

In Memoriam

Donations made in memory or honor of a beloved pet or person

David & Peggy Phillips
In memory of Luna

John & Paulette Kolb
In memory of Maggie Mae

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In memory of Barbara Collins

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In memory of Remsen

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In memory of Peter Freeman

Robert J. Hennenberry
In memory of Loki boy

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In memory of Red Beard, The Pirate,
Tom's 17 year old tabby



John Dunn
In memory of Renee and Joey

Marge Piercy
In memory of Puck and Sugar Ray

Kathleen Harlan
In memory of Jack and Franklin

Nancy Francomano
In memory of Alan Cullinane.
Thanks for always making me feel at
home. I will miss your presence

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In memory of Kevin Roderick

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In memory of Kalki Jane

Rita Burke
In memory of my Welsh Terrier
Maggie Mae

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In memory of Delta, Buddy and Sophie

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In memory of Dorothy Nearen

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In memory of Ethel Stutski

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In memory of Echo

Miriam Collinson
In memory of Rose Martin, Tom

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In memory of James Buckingham,

David & Mary Duncan
To honor the life of Dorothy Nearen

Dana Richard
In memory of my little friend

Gina Larkin
In memory of Sonny Larkin

Lawrence Valerio
In memory of Elsie M. Scafuti

Bob & Sharon Fodor
In memory of David Gierula

Mark Dick
In memory of Tyler and Gilda.
Pyppy daddy Chris Stein

Shirley Lauffer
In memory of Winston Davidson
Jane M. Weissman & Mary Lou Bell
In memory of Alex



Veronika Bachmann-Baron
"In loving memory of my husband
Eddie, and Benny the cat looking
for his shrimp"

GENEROUS KIDS

When children learn early to give to others it follows them throughout their lives. **Juniper O’Campbell** and her family have been visiting CASAS since she was a very young girl. Her caring and respect for the animals is obvious in the way she interacts with them. Recently **Juni** and her friend **Tom Johnson** sold “Hats for Cats” at the Nauset Regional Middle School craft fair. Part of the money they earned they donated to us.

We and all of the animals who will benefit from their generosity are grateful for their thoughtfulness.



In picture left to right—Morgan Johnson, Juniper O’Campbell, Tom Johnson

CASAS CALENDAR

The 2018 CASAS calendar is here! All of the cats pictured were (and one still is) here at the shelter. Thanks to volunteers **Rachael Sokolowski** and **Amanda Reed** for your excellent photography. The calendars are \$20. This project is sponsored by a local donor, so 100% of the proceeds go to CASAS. Please call CASAS to purchase.



CHLOE



Chloe is one of the most loved cats at shelter. She runs to meet everyone who comes to the front door. Even if she just saw you two minutes ago she will treat you as if she hasn’t seen you in a month. *Chloe’s* extra soft fur and beautiful blue eyes add to her winning personality. When she stopped eating and lost interest in people we knew *Chloe* was very sick.

Dr. Sadie Hutchings was called in, medications were prescribed but *Chloe* did not respond as quickly as we had hoped so it was decided to take her to **Tufts** emergency hospital in Walpole where they have more diagnostic capabilities.

Chloe spent two nights at Tufts receiving blood tests, ultra sounds, fluids therapy, nebulizing therapy, and lots of TLC. Her fever came down, her congestion started to clear, and she ATE! It was a happy day when *Chloe* came back to shelter where she continued to get the support she needed to fight a very bad viral infection. She can still be picky about her food but she is gaining weight and is back to her normal jolly self.

Thank-you **Dr. Hutchings** and **Tufts** for giving us back our *Chloe*.

Our permanent population is aging and the possibility of more stories like *Chloe’s* is likely. Please help us help our forever friends by donating.

PET APPRECIATION WEEK 2017

Yes, this years’ event ran through a whole week, instead of just a weekend! We kicked off the party with a Sunday breakfast at the **Top Mast** hosted by **PTown Parties**. Thank you **Dave Schermacher** and **Todd Wagar**.

Friday found a brave few attendees to our morning *Yoga with Cats* class at the shelter, with Instructor **Christine Falco** leading us, and shelter kitty *Chloe* helping out. In the afternoon, we had dual dog-themed readings at the **Provincetown Library** from Author **Leslie Lawrence** and Poet **Robin Becker**. A fabulous feast was had by many at the **Bayside Betsy’s** fish fry on Friday evening. Many thanks to **Irv Morgan**, who also donated an animal and people-oriented lovely gift basket and also gift certificates that were raffled off. The night concluded with dancing at the **A-House**.

Saturday started out rainy, but the rain blew out just as we were setting up for 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 through Town (and record crowds cheering us on) to finish at the **Boatslip Resort** to party down at *Pet Tea Dance*. So many pups in great costumes. It was a fun affair.



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 - **Maple, (Donna Trulay)**; Best Barker - **Trap, (Eva Hixis)**; Dog-Tricks - **Harper, (Grace Shannon)**; Fastest Recall - **Prika, (Peny Santana)**; Dog/Owner Look-A-Like - **Jaspar, (Cid Bolduc)** and **Benedict,**

(Shelly Braver); Smallest Dog and Biggest Dog - **Bearly, (Lee Bartell)** and **Maple, (Donna Trulay)**; Best Kisser - **Bella, (Francesca Cerutti)**; Best Heeler went to a **Corgi** and the **Best Doggie Dancer** was - **Pandora, (Kathy Johnson)**. Swag bags, donated by **Cape Cod Dog** and **Team Crackerdog**, were given to all participants.

CASAS had a table at **Truro Treasures** where voting took place for the *Fabulous Feline Foto Contest*. The winners were: **Toby** for Most Beautiful, (**Jeannette Bragger**), **Appletine** for Funniest, (**Jay Adams and Kerry Castle**), and **Big Bob** for Most Interesting, (**Celia Chetham**). Cat swag bags were donated by **Wendy Janoplis**. The winner of the \$1000 raffle was Lou Scarlino and the winner of the Cape Cod Dog gift certificate was Nancy Dooley.

As always we would like to thank our *Super Sponsors*, **Front Street Restaurant, Bliss, Fanizzis's Restaurant, Krazy Khat Womyn, Seamens' Bank, Bayside Betsy's Restaurant, Team Crackerdog, Cape Cod Dog, The Zachary Fund, Roz and Bob, BY&D Insurance Agency, Big Daddy's Buritto's, and Provincetown Physical Therapy**, in addition to the all other *T-shirt Sponsors*. We would also like to thank everyone who came out for our events. **PAW UP!**

NEW WEBSITE

CASAS has come into the modern world with a completely redesigned website where you can see the cats we have for adoption, make donations, and even buy T-shirts or a gift for your favorite furry friend.

We give many thanks to **Rachael Sokolowski**, one of our board members, for donating her time and expertise to this much needed facelift.

Soon we will have a new tour of the shelter, videos of kittens, and maybe interviews with some of the residents. Stop by www.casasanimalshelter.org and see our new look.



CAT CHAT - VISION by Roz Goldstein

At the last Chat I promised a discussion of cat vision. The cat's senses are adapted to the way he hunts (both sexes).

First, if you have ever wondered why that little furball wakes you at 4-5 a.m. and whizzes around just as you settle in to watch your favorite TV show, it is because of his instinctive hunting schedule. Cats are not truly nocturnal. They see best at dawn and twilight (crepuscular). This is when most small rodents emerge. They see colors best in purple and gray ranges since these are the colors of dusk.

They are indeed adapted to see in very low light but not complete darkness. Their eyes have evolved a lining in the back of the eye which is reflective and greatly enhances any light penetrating the pupil. This lining is called the tapetum lucidum. This is what gives the cat the appearance of eyes which "glow in the dark". Another adaptation to low light is the pupil shape. Unlike our round pupil, the feline pupil is a vertical slit. This allows for maximum opening of the pupil in the scant light and controllable closing in higher light so as to not injure the sensitive lining.

Another adaptation of their vision to how they hunt is they see best close to them. Also their vision is motion sensitive. These traits allow the cat to see small prey near them well as well as sense small movements. There is some research suggesting that feline vision can see into the ultra violet range. This may explain their staring into space when we cannot see anything.

All the feline senses are geared to his hunting abilities. A happy cat is one with visual and physical opportunities to practice these. Small toy mice, balls, ball tracks, etc. keep his mind active and you sane.

C'EST GRIS



C'est Gris, which means “this is grey” in French, came to us when his elderly person died. He is the gentlest cat you could ever meet and talks to you with the sweetest voice. Although *C'est Gris* is now a senior, the form and grace of his youth are still apparent. He loves to be brushed and petted and will show his appreciation with head bumps and loving looks that will melt your heart. His idea of the purrfect home is a quiet place with a sunny window.

C'est Gris is available for adoption, is part of our Senior for Seniors foster program, and he could also be sponsored for \$20 a month to help defray his living expenses. Sponsors receive a photo, updates, and the right to say “I’m a special person because I’m helping a CASAS cat”.

SMILE

CASAS has created an account with AmazonSmile. This is a program where Amazon donates 0.5% of the purchase price of eligible products to the charitable organizations selected by their customers. So, please help us out if you shop with Amazon.

Go to <http://smile.amazon.com> You will need to spell out Carrie A. Seaman Animal Shelter not just CASAS.

THE LEFTOVER



Peaka (now *Penny*) came to us with her brother *Boo*, and sister *Joy*. They were our first litter of the season! As we had been anticipating kittens for a long time, they were showered with attention. Not long after they arrived, *Boo* and *Joy* were reserved for adoption. As they had at least a month more with us before they could go home, we were sure *Peaka* would be spoken for in the meantime. Alas, that did not happen. *Boo* and *Joy* went home together, and *Peaka* stayed behind. *Paige* was also downstairs at the time, and they became friends. As kitten season was now fully upon us, we needed all of our downstairs rooms for intake. It was time to integrate the two with the resident upstairs cats. At this point, *Peaka* was about 4 months old and exhibiting full-on kitten behavior. She was into everything, including trying to entice the older cats to play. They would hiss and swat at her. She soon learned she would have to make do with her human playmates. We enjoyed her antics immensely. Her favorite gymnastic event was the Balance Beam. One time, she did not make the mount, flipped over, and was dangling by her front paws over a stairwell. Well, my heart was certainly in my throat! It had been a long time since we had a kitten amongst our general population. Finally, we got an inquiry from a listing on

Petfinder. The family was far up-Cape, but intrigued with her. We had many discussions about her temperament via email, and finally the day arrived when they would meet her. After over an hour of spending time with her, she stole their hearts. They would take her home. The family had a resident cat and there was much discussion about integrating them. After about 6 weeks and many email conversations, the integration was complete and they are now one happy, loving family.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!!!

Can you think of a way to lower your blood pressure and reduce your chance of a stroke that doesn't require taking medicine? Do you have a half hour a week to sit with a lovely cat, brushing her beautiful, long fur? Could you help socialize kittens by playing with them? Can you tell stories to a shy cat so he can become familiar with the human voice?

These are some of the important jobs that need to be done on a regular basis at CASAS. Spending time with cats has an amazing positive effect on our health as well as improving the quality of life for the cats. Sometimes the regular crews are just too busy with visitors, phone calls, cleaning, and scooping to actually spend much time with the cats in their care. We need your help to give our cats the love and attention they deserve.

Call us at 508-487-4243 or stop in, 5 Sandy Hill Lane, Provincetown to meet us and the wonderful cats. We are open every day from 2 to 4. Hope to see you soon.

WISH LIST

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