

THE SCOOP



OUR ATTITUDE IS GRATITUDE

The holidays are the time of year we usually pause and reflect about the things that we are grateful for. 2022 was a challenging year, but it offered many opportunities for us to see how lucky we are to have so many loyal volunteers and supporters. So, in this edition, we honor everyone who has been there for us in 2022.

It takes a village to move an animal shelter. It is never easy moving when you have lived in the same place for 23 years. We had a lot of stuff. Our move was an enormous undertaking, which we could not have done

without our volunteers and the Department of Public Buildings headed by Commissioner Paul Hines. Under the direction of our Shelter Director Kit Burke, our move team was brilliant! In July, we began packing, headed to our new, temporary location (Yes, we are going to have to do this again in 2024!) The city provided a lot of support, but it was our volunteers who got the job done! Leaving Broad Street was a daunting task. Additionally, we had to be mindful of the Massachusetts new, strict, shelter regulations and consider the best ways to make the new space work efficiently. 440R East Squantum Street was an old garage rehabbed and turned into a new, fully accessible space. While most of the space was move in ready, there were many things we needed to figure out, including how to set up familiar things in a new space. We needed a prep kitchen to prepare meals for the animals and store the

necessary bowls, food, and supplies. With inflation, the retail cost would have been several thousand dollars, but thankfully, Yola Thorp, of G.F. Kitchen and Bath design of Quincy donated all the new cabinets and Patty Cronin of Cronin Management donated the countertop and full installation; it is beautiful! (photo) In addition to the big move, we also had to persuade the Quincy City Council to approve funding for the new, permanent animal shelter to be built on Quarry Street and house the Quincy Animal Control officers, the Quincy Police K9 unit and QAS. Our volunteers came to show their support each time that we needed them. They are a dedicated bunch for sure! Thankfully, the funding was approved, and we expect the project will commence in the spring of 2023. We also thank Mayor Tom Koch and his chief of staff, Chris Walker, for their continuing support.



GF Kitchen & Bath donates an amazing prep kitchen!



Moving Crew

FROM THE PRESIDENT

A FOND FAREWELL TO 56 BROAD STREET

We look forward to fulfilling our mission at our new, temporary location at 440 R E. Squantum St. and are ecstatic about the new shelter to be built on Quarry Street, but it is impossible to leave 56 Broad Street without a little bit of sadness. We left behind so many memories, happy and sad; like giving directions, "It's the little blue building at the end of the road behind Father Bill's where the Registry use to be!"

When we started volunteering at the shelter in the summer of 1999 the fate of animals in Quincy changed for good. The euthanasia room was dismantled. People started to sign up and volunteer. The truth is we really did not know what we were doing, or how we were going to get everything accomplished, but we did it with a lot of challenging work, dedication, and the love of animals. We lived in

the little blue building at the end of Broad Street. The building did not offer us much; it was built in 1989 as a euthanizing dog pound with no provisions for cats. It was not meant for long-term animal sheltering, but we made it work, we had to! And so began our commitment to giving animals the second chance that they deserve.

The little blue building was the place where our dreams came true too. We are very proud of saving over 8,000 dogs and cats, but there is so much more that happened there. Our volunteers have shown up every day, seven days a week, two times and a day for 23 years, averaging 1000 volunteer hours each month. They spent holidays at the shelter to make sure the animals were not alone. We held open houses and adopt-a-thons. We crammed ourselves into the

tiny office on adoption days. When things broke down, we fixed them. We painted, cleaned, re-organized and did everything we could to make a safe place for the animals. 56 Broad St. is also where decades long friendships started. Not just between volunteers but with you, our community, and so many of our supporters who stopped to check in with us. 56 Broad Street will be remembered as the place QAS was "born". We already miss Fratelli's, but not trying to take a left out of Broad Street!

We now look forward to the second leg of our journey at 440 R E. Squantum St. Thank you to everyone from the city who made our new location so nice for the animals, volunteers, and the public!



A MESSAGE

ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER: DON CONBOY

As we finally settle in our new, temporary shelter we are quickly learning how to cope. Although it has been drastically better than our home for 34 years there are certainly adjustments to be made. The volunteers did a great job in preparing for the move. It took the

moving company about six hours to get us out of the old place and into the new. After 2½ months everything is finally coming together. The City of Quincy should be very proud of all the volunteers who do it for the animals. Happy Holidays to everyone!



Don Conboy

VOLUNTEER SPOTLIGHT

2022 will officially go down as the most collaborative year in QAS history and for that reason we will not single anyone person out in this issue. We all win!

For the first time in three years, we were able to get together and have our annual Volunteer Appreciation dinner at the Tirrell Room in Quincy. We had a great turnout! We celebrated the commitment that our volunteers make to the animals and to each other. We also handed out years of service awards and our yearly Rookie of The Year to Angela Harvie, Shelter Director's Award to Elissa Donnelly and the President's award to Stacy Rotondo!



Volunteer Spotlights



2022 Award Winners Stacy, Angela and Aliisa



Party Planners Lauren, Peg, Patti and Jessica

KIDS THAT CARE

Some of the most generous and selfless acts of kindness come from kids. Since our early days we have welcomed kids of all ages into the shelter loaded with donations for our animals. They have had lemonade stands, made blankets, held food drives at schools and even forfeited birthday presents by asking for gifts for the animals. When they visit the shelter, they get a tour, and we snap some photos. These are great kids. I am sure their parents are proud too. Kids who love animals are incredibly special to us.



Sweet Treats from the Girl Scouts



Olivia's Birthday Donations



Kids That Care



Aubrie Makes a Donation

A LEGACY

JOHN MCDUFF JR. & THE QUINCY ANIMAL LEAGUE

Low Cost Spay and Neuter Programs for Quincy Residents coming soon

Besides adopting our animals, one of our goals is to help our community. Like everything else, the cost to spay or neuter your cat or dog has skyrocketed. Soon we will be able to help due to a generous legacy donation made by John McDuff Jr., an animal rights activist and the President of the Quincy Animal League founded in 1982. Honored by the MSCP and the Quincy Citizens Association for putting an end to "pound" animals being seized for experimentation and for building the shelter at 56 Broad St.

in 1989, McDuff was also responsible for banning exotic circus animal performances in our city. He was a member of and supported many animals' welfare groups and shelters. He was a dear friend to QAS. He remained active in Animal welfare until his death in 2014. We learned this year that he left a generous donation to our shelter with a specific request offer low cost spay neuters to Quincy residents in need. Stay tuned in 2023 for more info to follow on this exciting program. Thank you, Mr. McDuff, for your outstanding commitment to our city and our animals.



John McDuff Jr.

TEMPORARY WISH LIST

WHAT WE REALLY NEED RIGHT NOW:

CATS AND KITTENS:

- ☐ Canned cat food, Friskies or
- ☐ Fancy Feast, including kitten
- ☐ Any brand of dry cat food
- ☐ New litter boxes and litter scoops

DOGS:

- ☐ Purina ONE canned adult dog food
- ☐ Stewart Pro freeze dried training treats
- ☐ Kong dog toys - medium and large sizes
- ☐ Nyla Bones, size LARGE

HOUSEKEEPING ITEMS:

- ☐ Any brand of HE laundry detergent
- ☐ Paper towels
- ☐ Bleach

WHAT WE CANNOT TAKE RIGHT NOW:

- ☐ Blankets and linens
- ☐ Pet carriers and crates
- ☐ Cat trees and furniture
- ☐ Large pet beds
- ☐ Pet food dispensers and containers
- ☐ Pet food bowls

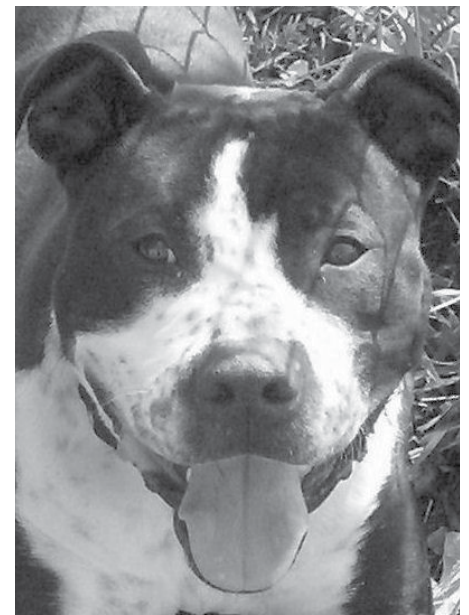
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MISSING MARCO

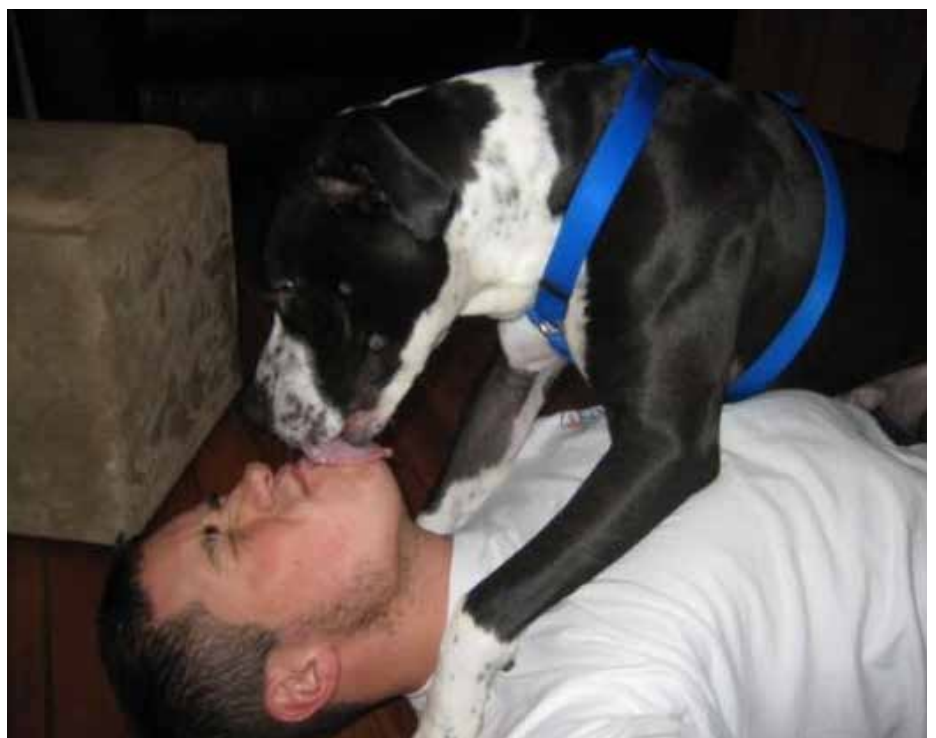
So many of our animals leave an imprint on our hearts. We all have animals that we will never forget. Volunteer Jean Ellard Gillan fondly remembers a dog named Marco. What a beautiful dog.

"I am not sure how many will remember Marco. He was black and white pit we adopted out in 2008. He was young, impressionable, smart and with us for longer than he should have been. Luckily, we were able to provide enrichment until he found his forever home with Rich. Rich was just in his twenties, but fully committed to our Marco. He worked with us, following our direction to make Marco the best dog ever, being a well-trained boy, learning how to behave around other pets to enable him to have a house mate, and stopping by to see us periodically over the years. There are some dogs you do not forget; Marco is one of them for me. Rich left a message on the machine that Marco recently

crossed the rainbow bridge. I was so fortunate to meet a special dog like Marco and then to meet an equally special person who gave Marco the best life he could have.



Marco



Marco Kissing Rich

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

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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
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.

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 us 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

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State

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Email

Phone number

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SUCCESS STORIES

Kodi graduates from training class like a boss!

Feline brothers Blue and Bruin are living life large and are adjusting nicely. "Still a little skittish when I walk around, but both slept on top of me last night for a while. They do not like the food I had, so I got the pate' kind like you offered and ate it all." We love patient adopters! Thank you



Kodi Graduates

for giving them a loving home.

We are happy to report that Puppy Pookah found a wonderful couple to share his life with!

Jack, a young tabby, is comfortable in his new home! Their resident cat is touching and smelling, but there is no hissing. They think he is a great cat!



Blue & Bruin Soaking Up the Sun



Pookah's New Family

THE LEGAL BEAGLE

Thanks to Rep Bruce Ayers, October will be ADOPT A SHELTER DOG month. He successfully filed legislation (House Bill 3102) to make this happen.

The governor shall annually issue a proclamation setting apart October as Adopt a Shelter Dog Month, to increase public awareness and

encourage the adoption of shelter and rescue dogs in Massachusetts and recommend that the day be observed in an appropriate manner by the people.

We thank Rep. Bruce Ayers for his continued commitment to make a difference in the lives of homeless animals.



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

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KIDS THAT CARE

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SPECIAL THANKS

Presidents Ladies Golf Association proceeds from golf tournament
Break Rock Brewing of Quincy
Howl-A-Ween Dog Costume event proceeds
Ashmont Farmers Market, Dorchester
Pet Appreciation Month Donations
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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.

FUN-RAISING

We have had a busy fall for the first time since 2019. It feels so good to get back out there and see you all again!

The Ashmont Farmers Market in Dorchester This was our first time and boy was it fun!

We love our new neighbors – Break Rock Brewing Company.

A Great Dane Black Swan, A three-legged Lobster Boston terrier, the

cutest Dorothy and Toto ever and IPA's Stouts and QAS! They were they barking up the right tree!

We were so happy to be a part of Break Rock Brewing Company's First Ever Howl-O-Ween Pageant. What a terrific turnout. See you again next year!

We also want to thank all crafters and volunteers who made our Annual Craft Fair a success.



The Winner: Black Swan



Break Rock Bunch



Ashmont Farmers Market



Dorothy & Toto

FUN FACT

Did you know that there is a law that declares the Tabby cat as the official cat of the commonwealth?



QAS NEWS



Raffle tickets available until Dec 10th



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ADOPTION HOURS

Currently we are open to the public on Saturdays from 10:00 A.M. to 2:00 P.M. or by appointment.

Please note: Animal surrenders are by appointment only.

DON'T FORGET ABOUT US!

WE'RE AVAILABLE FOR ADOPTION!



Sweet Lola



Bentley Needs a Home!



Eddie, the Beagle



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.*

Hailey will be back next time. She is taking a much-needed vacation!

*This edition of the Scoop is dedicated to longtime
QAS volunteer, Mary Warner.*

*Mary was a wonderful volunteer and friend to so many
here at QAS. A beautiful person inside and out.
We miss you.*



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