



CHLOE – GREETER EXTRAORDINAIRE



This is a tough remembrance to write. Not because we don't have enough to say, but because she touched so many lives, even prior to coming into the Shelter.

Chloe lived most of her life as a shop cat in a grain and feed store. There, she would constantly interact with all of the customers. When people would come into the Shelter, they would recognize her from her previous job. She would always enthusiastically greet every person who came through our doors, looking for a loving pat, her blue, slightly crossed eyes, gazing up into theirs. Her soft fur begged petting. No matter where she was in the Shelter, she would come running when she heard the front door open. She had more than enough love to share with everyone. She was adopted by one of our volunteers, who loved her unconditionally, but unfortunately, became too ill to care for her. She came back to the Shelter, and although she mourned her human, she got right back into her routine. A testament to her resilience. She was the top cat when she was with us. She ruled the roost! I will always remember how she would run to her room when I had her plate of food. She is gone, but will never be forgotten.

THEY COME IN, THEY GO OUT

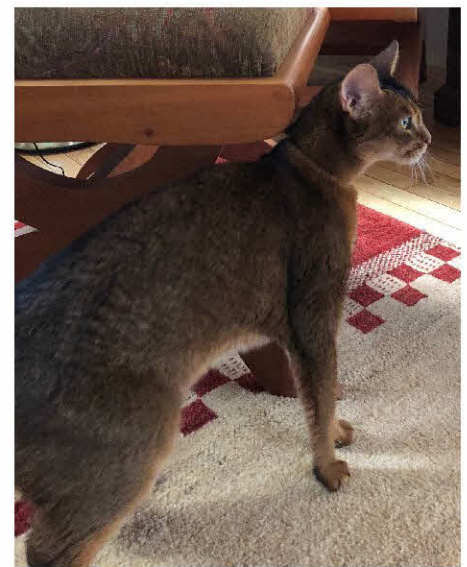
While we haven't had many kittens this year, we still get lots of cats that need homes. I think we can say we had a lot of great kits come in and finding their fantastic forever homes was PAWS up a large part of what we did! We were surprised when we ran the numbers. We are a small Shelter, but extremely dedicated to helping our Community. We utilize Facebook to try to re-home a kit, prior to it coming in to the Shelter. It often works! If not, they come to us.

Being a volunteer at CASAS means we see cats at their worst--afraid and uncertain--and also at their very best--confident and secure. Seeing them go from one frame of mind to the other is a testament to the resilience of cats. Some kind words spoken softly, maybe a gentle touch, and time given to decompress are the first things we do to help an incoming cat feel safe and secure.

Cats coming into the shelter have usually gone through some life changing circumstances. Their owner may have passed away or moved and left them behind. Whatever has happened they need care and patience to help their natural resilience come through. Sometimes this can be a long process. Interactive playtime is one of the most important ways to bring out a cat's natural hunting instincts and therefore help build confidence. With confidence comes resilience and the ability to learn trust and overcome difficult situations. Every one of the kits we take in, no matter where they come from, touch our hearts in some way, even though we know we are just a small stop on their way to a much happier home and life.

RECENT ADOPTIONS

Pickle to Catherine Myers
Blue Boy to Teresa Corcoran
Oliver to Ann Robinson
Molly to Meredith Flynn
Harley to Sarah Petrie & Susannah Arterian
Lewis to Janet & Stephan Nickerson
Chang Poo to Siesonn Fontaine
Salem to Joann Fahrenz
Annie to Kathy Tillman
Gabriel to Reed Boland
Cumin to Julia Knight
Websy to Lora Bumps
Linus & Lucy to Mary Alice Wells & Cass Benson
Sylvia to Leisa & Kevin Keiser
Alex & Lizzy to Kevin Schneider
Josie to Katie Flanagan
Jersey to Eleanor Brimley
Goober to Spencer & Elizabeth Kennard
Echo to Lori Dalomba
Roscoe to Fantasia Hatch



Pickle

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so he knows it's me. Because his retinas are generally fully dilated, he always has a surprised or puzzled look on his face. That comes from the fact that without visual cues, he always has to figure out his surroundings, assess where he is, where he can jump, what the obstacles are. Now when he cries out, it's because he wants to know if I'm home and where I am. So I call and he comes running.

Animals are amazing!

PET APPRECIATION WEEK 2018

Sunday dawned clear and sunny for the Canine Games at Truro Treasures. With **Amanda Reed** as the ringmaster, many animals and their owners participated in a host of fun events. And the winners were: **Best Dressed: Bella (Brenda)**; **Waggiest Tail: Plum**; **Best Barker: Daisy Mae (Rick Miller)**; **Dog Tricks: Brando (Paul Mydelski) and Ami (J. Ganesboro)**, **Fastest Recall: Tesla (Janice Roderick)**; **Dog/Owner Look-A-Like: Skye (Mike Kellick)**; **Smallest Dog and Biggest Dog: Camola (Steve Stahl) and Maple (Donna Turley)**; **Best Kisser: Pilot (Mike Kellick)**; **Best Heeler: Oscar (Amy Prada)**, and the **Best Doggie Dancers: Pandora (Kathy Johnson) and Ami (J. Ganesboro)**. Swag bags, donated by **Paws and Whiskers** and **Team Crackerdog**, were given to all participants. Thanks to **Ben & Jerry's**, **Bliss**, and **Agway of Orleans** for donating gift certificates.

On Friday evening, a fabulous feast was had by many at **Bayside Betsy's** fish fry. The food was delicious! Thanks to **Irv Morgan** for hosting the event and donating two gift baskets for raffle which were won by **Jay Adams** and **Marjorie Bullock** and **Nina Lyons**.

Saturday was another glorious day. Our festivities kicked off with the Blessing of the Animals at **St. Mary of the Harbor Episcopal Church**. The animals were blessed by **Reverend Gregory Howe**. The Annual Pet Parade commenced after, with **Animal Control Officer Ruth Anne Cowing** leading the way and **Bob Littlefield** drumming. We headed down Commercial St. through town to finish at the **Boatslip Resort** and party down at Pet Tea dance.



So many of the pups had great costumes and we all had a blast.

On Sunday we drew the \$1000 raffle ticket, which went to **Tim Devaney** of Florence, NJ. We also tallied the pledges from the pet parade and the high pledge winner was **Towanda deNagy**.

Our Fabulous Feline Foto contest was an on-line event. All of the winning photos were submitted by **Gina Hlobik**. The winners were: **Most Interesting: Gigi** and **Georgie**, (owner **Kim**); **Most Beautiful: Penny** (owners **Sharon** and **Chach**); **Funniest: Lil Clyde** (owner **Gina**).

As always we would like to thank our Super Sponsors: **Bliss**, **Fanizzi's Restaurant**, **Krazy Khat Womyn**, **Seamen's Bank, Cape Cod 5**, **Team Crackerdog**, **The Zachary Fund**, **BY&D Insurance Agency**, and **Atlantic Bay Sotheby's** as well as the many other T-shirt Sponsors. We would also like to thank everyone who came out for our events. PAWS UP!

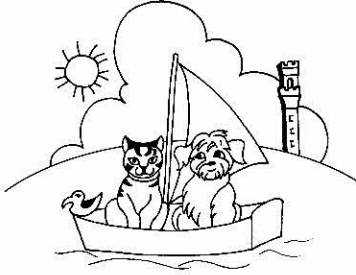
CASAS CALENDAR



The 2019 CASAS calendar is available! All of the cats pictured have come through our Shelter in the past year. Thank you **Rachael Sokolowski** and **Amanda Reed** for your excellent photography. The calendars are \$20 and 100% of all proceeds go to CASAS as this project is sponsored by a local donor. Please call or stop by CASAS to purchase.

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*I see cats in repose glorious
I know cats maybe
Not at all*



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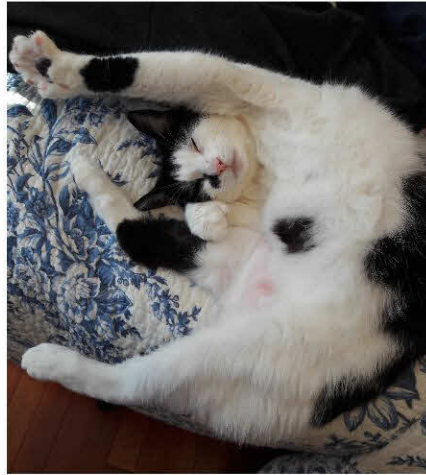
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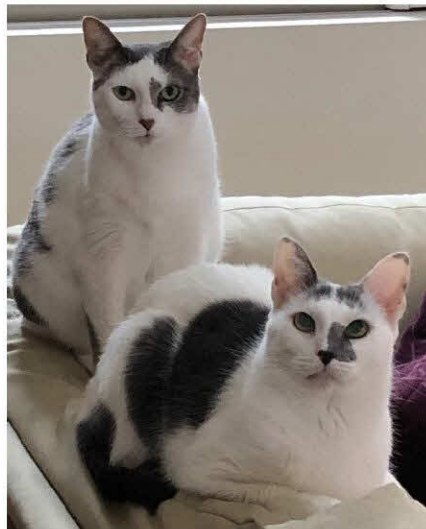


Molly



Lewis

LOKI: CONQUERING DISABILITY



Loki & Leah

Loki and his sister *Leah* were born at CASAS on June 28, 2012. *Loki* was

the only one in the litter who was blind from birth. Four months later, *Loki* and *Leah* came to my home.

The two were bonded at the shelter and it was inconceivable to adopt one without the other. I had never had a blind kitten and didn't know what to expect. I must admit to being anxious about how all this would turn out. Once *Loki* and *Leah* were given the run of the house, my anxiety became more pronounced. I cancelled everything for a week so I could supervise *Loki's* meanderings. I took him down to the litter boxes, let him sniff around, carried him to the stairs to the main level, talked him up the stairs, then the stairs to the third level, talking all the time. I had no idea what *Leah* was doing while this was going on. Finally, I left everyone alone and listened and learned.

The first time his plaintive voice came from the third floor, I found *Loki* in the hallway looking totally disoriented, staring into space, and listening. He was quick to follow my voice down to the living room. This went on for two days: *Loki* lost, *Loki* found, *Loki* redirected. On the third day I decided to test what would happen if I didn't rescue him. The next time he got lost upstairs, I didn't respond to his meow and waited. To my surprise, *Leah* came racing up from the basement, ran to the third floor and brought him down. Whenever he was lost in the middle of a room, he let his sister know and she'd plant herself in front of him, put her paw on his forehead, and lead him to a known location. I also left the TV on in the kitchen so he always had a reference point. It took only a week or so before *Loki* became independent and knew his way around. Good job, *Leah!*

Six years later, you would never know that *Loki* is blind. He knows the house better than any of us, he learned to run with his head down so he wouldn't crash into anything face on, he's the best hunter of gnats, spiders, and various other insects. His hearing is so acute that he's always the first to alert me to any unusual noises. He knows the sound of my car, hears the gate and is waiting at the door when I arrive. I greet everyone when I arrive