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BUTTERCUP



Buttercup (Little Girl) got up close and personal from the first day she arrived in January 2017.

She loves to lie on my chest, stare into my eyes with her nose about an inch from mine and purr...and purrr...and purrrr! She is a savage huntress and does a fine job culling the local mouse population, and eating them too (all organic). Every time I come into the room, she meows and softly blinks her eyes to say hello.

Having her excellent company during this pandemic year has been a comfort and a joy.

Thank you for taking her in and for all you do.

Sincerely, Helen

FABULOUS FISH FRY FUNDRAISER

In September, Irv Morgan of Bayside Betsy's hosted a fabulous fish fry with all the proceeds going to CASAS!. The food was delicious and the deck was a delightful place to partake of the offerings. As the fog rolled in Provincetown Harbor became even more dramatic. Everyone had a great time!

PET APPRECIATION DAY 2021

The rain had finished up and, although the skies were overcast, we were dry for our Saturday escapades this past September. Our festivities kicked off with the Blessing of the Animals at St. Mary of the Harbor **Episcopal Church**. The animals were blessed by Reverend, Deacon Charlie Nichols. The Annual Pet Parade followed led by a Provincetown Police **Escort**, the **Provincetown Town** Crier, Daniel Gomez Llata and our drummer, Robert Littlefield. Next came all of the animals and their people, including a quite large tortoise! There were a record number of parade watchers and we were amazed at how many people were lining Commercial Street, cheering us on and clapping for us. It was a wonderful feeling! We headed through town to finish at the



Boatslip Resort and party. **Trampolina** was the mistress of ceremonies for the contests.

All of the animals and their people had a great time. We were so happy we could have these festivities this year.

On Sunday, we drew the winning ticket for our raffle. **Kara**, from Wellesley, MA was the lucky ticket holder! CASAS would like to thank her for donating her winnings back to the Shelter.



'TWEEN THE TIDES FUNDRAISER

On a Sunday in late October, 'Tween the Tides of Provincetown had their last day of the season. This vegan/vegetarian food establishment had a "pay what you can" system for food orders, with all the money going as a donation to CASAS. The owner of the establishment, **Bethany**, and her daughter had adopted a cat (Dominique) from CASAS at the beginning of the pandemic. This was one of her ways of giving back. What made it even more special was the rescuer of Dominique (it took about a year for trust to be built between human and cat), CASAS volunteer **Scott**, was able to stop by and meet Bethany.



Thanks to everyone involved in helping to get *Dominique* a forever home, and helping the rest of CASAS kitties.



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CAT CHAT OUR GOLDEN OLDIES

by Roz Goldstein

As Winter approaches, we welcome the holiday season with joy. But we also face the possibility of destructive winter storms. Today, I will address dealing with all that winter brings as it can impact our pet's welfare, as well as ours.

First, we will discuss emergency gokits and shelters in the event you need to evacuate during a storm.

Include in a Pet Emergency Go Kit:

- 3 or more days of food in airtight containers and water
- Medical records, especially current vaccination information
- Any medications your pet takes regularly
- A collar with an ID tag
- A Cat carrier. You are not allowed to bring cats into a shelter without being in a carrier. It may be noisy and busy with strangers and your cat may run out of your arms
- Pet litter and a litter box
- A photo of you and your pet together if possible as well as any microchip information you have
- A few toys and bedding (do not overpack due to the lack of space in the shelter)
- A name of an alternate person who can be responsible for your pet if you are incapacitated
- Research ahead of time motels and hotels willing to take pets.

A list of Cape Cod shelters accepting pets follows:

- Pet Shelters run by Cape Card DART
- Barnstable Intermediate School. 895 Falmouth Rd, Hyannis
- Falmouth High School
- Sandwich High School
- Cape Cod Regional Tech in Harwich

- Nauset Regional High School (managed by Lower Cape Animal Shelter Team - LCAST)
- Provincetown Emergency Shelter, Veterans Memorial Community Center, 2 Mayflower Street, Provincetown

Once in the shelter, your pet will be crated in a separate area from the humans. You will be allowed to visit with your pet during the day. Sleeping quarters are separate. It might be a good idea that if you have flea protectant, to apply this before you leave if not used recently. This is just a precaution.

As all the fun holidays approach, of course we include our family and friends in our planned festivities. This of course includes our furry companions. During the holidays, some of us will look forward to having guests in our home. Doorbells, visitors, and noise may stress your cat. Don't be surprised if they look to hide. Even a social cat can be overwhelmed by people and noise. Of course, make sure everyone knows about the presence of your cat(s) and doesn't hold open doors to the outside. Sometimes it is safer and less stressful to put your feline friend in a familiar room with food, water, litter box and toys. Keep to the cats feeding and medicine routine as well. Microchipping your cat in case they do escape is a good idea.

As we decorate the house and tree be cautious about putting out breakable ornaments, hanging them high on the tree. But as we know, cats climb, especially kittens, so this may not be an option. Do not put tinsel on the tree as cats love to chew this and can get an obstruction (this goes for ribbon as well). Make sure all electric cords are out of the way. Cats, again especially kittens, may chew on them. An electric cord cover may be used. Make sure any water the tree may be standing in (live trees) is inaccessible. Animals can get very ill from the resins accumulating in this water. Holiday plants are often gifted or used as décor. A list of plants that are harmful is: amaryllis, azaleas, chrysanthemums, holly, ivy, juniper, mistletoe - and most dangerous are lilies. While holly and poinsettias may

PET OXYGEN MASKS

We met our goal! Thanks so much for all of you stepping up to the financial plate to allow us to purchase 8 Pet Oxygen Mask Kits to donate to the Truro and Wellfleet Fire Departments. These masks can make a difference between life and death for a pet that has been exposed to smoke from an accidental fire. Provincetown has the requisite mask kits, thanks in part to their local Animal Welfare Committee.



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