

THE SCOOP



A MESSAGE FROM THE SHELTER DIRECTOR

Looking Back and Looking Ahead...

It's hard to believe the end of 2023 is in sight! This year has flown by and we have been very busy. The big story here and all over the country is the increase in surrendered animals. We have had a steady flow of stray and surrendered dogs, the most we have seen in more than a decade. It is very tough for many animal shelters and rescue groups right now.

The high cost of everything has brought many challenges to us and to members of our community. QAS is committed to help more families keep their pets. More people than ever have sought assistance in the form of food, supplies, behavioral assistance and help finding vet care. All of this takes money and lots of it. Like everyone else, our budget is

tight. We are fortunate to have had many of our supporters remember us in their estate planning and wills. We are extremely grateful to those who left us directed funds that will help us provide low cost services to Quincy residents in need. In 2024, our goal is to expand our services to those who need our help. Please continue to support us as you always have, with donations of supplies, money, and items from our wish list, we can't do it without you!

We are also grateful to our volunteers. We have had many new volunteers join our organization. They are a wonderful addition to our already amazing team. We can't do this great work without them. On a sad note, we lost two long standing volunteers, Feral Cat Manager and board member Janet Parisi and our Adoption Manager Cathy Parsons: a huge loss for our organization. They were both wonderful women, fully committed to our organization.

In June, Quincy's senior animal control officer for the last 25 years Don Conboy retired, and we welcomed Nick Malvesti as the new



ACO. In August, we celebrated one year in our new temporary location at 440R E. Squantum St., still enjoying the newness and availability of natural light!

It has been quite a year and we look forward to celebrating our 25th Anniversary in 2024! On behalf of everyone at QAS thank you for your continued support. We wish you a very happy and healthy holiday season!

With Gratitude,
Kit Burke
QAS Shelter Director

MEET NICK MALVESTI

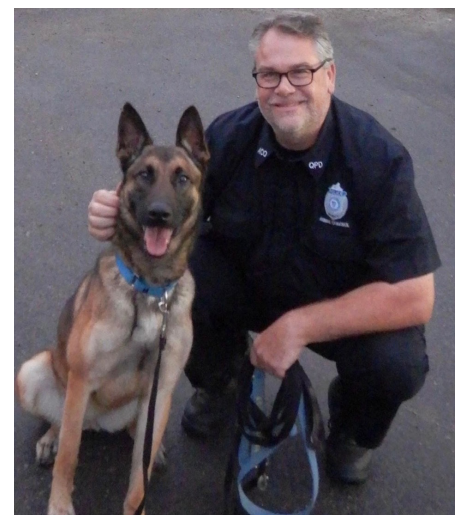
Quincy's New Animal Control Officer

My name is Nick Malvesti I am a lifelong Quincy resident born and raised in West Quincy. I am a graduate of Quincy High School. After I was married I moved to Adams Shore. I have a bachelor of fine arts degree from Massachusetts College of Art. Before becoming an

Animal Control Officer, I worked at the Quincy Parks Department for 30 years. I met my wife Eileen in high school, we've been together for 34 years and married for 22. I have a son who is 18, who attends Boston University and I have a 14yr old daughter who attends Broad Meadows Middle School.

It's a pleasure to be working with the Staff and Volunteers of the QAS.

I would also like to wish Don Conboy a happy animal free retirement!



Nick & Flora

THE SEASON OF GIVING



There are so many ways to help us - help them.

There are so many ways that you can support our mission. The way that we fundraise has changed since Covid and the advent of social media and digital fundraising. It is easier for you to choose how you want to support us. For example, your donation can be directed to our general fund or

one of our special programs like The Guardian Angels Cage Card Fund (our longest running and most successful program). This is a great way to honor a beloved pet or honor a human being. Perhaps you would prefer to make a direct donation to another one of our special funds like the Mickey Medical Fund or Wesley's Wish Fund Feral Cat Fund.

WESLEY'S WISH FERAL CAT FUND

In 2001, Wesley was brought to us by someone who thought they were doing the right thing. They brought him to QAS but we were not open, so Wesley was tied to the street sign outside with a rope around his neck. Terrifying treatment for any cat to endure, he fought to get free, nearly choking himself and permanently scarring his neck. The trauma was overwhelming, for a period of many months, volunteers worked tirelessly to calm Wesley and gain his trust. His neck healed, his hair grew back, but his trust in humans had not. He was sweet one minute and on guard the next. He would strike

without warning and had become a danger to those trying desperately to help him. Even medication did not diminish the fear. The damage was done and he could not be rehabilitated. This was devastating. Wesley deserved better.

In his name, a fund to help the truly homeless and helpless cats was created in his honor and to preserve his memory. Wesley's Wish helps fund our feral cat program which helps control the cat population in Quincy through a Trap, Neuter, and Release program. Since 2001, more than 1000 feral cats have benefited from Wesley's Wish.



THE MICKEY MEDICAL FUND

Mickey was a puppy born in 1999 from one of our very first stray dogs, Momma. Mickey was a fun loving pit bull that was adopted by a QAS volunteer. Unfortunately Mickey died suddenly of antifreeze poisoning. His family was devastated because there was nothing that could be done to save him. Sometimes, pain brings action, and Mickey's human

mom set up this fund in his honor. Her goal was to make sure that if an animal can be saved, QAS will have the money to save them. The Mickey Fund provides resources to animals in need of extraordinary medical care. Please consider a donation so we can continue to provide lifesaving procedures when necessary!



CORPORATE GIVING AND CORPORATE SPONSORSHIP

Corporate Giving is another way to help – ask your employer about matching gifts, workplace giving like jean days and food and supply drives. We also host volunteer days where you and your team can come to the shelter and lend a hand.

We also have many opportunities for business to become event sponsors at many levels.

LEGACY PLANNING & GIFTS

There are also many ways to donate to our organization that will help us and help you with your estate planning, charitable giving and providing favorable tax benefits.

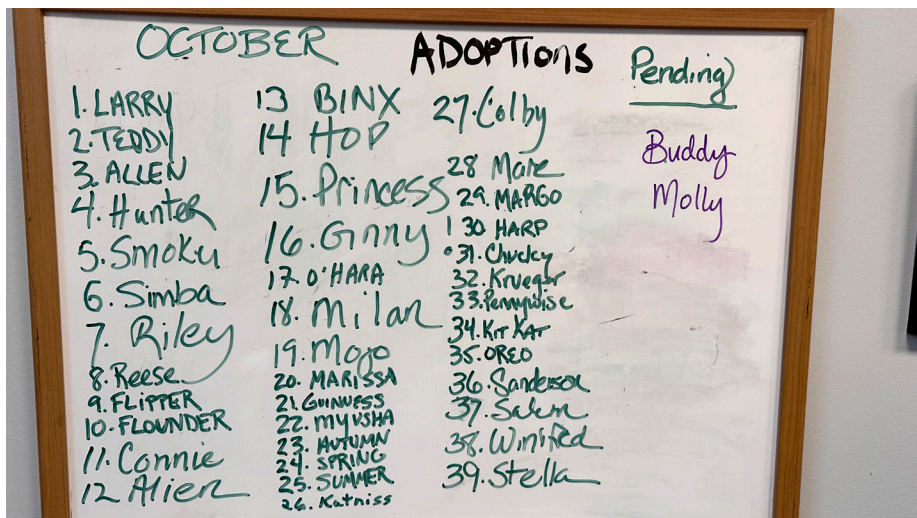
- Monthly Donations
- Donor Advisors Fund Grants – Check out our website for more details!
- Estate Planning, Trusts and Bequests
- Memorial and Tribute Gifts to honor loved ones and animals
- Gifts of Stock, Mutual Funds, IRA Contribution Rollovers.

No matter how you choose to help us, we appreciate your support. We cannot do this without you. If you are interested in learning more about these opportunities please contact us.

SPECIAL THANKS TO SUBARU OF AMERICA

October is Subaru Loves Pets Month

Subaru of America helps animal shelters every October. We are so happy to receive their generosity each year. Amazing shout out to our adoption team who placed 39 cats and dogs in new homes during October! Subaru will give us \$100 for every adoption that we complete in the month of October! That's \$3,900.00 from doing what we love!



Adoption Team

SUCCESS STORIES



HARP

Little polydactyl 'Harp' was adopted today and renamed 'Ella.' This is her with her new dad. She had a blast playing with him in the office, and I am sure she is going to love her new life!



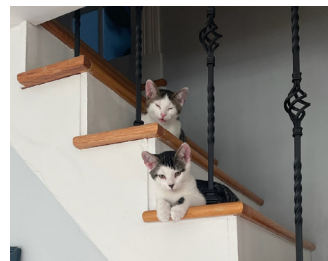
MARGO

As you can see, she's already made herself right at home!



PEPPER

Pepper says hi to everyone from her loving foster home. She is thriving. We did some training in her home today. She is such a great dog!



TED & LARRY

Now Bruce and Gus. They're doing great! The family is in love with them and says they are having a blast exploring their new home.



WILDE

This handsome boy will keep his new parents very busy!



SIMBA

Simba was here for a while so he is happy to be headed home!



SPOT

Now Buddy Someone has had a very busy day today. First he went to work and saw his very good friend Tanya. Then he went for a long walk and finally went into the TD Bank and was a good well behaved little pup.... And finally a long walk back home...We are so happy you have the wonderful life that you deserve!



GRACIE

Now Nala: Hi! Just wanted to check in and let you know that Nala is doing great! She was hissing at the dog at first, but has already gotten used to her and they enjoy sniffing each other and napping in each other's vicinity. They're not at the cuddling stage yet, but fingers crossed! She is very sweet, purrs when we pick her up, and also a crazy lady who runs around the house and scales furniture! She was very intrigued watching the Lion King, hence her chosen name. We love her very much and thank you for bringing her into our lives!

HONEY & HER PUPS



Honey

Honey was surrendered to us by a previous adopter who answered a WhatsApp ad for a husky thinking that their husky would want a friend. They quickly realized that she could be pregnant, so they brought her to us. 3 days later, Honey had 5 babies at the shelter. Our volunteer Erin, said she would take them all home until they would be old enough for adoption. As they are coming up on their first birthday we thought everyone would want an update!



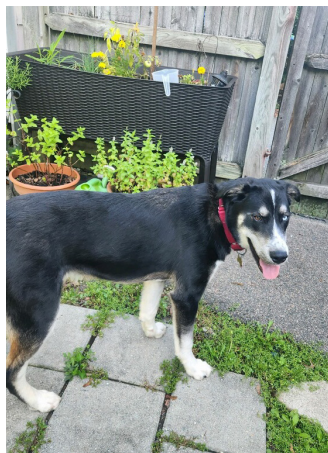
They were, Craig, Gus, Willow, Gambell & Juneau



Gambell, now known as Finn loving life with his mom in NH



Juno, Still Juno, living with his human sibling & parents



Willow, our only female. Now known as Winnie loves her husky sister Nala and completes her family.



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

HONEY & HER PUPS CONTINUED



Craig. Adopted by the volunteer who fostered him. Now living life with his brother, Tyson adopted from us as well



Gus. Still known as Gus, as you can see, loves his kitten sister, Dottie



And our mom, Honey. She spent some time at the shelter waiting for her forever family. It took a bit before they walked in but as soon as they did..it was love at first sight. She's living her best life, now known as Rua Honey.



Honey



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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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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

Company (if applicable)

Address

City

State

Zip code

Email

Phone number

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VOLUNTEER SPOTLIGHT

LORI BLAU

Lori Blau

My last cat passed away in 2009. I wasn't going to get another, then I realized how quiet the house was and decided to adopt. I don't remember how I heard about QAS (so glad I did). I went there and found Harry and Sydney. QAS intrigued me, it was busy, everyone I dealt with was very nice and the building was wild. It amazed me there was a shelter there. I decided I wanted to volunteer.

It has been the best decision I could've made. I volunteer Saturday mornings, I started as cat care then

a couple of years later added meds for cats and dogs. I love seeing all the animals, helping them anyway I can. I gravitate towards the sassy/troubled, scared cats. I've learned so much over the years about cats and cat behavior and am still learning. I've had help doing this from the managers, shelter director and my fellow volunteers!

I can't think of any other place I'd rather be on Saturday morning, wish I could be there more.

VOLUNTEER SPOTLIGHT

MORGAN SOULE

Morgan Soule

Morgan moved to Quincy with her dog Wagz in December 2022 after almost five years in Washington, DC. Morgan has had a lifelong love of animals - having at least 3 at all times growing up in Northern Vermont. She is a graduate of Bryant University and New England Law in Boston and works remotely as a corporate attorney.

Working from home, Morgan wanted to find a reason to get out of the house and find a connection to her new community. She found her way to QAS in May and began volunteering as a Monday morning dog walker and soon after joined the Saturday crew as an adoptions greeter. She loves helping animals find their forever homes and helping families find their perfect additions. Starting and ending her week with

QAS has been rewarding and a lot of fun.

When not succumbing to demands for hours and hours of fetch with Wagz, Morgan likes to cook, read, run and explore Quincy. She looks forward to many more walks with the great dogs and volunteers at QAS. Congratulations to her Rookie of The Year Award presented at our annual volunteer appreciation event!



Rookie of the Year Award Winner

WISH LIST

All brands and sizes are welcome, otherwise noted.

- ☐ Any brand of dry cat food for our feral pantry (open bags ok!)
- ☐ Stewart Pro-Treat – The Original Freeze Dried Training Treat
- ☐ Fancy Feast Adult Cat – for our Shelter Residents
- ☐ Cat Toys
- ☐ Paper Towels
- ☐ Bleach
- ☐ Any HE brand laundry detergent (must be High Efficiency)
- ☐ “Yesterday’s News” Cat Litter
- ☐ Interactive dog toys like Buster Cubes and balls (no tennis), unbreakoballs, Chuckit! Balls
- ☐ NEW Plastic litter boxes and NEW plastic litter scoops with tags and stickers (litter boxes cannot be used)
- ☐ Postage stamps
- ☐ Gift cards to grocery stores
- ☐ Jolly Ball dog toys, Boomer Ball dog toys
- ☐ Kong Dog Toy – Medium and Large
- ☐ Plush Squeaky Toys for dogs or cats
- ☐ Wisdom or Embark DNA testing kits.

SHELTER DIRECTOR'S AWARD WINNER

MYRNA DACEY

Myrna does many wonderful things for the shelter but she is famous for her dirty work! She successfully organized monthly shelter cleanings that help keep our building clean and safe for all.



PRESIDENT'S AWARD WINNER

LIANNE BUSA

Thank you to Lianne for tackling many critical projects since joining the board.



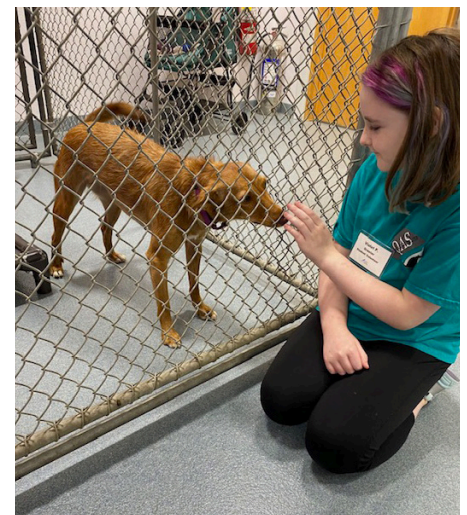
OUR NEWEST GREETER

MEET VIOLET

Violet has been volunteering as a Saturday morning greeter and she is learning the ropes and doing a great job!

Hi, my name is Violet and I'm the first ten year-old to volunteer at Quincy Animal Shelter. I love it here at QAS, I love everything about it. It may not look like much, but it's full of love. We're always here to help. The staff are great and they treat you like family. Actually, I think QAS is one of the best places in Quincy! Why do I say one of the best? Because you could visit the shelter and meet

a new furry son, daughter, sister, or brother. You'll fall in love. That's what's so special about this shelter.



Violet

KIDS THAT CARE

MIKE CURRAN

Mike Curran from Chickatawbut Road had an awesome fundraiser for us and raised \$250. Mike and his dad and his dog stopped by with a generous donation!



KITTEN WISH LIST

Caring for more than 150 kittens and their moms can be very expensive. They can come to us with special needs so it is important that we are well stocked to care for them.

- ☐ Royal Canin Mother and Baby Cat food (wet and dry)
- ☐ Pedialyte (No Flavor-Unflavored)
- ☐ Nail Trimmers
- ☐ Thermometers (specific animal ones if possible)
- ☐ Non Clumping Cat Litter- UNSCENTED
- ☐ Kitten Toys

GOOD TIMES

Our first ever Braintree Beer Garden Takeover was a huge success thanks to our volunteers Dina and Hope and the rest of the crew. Even some rain couldn't stop the fun! It was a great turn out, with cornhole competition, brews and lots of doggies. What more could you ask for?

Special thanks to Kay's Can and

Bottles, Tim Clark, Boston Baggo Co., The Mutt and JB's Indoor Dog Park and everyone who donated to the raffle. See you next year!



Best Buds & Brews



Organizers Hope & Dina

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KIDS THAT CARE:

Mikey Curran, Donated proceeds from his lemonade stand

North Quincy High School, Pop-up Store

Snug Harbor Student Council, Fundraiser

SPECIAL THANKS:

Sarah McDonald, Donated proceeds

from Bake Sale at Fairfield College

Event

Abbey Knoll, Photography Canine

Calendar Shoot

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Dinner Pictures

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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.



QAS NEWS

Meet Our Newest Board Members



Georgia, Beans & Beau

Georgia D. Polemenakos is currently working in healthcare administration at Beth Israel Lahey Health. Additionally, she is an MPA candidate at Suffolk University's Sawyer Business School. Prior to that, Ms. Polemenakos worked for Governor Charles D. Baker for 7+ years in various capacities, most recently as his Senior Deputy Director of Boards and Commissions. During the 2020 Covid-19 Pandemic, Polemenakos was hand-selected by the Governor's Senior Staff to lead the Governor's PPE Procurement Vetting Team and assisted the Commonwealth in procuring millions of pieces of PPE to front-line workers throughout the Commonwealth. Ms. Polemenakos is a strong proponent of public service.

She recently completed a fellowship for the Women's Public Leadership Network where she served as a State Partner to the Pocketbook Project where she was responsible for assisting women running for public office. She also volunteers locally in Quincy, MA as a committee member on the Adams Presidential Center Advisory Committee. Ms. Polemenakos earned her Bachelor's Degree in 2016 from Suffolk University in Political Science where she was also honored as a '10 under 10' honoree for making significant contributions in her field and in the community. Ms. Polemenakos currently resides in Quincy, MA with her boyfriend and 2 rescue dogs, "Beans" and "Beau."



Meghan & Atticus

Meghan Sisk is a longtime animal lover and advocate who has been fortunate to have served as a volunteer for a number of international animal advocacy organizations. With her passion for environmental volunteerism, she has volunteered in China, Thailand, East Africa, a team in the Caribbean as well as within the United States. Meghan is a skilled professional with a background in law and administration, having gained experience in both private and public sectors. Currently, she holds the position of HR Executive Operations Administrator for the Human Resources Division at the

Commonwealth of Massachusetts. In this role, she manages HR operations for various Commonwealth departments, supervises a call center catering to thousands of employees in the Executive Branch, and oversees the administration of specific statewide programs. Before assuming her current role, Meghan occupied several senior positions within the Commonwealth and also practiced law in the private sector with a focus on civil litigation. In her spare time Meghan enjoys traveling, volunteerism and spending time with her husband and three dogs, including a precocious English bulldog named Atticus.

Holiday Open House

Come join us on Saturday, December 16 at 10:00 for our annual event. Get in the holiday spirit with QAS - raffles, goodies and a lot of fun!

Save the Date

October 21, 2024
Golf Tournament at Granite Links

Here's what we need to make this a fantastic event. We are looking for Event Sponsors - Silent Auction and Raffle Prizes and of course Golfers! More info to follow as the date gets closer but please contact us if you would like to be a part of this event!
events@quincyanimalshelter.org

The Legal Beagle Animal Abuse Update from State Representative Bruce Ayers

In an effort to support our local animal shelters while increasing the punishments for those found guilty of animal cruelty, I recently testified in support of my bill H2022 before the Joint Committee on Municipalities. This bill would increase the fine for animal abuse to \$5,500, and would take the additional revenue generated and place it into a fund dedicated to making improvements and investments in local animal shelters. The idea for this bill was generated after conversations with local animal advocates and animal shelter volunteers in my district.



Our 2024 Calendar

QAS Calendar features the Quincy Police Department's K9 Team

Wait until you see our new K9 Calendar! Available now. Grab yours before it sells out!

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Once again we thank Jay Southwood from Break Rock Brewing for hosting the second annual Howl-o-Ween party donating the proceeds of the event to QAS. Lots of crazy pups in costumes and loads of fun for all.

This year Jay Weinberg and The Water Club at Marina Bay hosted a ghoulishly good time at the 7th Annual Mischief and Mayhem Halloween Bash donating the proceeds to QAS.



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