

The Scoop

Quincy Animal Shelter **Quincy Animal Shelter**

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Pets for Patriots Program



On March 3rd, 2011The Quincy Animal Shelter became partners with Pets for Patriots, a nationwide charity established in 2009. Their goal is to find adult pets, large breed dogs and special needs pets permanent homes with service and veteran members of the United States military. Since their establishment, more than 130 adoptions have been finalized nationwide.

On Saturday, May 12th, 2012, our first Pets for Patriots adoption was finalized with a Quincy resident and U.S. Air Force reservist named Anthony. He and his girlfriend were very excited to find a cat to add to their home. With four possible cats

in mind, with various lengths of fur and markings, they felt "Willard" was their match. Willard, a 2 year old male tabby, was found in an abandoned apartment on Willard Street in Quincy. Upon arrival, we noticed a discoloration in Willard's left eye and an ophthalmology consult was recommended for the new owners. Regardless of Willard's medical condition, Anthony chose to add Willard to his family.

"We're honored to have such a devoted program partner," says Beth Zimmerman, founder and executive director of Pet's for Patriots. "Willard's honorable adoption by a big-hearted reservist is an example of how we inspire the adoption of harder-to-place pets into loving homes. We expect Willard and Anthony's honorable adoption to be the first of many with Quincy Animal Shelter."

The Quincy Animal Shelter is the first Pets for Patriots shelter partner in Massachusetts. Additionally, Quarry Hills Animal Hospital and Vetcision Specialty Hospital also participate in the program. The Quincy Animal Shelter offers veterans a minimum 50% discount adoption fee.

To apply or to find more information, please visit www.petsforpatriotts.org or www.quincyanimalshelter.org to see our listing of available animals.

Find out how to qualify for Pets for Patriots on page 2...

Come join us.....

- July 27, 2012: Groom-a-thon K-9 Dog Daycare, Weymouth
- July 28, 2012: 2pm 7pm Parrot Head Beach Party, Beachcomber, Quincy
- September 27, 2012: Wine & Beer Tasting Event. Tirrell Room, Quincy 6-9pm
- October 21, 2012 Cause 4 Paws 5K Run and 1 Mile Dog Walk. sponsored by Quarry Hills Animal Hospital: We welcome back Sorboni Banerjee as emcee of this event

Adoption Hours

At 56 Broad St. Quincy Tuesday & Thursday: 6pm - 8pm

Saturday: 10am – 4pm

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Pets for Patriots

How do you qualify?

Apply online through Pets for Patriots and provide your relevant proof of service or honorable discharge to them

- Any current or former member of any branch of the US military is eligible to apply
- Must be adopting for yourself, cannot adopt on behalf of another individual
- Present your Pets for Patriots confirmation letter when you visit our shelter, once approved

Which cat or dog qualifies? A pet must meet ONE of the following criteria:

- The cat or dog is at least 2 yrs of age
- Special needs animal- disabled or limited abilities due to an injury, abuse or birth defect, or an ongoing medical condition.
- Large dogs, 40+, no age restriction

If you would like to donate to help support our Pets for Patriots fund, which allows us to reduce adoption fees for our veterans, please call (617) 376-1349 or contact the Shelter Director at director@quincyanimalshelter.org.

Animal Control Corner



Dog owners must be very careful with their animals during the summer. Never leave a dog in a car even with the windows open. It is a very dangerous situation and can result in death. It is not a good idea to run with them in hot and humid weather. Don't forget, they have a fur coat on all year round.

Take care of your pets and have a good summer.

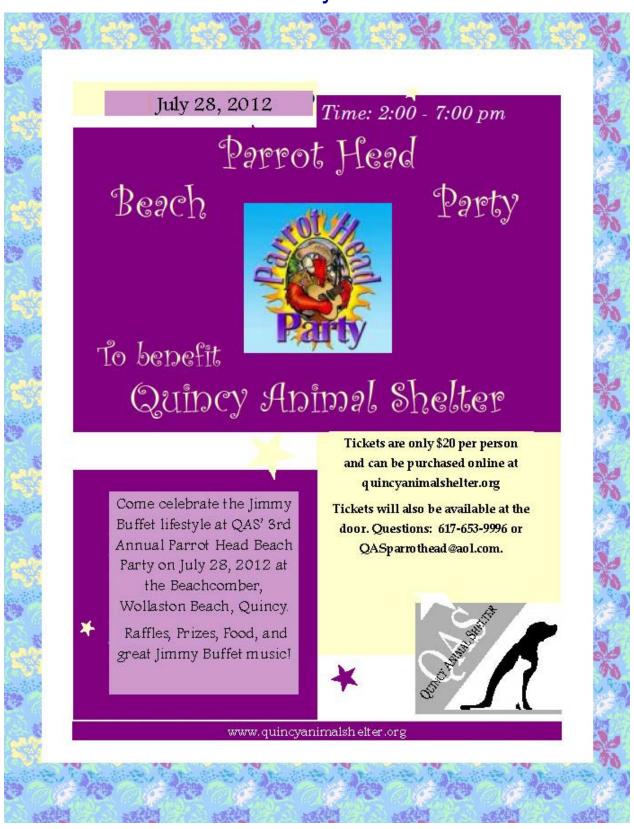
Thanks
Don Conboy Jr.

Wish List

- Bleach
- Cans of Alpo Dog food
- Friskies Cat Food
- Fancy Feast kitten food
- All brand cats litter
- Postage stamps
- · Gift Cards to Pet stores or markets

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QAS 3rd Annual Parrot Head Beach Party



Comedian Chris Zito



On May 18, 2012 over 100 supporters of QAS enjoyed a night of fun and laughter at the Chris Zito Show held at Adam Heights Club in Quincy, hosted by Shea Spillane. The show was coordinated by QAS' Board Members, Dawn Gaffney, Joanne McCarthy, and Julianne Coleman Fonseca. All proceeds for this event will go directly towards caring for the animals at QAS.

Comedian Chris Zito has spent the last thirty years sharing his obsession with his family with comedy fans and radio listeners all over the country. Starting out as half of the comedy team Zito and Bean right out of acting school, Chris Zito moved quickly to develop his own take on life as a (very!) young father. It wasn't long before he became a mainstay of the early Boston Comedy scene, eventually making

appearances on Comedy Central, USA Network, A&E, and NESN. Chris Zito grew to love radio and landed on the JR in the Morning Show on WZOU in Boston in 1991. Years on the air in Boston and then Detroit, as well as countless comedy clubs all over the United States.

Chris Zito is an anomaly among comedians-the happily married man. He expresses his love of family life through an autobiographical journey the trials, tribulations, and the yes, the joys of marriage and family. Whether detailing life as an older father of a preschooler or shuddering at the memories of trying to guide his oldest daughter through her teenage years.

Everyone enjoyed Chris Zito's clean, funny, and upbeat approach and found themselves laughing out loud while nodding in recognition of their own lives. Shea Spillane also had the audience in "stitches" hosting the show. Shea is a Quincy native, who can be seen on the first Thursday of every month at Nick's Comedy Stop in Boston's Theater District. Thanks to everyone that made the night a success!

Pictured: Julianne Coleman Fonseca - QAS Fundraising Manager and Board Member, Shea Spillane - Comedian, Chris Zito, and Dawn Gaffney - QAS Board member and owner of Frozen Freddies



Kittens are here!



William & Kate



Pictured: 3 week old kittens

What We Already Knew! By Sandra Morse

I'd like to take the opportunity to thank Lilly the Pit Bull for grabbing the spotlight this week. Yes she did an awe-some thing. She saved her owner's life and did not even think about her own. She landed herself on every local news cast and newspaper. She caused people who dismiss pit bulls as vicious unpredictable liabilities to take notice. Wow, "that is amazing, what smart dog, what a pretty dog!" I thought only Lassie did stuff like that. In some of the photos she is actually smiling! What a perfect poster dog for her breed!

Miss Lilly recovered from major injuries at Angell Animal Medical Center while \$74,000.00 in donation dollars rolled in to help with her medical expenses. For those of us in the animal rescue world, this story is too good to be true. There really is no down side to this story. A Pit Bull has actually been portrayed in a positive light. So I say, let's keep the good times rolling. But those of us in the dog rescue world and people who actually have pit bulls already knew all of this.

As an Adoption Representative at the Quincy Animal Shelter; I have met hundreds of Pit Bulls. Like all dogs breeds there are good apples and bad apples. But my experience with Pit Bulls has been amazingly positive. Yes they are strong, active, athletic dogs that can enrich our lives just as much as any other breed can. They are also goofy, lazy, wimpy and big sloppy kissers! They can do anything a lab can do! Nothing against labs! Pit bulls are used at therapy dogs, bomb sniffing dogs, cadaver dogs. They visit nursing homes and make great jogging partners and foot warmers. They can pass the Canine Good Citizens Test with flying colors. They are great family pets and are good with kids. Lilly was not first incredible pit bull story and she will not ever be the last. But again, we already knew this. The challenge is to get the rest of the planet to see these dogs for what they really are. The Pit Bull is not the first dog to get a bad rap, remember the Doberman! I know we can do it. Now is the time to seize the moment. How about a Pit Bull Parade!

QAS Canine Manager Nancy Harris has been finding home for Pit Bulls for over two years now, "We have five! From five months to five years old. They love to learn and want to please you...within a week they learn sit and down. They look at you with such love". When she took the job, she did not realize the being the Canine Manager really meant being a Pit Bull Advocate. The cities and the suburbs are full or them. The tough part is that people are hesitant to adopt one because of the bad rap so they stay longer. You can really get to know them well. The training program at QAS run by Professional Dog trainer, Donna Culbert.

Kittens are here!

With a very mild winter season this year, The Quincy Animal Shelter started to see kittens a little early. Our first call was in March, when a good Samaritan found 3 two-day old kittens abandoned by their mother. Kitten season typically begins in May, due to consistent warmer weather.

Since March 24th, we have taken in 49 kittens that were abandoned, found on the streets, or surrendered by their owners. With this many kittens, you can image it gets pretty busy! The number will only get larger and with your help, these kittens need foster homes for socialization or medical needs, wet food, bottles and care. If you are interested in fostering or adopting a kitten, please call (617)-376-1349. Kitten adoptions are \$150.00 which includes their first round of vaccines, spay or neuter, microchip and de-worming. Our kitten wish list is:

- Fancy Feast Kitten Wet food
- Yesterdays News cat litter
- KMR Kitten formula
- Kitten nursing bottles
- New plastic litter boxes and scoops
- Yesterday's new cat litter (after their spays and neuters)
- Tidy Scoop litter

Thank you for your help and support! Kittens are ready for adoptions on Saturdays from 10-4. Applications can be found on our website at www.quincyanimalshelter.org.

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Kathy Barry Cleveland

In Memoriam

Kathy Barry Cleveland

March 1, 2012

Kathy was a very special young woman who impacted everyone she met. Kathleen Lewis, our Feline Manager and Kathy's co-worker at State Street, was responsible for recruiting her to volunteer at QAS. Kathy started with QAS in 2006 as a cat care volunteer. With a smile that could light up a room, it was obvious she was the kind of person QAS needed!



Her leadership skills and knowledge of cats made her our choice to become the first Adoption Representative Manager. Her team placed over 400 cats and kittens a year. Her goal was to place "her kitties" into loving, forever homes and she was very careful to make sure her standards of a good owner were met. Kathy was the best kind of Manager, always there to support, answer questions and make sure her "cat team" knew they had found the right matches.

In the spring of 2010 Kathy sought medical attention for persistent back pain. Everyone was shocked and devastated to learn the diagnosis was stage 4 colon cancer that had already moved into the bone. She was very open about her illness and the treatment she was undergoing.

She was a true inspiration to us all as she continued to come in for her shifts even though we knew she was not having a good day. Sometimes she toted icepacks, other days a portable chemo device, but she always came with that smile, and never a complaint. We will never find another "kitty angel" like her.

On March 1, 2012 Kathy lost her battle with cancer.

We are most grateful to her beloved husband Scott, her dear friend Denise and the family for having memorial donations come to QAS.

Donations in her memory go to the Medical Fund established for animals needing special treatments or surgeries above normal care. These animals have been abandoned or surrendered because of their medical needs and are not good candidates for adoption without having their medical issues addressed. We believe Kathy would be pleased to know she is helping them.

We also wish to thank her friends, co-workers, and our volunteers for their outstanding generosity.

To date over \$4000 has been donated to the Medical Fund in Kathy's name.

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Kathy Barry Cleveland tributes

Christina Guthrie Donna Hall David Mustard **Brian Fox** Marlene Pelletier

Nareg Kalaydjian

Kathy Kreamer - Meradia Group

Mary Cole

E Brigid McBride

Barbara Daly & Carmela

Megan Fogarty

Jenifer Hartnett-Bullen Jan & Judi McGuire Amelia Young John Marchioni

Holly Williams Mahnaz Hulubel

Barbara & Andrew Brennan

Patricia Lynch Susan Porazzo Frank Malefatto Paulette Cappadona

Mary Govoni

Christine McBain

Janet Parisi Peg O'Brien Janet Grove

Joanne McCarthy

Jean Hunter Kathleen Lewis Elizabeth Egan Denise Govoni

Robert DelGreco Lois Harkins

Susan Wild

Carol & Leo Marchioni

Suzanne Gauthier Susan Flynn

Diane Dockery Kim Moore

Jennifer Fogelson Bill & Carol Mahoney Karen Guiney Lawrence Scales

Vinfen Corporation - Joseph Gibree

Jeanne Poulin **Brad Huston** Nancy White Mary Lou Meighan Susan Schulman

Christopher Antonucci Lisa Simonetti Margaret Kinsella Jamie Brenner Gutner Shavna Canestrari Sheri Anderson

Diane Presley

Volunteers at John Adams Healthcare -

Charlene Murphy Reverend Melody Foti

Judith Raper

Kids That Care



Student Council from Montclair School held a drive and collected lots of items from our Wish List. Thank you!!

Julian from Quincy had his 7th birthday on May 19th in our honor and donated lots of items from our wishlist. He dressed up for the occasion and loved meeting with the animals. In this picture, the sun was in his eyes and I thought it was adorable, though it does look like a salute. Thank you Julian!



Abby G., Ryleigh G., Bridget G., Andrea C. & their dogs, set up neighborhood lemonade stand to raise money for shelter. Donation given in memory of Wyatt.



Special Thanks

Teresa Smith who won Beneful Baked Delights "NameYourHug" contest on Twitter and designated QAS to receive free coupons. Our monthly donors who send checks or use company payroll deduction plans.

The friends and volunteers of OAS who apply for grants thru their company programs as well as having their donations matched. Volunteers who submit their volunteer hours to their company's community involvement programs and we receive a donation. The teachers and students of the schools on the South Shore who support us annually with food and supplies.

Girl Scout, Brownie and Boy Scout Troops who visit and bring us Wish List items as donations

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Pet Spotlight



Meet: YODA and POPPY

We two are into hiding – so if you think we're not in our cage, look again! We are siblings, but not from the same litter. Yoda here, and I'm the white and beige 2 ½ year old boy. I'm loving the attention here, but still like a hiding spot which is big enough for me and Poppy. Our story – well we had a wonderful owner who lost her home, and while we were all together in a motel, they couldn't find an apartment that would let her take us. Who would ever think we would be an issue as we barely peep! Poppy here – I'm a calico and a three years old. I'm even more into hiding then Yoda, as I'd like to find a spot under or behind

him if I could. We'd love to meet you and show you how much we like being stroked (which we do). Once we get back into a quiet home we'll show you our true personalities. We're just really scared right now. I hope you come get us soon!



Meet: FRANKIE

Hi, wanna go for a walk? My name is Frankie and I'm one year old Pit Bull Mix. I have lots of energy so I would love it if my new owners gave me some basic training. I would be great at Agility training! I like some dogs, but we'd have to meet before I could live with another one. I can also live with teenagers that are 16 years and older.

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
Name:	
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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

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Happy Tails and Purrfect Endings

Thank you for introducing us to our "BEAUTIFUL" new friend. We are calling her BELLA now (it is so perfect for her). You are so right....she is a darling!!!! She really is adjusting well. She is the new princess in her new digs!!!!!! She loves us as much as we love her!!!!! I can just tell how happy she is. When they say some things are meant to be I believe this is one of them!!!!! She is actually on my lap as I am typing this. She purrs and talks and I think if she could smile she would!!!!! Thank you again for the great work you all are doing. We will keep in touch.





Dear Quincy Animal Shelter:

We wanted to give you an update on Astro. He has been a member of our family for 4 months now and we can't imagine life without him. He has learned to walk well on a leash and is a great running partner for my shorter runs (since anything over 6 miles daddy needs to rescue him with the car to bring him home). Astro has started weight training and getting ready for his summer hikes in the mountains. He looks so cute in his backpack! He is still that lovable goof ball, and rolls around whenever he sees something soft, like our bedroom carpet every morning. For anyone that knows Astro, he has had a plush toy for over two weeks now, that he carries around like his baby and is very gentle with, so he isn't as destructive as he once was. His personality is starting to come through as he becomes more comfortable

with us, and I think we may be spoiling him a little too much!

Everyone that meets him says what a wonderful dog he is, and we couldn't agree more. He still has some accidents now and again, but he is working on improving that. Thank you very much for rescuing him and being patient to find him the right home. He fits our active life style so well and loves our runs, hikes and walks, although I think his favorite thing is car rides to PetCo. He is the best with our niece and nephews, and cries when they leave. He really is the sweetest, gentlest dog, and is changing people's opinion on Pit Bulls whereever we go. Thank you again!

- Best wishes, Lisa and Trevor

Dear Quincy Animal Shelter,

I adopted Lamb (formerly known as Lambchop) over the winter. I was looking for a small dog as a companion for my dog Jackson. They bonded immediately. Surprisingly, Lamb became a constant companion to my 14 yr old elderly siamese cat Fayro. Lamb plays with them both, chases both dog and cat around and has a great time.

Lamb goes to work with Jackson and myself daily, serving as a therapy dog to adults with mental illness. Day one Lamb walked into our workplace and acted as if she "owned it." Lamb is gentle with all thse patients, very protective of them, and when a visitor arrives acts as if she a huge guard dog! Loved by so many people and SPOILED!!!!

Lamb sleeps curled up nightly with both Jackson and Fayro next to their Mom. Lamb has been a great new addition to my family, and for those who rescued her/ trained her/ and watched over her in the shelter, they would be surprised now to see a gentle, affectionate and playful puppy, though still with a little attitude!

Thank you everyone for all that you do. Lisa Jackson, Fayro and Lamb



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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Tributes (as of May 31, 2012)

Donations made in memory or in honor of special friends

In Memory of:

Andrea Smith Kennedy, Katherine Casey

"CJ", Sally & Frank Frazier

Clare Neuner, Fred & Sandy Studley, Paula Incollingo,

Michele Desaulniers

Cooper, Joe & Maureen Trocki

Corey's Dad, Frances McGeough

Deirdre Mock, Denise & Jerry Mulcahy, Jeanne Leslie,

Joanne McCarthy & Ruth Dwyer **Eleanor LeBel**, Anne Keating

George, Jennifer Smith

Harold Snyder, Pauline Magnuson, Barbara Thomas, Carol

& Ralph Vcelka, Jackie Muse **Irene Rogers**, John Rogers

John Dorley, Lori & Kenneth LaFrance, Marcia & Tom

Reddington, Janice Morello, Larry & Patricia Scarnici

Joshua, Carolyn Drew

Kim Bullock Motte, Haemonetics Corporation

Mayfield, Chester Berlo & Family Meredith Prosser, Beatrice McMullen

Patti Taylor, "Her Sisters" Peets, Natalie Vlahovic

Rosemary Dennehy, Shelly, Donna & Jo-Ann

Sam & Sally, Carrie Smith

Shannon O'Hara, Jean O'Hara-Kelly **Thomas Bonaro**, Lory Zimbalatti

Tissamo, Patch, Sarge, Bailey, Duncan, Paco &

Gonnie: Susan Schroepfer Velko, Avis & Roger Pinkos

In Honor of:

Donna Culbert, Anonymous Kelly & Lance, Ginny & Vin Muschiano Larissa Pyrcz & Jason Cook, Anonymous Molly & Reese's B'Days, Lauren & Scott Hendry, Neal & Melanie Kelly, Jeyakumar Datchinamoorthi
Shelter Animals, Janet Moakley & "Penny"

Shelter Cats, Louie

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

In Memory of Fred Opanasets Sr.:

Charles Fazio, Jan Shields, Marilyn & Donald Trudell, Debbie McDowel, Ora Damon, Joseph Mercuri, Lynn Kimball- Davis & Paula Kimball, V. William Efthim, Mary Harvey, Jane Papa, Margaret Gannon, Gail Kimmell, Marr Charitable Foundation, Walter Opanasets

In Memory of Edward G. Kelly:

Linda & Mike Tartaro, Mr. & Mrs. Wayne Simpson, Marie & Joseph Cedrone, Gail Casavant & Janet Dahlquist, Jim & Gloria Dougenik, M. & Mrs. Jack Buonopane, Tom & Mary Mullaney, Richard & Barbara Brewer

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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

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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.



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