August, we realized that the house wouldn't become a "home" until we adopted a new feline resident. We then saw Wrigley on the Shelter's website and instantly fell in love. He came home to Framingham three days later. It would be an understatement to say that he's settling in nicely. Wrigley thoroughly enjoys watching "cat TV" (i.e., gazing out the window), batting around his catnip toys, and taking naps with the humans. Thanks for taking such good care of Wrigley and all the other kitties and doggies at the Shelter.



- Kristina and Ken - Framingham, MA



CONGRATULATIONS to Thor! Thor was noticed at QAS' Cause 4 Paws event by the Quincy Police Department K9 unit and was sent to the Yarmouth Police Department to be tested as a drug-sniffing dog. He passed with flying colors and was transferred to Yarmouth Police Department!! When not on the job Thor will live with his handler. Congratulations again to Thor! (pictured here with Canine Manager, Nancy Harris: photo by Lisa Aimola).

Dear Quincy Animal Shelter,

I wanted to share my success story with you. I adopted my kitten Puck in October 2008. He was the only kitten doing back flips in his crate so I knew that this little ball of personality had to be mine. He was from a litter of kittens named after Shakespeare characters. His name really suited him so I decided to keep it. When he arrived home, my dog, Ozzy (a Shiba Inu/Corgi rescue dog) immediately took to Puck and started raising him as his own little "puppy". Puck and Ozzy have become best friends and my dog is thrilled to have a buddy to wrestle and run around with. Puck



has been a great addition to my home! Both Puck and Ozzy benefit from each other's company when I am at work. These two have developed a great relationship and have become partners in crime. I also discovered that without knowing, my student also adopted a kitten from the Shakespeare litter as well! Thanks for all your help matching me with an amazing cat!

- Nicole K.



I just got your newsletter and had to email you these pictures of the two cats that Kevin and I adopted from the Shelter last year. Crimson and Clover are their names. I changed their names as they were still very young when we adopted them. Their other names were something like Maizzo and Maisey. I think love and content is the best way to describe this picture of them. We lost out dog Maggie and did not want to get another dog right away so I came to the Shelter and fell in love with these two munchkins. We love and adore them and can't be any happier, from day one we all got along and live happily ever after. I hope you enjoy the pictures.

- Love, Karen

#### **Success Stories**

If you have a successful adoption story about a dog or cat that you have adopted from the Quincy Animal Shelter, please send us a photo and a short story to:

Quincy Animal Shelter, PO Box 690088, Quincy, MA 02269.

Please mark it ATTN: SUCCESS STORIES

or email to webmaster@quincyanimalshelter.org

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#### **Kids That Care**



Kayleen Linehan Organized a Wish List drive at the Quincy Catholic Academy, the students and faculty collected so many items it took 3 people to bring them all into the shelter. The donations came at a time when we were really in need .We are most grateful to have their support.

- Isabella Allegro, a Bernazzani student, and her friends Jack, Joel, Jacob, Ben & Kayleigh raised funds for the Shelter.
- Nicky Brennan of Carver, made a donation to help QAS animals.
- Broad Meadows School who donated a truckload of Wish List Items as they have done for many years thanks to Jennifer Clifford
- Colin Waldron, gave donations for his 4th Birthday

# **Special Thanks**

- Julie Murphy and the employees of New York Life Retirement Services of Norwood who do so much to support us by having fundraisers. This year they did a pet photo contest that was a great success.
- We also received a special grant of \$2500 that Julie nominated us for. Julie is the proud "mom" of Chiquita who was adopted from us.
- Kathleen Taylor of Animal Pharmacy of Scituate who helps with so many prescriptions.
- All of our supporters who donate through Corporate Programs and Payroll Deduction Plans.
- The friends who donate monthly for animal care.

#### Memorial

#### Memorial tributes in Memory of James D. Bersani Sr.

Air Graphics of Quincy, Bill & Jacky Keith, Maureen Knight, Local 1139 Public Employees of the City of Quincy, Peter & Linda Waszkiewicz, Louise & Joseph Dirksmeier Sr., Linda & Jeffrey Dirksen, Maria DArcangelo, Ron & Bobbi Bersani, Jennifer Dallaire

#### Tributes (as of November 15, 2011)

Donations made in memory or in honor of special friends

In Memory of:

**Barbara Gurhey**, Jacqueline Ranous

**Dr. Alan Frederickson**, Amy Lo, Alene Conant, Joshua Namias **Hilda Langille**, Priscilla

Irene Rogers, John Rogers Jazz, Casey, Midget, Molly, Solomon, Palmer, Terry &

Holly, Sue Schroepfer

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Joanne Doyle, Elizabeth Martin John McNeil, Anonymous Leila Spires, Alyssa Gilmore Major Magee, Mr & Mrs Edward Magee

**Mildred Orinofsky**, Mr & Mrs Brenden Barbaro

**Peter Kelley the Westie**, Virginia Hutchins.

Sam, Sally, Joey & Boots, Carrie Smith

Sylvia Weisberg, Gloria & Paul Leonard

Walter Pangraze, M J Flaherty Woody Vaughan, Joanne Polek Ziggy, Phyllis Feinstein

#### In Honor of:

Daphne Nolan, Angela Celia Shelter Animals, Bentley the Corgi Shelter Animals, Donna & Tony

<sup>\*</sup>We apologize if we inadvertently failed to include your tribute or misspelled any name. Please let us know.

## **Membership/Donations**

The Quincy Animal Shelter has over 100 active volun-Please update my address: teers and all proceeds go to operating the Shelter and ani-Name: \_\_\_\_\_ mal care. Your donation is tax deductible. **Membership** Company: Senior (60 yrs & older) \$15 Student (16 - 23 yrs old) \$15 City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_ \$25 Single Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ \$50 Family Email: **Donations** Business \$200 RECEIVE NEWSLETTERS VIA EMAIL Help Quincy Animal Shelter save money and a tree on mail-Lifesaver \$500 ings. Return this page to QAS with a current email address or Angel \$1,000 send your email address to mainglist@quincyanimalshelter.org and receive future news-The Mickey Medical Fund letters via email. Thank you! Pays for extraordinary medical care. The Quincy Animal Shelter will not share your contact Wesley's Wish Feral Cat Fund information with any third party. Please make checks payable to Quincy Animal Shelter and mail to Pays for the care of feral cats. PO Box 690088, Quincy MA 02269. To donate with a credit card Other please visit our website at: www.quincyanimalshelter.org Enclosed is my check for \$ [ ] I wish to remain anonymous, please do not publish my name

# Thank you for your support!

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#### **About Us**

Quincy Animal Shelter is a primarily volunteer-run organization that places about 500 homeless cats and dogs annually. We are a non-profit organization under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, and a recognized Massachusetts charity. As a no-kill shelter, we make every effort to find an appropriate placement for each animal in our care. This means that we provide the same ethical and humane treatment that you would for your own family feline or canine friend. Every animal receives the appropriate vaccinations and, if old

enough, is spayed or neutered before finding her or his new family. Younger animals are adopted with a pre-paid spay/neuter certificate. You can support the Quincy Animal Shelter with your time, treasures and talents. *TIME*: Volunteer, join the Feral Cat team, or become a Foster Care provider. TREASURES: Donate, Sponsor a Cage or Kennel, use your Corporate Matching Gift Program, become a Quincy Animal Shelter Sponsor, donate items for eBay sales, purchase QAS Wear, or attend events. TALENTS: Grant writing, fundraising, and other skills.

#### **Thank You**

The Board of Directors, Volunteers, and our Special Residents thank you for caring and wish you a Happy Holiday Season.

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