

# THE SCOOP



(Left to right) Deb Stewart, Paulette Cappadona, Anne McCarthy and Christine McBain.

## CELEBRATING 20 YEARS - II

### Growing Pains 2005 - 2009

If our first five years were all about getting QAS up and running, the next five years were all about keeping it going. When we began, our focus was on getting support for our cause. We got that from our Animal Control officers and former Mayor Sheets. All of our dreams were coming true; we were taking in animals and getting them adopted. Just like in the movie Field of Dreams, "if you build it they will come" and they did! During our first ten years of operation we were full to capacity most of the time for cats and also had a steady flow of dogs. At times we had cat cages on top of cat cages and every dog run was filled. The telephone line was ringing off the hook with surrender calls and we always had a waiting list to take in cats. During kitten season...



### COMMUNITY SPOTLIGHT

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Andy Riley photos documenting Bubba and Littles' first days in their new home.



### FEATURE STORY

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we had dozens of kittens in foster care. Our staff of volunteers was growing too. We had gone from 35 volunteers to more than 100 in a few years' time. The shelter ran 14 volunteer shifts to take care of dozens of cats and dogs each week. The shelter was running on a lot of passion and not a lot of money. Caring for the animals and watching them go home was the fun part; but there was another reality that we had to deal with. We were a business with bills that had to be paid.

Big hearts will only get you so far. We had to get more organized. We had to make the most out of our resources so we could work smarter, not harder and save more animals. As a small shelter in a large city it was quite a challenge. All of our money comes from adoption and surrender fees and private donations. The more animals we took in, the more money we needed to care for them. More food, more cages, more cleaning supplies. Veterinary care was our biggest monthly expense. We did everything we could to keep our costs down. We always wanted to provide our animals with the best care possible and we never wanted to have to make decisions based on the costs. So that meant we had to work hard to raise money. Yard sales, car washes, dances, bake sales and raffles; we did whatever it took to raise money. Wesley's Wish Feral Cat Fund and The Mickey Fund were used to help defray the costs of over and above medical expenses. We were doing ok, but we needed some help. As an all-volunteer organization loaded with a passion for saving animals we didn't always focus planning for the future.

In 2008, our prayers were answered. We need someone to help us with our financial goals. Recruited by Auntie Peg, Bill Sempolinski joined our Board of Directors and still serves as our treasurer. Bill, who is a certified financial planner, had worked in banking for many years and was just what we needed to keep our dream alive and get our financial house in order. It is not easy

for a non-profit organization to stay afloat, but Bill's watchful eye helps us stay in the black.

2005 – 2009 was truly a period of growing pains; we had a few leadership changes and expanded our board of directors. We even survived our one and only ringworm outbreak that closed the shelter for nearly three months; our survival was due to the unwavering commitment of our volunteers.

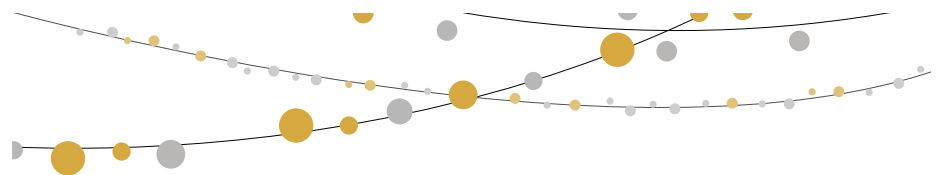


Mary Warner

### COMING SOON

## 20th Anniversary Celebration – The Save Them All Ball

Saturday, Oct 26th, 2019  
The Tirrell Room, Quincy MA



# Save *the* date

for the celebration of the **20th anniversary** of  
the Quincy Animal Shelter

## THE SAVE THEM ALL BALL

**Saturday, October 26th, 2019**

The Tirrell Room, Quincy  
254 Quarry St, Quincy, MA 02169



Join us for a fun night of dancing, champagne, tasty treats  
& a fantastic auction! For more information, visit  
[quincyanimalshelter.org](http://quincyanimalshelter.org)





## VOLUNTEER SPOTLIGHT

## THE NEXT WAVE

## The class of 2005-2009

We learned very quickly that the only way to run a successful animal shelter operation is to have many hands. The more animals we had to care for the more humans we needed. Thankfully, the word was getting out quickly and our volunteer numbers continued to grow. We had monthly volunteer orientations. We now had a feline team, canine team, medical, foster care and a feral cat team and of course we had an adoption team, Each group had a manager and a focus. Some volunteers worked on more than one team. It was all coming together.

We still have 25 volunteers that have been with us for 10- 15 years! We appreciate their commitment to our animals. Here are what a few of them had to say about their experiences volunteering with us.

**Ann McCarthy** does cat care Friday nights and helps with the laundry. "I will always remember when a kitten was found on a Wednesday morning in a tea box left outside the shelter. The young male had a visible health issue on his throat and neck. He was named Socks. He was here for close to six months and being a kitten, dying to get out of his cage. It was such a relief when he was fostered in February, 2011 and eventually adopted."

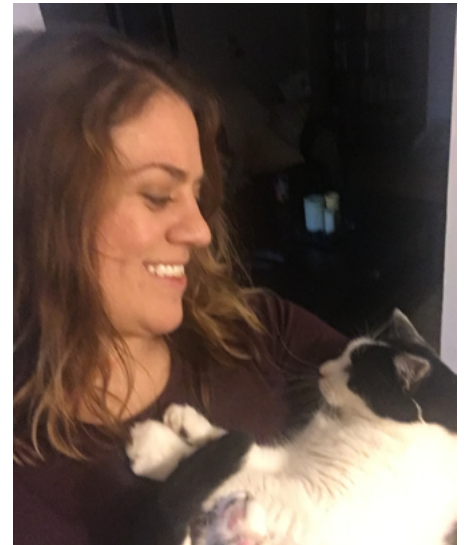
**David Cavanaugh** has volunteered at the Quincy Animal Shelter for almost 12 years. "I value all the good within nature. I care for cats in the Adult room, play with them, and make them feel at home. I take pride in my work and will always do my best! I love seeing young or territorial cats open up to everyone here, even myself. I hope to continue to be a

great source of help and information whenever possible." We love David's commitment to each and every cat he works with.

**Emily Crump** adopted 3 cats from QAS. "I adopted Chloe and Auggie in 2009. Chloe was very sad and not eating when I got her. She was down to 7 lbs! But she's doing great now. Auggie was my sweetest cat who loved everyone, and was so silly because she loved eating paper died of a heart condition several years ago. And my little Sonia was just a kitten when found stuck in the ice during one of the many blizzards of that awful winter in 2015. Her tail partially died, and about a third of it had to be amputated. But when I saw her at the shelter, she stole my heart with her sad face, and penchant for belly rubs."

Five years ago **Jonathan Danho** and his wife **Nicole Lecuivre** had a special photo taken for their wedding in 2014 as part of their donation to the shelter in lieu of wedding favors. "My personal favorite story probably has to be my interactions with Roxy - initially she was one of the most aggressive cats I've ever seen come into the shelter. Myself and others spent months trying to work with her and calm her down and make her adoptable. At times it seemed impossible, but the first time that she finally felt safe enough to come to me and sit in my lap reinforced to me that even some of the most aggressive cats do want to be social and be loved."

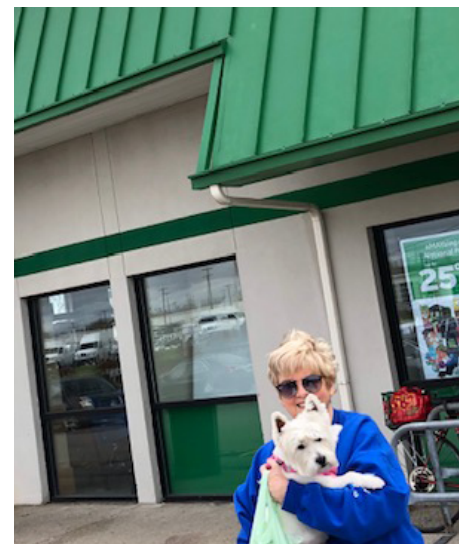
**Lynda Southerland** makes "Caturday" morning cat care fun! "I've enjoyed caring for these special guests while they wait to find their forever families. However, my most



Emily Crump



Nicole Lecuivre and Jonathan Danho



Lynda Southerland



Mary Ferrara



(Left to right) Pat Lynch, Myrna Dacey and Sue Svelnis at the annual volunteer appreciation dinner



Linda Iannoco (Left) and Pat Lynch (Right)



Dennis Gibbons(Left) and Emily Duff (Right)

memorable moments for which I am most proud involve dogs. With my help, the 3 beauties pictured here were able to find their loving forever homes. They are Maggie, Odie and Lexi.

"It's hard to pin down one memory", says **Mary Ferrara** "I remember this beautiful white cat named Mia. She was there for two more years, had so many medical problems but I always made a point to spend time with her. She finally went into foster with a volunteer (Pat Lynch) and spent her last few months in a nice home.

**Mary Warner** and her husband **Matt** make cat care a family affair. "On of my favorite times with QAS was when we fostered a beautiful but terrified cat named Nikki. He hid from us for weeks. He would take treats but all we saw was a fluffy

white paw reaching out and pulling treats behind a chair. When he finally came out and let us pet him, both Matt and I teared up. We still get occasional pictures and updates from the two wonderful men that adopted him."

The shelter has given he me many great moments" says, **Pat Lynch** "from meeting the best volunteers to being blessed to help the wonderful cats & dogs." Pat has done a bit of everything for QAS. "I have volunteered at Barrett's Haunted House, Cause For Paws, QAS's Christmas Fair and marched in the Quincy Flag Day Parade, I am a member of the Meds Team and many other things. What a joy it has been. I am very thankful!

As you can see, we have an dedicated group of volunteers

who each have a special reason for coming back each week. Maybe it is helping an older dog settle in for his first night or help a freaked out cat relax or maybe for some it is the friendships that are made while being a part of our mission.

The class of 2005-2009 is very special and many have become good friends. In addition to those who shared a memory we want say a special thank you to Harriet Hutchinson, Jen Steeves, Paulette Cappadona, Annie Louie, Susan Tuers, Ann Marie Brochu, Dianne Davis, Christine McBain, Sakura O'Grady – Elliot, Holly Williams, Emily Duff, Steph Goldych and Deb Stewart for everything that they have done and continue to do for the animals.



## COMMUNITY SPOTLIGHT

## SPRING CLEANING



*Feline Manager Brianna Geary and her dad, Joe Geary, general manager at ServPro.*

After a long wait, the shelter has officially been cleaned from top to bottom! This was no small task. There is never a "good" time to clear out our entire shelter. So if we were going to get it done it had to be fast. Our spring cleaning project came together quickly, as we wanted to get it done before 'kitten season' began. Over the years we had kept the shelter clean by hosting volunteer cleaning days but had not had the money to have it professionally cleaned. We had received a quote from **ServPro** a local professional cleaning company few years ago, but it was unfortunately too high for our small budget.

That's when our Feline Manager Brianna Geary stepped in said "My dad just became a general manager there! Let me see what I can do!" Luckily her dad, Joe Geary, was just as excited to be involved in this project and he worked to get a plan within our budget.

The QAS volunteers rallied, like we knew they would, to get the shelter cleaned. First the shelter had to be emptied out, that meant just about everything had to be stored away during the cleaning. That also meant that our cats and dogs had to be taken in by our volunteers for a few days. It was an all paws on deck operation to say the least.

It had been too long since the duct work had been cleared out, and the dust at the hard to reach places were at the point that it would be dangerous for us to try to clean without proper equipment. After about two and half days though, **ServPro** gave the shelter the deep cleaning it deserved! The air smelled fresh, the dust was gone, and the shelter was all around brighter. We do need to do some more work, but this has been an amazing start!

We want to thank each and every volunteer who came out and helped with the project. Most importantly we want to thank Brianna, her dad Joe Geary, and his **ServPro** team for helping improve the lives of our animals! You have made an enormous difference!



*Joann McCarthy gives Isolation room a good cleaning!*



*Friday morning team helps put things back post cleaning!*



## ASK HAILEY

*\*Hailey is a fun loving Chihuahua rescued from QAS many years ago, she helps other pets navigate the challenges of living with human beings.*

Dear Hailey,

I love my new "rescued" life. I love the family, the toys, the spot at the end of the bed and of course the regularly scheduled meals and treats. This is all new to me. I was a tom cat, every day was an adventure. I never knew what was for dinner. I might try to catch a bird or go for a dumpster dive. So this new gig is awesome. I think I might even be rich! There is only one problem and it is a big one. They will not let me go out, not ever! If I even get close to the front door my new mom starts shaking cans and stomping her feet trying scare the you know what out of me. I get it. I'm an indoor cat now. She signed a contract, but I didn't. Just trying to deal.

Sincerely,  
Cooped up in Cohasset

**see Hailey's reply on pg.15**



## COMMUNITY SPOTLIGHT II

# ANDY RILEY – BUBBA AND LITTLES IN THEIR NEW HOME

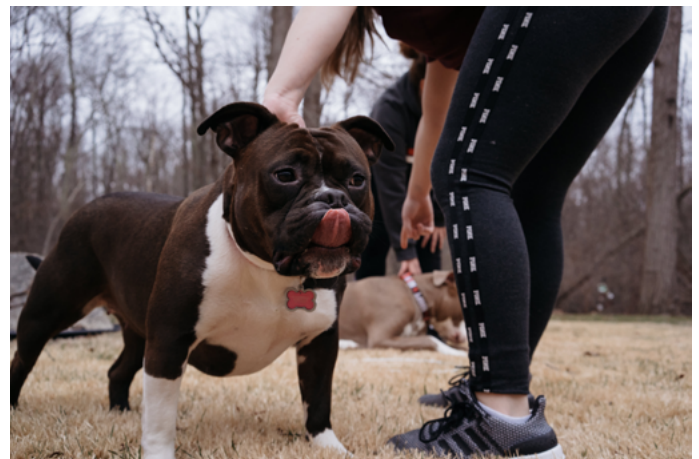
Our animals certainly benefit from professional photography sessions. Putting animals in their best light helps them get adopted for sure. Over the years we have had many excellent photographers donate their time and photograph our dogs and cats making them look like movie stars, even taking them on location for an outdoor shoot. But this time, we were presented with a slightly different offer.

Andy Riley is a documentary photographer living in Watertown, Massachusetts. His goal is to capture, forever in time, real human emotions and honest connections between people. Real life is raw, vulnerable, tender, funny, awkward and brief. What's not to love?

For more information:  
[www.arileyphoto.com](http://www.arileyphoto.com)

Angela, who is one of the Thursday night dog walkers, knows a great guy named Andy who has a photography company. He wanted to do something with the community and see one of our adopters with their new QAS family member. Who better to photograph than Bubba and Littles in their new home? The results are amazing and the family is so happy to have all of these gorgeous photos documenting their first days together as a family. In addition, rather than just shoot the animals, Andy Riley shot a Day in the Life at the Quincy Animal Shelter. He took amazing photos of our volunteers doing what they do best being there for the animals. You can see the photos on our website [www.quincyanimalshelter.org](http://www.quincyanimalshelter.org).

We are over the moon grateful for his excellent donation to QAS.



# 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.

Individual, \$25

Senior (60+), \$15

Family, \$50

## 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

1. Please make your check payable to:  
**Quincy Animal Shelter**
2. Mail the check along with this form to:  
**Quincy Animal Shelter  
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  
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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.



# 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

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## FEATURE STORY

# A DAY IN THE LIFE OF A QAS DOG!



*Christina Friel and QAS alumni Dino*

One reality at QAS is that the cats outnumber the dogs nearly all the time. We can care for about 25 cats and 13 dogs at maximum capacity. Our shelter also does not have the luxury of separating the cats and dogs. When full, the shelter can be a hectic and stressful place for all of the animals. It is very important for them to get some stress free “me” time.

Sometimes visitors will come in and feel bad for the dogs who are in their kennels. Of course we want them to be adopted, but while they are at QAS, they get tons of attention. The thought of a shelter may seem sad and depressing place to many but when you’ve seen some of the backgrounds that our dogs have come in with, we take comfort knowing they are safe and provided for at QAS.

The QAS canine team is a dedicated group of volunteers that are trained to care for our dogs by taking them

for a walk, or an outing like a trip to the Blue Hills for a nice trail run or maybe just a car ride to sit at the beach for a while. They teach them basic obedience and of course paying those lots of attention which always includes a back scratch or a belly rub. Each volunteer is assessed on their dog handling skills and matched with dogs that they can handle well. A color coding system is used to match the volunteers and the dogs. When a dog comes in it might be very scared and hard to handle so a more experienced dog walker will be assigned to care for that dog. As the dog settles in it might be downgraded to a lower level and then more walkers can handle the dog. All of this is done to ensure the safety of both the dog and the volunteer. All of our dogs are seen by a veterinarian, given an exam, vaccinations and are spayed or neutered and microchipped. The dogs are also tested by our canine training team to see what kind of behavior traits they have and what

type of adopter will be best suited for them.

Our dogs are not spoiled, they are loved. We take pride in providing them with basic training so that they can be successful in their new home. We also want to know about you too. Our adoption process is pretty standard; we want to know what you want. What will make you and your family happy? If you’re a couch potato we will not suggest a Border Collie. If you are a first time dog parent we will suggest an “easy going” breed for you. If we have a dog with a health concern, we will let you know everything so you can make an educated decision. We do our best to make the best match possible.

## Dog Gone Lucky

We have been very lucky to attract so many talented dog volunteers and trainers. Since 2013 our dogs have been very fortunate to have Christina Friel as the Canine Manager. Christina will step down as manager this summer but will continue to volunteer as part of the canine team and focus on adoptions.

Christina came to QAS in 2010 and was also volunteering for the Marshfield Animal Shelter. She had volunteered for other shelters before moving to Massachusetts.

“I’m too attached to QAS to leave completely so will be focusing on adoptions and dog walking when needed which is what I was doing when I first started at the shelter. I’ve seen many things change over the years but one constant is that the dogs need love and help. Despite working in Boston and now living south on the Marshfield/Duxbury border, I’m doing my best to squeeze in time for QAS. The dogs

## 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



*Leia gives Jean kisses*

need as many advocates as they can get and I'm determined to protect some time each week for them." Christina made her own perfect match with Dino who was initially a dog taken in by Animal Control. "After losing my 2 other dogs within 6 months of each other, I knew Dino was meant to be my furbaby. He is my protector and brings me so much happiness. I can't just look at his face without smothering him in kisses and he gives great hugs!"

We want to thank Christina for her years of devotion to all of the dogs who have walked through our doors. She will be missed as Canine Manager, but thankfully she will remain part of the canine team.

### Dogged Determination

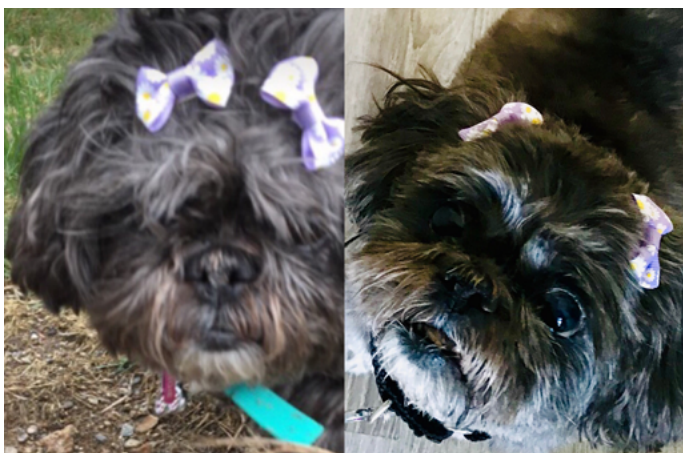
Equally talented Jean Ellard, who has worn a million hats at QAS over the last 20 years, is leaving her post as our Canine Trainer. Jeanie's commitment to the hundreds of dogs that have passed through our doors is amazing. With a passion for pit bulls and positive dog training techniques, she has made the

difference in so many dogs' lives. When Jean 1st began her career at QAS she just wanted to help the dogs. She went on to learn everything she could be to become a professional dog trainer. She went to classes and seminars and studied to learn her craft. Since 1999, Jean has been involved in every aspect of developing and improving our canine program. She always put the needs of the dogs first. Jeanie understand dogs and never waivers from the commitment she has made to them. Jean has served on nearly every committee, was a board member and completes dog adoptions and surrenders and evaluates new dogs when they arrive. She always makes sure they have what they need to feel safe and loved. Her contributions are truly too numerous to list.

Thankfully Jeanie isn't going anywhere; she will still remain an active volunteer and work with the dogs as part of the canine team. We want to thank her for her dedication to the dogs and for everything she has done for the shelter.



## SUCCESS STORY

**ALYSON AND MAGGIE (SENIOR)***Alyson and Maggie**Before & After*

One of the perks of being a QAS volunteer is being able to check out the “new arrivals”! Our volunteers work with the animals each day and sometimes build a strong bond quickly. Contrary to what everyone thinks, we do not let volunteers take them all home! Our volunteers have to meet the same standards as any adopter.

Maggie, a senior Shih Tzu, hit it off with our volunteer Alyson McNamara right away and she stole her heart. As a first time dog owner Maggie was an excellent choice.

Alyson says: “Maggie is doing great and adjusting to her new life! I bought a house last year and had been keeping my eye out for a small older dog so when Maggie came in and was sweet as can be, plus she was small and older, I had a good feeling that it would be a great match. And it really is!”

She’s just such a good girl and loves all humans, other animals not so much, but that’s ok because it’s just me and Maggie. She’s also really starting to enjoy my backyard, which is all hers. Initially I don’t think she liked it but I think it’s because she was unfamiliar. Now she knows the lay of the land and loves exploring in her free time. We also enjoy long walks around my neighborhood which is very dog friendly.”

When Maggie came she definitely needed some pampering so Alyson treated her to a day at the doggie spa. Take a look at the before and after pics!

We are so happy that Alyson was willing to give a loving home to a senior dog. We hope you have many happy years together!

**Submit Your Success Story!** Did you adopt from QAS? If so, please tell us your success story! Don’t forget to attach photos! Send your story to [qasthescoop@gmail.com](mailto:qasthescoop@gmail.com)



# TRIBUTES

From Feb - May 2019

## KIDS THAT CARE

They share their birthdays with donations to the shelter animals

**Ronan Packard's Birthday**  
**Sadie Wetzner-Crothers**  
**Kieran Feldman and friends**

## IN HONOR OF

**"Cappy"** by Debbie Weisman Clasio  
**"Max" & "Lily"** by Joan Monroe  
**"Stella"** by Terry Donovan  
**Colleen Daly Birthday** by Shirley Gray  
**Janet Parisi** by Bonney Solomon  
**Lexi Glaser** by Pamela Lasker  
**Lynda Southerland** (volunteer) by Jonathan Hooker  
**Maia Robins Birthday** by Colin Burns  
**Mamo Kenny for Mother's Day** by Eithnea Kenny  
**Maya's Birthday** by James K  
**Nancy Reed** (volunteer) by Leslie Colello  
**Roxanne Picard** (volunteer) & **Timothy Sheehan's Engagement** by Jessica Sprague  
**Sandra Morse Birthday** by Daniel Weidel  
**Zoe's Birthday** by Timothy Brown

## IN MEMORY OF

**"Brie"** by Avis Pinkos  
**"Callie"** by Julia Brown  
**"Cobie"** by Joan O'Leary  
**"Dorian"** by Lori Amara  
**"Julia Sela"** by Marion Batas  
**"Moses"** by Sally Mong  
**"Penny"** by Terry Bremer & Linda Hewitt  
**"Quincy"** by Christopher Rogers  
**"Ralph"** by Denise Francoeur  
**"Stanley", "Nikki" & "KC"** by Kathleen & Terrence Kelly  
**"Toby"** by Ryan Stoeckel  
**Beverly Crozier** by Susan Trefry  
**Brooke Stephens** by Maureen Cameron, Eileen Archibald, Catherine Hoogendyk, Dean S. Luce School  
**Cindy Clifford** by Arthur Clifford Jr  
**Elaine Sherman** by Loretta McTiernan  
**Janet Mullen** by Edward Mack, Marilyn

Rodes, Sue Ellen Stein  
**Joanne Rawson** by Maryanne Malone  
**Johanne Steinberg** by Wollaston Post Office Employees, Harriet Hutchinson  
**Mary Folan** by Carol & Philip Mecagni, The Tinney Family, John & Elaine Pisciotoli, Melodie Olson, Ginger Jackson, William Pannella, Cindy Peruzzi-Broadwater, Leah Peruzzi, Betty Lamach  
**Nadean Yasko's Mother** by Kate Fahey  
**Richard Berry** by Esther Holmes, Colleen Campbell  
**Theresa Post** by Braintree AARP Chapter #4042

## THANK YOU TO OUR VETERINARIANS

**Canton Veterinary Hospital**, Canton  
**Dr. Jo Traveling Vet Clinic**, Weymouth  
**South Coastal Veterinary Hospital**, Weymouth  
**Veterinary Urgent Care Center**, Quincy  
**Weymouth Landing Cat Clinic**, Weymouth

## SCHOOLS WHOSE SUPPORT HELP THE SHELTER

**Atherton Hough School**, Quincy  
**Broad Meadows Middle School**, Quincy  
**Central Middle School Students**, Quincy  
**Flaherty Elementary School**, Braintree  
**Frolio Middle School**, Abington  
**Lincoln Hancock Swim Club**, Quincy  
**Merrymount School**, Quincy  
**Montclair School Student Council**, Quincy  
**Snug Harbor School**, Quincy  
**Thomas Nash Primary School**, Weymouth  
**Woodward School 6th grade class & Animal Welfare group**, Quincy  
**Weymouth High School**, Volunteers in Practice, Weymouth  
**Hollis School, Grade One**, Braintree  
**Point Webster 8th Grade Student Council**, Quincy

**St. Mary Religious Education Class**, Franklin

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**Agnes Gidley Memorial Trust**  
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**Frozen Freddy**, Quincy  
**Fox & Hound Wood Grille and Tavern**, Quincy  
**Golden Manet Press**, Quincy  
**Granite Lock Company Inc**, Quincy  
**Gypsy Kitchen**, Quincy  
**Inde Salon**, Quincy  
**Jerry Knowles Irish Carpentry**, Quincy  
**Keezer Sportswear**, Weymouth  
**Lighting & Lamps**, Quincy  
**L & L Pet Grooming**, Quincy  
**Lola Beauty Boutique**, Dorchester  
**Petco Foundation**  
**Petco Store**, Quincy  
**Pet Supplies Plus**, Quincy  
**Quirk Auto Dealer**, Quincy  
**Sandy's Pet Grooming**, Quincy  
**Shaws Super Market**, Braintree  
**Stop & Shop**, Quincy  
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**Willard Veterinary Clinic**, Quincy  
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## ANNOUNCEMENT

### Purr Wine and Wag raises \$14,800.

Each year this amazing event is put together by Dawn Gaffney. It has become one of our most successful fundraising events. We want to thank everyone who works so hard each year to make this event happen.



*Jan Parisi at the event*

## ABOUT US

### About Quincy Animal Shelter and Our Mission Statement

The Quincy Animal Shelter is primarily 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 homes throughout New England. We are committed to finding the right home for every adoptable animal in our care. Every animal receives age-appropriate vaccinations, is spayed or neutered and micro-chipped before being placed in its forever home. Delivering this type of care involves many volunteers, an active and dedicated management, and a lot of money. Our annual budget runs approximately \$250,000 in order to provide services to the animals in our care and serve the continuous needs of our growing community.

Our mission is to advocate for companion animals by providing safety until home placement of those in our care, to promote spay and neuter programs as a means to control pet overpopulation and to be the leading community resource for education on proper animal welfare.

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*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.*

## KITTEN WISH LIST

All brands and sizes are welcome, otherwise noted.

- ☐ **Fancy Feast kitten** Turkey or Chicken food
- ☐ **Royal Canin** Mother and Baby Cat Food and Kitten food
- ☐ Clay cat litter
- ☐ Cat toys like furry mice, balls, teasers
- ☐ Cardboard scratching pads
- ☐ Gift Cards to pet stores or grocery stores

## OUR ADOPTION HOURS

**Tuesday & Thursday:**  
6PM - 8PM

**Saturday:**  
10AM - 4PM

**56 Broad Street, Quincy, MA 02169**

Please note: animal surrenders are by appointment only.

## Got QAS Wear?

Yes, we do! Stop by during Adoption hours or give us a call 617-376-1349. We have hoodies, tees, sweatshirts, and more.

## EVENTS

# NEW ENGLAND FEDERATION OF HUMANE SOCIETIES CONFERENCE

This year several of our managers attended the 74th Annual New England Federation of Humane Societies Conference in Warwick, Rhode Island. NEFED's three day event brings animal shelters, rescue groups and animal control officers together to learn about trends and challenges in the New England area. QAS volunteers attend as it is so important to network with other groups. This year's topics ranged from The Future of Animal Welfare in New England, Kitten Socialization and the star of Animal Planet's My Cat from Hell, Jackson Galaxy, who spoke about the 5 Steps to Cat Mojo. There are also classes that focus on animal cruelty investigations and shelter management. NEFED is an excellent resource for any group involved in helping animals for more information see [www.newenglandfed.org](http://www.newenglandfed.org)



(Left) Donna Knauber (Middle) Karen DeFrancesco (Right) Brianna Geary

## COMING SOON

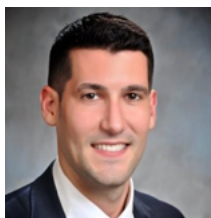
## 20th Anniversary Celebration – The Save Them All Ball

Saturday, Oct 26th, 2019  
The Tirrell Room, Quincy MA

We hope you can save the date to join us at our 20th anniversary celebration "The Save Them All Ball". This exciting event will take place on the evening of Saturday, October 26, 2019 at The Tirrell Room in Quincy. We hope you will join us for a fun night of dancing, champagne, tasty treats & a fantastic auction!



# QAS NEWS



## JEFF VIALL

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Our newest Board member is Jeff Viall. Jeff is an Assistant Vice President at Bristol County Savings Bank. He is very active in the Quincy Chamber of Commerce. He resides in Quincy with his girlfriend and their 5 year old black lab named Madden. Jeff graduated from Northeastern University with a bachelor's degree in Business Administration.



## MAURA PORTER

CANINE MANAGER/TRAINER

Even though we have two amazing volunteers changing their roles, our canines we will be in excellent hands. Kit Burke just announced that we have a new Canine Manager/Trainer. Maura Porter, CPDT-KA is the owner of Clear Skies Dog Training and Evaluation LLC. She is a graduate of Mount Ida College Canine Behavior and Training program, is a member of The Association of Professional Dog Trainers (APDT) and is an evaluator for the DOG B.O.N.E.S. Therapy Dogs of Massachusetts. Additionally, Maura is a dog trainer and evaluator for Pets for Vets. Maura spends as much time as she can with shelter and rescue dogs. She previously volunteered at the Milton Animal Shelter, has worked a great deal with Pit Bulls and teaches classes for reactive dogs. Until this past February, Maura shared her life with her incredible therapy dog Blueberry the Pit Bull Therapy Dog.

Maura believes there is nothing like the love of a dog- especially a shelter dog- which is exactly why she is so excited to join the QAS team

## VISIT // CONTACT //

### CONNECT WITH QAS

#### INFORMATION

For more information, visit [QuincyAnimalShelter.org](http://QuincyAnimalShelter.org)

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Dear Coopied,

You not the first tom to have a sudden life transformation and hopefully you will not be the last. You are looking at this all wrong dude. Life was an adventure huh? How about this, you never knew if there would be a dinner or a tomorrow. You were lucky. Life on the street is rough and short! What kind of dummy would want to dodge cars and coyotes for the rest of their life when you can have a sunny spot in the family room and a nice peaceful life? Watch the birds out the window and cuddle up with your humans! Stop stressing and realize that you are one of the lucky ones.

Best of Luck!  
Hailey

## THE SCOOP

FALL EDITION 2019:

2010- 2015 – CH Ch Ch Changes

Are you a Cat Person?

Meet the Managers

Inside the 20th Anniversary party



## **This 20th Anniversary edition of The Scoop is dedicated to Kathy Barry Cleveland.**

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Kathy was one of QAS's most beloved volunteers. She was a true animal lover, but she also loved people too. She was always kind and easy going.

Kathy was part of the feline team and was an adoption rep who then served as the adoption manager. Kathy was taken from this earth far too soon. She left a lasting impact on the shelter and those who knew her. We will always be grateful for the time that Kathy gave to us and everything she did for the animals that she loved so much.