



LOST & FOUND



Bea

Traveling with three cats and a dog is challenging at best. Staying in a motel room makes things even more difficult. In June Jeff left his animal family behind at the Breakwater Motel in Provincetown while he went for a walk and returned to find one tabby cat missing. Jeff lives 300 miles away and was only visiting here for a few days. He immediately called CASAS to report Bea, the missing tabby cat, lost. Jeff also put up posters for many months advertising his lost pet. Over the past months, CASAS received many calls of "sightings" of Bea all of which turned out to be false. CASAS volunteers investigated all of the sightings. In October, a tabby tiger cat was spotted on Mayflower Heights apparently attracted by birds at a feeder. Have-A-Heart traps were set and we caught mama, daddy, and baby possums day after day. Twice a day the traps were checked and baited at night only to find possums in the morning. On the day the CASAS volunteer decided that she would not set the traps again, Bea was in the trap! Sardines did the job. For over five months Bea traversed the woods, somehow evading coyotes and the sewer construction. She is in remarkable condition. Dave and Anita Butler met Jeff half way for the return to her home. Jeff emailed that Bea rode on his lap the rest of the way and was immediately at ease. Much thanks go to **Lisa Westervelt, Gina Larkin, Kim and Rita from The Nut House** for their help and patience with the determined trapper. The message is "Never give up on your missing cat."

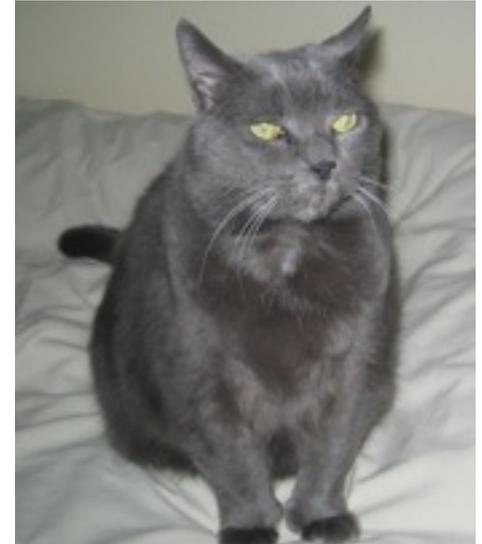
SOME RECENT ADOPTIONS



Sparky adopted by Sherri Agen & Sir Franklin

Iota to Michael Bertoldi & Virgie Kellog
Amelia to John Perrone
Lucy to Miriam Gigliotti
Casey to Judy & Bob Carlson
Nicole to James & Carole McAuliffe
Gamma to Ray & Toni Marsh
Reina to Art Tupper
Keegan to David Lund & Brian Renard
Sigma and *Blue Moon* to Amy Goland
Melody to KC Myers & Eric Williams
Princess to Margaret Wade
Harriet to Donna Walker
Alpha to Noelle Fiske & Max Beal
Ollie and *Justin* to TK & Peg Dahill
Daphne and *Delilah* to Antoinette Berger
Kappa to Gina Larkin
Omega and *Beta* to Anne Stowe & Rebecca Franks
Eta to Wanda Cote
Justine to Sherry Brec and Susan Connolly
Delta to Nicolle Nistico
Theta to Andrea Aquilar & Jake Morris
Zeta and *Epsilon* to Kevin Doherty
[You might notice a Greek pattern to some of the names. At one point we had 23 kittens so we named all of the black kittens after the Greek alphabet]

FOR ADOPTION



Missy

Missy came to us in an emergency. Her person lived in assisted living and passed away during the night. The attendants were cautious about approaching *Missy* who did not appreciate attention from strangers. Our wonderful Animal Control Office, **Ruth Ann Cowing** was called to the rescue. *Missy*, who is (to put it kindly) a lady of size and age, did not go into a carrier happily. When she arrived at CASAS, she was not happy about her change in circumstance. She hid under the kitchen counter for several months only emerging to eat, use the litter box, and snarl at the rest of the cat residents. She has now been here for several months and has become a favorite among the volunteers. She is still the boss with the other cats and likes to be in charge, but the others have learned to give her space. She is wonderful with people. She has lost a pound since her arrival and must feel better for it as she is quite playful and enjoys our outside enclosure. She would be an ideal cat for a household that has lots of human visitors as she would love being the hub of any bustling activity. She also loves to nestle up against anyone sitting in a comfortable spot (though she is really quite large for a lap). As an extra bonus, she is a polydactyl (extra toes).



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Bomber and Pilot

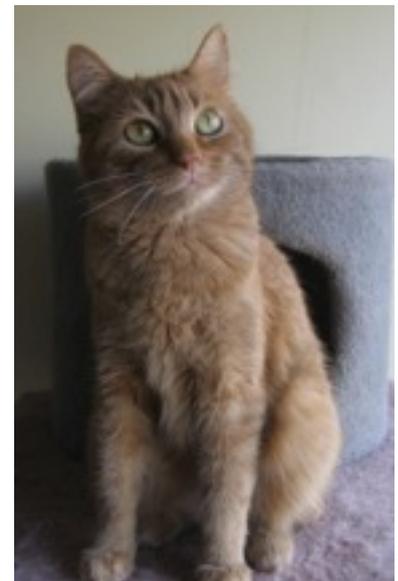
We love trapping success stories like this one...successful so far. We were notified about a situation in a trailer park where the occupant of a trailer was being evicted. There were kittens and grown cats left behind. Carol investigated and discovered that the trailer had no heat, no water, and no electricity but did have cat and kittens with no food. The very hungry kittens, just at weaning age, were trapped, one after the other. The third day, mama, a beautiful tortoiseshell, was so hungry, that she couldn't resist the food and the trap swung shut on her. Her babies were so happy to be reunited with her and they just wanted her to cuddle and nurse them. Mama, we named her *Amelia*, was quite tame and was ready to go into season again. We spayed her, tested and vaccinated her, and she was immediately adopted. We hoped that the kittens would bond to humans after her departure but not yet. Pilot protects Bomber as Pilot is more adventurous.



Sophocles

I am perched on a little three legged stool, peering into a kitty cubby which holds a very afraid, very large, recently neutered male feral cat. This beautiful cat was the second to last cat trapped from an abandoned trailer in Wellfleet. I watched from the car as he approached the tempting smell of a few sardines in the baited humane trap. He tried to snag the fish through the wires and couldn't. In his desperate hunger, he crouched and tried to sneak through the opening of the trap, couldn't quite reach the snack, went in a little further and tripped the latch, snapping shut the

door. When he realized the pickle he was in he threw his body violently back and forth trying to escape. I crept up on the trap and draped a blanket over the trap which quieted him down. For a cat that had not been cared for, he was surprisingly heavy as I put him in the back of my car for transport to the shelter. At the shelter, we transferred him into a special "feral cat recovery cage", big enough for him to have a litter box and comfortable bedding. Dr. McDonnell came the next day and was able to sedate him while he was given a complete examination including testing and vaccinations for FIV, FeLeukemia, heartworm, rabies and FVRCP, and micro chipped. *Sophocles* has never had a loving home or regular meals and is terrified of people. Our hope is that we can gain his trust and he might become adoptable. If all fails he and his brother *Anistan*, also trapped from this trailer, will have to be returned to the trailer park where a volunteer will continue to feed as long as necessary. This is called TNR, (trap, neuter, release). CASAS practices this if we can find somebody to maintain the feral colony. The mama from this location has already been adopted but her kittens were already older than ideal for socialization. Why their mother was so sweet is unknown.



Ruby

Ruby was discarded by her person because there was a new baby in a very small house. Ruby had just given birth to two tiny tortoiseshell kittens and "wouldn't leave". Although we were full to the brim, of course we said "bring them over". Her two little girls,

Daphne and Delilah were adopted together as soon as they were weaned. Ruby was a devoted mother and now she is ready for her own special forever home. She is very young herself, full of vim and vigor. We have discovered that she should never be exposed to catnip or toys with catnip. It changes her into a wild woman. We are very careful about giving any of our residents catnip as it has that effect on several of them. Ruby is spayed and up to date on vaccinations. She probably would like a well-behaved dog and a person who would be willing to give her lots of playtime.

All cats are tested, up to date on vaccinations, neutered and micro chipped. We can be visited from 2pm-4pm seven days a week.

All of our adoptable cats and dogs are listed on Petfinder.com under "Shelter 02657"

DOGS

Dogs, it seems, spend half their lives waiting

And they have made a science of it. I cannot call it patience. Surely

They've not the intelligence for that

And it would be overly sentimental

To call it wisdom. Waiting is simply

Something they are good at, whether their "owners" are grabbing a cup of coffee

or picking up shirts at the laundry.

We all wait, at one time or another

For something or someone, for this or that.

We do not wait as well as dogs.

We are forced to make those fine distinctions

Between the necessary, and the meaningless.

---Dennis Rhodes

CASAS would like to give special thanks to **Marj Bobbin**, the owner of grooming salon, **Doggie Styles**, at 43 Race Point Road. Marj recently has provided baths and styling for three dog adoptions and donated not only her time and grooming skill but contributed new collars and leashes. CASAS is not often asked to find homes for dogs, but Marj assures us that she is ready and willing to help when asked.

MEWSINGS FROM THE OFFICE

Well, this is Carol writing. I came in to the office early to get some neglected paper work done. Things have been quiet for the past two weeks. The shelter population is down from 63 cats and kittens to less than half of that now due to a fabulous adoption winter. But 30 or so adult cats are still a lot of cats. The place seems comparatively empty and, since we have no rampaging kittens, we have been able to let our cage-free cats roam at will between the floors as well as explore the other rooms upstairs. Most everybody seems to be getting along fairly well with a minimum of hissing and swatting.

We never rest on our laurels however. While we appear to have plenty of room, we have occupants with special needs requiring their own rooms, at least during the night or while they are being fed. We have three isolation rooms on the lower level that are filled with new arrivals during their first 3 weeks until we are certain that they are disease free, have been spayed or neutered, temperament tested and started on their vaccinations.

Within my first two phone messages today, we potentially have six new residents. A woman called with five cats that she has to place as she is selling her house. Another woman "inherited" a cat from her mother who "moved to Florida" and the cat does not get along with the other family pets.

My job is to call these people, determine the adoptability of the new cats, and decide which to take and how many we can handle. This is the most difficult part of my day being that, if I turn these cats down, it is potentially a death sentence. We assume we are their last resort. The only way we can accept new cats is if they seem to be adoptable since we can easily be overrun with long-term residents. We now have about 12 cats that have been with us since the early days and will never be adopted. We are their forever home. We have cats who, even though we feed them twice a day, we have not been able to touch. We love them but these are not adoptable cats. I have learned a lot about adoptability during the past 6 years. Few people are willing to take cats that will spend their first year hiding under the bed. We value them but they will never be chosen to be somebody's forever pet.



Chloe & Annie

Chloe Sevigny and Annie Lennox were two of the first residents of CASAS. They came to us along with their sisters, Natalie of the Woods and Ginger Baker (who were adopted early, Thank you Gwen P.). All four of these cats came to us as ferals too old to really be socialized. Annie and Chloe are still not socialized, although it has been probably 4 years. We love them, they love each other and the other cats and they are very content. They are part of our permanent population, probably never to be adopted due to extreme shyness. We are happy to have them and we think that they are happy to be here. Our new outdoor enclosure has made a big difference to cats such as these.

GRANT



Tigger, loves being high up outdoors

CASAS received a grant of \$2500 for the second year from the **Cape Cod Foundation's Thomas C. McGowan Fund for Animals** specifically to expand our outdoor enclosure on the deck. This allows our cats to spend a great deal of their time outside during the day which has certainly made life more interesting for the cats as well as the volunteers. Cats that squabble with each other in the house, coexist happily on their outdoor platforms as they watch the chickadees, woodpeckers and squirrels.

**PAW 2011
CANINE GAMES WINNERS**

Best Dressed

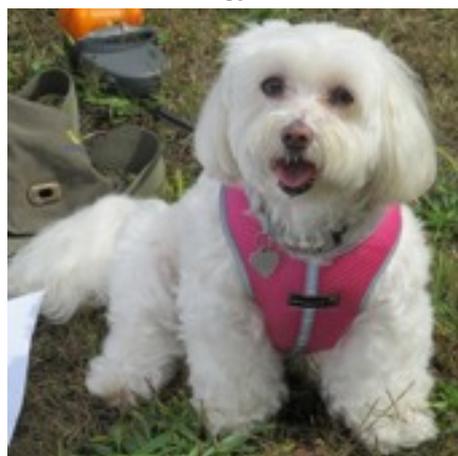


Lupita (Chihuahua),
Mexican Hot Chick
M&T Bucacci-Pezzollo
Provincetown, MA

**Cutest Puppy
(Tie)**



Bizzy, (Pembroke Corgi)
Andy Dodds, Chatham, MA
&



Sampson (Bichon/Havanese)
Carol Toth, Provincetown, MA

Cutest Dog



Gunner (Dapple Dacshund)
Angie Jacaruso & Tammy Lincoln
Jewett City, CT

Best Trick



Jack (Basset Hound)
Jessica Klein, Fishkill, NY

Hot Dog Toss – Small Dog



Piper (Pug)
Betty & Phoebe Otis-Newman,
Provincetown, MA

Hot Dog Toss – Large Dog

Miranda (Corgi)
Derek & Mark, Brewster, MA

Good Sport



Tonks, Sheila Wood

Congeniality



Angus (Cockapoo)
Lonny Behar, NY, NY

Best In Show



Nico (Pomeranian)
Mary DiNatale, Provincetown, MA

Dog-Owner LookAlike
Morgan, (Corgi/Boston Terrier)
Derek & Mark, Brewster, MA

FABULOUS FELINE WINNERS 2011

Most Interesting



Cleo, Rachel Wailes, Provincetown, MA

Most Beautiful (Tie)

Cleo, Rachel Wailes &



Toby, Jeanette Bragger

Funniest



Andrew, Gina Hlobik, Provincetown, MA

SUPER SPONSORS 2011

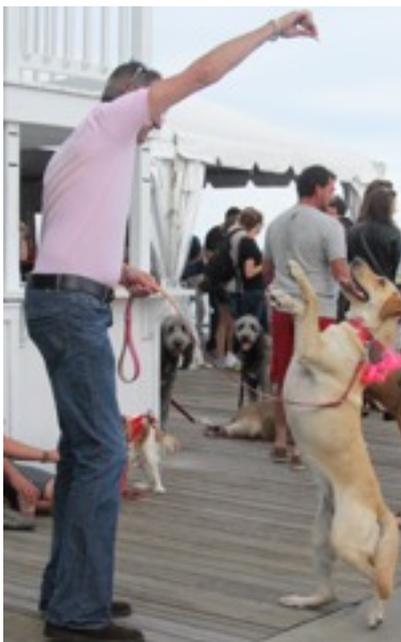
We would like to thank our wonderful SUPER SPONSORS of PAW 2011: **AGWAY** of Cape Cod., **For the Love of the Breed**, **Dr. Mike and Manny**, **The Cape Cod Dog**, **Benson Young and Downs**, **Chadington's**, **Fanizzi's**, **Friends of Heart**, **Lower Cape Veterinarians**, **Seamen's Bank**, **Sperry Chiropractic**, **Surf Club Restaurant**, **Team Crackerdog**, and **Zand's Card Shop (Butlers)**. **Ryan Landry** designed the 2011 shirt and we thank him very much.



Our Super Sponsors receive for their \$250.00 donation, a current year PAW t-shirt, their name on several banners displayed throughout the weekend and carried proudly during the Pet Parade, and a placement in a really snazzy program designed by **Sally Brophy**.

If you are interested in becoming a Super Sponsor for PAW 2012, please call the office at 487-4243.

Tea Dancing at The Boatslip



Annie Rich sang at Canine Games and at the **Pied Bar** after the Pet Parade.

Please check her out on YouTube: "Reason to Shine" for CASAS.

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Mxw_cH5RmsE

CASAS would like to thank Pam Wheelock who has and continues to generously donate cat toys to CASAS for PAW/Feline Photo winners as well as small gift bags containing her "dust bunny" cat toys, organic cat nip and coupons for free shipping of her toys for each of our kitten/cat adoptees going to their forever homes. Go to perfectplay.com to see all her organic natural dog and cat toys, made in the USA

We would also like to welcome back **Wendy Janoplis** to our board. Wendy previously served on the CASAS board as Vice-President and has been volunteering a couple of days a week for the morning poop scoop, feed and cuddle shift. She is a lover of all animals but is the consummate "cat person", currently proud person to two Bengals **Sheena & Tarzan**

SAVE THE DATE 2012

March 23 - Cocktail party
The Central House
at the Crown & Anchor

April 10 - Crowne Pointe Dinner

May 5 - Kibbles & Skits

Sept. 28-30 - Pet Appreciation
Weekend

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WISH LIST FOR CASAS

VOLUNTEERS to sit, comb, brush, socialize. No heavy lifting, scooping or feeding necessary unless you want. Willing to commit on a regular basis to a few hours a week to prepare our residents for adoption. We need someone who can commit to a regular morning @7-8 AM to feed, scoop, clean and/or someone to come on a regular basis @ 7 PM to sit and socialize with the cats so the night is not so long for them. We also need people to volunteer at special events, especially during Pet Appreciation Weekend which is always the last full weekend in September. We also need people who can stay at the shelter to answer phones and welcome visitors while we are out on errands, trapping, or on vet runs.

CAT LITTER - scoop and clay

TRASH BAGS -33 gallon and smaller kitchen bags

PAPER TOWELS - preferably Bounty
PET FOOD - Fancy Feast or Friskies wet food; Iams or Purina dry kitten food; Dry cat food - especially Innova, Hills Science Diet Sensitive Skin and Oral Care
FLEECE THROW BLANKETS, CAT TREES, SCRATCHING POSTS, CAT CONDOS - gently used only
GIFT CERTIFICATES to pet supply stores, BJ's, K Mart, or gas cards
TOYS- such as feather or other interactive games to play
LANDSCAPING
No blankets, pillows, futons, comforters, vacuum cleaners, or used litter boxes, please. We have plenty of cat carriers and dog crates for now.

CAT ATTRACT

The main behavioral reason cats are given up to shelters is inappropriate use of the litter box. For shelters, teaching orphan kittens to use a box can be a real challenge. We have found an amazing product from Dr. Elsey's Precious Cat Litter that actually solves these problems. It's called *Cat Attract* and it really works. Its texture and herbal attractant are like magnets that bring cats to the box. It's designed to be used as a complete litter but we have found that a small amount sprinkled on top of the regular litter is usually all that's needed. That way, we save money, too.

There are also a number of other products for long haired cats, seniors, and cats with allergies. We buy ours at PetSmart but it is also offered online.

For more information go to
www.preciouscat.com.