



THE SCOOP

THE ANGELS AMONG US

Here is why we need your help.

If you are reading The Scoop, you may know what we face each day at the shelter. You may know that The Quincy Animal Shelter has had great success rehoming lost and surrendered animals over the last nineteen years. Thousands of homeless animals have been in need of our services; maybe a lost dog stayed overnight until her humans picked

her up, or maybe a landlord found cats that were left behind. We have had animals left in boxes, suitcases, and carriers outside our shelter. They could have once been a loved pet. We have helped pet owners who had no other options but to give up their pets; we sat and cried with them while they said goodbye.

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SUCCESS STORIES

AT HOME WITH THE DOODLES

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GOOD NEIGHBORS

QUIRK WORKS TO HELP QAS

With the help of Dan Quirk, the owner of Quirk Auto Dealership, our dogs are able to enjoy pen time again.



VOLUNTEER SPOTLIGHT

KRISTEN KERSHES

Learn what motivates Kristen to volunteer at QAS. She does it all. Dog Walker, Cat Cuddler and meds team member. Always with a smile on her face!

HELP US REACH OUR GOAL BY DECEMBER 31ST

We have been challenged by a generous donor to raise \$25,000 by December 31st. This donor offered to match donation we receive from October 1st through December 31st, up to \$25,000, in loving memory of Susanne Duncan, a long-time supporter of QAS. We need your help to achieve this goal and you can double the impact of your donation!

As of November 11, we have raised \$6,353. Your generosity in whatever amount you can spare will help feed, support and provide medical care for our many kittens and all our furry residents. Ways to make a donation:

ONLINE

www.QuincyAnimalShelter.org

IN PERSON

56 Broad Street, Quincy, MA 02169
Tuesday & Thursday: 6pm-8pm
Saturday: 10am-4pm

BY CHECK

1. Make your check payable to: Quincy Animal Shelter
2. Mail the check to:
Quincy Animal Shelter
P.O. Box 690088, Quincy, MA 02269

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Our volunteers, close to two hundred strong, take excellent care of our dogs and cats and occasional rabbit, swan or rooster, seven days a week. Like you, they love animals and only want the best for them. They come to the shelter and work their two hour shift providing fresh food, water, medicine, grooming and most important of all a hug when needed.

In the last few weeks alone, the local evening news has shown us the worst of humans and how some harm and kill animals. We hope that we are seeing these horrible stories because we are more aware of animal abuse and neglect and not that it is on the rise. Hopefully the attention given to these unspeakable acts will make everyone more aware that something needs to be done to protect all animals from such treatment.

There are many ways that animals can suffer at the hands of human beings. Of course there is outright animal abuse, but what we see more commonly is neglect. Often it is not intentional, but situational.

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Governor Charlie Baker joined members of the legislature and the Animal Cruelty and Protection Task Force for a ceremonial bill signing for S.2646, An Act to protect animal welfare and safety in cities in towns (PAWS II). (Photo Credit: Josephine Pettigrew, Office of the Governor)

The person who could once easily care for a cat or dog is now out of work and can't afford proper veterinary care; deciding it is best to give the pet to a shelter. Maybe they have a baby now and have no time to spend with the dog so the once beloved pet is now a burden. A sudden illness or death occurs in the family leaving no one able to provide care for the animal.

That is what we were used to seeing. We are a small shelter. The really bad stuff usually happens somewhere else right? Not in Quincy right?

Everything changed on August 31, 2013. Her name was Kiya aka Puppy Doe and then again on September 12, 2014 when The Doodles arrived. These experiences forever changed the heart of QAS. They did not break us. These events made us stronger and created a greater sense of purpose and confirmed to each and every one of us why what we do is so important. Now more than ever.

THE IMPACT OF PUPPY DOE

What happened to Puppy Doe moved so many people to take action to change the laws. In 2014, Deval Patrick signed the Puppy Doe Law (PAWS) which toughen penalties for Animal Abuse. In October 2018, Governor Charlie Baker signed S.2646, PAWS II An Act to protect animal welfare and safety in cities in towns.

The day that Quincy Animal Control Officer Bruce DiBella called her out to his van to see a dog in a crate is a day that Shelter Director Kit Burke will never forget: "I knew that dog needed immediate medical attention, so one of our volunteers offered to take her to VCA South Shore Animal Hospital." The story could have ended there, "the dog was in very bad shape and may have simply been humanely euthanized," Kit recalls, having no real experience with conducting an animal abuse investigation. Thankfully, the case was taken over by the Animal Rescue League of Boston, and the rest as they say is history. Puppy Doe has had a profound effect on those who worked on the case and those who are committed to helping animals.

Puppy Doe's true legacy is that "she moved the people in the middle," says Kit, "The people who don't care about animals and the people who are 100% animal lovers did not change their positions, but those who were previously indifferent to animal suffering were the ones that I heard from the most." The images of that poor dog and the suffering

that she was put through upset us all." If you can say anything positive about this tragedy, it is Kiya (Puppy Doe) made more people aware that animal abuse can happen anywhere, and as we sadly saw it does."

According to the MSPCA, the new S.2646 PAWS II, which goes into effect on November 8, 2018, states:

- Facilitates the reporting of suspected animal abuse by investigators in the Department of Elder Affairs and the Disabled Persons Protection Commission;
- Requires animal control officers to report the suspected abuse of elders, children, and disabled persons;
- Prohibits the drowning of animals;
- Ensures that property owners check vacant properties for the presence of abandoned animals.
- Ensures efficient enforcement of animal control laws;
- Ends the automatic killing of animal fighting victims;
- Modernizes the animal sexual abuse law by expressly prohibiting sexual contact with an animal, trafficking animals for sex, facilitating or promoting sexual

contact with an animal, and forcing a child to engage in sexual contact with an animal.

This is a major win for all animals. It is no longer ok to hurt them. What happened to Puppy Doe moved so many people to take action to change the laws. Kit is grateful that this experience has made her the QAS managers and volunteers more aware of what to look for when a dog or cat comes to the shelter in poor shape we are grateful that we have resources such as the MSPCA and Animal Rescue League of Boston to assist us when needed.

INFORMATION

For more information on PAWS II, and other Animal Rights and Protection Laws, visit MASS.gov

St.2018, c. 219 (S2646) An act to protect animal welfare (PAWS II)

St.2014, c.293 An Act Protecting Animal Welfare and Safety (PAWS Act)

MGL c.140, s.174E Chaining or tethering; confinement.

MGL c.140, s.174F Removing an animal from a hot vehicle.

SEE SOMETHING SAY SOMETHING

Be the voice of those who cannot speak for themselves.

If you witness or suspect that animals are in danger due to neglect, abandonment, abuse, or if you are aware of hoarding situation, contact:

Quincy Animal Control Department:
(617) 376-1364

The Animal Rescue League of Boston:
(617) 426-9170, option 2
cruelty@arlboston.com

The MSPCA Law Enforcement
(617) 522-6008
(800) 628-5808

Or, your local Police Department.



Puppy Doe Bench Whitwell Street, Quincy MA

SUCCESS STORIES

AT HOME WITH THE DOODLES: FOUR YEARS LATER & THEY ARE LOVING LIFE!

Following up on Anjolina, Banjo, Brad, Cha Cha Cha, Chelsea, Danny Boy, Fancy, Flipper, Girly Girl, Kid Rock, Sandy, and Seamus.

A year after the incident of Puppy Doe (page 3), on September 9, 2014, the shelter was involved in another overwhelming case of animal neglect and abuse. This time there would be a happy ending; twelve of them actually! You may all fondly remember the Doodle invasion. "Kids 1-12" also affectionately known as The Doodles" entered the lives and more importantly the hearts of our amazing volunteer staff.

These Doberman-Standard Poodle mixes with some of the best names ever: Girly Girl, Kid Rock, Sandy, Flipper, Banjo, Fancy, Checkers, Big Boy, Cha Cha Cha, Seamus, Dinky and Petunia. They were from two different litters. Some of them were about 5 months old and the rest estimated to be about 18 months old when they arrived. They were under our care for 644 days. Luckily for us (and them) other shelters took in 6 of them; allowing all to receive the best possible care.

Now they are all at home! They all have outstanding families who love them to pieces. We could not be more proud of our volunteers and all the adopters who gave them a second chance to be dogs! Here are what their humans have to say about them and look at the their wonderful photos.

Anjolina (Petunia)

She is one of the smallest Doodles, Her mom says she is the love of her life and is great in every way.



Anjolina

Banjo

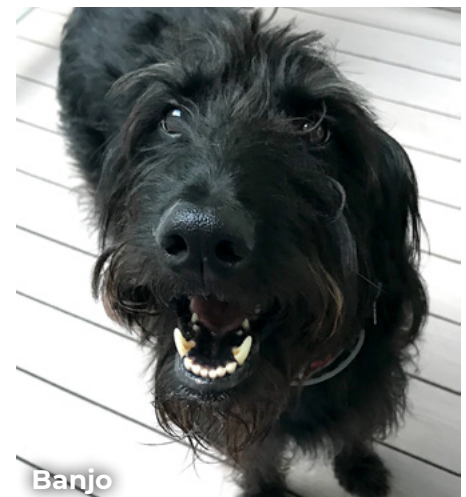
We LOVE Banjo!! He has been the best dog, very loving and such a good boy. He's a bit of a couch potato, and has his own "daybed" that he loves to lay on and look out the window. He also loves to go for car rides and gets along really well with his sister Gracie. I get so many compliments on him, with most people wanting to know what "breed" he is. They are always amazed when I say "Dobadoodle". I cannot thank you and Cornelia/ Baypath enough for bringing this wonderful guy into our lives. Please know that he will always be loved and taken care of. Again, thank you and everyone else at Quincy Animal Control for all that you did!



Banjo

Brad (Dinky)

He is doing wonderful- so happy and is very spoiled. He loves attention and once you start petting him you can't stop. He has many friends 2 legged and 4 ! Brad loves chasing his ball and squirrels and is excited to be a giraffe for Halloween. Brad is now famous! I won a contest selling Nulo dog food and Brad gets to be featured on his very own banner!



Banjo

Cha Cha Cha

She was one of the two most frightened dogs when she came to QAS. It was challenging to touch her, we had to go very slow with her. As you can see from her mom, she has become quite the opposite. Cha Cha is doing great! She is still a



Brad



Brad



Danny Boy

little anxious sometimes, but she's doing a lot better. She has lots of dog friends from our local dog park. And she loves snuggling and belly rubs. She's turned out to also be an excellent mountain climber! She gets lots of love from us and our friends and neighbors.

Chelsea (Checkers)

She is doing great and adjusted well as the 6th member of our family. She loves to snuggle, take walks and loves long brushing sessions. She also loves chasing squirrels and (unfortunately) skunks! She is the sweetest girl and we love her very much! Getting good pictures of an all-black dog is challenging but here are a few.



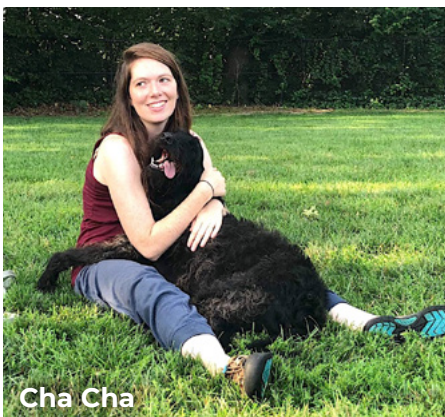
Cha Cha



Danny Boy (Left) & Wiley (Right)

Danny Boy (Big Boy)

He is still a very high energy dog. He doesn't like to be left alone and it doesn't happen much, since he has two homes. He spends most of his days in his large yard chasing chipmunks or playing with his dog friends. He also loves hiking – and can be seen regularly at the Blue Hills and Wompatuck State Park.



Cha Cha



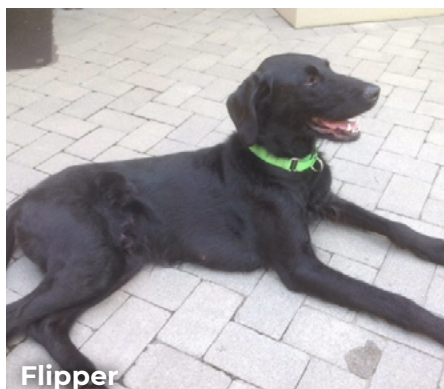
Fancy

Fancy

We moved recently to those tall Harbor Towers downtown in Boston and apparently Fancy (who never barks) is howling from the house to the aquarium to the seals! They have gotten a noise complaint because she has been communicating with the seals.



Chelsea



Flipper

Flipper

Flipper is amazing! He visits my mom in assisted living and the entire staff loves him. Everyone who comes into our house is amazed at his mild manner and quiet "lean" for ear and neck rubs. He is an excellent watchdog. Flipper is one of a kind a very special dog.



Girly Girl



Girly Girl

Girly Girl

She is doing great! She has a new brother, Kole, a black cat. They are getting along well, and we love her dearly.

Kid Rock

Kid Rock is doing fantastic. He's enjoying life. We take him hiking all the time, and he loves it. We love him very much.



Kid Rock



Kid Rock

Seamus

When Seamus first came to us, we set up his crate but he never went into it and we never needed him too. He was a momma's boy from the start, but loves everyone he meets including his human siblings, canine brother Dallas, and his two feline siblings. He also enjoys watching football and being part of sleepovers with friends.



Seamus



Seamus

Wiley (Sandy)

"I am happy, and my doctor says I am healthy. I graduated from school two years ago with a degree in Obedience. I also enjoy chasing deer in the woods behind my house (never catch them), and hiking trails with my 'human family'. My favorite thing to do is to cuddle every night on the couch with my 'mom' and feline stepbrother, Moa. Thank you all for the love and guidance you gave me as a young pup. I love you and miss you all!"



Wiley



Wiley

As you can see by the comments and the photos, the Doodles are doing more than just fine. We are hoping to put together a Doodles reunion soon!



MEMBERSHIP & DONATION FORM

Support the Quincy Animal Shelter and you will be saving the lives of hundreds of dogs and cats. Each year, QAS rescues, rehabilitates, and finds loving homes for unwanted animals, saving many from a life on the streets and an uncertain future.

All proceeds go towards animal care and operation of Quincy Animal Shelter. Your donation is tax deductible.

Annual Memberships

As a member, you will receive QAS' periodic newsletter to keep you informed of QAS happenings and be invited to our annual meetings.

Student, \$15

Senior (60+), \$15

Individual, \$25

Family, \$50

Business, \$250

Lifesaver, \$500

Angel, \$1000

Donations (Non-membership)

Quincy Animal Shelter thanks you for donations of any amount.

Non-membership donation amount

\$

The Mickey Medical Fund
for extraordinary medical care

\$

Wesley's Wish Feral Cat Fund
for the care of feral cats

\$

Your information

If you've moved or changed your address, you can use this form to update us.

Total amount enclosed: \$

Your name

Company (if applicable)

Address

City

State

Zip code

Email

Phone number

☐ I want to remain anonymous

INSTRUCTION

- Please make your check payable to:
Quincy Animal Shelter
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P.O. Box 690088
Quincy, MA 02269

DID YOU KNOW?

Your company may match your donation

If your company has a Matching Gift Program, your gift could be doubled, and twice as many animals could benefit! The match could be based on your monetary donation or the volunteer hours you serve.

Please check with your company's Human Resources department. If they'll match your charitable donations or volunteer hours, ask for a form and mail it to us at:

Quincy Animal Shelter
ATTN: Matching Gift Program
PO Box 690088
Quincy, 02269-0088

We are so very grateful when we receive your donations. Your contribution help us to give the care that our special residents need 24/7, 365 days a year.

Quincy Animal Shelter is a public charity classified as exempt under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. Our tax ID number is 31-1703439. Questions? Call us at: 617-376-1349.



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GUARDIAN ANGEL SPONSORSHIP & TRIBUTE GIFT FORM

Quincy Animal Shelter offers multiple ways to make a donation in honor of your loved ones. Our Guardian Angel Cage & Kennel Sponsorships are available for 3, 6, or 12 months. It can be dedicated to a family member, friend, or pet. You may also make a Tribute Gift in someone's name.

All proceeds go towards animal care and operation of Quincy Animal Shelter. Your donation is tax deductible.

Guardian Angel Cage & Kennel Sponsorships

A Guardian Angel card will be placed on a cage or kennel indicating your support. We can also include a photo that you provide!

1. Where would you like it to be placed on?

Cat cage

Dog kennel

2. How long would you like?

12 months

\$300

6 months

\$150

3 months

\$75

3. Name & message to display on the card?



Card example

Name

Message

Photo included

Tribute Gift

1. I would love to donate \$

In memory of

In honor of

Name

2. If you want to notify them of this donation, please provide their physical address or email.

Name

Email

Address

Your information

If you've moved or changed your address, you can use this form to update us.

Total amount enclosed: \$

Your name

Company (if applicable)

Address

City

State

Zip code

Email

Phone number

I want to remain anonymous

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ADOPTION SUCCESS STORY

DUSTIN AND BOOKER

Kelly did not plan on adopting a cat the day she visited QAS; in fact she was going with her friend Sharon who had recently said goodbye to her beloved cat Rosie after 18 years. Sharon was not sure if she was ready to bring a new cat home yet,

if he knew she was a soft touch. Kelly, who already has two dogs and two Guinea pigs, knew her 7 year old daughter Trinity wanted a cat really bad! "She is just like me, a real animal lover." Kelly went back to work and thought about Dustin all day. She

She fell for him immediately. It was as if he knew she was a soft touch.

but was willing to take a peek and visit QAS for the first time. Kelly went along for the ride. After visiting all of the cats and dogs they went into the adult cat room where Dustin was hanging out. Dustin, who had been quite shy with others, suddenly jumped right into Kelly's arms demanding to be taken home. She fell for him immediately it was as

called to say she wanted to adopt him. But there was one catch. Dustin had become bunkmates with Booker a striking Tuxedo. They were pretty solid pals. Would Kelly consider taking them both home, asked Adoption Manager Cathy Parsons? Without a doubt, Kelly was happy to do so. Now, they are living it up in their new home and getting lots of love.



Dustin and Booker at their new home

Submit Your Success Story

Did you adopt from QAS from **1999 - 2004**? If so, please tell us your success story! We can include it in our 20th Anniversary newsletter! Don't forget to attach photos!

Send your story to qasthescoop@gmail.com

Got QAS Wear?

Yes, we do! Stop by during Adoption hours or give us a call 617-376-1349. QAS Wear is the Purrfect solution for all of your holiday shopping needs. We have hoodies, tees, sweatshirts, and more.

OUR ADOPTION HOURS

Find your new best friend here!

Tuesday & Thursday: 6PM - 8PM

Saturday: 10AM - 4PM

56 Broad Street, Quincy, MA 02169

Please note: animal surrenders are by appointment only.

QAS "FUN" RAISER



Our 10th Annual Cause 4 Paws

5K Race and Dog Walk Event

What a perfect day we had to celebrate our 10th Cause 4 Paws. Take a look at the great event photos captured by photographer Lisa Aimola and Sandra Sines (on the back of the newsletter). The event is one of our biggest fundraising efforts, and it grows year after year. It is a must-go event for both running enthusiasts and animal lovers. Whether you come to run your best 5K or take your best friend for a stroll around Squantum Point Park.

Trivial Pawsuit Night

In case you missed it, the Trivial Pawsuit Night on October 1st at Cagney's was one of our funnest events! Put on by Debbie Weisman Clsie and her crew of volunteers and supporters, the event was a sellout again. Last year, they raised \$3,300, and this year, they raised over \$5,400! The funds they raised for QAS allows us to do what we do best, taking good care the animals! Thank you to all who make this event such a huge success and a great night for all who attend. Hope to see you next year! Buy your tickets early it will surely sell out again!



WISH LIST

All brands and sizes are welcome, otherwise noted.

- ☐ Paper towels
- ☐ Bleach
- ☐ **Fancy Feast** adult & kitten canned food, for our shelter residents
- ☐ **Natural Balance** or **Red Barn** food rolls
- ☐ **Yesterday's News** cat litter
- ☐ Dry cat food for adult & kitten for our feral pantry (open bags ok!)
- ☐ New cat toys, furry mice, and scratch pads.
- ☐ Interactive dog toys like Buster Cubes & balls (no tennis balls)
- ☐ NEW plastic litter boxes & plastic litter scoops with tags and stickers. (not used please!)
- ☐ Gift cards to Pet Supply Plus, Petco, Walmart, any local super markets!
- ☐ Postage stamps.
- ☐ **High efficiency (HE)** laundry detergent
- ☐ **Cascade ActionPacs** dishwasher detergent

Organize a fundraising for QAS

To continue our mission of rescuing more animals, we are always planning fundraising and educational events. The Quincy Animal Shelter is a No-Kill, Volunteer-run, Non-Profit Organization, so all donations go toward animal care, education, and fundraising. Medical care, including spay/neuter surgery and vaccinations, is by far our greatest expense.

If you would like to help organize these or any other fundraising events to benefit the Quincy Animal Shelter, please contact our Fundraising Chair by emailing event@QuincyAnimalShelter.org

A GOOD NEIGHBOR INDEED: QUIRK WORKS TO HELP QAS

Last spring QAS Volunteer Emily Duff was trying to have local businesses support QAS. If you live in the Quincy area, you know the name Quirk. You may also know that QAS and Quirk have been next door neighbors for many years.

Emily decided to write a letter to Dan Quirk, the owner of Quirk Auto Dealerships. She thought if she could find some common ground, Mr. Quirk might be willing to read it and listen to what she was asking for. She hoped he might want to help QAS if he knew more about our organization.

Emily's letter opened by explaining how she too grew up in Lowell. She talked a bit about that and then wrote about how she has lived in Quincy for 17 years and had purchased a car from Quirk. Emily described QAS to him and told him about how we are volunteer run, all of the lives we save, the animals we rehome, etc. Mr. Quirk himself called Emily. "We had a nice chat and went on to communicate (through his assistant) throughout the summer." Mr. Quirk invited Emily and QAS board member Courtney O'Keefe to meet with him at his office. "We had a nice visit and set up a site visit to the shelter for his team. They came and saw all the flooding in the back pen and themselves came up with the idea for the gutter repair and new stone for the large dog pen. Everyone at QAS (especially our dogs!) are so thankful for the gesture.

As you can see in the before and after photos, the difference is tremendous. Prior to the improvements, this area was like a lake. Mr. Quirk's team removed and



Emily Duff (Left), Dan Quirk (Middle) and Kit Burke (Right)

replaced some 85' of old gutters along the left side of the building. Once that was done, they cleared out some of the dirt from the yard, put down landscape fabric, and brought in enough pea stone to give us several inches of depth for the entire left yard. Kit Burke, our shelter director, is very pleased, "Our issue had been chronic flooding of that yard every time it rained. Now, it looks like we're back in business!"

Dan Quirk visited the shelter to see all the work that has been done. He also took a tour with Emily and Kit

to see the inside of shelter, and say hello to our residents. He was able to watch some of dogs play in the pen and not in puddles.

It is a wonderful to see this area looking great and being used for the dogs! Thank you Emily for writing the letter! Thank you Dan Quirk for being such a strong supporter for the Quincy Animal Shelter.



Before (Left) and After (Right)

TRIBUTES

From Mar 2018 - Oct 2018

SPECIAL THANKS TO

The Special Donor of our Matching Gift Campaign \$25,000.00

Martha Morse Foundation Grant
\$5000 grant for animal care

Agnes Gidley Memorial Fund at The Boston Foundation \$3,247.20
grant for operating support

Christ Church of Quincy-Outreach
\$500.00 donation

Quincy Point Congregational Church blessing of the Animals
Donation

KIDS THAT CARE

They share their birthdays with
donations to the shelter animals

Charlie Dean
Isabella Marinelli
Hunter O'Neil
Nina Rowley

IN HONOR OF

"Blackjack" by Lisa Holzemer
"Destiny's" Birthday by James Mazzeo,
Shamus Perry, Lauren & Robert Jones,
Beth Little, Jim & Kathy Wyan
"Fester" by Ann Nelson
"Louie" 10 year Anniversary (QAS
Alumni) by Ben Nicholls
Yarmouth K-9 Officer "Nero" by Lauren
Cunningham
"Samson" & "Shogun" by Diane
O'Connor
"Stu" by Linda Collins
"Tipper" (QAS Alumni) by Clifton
Arnesen Jr.
Susan Coleman by William Coleman
John Mucko by Elin Schran
Shelter Cats by Alaina Leary's kitties, QAS
Alumni 2015
Shelter Cats by Macey Lavoie for Kitty's
5th birthday, QAS Alumni
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McAninch, Michele McKenzie, Jez Guito,
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Steve Thompson, Elaine & Murphy Mills,
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Marilyn O'Maley by Ann Adams

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Joanie Calder by Patricia Riley

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Karina Beyer, Mariam Sleman

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Charles & Hilda DelDotto, Janine & Dave
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Class of 2020, Barbara Linden

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Elizabeth Boles, Marjoryann Duncan

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O'Leary

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Jane Schultz by Thelma Rice

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Debra Malinics

Carrie Smith by Barbara Gilliland, Ann
Gerstel, Ruth Pinkham

Cindy Sullivan & "Brandie" by Marianne
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Cheryl Tolson by Valerie White, Janet
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Keith Townsend by Karen Gervasi

Michael Vadnais by Art & Marlene Fritz,
Rick & Elaine Ruback

Paul Vraibel by Laura Marino

Louise Worth by Patricia McLaughlin,
Katherine Casey

"Allie" by QAS Monday AM Team

"Annie" by Leah Giunta

"Bentley" the Corgi by William Whitney

"Charlie", "Stu", "Ollie", "Nala",

"Emeril", "Rocco", "Benji" & Moe by
Sue Schroepfer

"Glory" by Jill Sullivan-Browne

"Jade" by Fran McGeough

"Kane" by Sally & Frank Frazier

"Kit-Kat", "George" & "Stripes" by Joan
Merdinger

"Lanie" by Peggy Doyle

"Lucky Girl" by The Sullivan Family

**"Mabel" McAuley, "Puff Kitty", "Pete",
"Lily", "Casey" & "Cody" "Donovan"** by
Kathy & Terance Kelly

"Miss Kitty" by Joan O'Leary

"Mittens" by Enid Lubarsky

Grand kitty "Muffin" by Rochelle
Sugarman

"Nala" by Janice Schuster, Tim Southern,
Nadean Yasko & Paula Grubenskas

"Pepper" by Margaret Dempsey

"Pookie" Picard by The QM Girls, Nicole
Kenneally

"Puppy Doe" by Marcia Shahvali

Ripley "Batdog" Kershes by The
Cunningham Family

"Hazel" Lee by Sandra Lee
"Stew" the cat by Roxanne Picard
"Triscut" Poli beloved dog by Judith Poli
"Valentino" O'Connor by Christine Chaisson

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Canton Veterinary Hospital, *Canton*
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HOW TO

Make the most of your charitable donation in 2018

There have been significant changes made to our tax laws resulting in people thinking twice about charitable giving going forward. Most people, however, give to charities to support a worthy cause not for the financial incentive. But not all is lost under the new tax law, thanks to an often overlooked corner of the code.

This provision, which the IRS calls a Qualified Charitable Distribution, allows anyone aged 70 1/2 or older to donate money from their IRA account directly to a charitable organization without that gift counting as income. Under this provision, you can easily transfer money directly to Quincy Animal Shelter without paying any tax on that transaction.

And even better, any money you transfer via one of these distributions reduces the amount you must take in required distributions.

Contact your advisor or brokerage firm if you need assistance with these transactions. From there they will either disburse the checks directly to us or send the check to you to pass along to us.

We apologize if we inadvertently failed to include your tribute or misspelled any name.

We are very careful to ensure the privacy of our donors. We do not share or sell names to a second party. We also do

not list anyone who requests to remain anonymous. Please let us know if you do not want your name to be listed. We receive donations through company plans, and they do not designate your preference. We are always most happy to acknowledge our donors.

VOLUNTEER SPOTLIGHT

KRISTEN KERSHES

In the summer of 2012 QAS was very fortunate that Kristen Kershesh decided to surf the Internet. She found out about QAS online. She wanted to give some of her time to a worthwhile cause. Most of all she wanted "to help those who cannot speak for themselves." Kristen relocated to Quincy from Philadelphia about seven years ago. She wanted to become involved in the community and thankfully she found us.

By day she works as a Transportation and Logistics Manager at an international paper products company. Unfortunately she is unable to have a pet right now so she comes to the shelter for her pet fix. She volunteers on Friday nights and Sundays and often more than that. She is a member of three teams, the dog, cat and the meds teams. She also volunteers her time as our fundraising events as she did this year at our annual Cause 4 Paws 5k Road race. Says our Shelter Director Kit Burke:

"She has been a fantastic addition to our volunteer staff for the last six years."

Kristen was happy to see how devoted the QAS volunteers are. She thought it might be sad to see the animals living in a shelter but then she saw the effort that each volunteer makes to each dog and cat feel at home. "Especially when they can go out on a field trip and get out of the shelter and maybe go to the beach and get some exercise". She is also impressed with how much the shelter is able to accomplish with the resources that we have.

Karen DeFrancesco our Medical Manager feels Kristin "plays a crucial role on at QAS, being a red/purple walker for dogs and a red/purple caregiver for cats. She pays attention to detail and shows initiative. She recently

joined the meds team, and started to learn how to use our shelter software PetPoint. She comes in and volunteers more than her two regular 2-3 hour shifts per WEEKEND! Kristin stays late a lot to make sure everyone is safe and well cared for, especially the sick kitties in isolation. I've seen her being a great mentor, teaching the Friday Night dog team what is responsible dog care and how to help cat care team when we don't have a lot of dogs. She teaches teamwork and develops a culture that I'm proud to be a part of. She volunteers for almost



Kristen with QAS Alumni Koko (2016)

all events. She's just a great person! As the medical manager, I can say with certainty we would be lost without her. She is everything we hope QAS volunteers to be, smart, efficient, kind, and thoughtful. Her top quality is how funny she is! She has a Great sense of humor, even when things get tough.

Brianna Geary is our Feline Manager who is very happy to have Kristen on the cat care team. "She is always willing to help, which makes her a wonderful and valued team member!".

We are so happy to have such a devoted volunteer in our organization. We hope that you will stay with us for many years to come. Kristen you are making an incredible difference in the lives our dogs and cats. Thank you for everything that you do!

COMING SOON

THE SCOOP SPRING EDITION 2019:

QAS Celebrating 20 years!

From 1999 to 2019. Let's travel back to our 1st Five years.

The kittens are coming

How we prepare and how you can help!

Adopt and not shop!

5 reasons why you should adopt and not shop!

Volunteer Spotlight

The long timers – why they are still volunteer here.

The return of Ask Hailey

The fun loving Chihuahua give you her take on life after adopted from QAS.



CLAIRE THOMPSON

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

We are pleased to announce the addition of Claire Thompson to our QAS team. Claire joined the Board of Directors in July. We look forward to Claire using her considerable work experience to help us further our mission.

Claire is currently a Business Development Manager at the Boston-based law firm Choate, Hall & Stewart LLP, where she supports the transactional practices including private equity, finance and restructuring and business and

technology. She holds an MBA in Global Management from Boston College and a BA in Economics from Queens University in Kingston, Ontario.

Claire and her husband are residents of Quincy and are the proud owners of Ruby, a Pitbull/Boston Terrier mix who has the uncanny ability to squeeze herself into the tightest of spots on the couch for a belly rub.

Peter Helms
President of QAS Board



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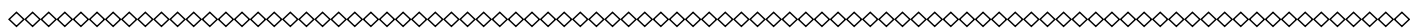
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ADOPTION HOURS

Tuesday & Thursday:
6pm-8pm

Saturday:
10am-4pm

Please note: Animal surrenders are by appointment only.



QUINCY ANIMAL SHELTER MISSION STATEMENT

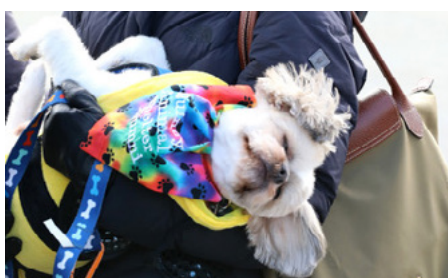
The Quincy Animal Shelter is a volunteer-run organization. The Shelter relies completely on our volunteers and the community for support. Incorporated in November 1999 as a non-profit Massachusetts charity, we are also a recognized charity under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Service code. Since 1999, the Quincy Animal Shelter has placed more than 7,500 cats and dogs into loving and forever homes throughout Massachusetts and New England.

As a “no kill” shelter, we make every effort to find the right home for every adoptable animal in our care. This means we exercise the same ethical and humane treatment of animals in our facility that you would for your own family feline or canine friend. Every animal

receives age-appropriate vaccinations, is spayed or neutered and microchipped before being placed its forever family.

Delivering this type of care involves many volunteers, an active and dedicated management, and a lot of money. Our budget runs approximately \$250,000 every year in order to keep doing what we do to help the dogs and cats in our care.

Our capacity at the shelter is limited to a maximum of 8 dogs and 15 to 25 cats, depending on ages and condition of the cats. Our dream is to eventually find a larger facility so that we can continue our mission on a larger scale and serve the continuous needs of the community and the animals.



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