

CASAS  
Carrie A. Seaman Animal Shelter  
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<http://www.casasanimalshelter.org/>

### WISH LIST

Cat litter

13 gallon trash bags

Bounty paper towels

Fancy Feast Classic canned cat food

Purina or Iams dry cat food

Suitable gift cards

Cat toys

At this time we do not need blankets, pillows, comforters, litter boxes, cat carriers, or dog crates.

### WALK FOR A DOG



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## SPONSORSHIPS

Every no kill shelter has them. Sometimes they are called sanctuary cats. Others shelters say permanent residents. At CASAS we call these cats our Forever Friends. For one reason or another, these cats are hard to place or may even be unadoptable. Here are two more of our Forever Friends.



*Houdini* is aptly named as he would rather disappear than be seen by potential adopters. He has certain volunteers that he likes and is very sweet with them eagerly asking for petting and rubs. If someone would take the time, *Houdini* would be a wonderful companion.



This handsome boy is *Tyler*. He and *Houdini* are best friends, often sleeping together in a cubby barely big enough for one adult cat. But they comfort each other as friends should. *Tyler* has lived with people and was relatively happy until a dog entered the home. He also has

his favorite volunteers and comes out for loving. For just \$20 a month, you could sponsor one of these great cats. You will receive a picture and their story along with updates. You also will have the bragging rights to say "I support CASAS in a very special way".

## HOME SWEET (RE)-HOME

Many people adopt, or come by other means, a pet. They are the joys of our lives! But, life can be unpredictable. We think we will have our furry friends until they pass. Such may not be the case. Housing issues, health issues, and family dynamics can wreak disaster where a pet is concerned. We at CASAS have embraced the world of re-homing. At the moment, we are using Facebook and word of mouth. As always, we consider what is best for the pet that needs to go "somewhere else". To that end, we believe the transition from a home-to-home environment is so much less stressful for the pet. We have re-homed at least seven cats in the past few years. They stayed out of our shelter, and by all accounts, have thrived in their new homes. Please, visit our Facebook page at

[www.facebook.com/casas.ptown](http://www.facebook.com/casas.ptown)

A letter from a person we helped to re-home their cats.

*"Our heartfelt thanks to you and CASAS for helping us place our cats. They have gone to a very nice gentleman and a wonderful new home. CASAS is doing a fantastic job for all of the homeless dogs and cats and we wish you continued success."*

## SAMMY

When someone in our Community passes, it's always a loss. Even more so when a pet is left, mourning. Such was the case this past December. *Sammy*, a gorgeous marmalade kit, 10 years old, lost his human. He had a great support system, but needed to find a new home. Coupled with his loss, he is also mostly blind. CASAS was contacted to help. Of course, we could take the kitty, but given his recent loss and slight physical impairment, we thought it best to try to re-home him. The gears of our machine

were quickly put in motion. We got a pic of him and his profile. Popped it up on our Facebook page, and had numerous people that offered to help within two days of the posting. The human (thank you *Kitty*) in charge of his well-being was put in contact with a person who replied to the post, and spoke with her. She is a pet communicator in Shelbourne Falls, MA, and it seemed a good fit. She had recently lost two older cats, and had a vacancy in her heart, and home. Plans were made. She had no experience with a blind kit, so we contacted a member of our Board, who has a blind kitty, and received much information to pass along. Arrangements were made. Big PAWS up to *Anita* and *Dave* *Butler* for transport to the northwest part of MA. Also, a huge thank you to *Catherine*, a vet tech from *Herring Cove* Animal Hospital for coming in on a day when the clinic was closed, to do blood work, to make sure *Sammy* was viral negative (he was). We like to share these stories, as part of what we do does not necessarily take place within the shelter proper. We are always available to help.

A note from *Sammy's* new mom, only a few hours after he was delivered to her.

*"He sits in the Enkido asana on the top of the stairs in the late overcast afternoon where the only light is beneath him on the 1st floor and to the side, and his eyes glow very deep, very bright, a golden shine, and I am in awe. He looks up, continually up, keeping watch, listening, glowing gold. He has been here not even 4 hours and he nuzzles into my arm and purrs. He is keeping watch on the top of the stairs, white slippered paws folded into the v-shaped collar of his white chest, dozing now, he is centered and at rest, he has come to the right place. Earlier when I put him on the bed (with 3 down comforters on it) he walked around on the puffiness, amazed, and said 'I've been here before'.*

*love, gratitude, and blessings"*



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### RECENT ADOPTIONS

*Hercules* to Charity & Hans Spatzak-Olsen  
*Little Girl* (now *Buttercup*) to Helen Miranda Wilson  
*Mai Mai* to Jackie Morganel  
*Kunta* to Genevieve Fusco  
*Frankie* to Alice Medway  
*Murphy & Tucker* to Lisbeth & Edwin Berrio

### VIXEN



*Hi Anita & gang @ CASAS- Our girl, VIXEN- The Tabrador Retriever- just had her 1st birthday! We wanted to share some pix of her 1st year as a once in an every 9lives kinda kitty. Vix' is living out loud here on top of the world in N. Truro. She's a real beauty- very petite, she was almost 9 mos. old when she finally tipped the scales @ 4.5lbs. She was quickly whisked off to Dr. K. in Eastham for removal of her babymaker. She took that in stride and was soon back to her perch at the 8ft picture window with 6 "channels" (feeders) of BirdTV.*

*Vixen has a gorgeous coat- its soft to touch & glossy sheen earning her the nickname "Chinch," for the Andean rodent she would, no doubt, love to murder. She's very chatty, with a true, clear "meow" she uses to great effect. Her trills, chirps & constant puuurrrr remind me that love comes through in many languages.*

*Ok- we're off "hunting"- 5pm is a regularly scheduled visit to our suet feeder by that demon red squirrel. He knows Vixen can't get her claws into him....and she wants him to NEVER forget it!*

### ME-OW



Life on the Outer Cape can be precarious at best. Housing is so tenuous, and when a pet is involved, the ante is upped exponentially. We hear it all the time, "I've lost my place, I can't find anything, let alone a place that will accept my cat". We try to re-home these eventually to be displaced pets whenever possible - less stressful for the pet and can put the owner more at ease. It does not always happen. Such was the case of *Me-Ow*. We got the call this past Fall. A local resident, lost housing, found something temporary, no pets allowed. Re-homing attempts got no results and *Me-Ow's* owner relinquished her to us at the Shelter. *Me-Ow* was 12, and had been with her owner since she was 9 months old. Tears were involved, but we assured the owner we would take good care of her, spay her, get her up to date on shots, and put her up for adoption. We found out early on that she did not get along with other cats, a bit of a dilemma, given that our cats roam freely. We set her up in her own spacious room and waited for her to be snatched up. Many potential adopters came and visited with her, but nothing clicked.

In February, *Me-Ow's* former owner notified us that she had found a place for May 1st, *Me-Ow* would be able to come with her. Very exciting for all! We at the Shelter strive to always take into account the best interest of every cat that comes our way. This situation had a very inspiring ending for us. It makes what we do ever more rewarding.

## MY NEW TOY by Nemo Butler



*For my birthday, Mom and Dad gave me the greatest toy ever. They bought it from Katrina at **The Cape Cod Dog** (I'm not sure I like that name!). It's called the **Purrfect Leather Bouncer** by Vee Enterprises. It's made of Eco Friendly leather and is a winner in the Editor's Choice Awards from **Cat Fancy Magazine**. It's made in the USA, just like me! It has a furry shape that moves just like a mouse and Mom says even with my sharp teeth I can't bite through the leather string. Ha! I bet I can. When they play with me, I run like crazy and jump so high I feel like a bird. When I catch that furry thing I like to carry it, stick and all, into the bedroom where I can guard it. I could play with it all day but Mom puts it way up high so I can't get to it when I'm alone.*

*I think every good cat should have one of these toys. Well, maybe even the not so good ones, too. It's not their fault if they're not good all the time. they have enriched your lives as well.*

## PIZZA PARTY FOR PUPS & PUSSYCATS

A great PAWS up to **Montano's**, owner **Bob** and his staff for a wonderful Pizza Party fundraiser in March. The pizza was excellent and service was provided with a smile. We had a Buck-A-Duck game that was a lot of fun and also held a "choose your own auction". Additionally, one of their staff from the Party dropped by the Shelter the next day, looking for a cat for her grand mom. There was an instant connection with one of our cats available for adoption and the kit headed for New Hampshire two days later. We love these stories!

## ANNUAL DINNER AT THE POINTE

We would like to thank **Michelle, Sean, Tom, Dave** and **Ken** and their **Staff** for a wonderful dinner at **The Pointe Restaurant** this past April. As always, it was a sold out affair and everyone had a wonderful time. The meal was scrumptious! Thanks to **Truro Vineyards** for supplying the wine. An oil painting, donated by local artist **Hilda Neily**, was won at auction by Sherry Brec. We are always so grateful for how the community comes together for our cause.

## BREAKFAST AT CHACH

Once again the generous folks at **Chach Restaurant** in Provincetown put on a delicious and fun filled breakfast to benefit CASAS. Our thanks go out to **Chach, Sharon, Cindy, Kara, Jamie** and **Martin** for the tops in food and service. They helped us raise over \$900.00 and brought awareness of our cause to everyone who came in. Thanks again.

## SAILING THE HIGH SEAS



While most of our adopted kittens may travel from time to time, Adam, one of last year's kittens, had a very special Winter escape. He was lucky enough to travel down to Florida and back on a Sailboat with his dads and cat companion, Luke. He left in November, and returned in April. I was able to follow Adam's adventures via his Dads' Facebook page. He was a very good kit, weathering storms, and even running aground at least once. He is back in Provincetown harbor, awaiting the busy tourist season. If any of you moor or boat in the harbor, keep a look out for Adam and Luke, they guard the boat while their dads are at work.

## 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!



Our volunteers will go to any length for animals. Here, Sherry Brec is taking a break from the Yearrounder's Festival to give some attention to a local Boa".

## SMILE

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