



The Purr-fect Times

Newsletter of the Purr-fect Cat Shelter

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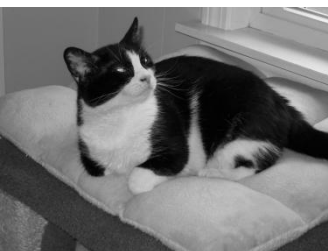
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Fill Your Heart and Home with Love from a "Purr-fect" Cat



"Rosie" is a very small and gentle calico who was surrendered to the shelter in deplorable condition. This little girl was so flea ridden that she had lost a great deal of her fur; she was full of sores and scabs on her skin and was also suffering from a skin infection. Even worse, the fleas were so bad that she had become anemic from all the blood that they took from her! After medical care from a veterinarian and lots of love and attention, "Rosie" is now a very healthy cat, with beautiful fur and a new outlook on life. This darling little girl deserves a home where she can live like a queen as the only pet in a quiet environment.

"Scotty" is one cat that knows what he wants. He came to PCS after our local Animal Control received a call about a cat terrorizing a neighborhood and trying to get into everyone's home. Scotty didn't like life outdoors and tried his hardest to get someone to let him in! Scotty was not neutered and because of his strong smell the homeowner's cats felt threatened by this neighborhood intruder! Scotty has been to the vet for neutering, testing and vaccinations and is doing great at the shelter. He is a handsome domestic short hair, orange tiger with an abundance of personality. He's active and playful and also enjoys lounging in the sunshine. Scotty is grateful to be indoors and is looking for a family to call his own.



"Betty" is an adorable, black and white, domestic short hair with a sweet personality and playful nature. She was found in a local community and spent the first several days with Animal Control to make sure that she wasn't missing from her family. Since no one came forward to claim her, she is now at the shelter awaiting her forever home. At first she was a bit shy but she has blossomed into a loving lady and enjoys being petted and groomed by all the volunteers. "Betty" is a real cutie deserving of a wonderful home.

Hip-Hip-Hooray! Congratulations to our residents who were recently adopted!

CATS

Anna, Tanner, Candy, Sushi, Sophia,
Winston, Duncan and Smokey

KITTENS

Scarlett, Cinder, Hobbs, Nellie, Calvin, Toby,
Reggie, Ava, Scamper, Kizzy, Seamus,
Riley, Brittany, Alvin, Dave, Mica,
Crystal, Rocky and Opal



Thank you to everyone who participated in the **13th Annual PCS PetWalk** Sunday, September 18. The day couldn't have been more beautiful for a stroll along the trails at the **Norfolk County Agricultural High School** in Walpole. The main field was busy with treats and samples for people and pets, an obstacle course, raffles, games, refreshments, live music and a whole lot more! The event was a great success raising over \$10,000 for the shelter.

Congratulations and many thanks to our top two fundraisers **Liz Lofgren** and **Christine Schneider** for their tremendous efforts in support of PCS. The next PetWalk is already in the planning stage so mark your calendar for **Sunday, September, 16, 2012** and join us for an enjoyable day with fellow animal lovers, family, friends and *of course* the dog!!



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UPCOMING FUNDRAISERS



Volunteers of the Purr-fect Cat Shelter will be gift wrapping at **Barnes and Noble in Bellingham** several times through the holiday season. Donations received through the gift-wrapping fundraiser will go to the shelter. This is a great opportunity for us to meet lots of people, talk about the Purr-fect Cat Shelter, and of course spread some holiday cheer!

Visit our wrapping table at Barnes and Noble, Bellingham:

December 3rd – 3pm to 10pm ~ December 9th – 4pm to 10pm ~ December 18th 3pm – 7pm

Purchase great holiday gifts and have them wrapped while you wait!



Mark your calendar for the bowling sensation of the year! The **FUR BOWL** will be held **Sunday March 4, 2012** at **Ryan Family Amusements**, Rt. 109, Millis. Registration is \$25 per person and includes 2 games of bowling, shoe rental, refreshments and a free raffle ticket. Get together with friends, family, and co-workers and enjoy some bowling fun while supporting the Purr-fect Cat Shelter. Bowlers are encouraged to raise sponsor money but it is not required. All ages and skill levels are welcome. All money raised goes directly to the care and shelter of homeless cats and kittens. More information, registration and sponsor forms will be available on our website www.purfectcatshelter.org or by calling the message center at 508-533-5855.

Let's GO BOWLING!



PCS BAKE SALE

Satisfy your sweet tooth with delicious treats from the **PCS Bake Sale** to be held **Friday, April 6th** at **Walmart in Bellingham** from 10am – 4pm. Many decadent delights will be available including cakes, cookies, pies, bars, candy and much more! Come pick up some desserts for your holiday table or a treat for yourself. This annual fundraiser is enticing, gratifying and scrumptious to say the least! Don't miss the PCS Bake Sale – it only happens once a year!



MASSACHUSETTS LOTTERY - SCRATCH TICKET FUNDRAISER

If you are a scratch ticket enthusiast this could be your chance to win BIG! The Purr-fect Cat Shelter is selling raffle tickets for a chance to win **100 - \$5 Massachusetts Lottery Scratch Tickets**. Tickets are \$10 each and only 300 tickets will be sold. The winner will be drawn at **FUR BOWL 2012**, Sunday, March 4. Winner need not be present to win. All money raised will directly benefit the shelter residents and the trap/neuter/release program.

Our newsletter recipients have the first opportunity to get in on the raffle. To be entered in this exciting fun raffle, clip the tickets below, complete all information and send along with your check (payable to PCS) to PCS Raffle, P.O. Box 548, Medway, MA 02053. If you would like more tickets email us at purfectcatshelter@yahoo.com or contact the message center at 508-533-5855.

Tickets are limited to 300 only – send in your raffle tickets today!!



Purr-fect Cat Shelter Raffle
100 - \$5 MA State Lottery Tickets
Ticket - \$10 Donation
(Drawing - Sunday March 4, 2012)

Name _____

Address _____

Phone # _____



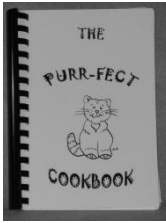
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Address _____

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Looking for a Purr-fect Gift? Check out what the Purr-fect Cat Shelter has to offer.



The “Purr-fect Cookbook”

The “Purr-fect Cookbook” is ideal for a holiday gift, hostess gift, birthday present, thank you gift, wedding or shower gift or any other gift giving occasion. The “Purr-fect Cookbook” is a collection of over 350 recipes submitted by friends and supporters of the shelter. The book has a laminated soft cover with plastic comb binding and includes an alphabetical index to make finding a special recipe a piece of cake! Each copy is \$13.00 plus \$4.50 (per book) postage and handling. All money raised through the sale of the cookbook goes directly to the shelter. Use the form below and order your copy today!

ORDER FORM

Please mail me _____ copies of The “Purr-fect Cookbook” at \$13.00 per copy plus \$4.50 postage & handling per book. Enclosed is my check or money order for \$_____. Submit order form and payment to: PCS, P.O. Box 548, Medway, MA 02053

Mail books to:

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____



The Adopt-A-Cage Program is a great gift!

Are you looking for a terrific gift for a feline fanatic that has everything? Why not treat yourself to a great gift too this holiday season? The **Purr-fect Cat Shelter Adopt-A-Cage Program** is the ideal gift for anyone! Visit our website at www.purrfectcatshelter.org or call the message center 508-533-5855 for an Adopt-A-Cage form. Then pick the cage number of the cat you would like to sponsor, choose the amount of your monthly contribution (\$5 minimum please), then send in the form and your pledge money. Each month a photo of the current resident (if different from the previous month) will be sent to you along with a pledge reminder. If you have adopted the cage as a gift for someone, you will receive the monthly pledge reminder and the photo of the resident kitty will be mailed to the person receiving your gift. Your gift is also tax deductible. The purr-fect gift for everyone on your list!

Join the Adopt-A-Cage program today! It's a purr-fect gift any time of the year!

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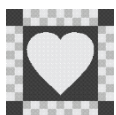
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Other News from PCS



Quilt Raffle Fundraiser

We have the winners! Thank you to all who supported our **2011 Quilt Raffle**. The winners were chosen at the PCS PetWalk and we congratulate our lucky winners Maria Downing, Jeanne Coughlin, Dave and Laura Melo and Aidan Tokarski. We hope you enjoy your quilts! The four quilts handcrafted and lovingly donated by Gert Fowler, Chris Tyree, Karen Nemezczy and Kathy Curley raised over \$4300 for the shelter. Thank you ladies! Your work is always exquisite.



WMRC Daily News.com

PCS is excited to partner with **WMRC Radio** and **WMRCdailynews.com** to bring listeners and online visitors the **“Purr-fect Adoptions”**. WMRCdailynews.com will be featuring several available cats ready for adoption and also upcoming events of the shelter on their website. We look forward to future interviews with the radio hosts from time to time about shelter happenings. WMRC is a local radio station at 1490AM and in conjunction with their website bring local news, sports, information and events right to your radio or computer. It’s a fabulous opportunity for us to inform people about the shelter and help find loving permanent homes for the cats and kittens at the shelter. Thank you WMRC for welcoming the Purr-fect Cat Shelter to your organization.



Especially for Pets

PCS Adoption Counselors, volunteers and many adorable kittens enjoy a monthly outing at **Especially for Pets** at Medway Commons in Medway. Kittens have a grand time hanging out for the day playing and entertaining patrons. Thank you to Especially for Pets for giving us the opportunity to meet with people interested in adopting, volunteering and fostering.

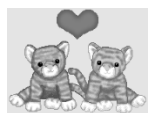
Don’t forget, if you recently adopted from PCS, Especially for Pets offers you a 10% discount on supplies purchased during the first month to new shelter adopters.

Watch our website for upcoming dates and times that PCS will be at Especially for Pets in Medway!



Charles River Bank Displays 2012

The Purr-fect Cat Shelter is pleased to be highlighted as the **“Business of the Month”** at **Charles River Bank** in Bellingham during the month of January and Charles River Bank in Mendon for the month of February. We appreciate the opportunity to display cats currently available for adoption and information on adopting, volunteering and responsible pet ownership. Many thanks to Charles River Bank for choosing PCS and your continued support in helping homeless animals find a forever home.



Our Wish list

Here is our wish list of items needed for shelter use. If you would like to donate anything from our wish list please contact the message center 508-533-5855 or email us at purrfectcatshelter@yahoo.com.

Bounty Paper Towels

Cat Cuddle Beds

Cat’s Pride clay litter (not scoopable)

Science Diet Feline Light Maintenance dry food

Science Diet Hairball Light dry food

(All other cat food will be used for feral colonies under PCS care)

Cat Toys

Cardboard refills for Turbo Scratchers (round)

First Class Postage Stamps

KMR Kitten Replacement Milk

Fragrance Free Laundry Detergent

Heavy-duty tall kitchen trash bags

Pine-Sol

Bleach

Volunteers and Foster Homes are always needed! If you are interested in volunteering or becoming a foster parent please contact the message center or email us today!

Just this side of heaven is a place called Rainbow Bridge...



When an animal dies that has been especially close to someone here, that pet goes to Rainbow Bridge. There are meadows and hills for all of our special friends so they can run and play together. There is plenty of food, water and sunshine, and our friends are warm and comfortable.

All the animals who had been ill and old are restored to health and vigor; those who were hurt or maimed are made whole and strong again, just as we remember them in our dreams of days and times gone by. The animals are happy and content, except for one small thing; they each miss someone very special to them, who had to be left behind.

They all run and play together, but the day comes when one suddenly stops and looks into the distance. His bright eyes are intent; His eager body quivers. Suddenly he begins to run from the group, flying over the green grass, his legs carrying him faster and faster.

You have been spotted, and when you and your special friend finally meet, you cling together in joyous reunion, never to be parted again. The happy kisses rain upon your face; your hands again caress the beloved head, and you look once more into the trusting eyes of your pet, so long gone from your life but never absent from your heart.

Then you cross Rainbow Bridge together....

Author unknown...

The Purr-fect Cat Shelter Rainbow Bridge Memorial Wall



As anyone who has had a pet knows, there comes a time when we are sadly faced with losing our beloved companion. We open our hearts and homes to these wonderful creatures that we care for, feed, play with, keep healthy and love with all our heart. They give us joy, companionship, laughter and unconditional love too. When they leave us, our heart is broken and our home is empty. The Purr-fect Cat Shelter knows that part of healing from the loss of a pet can be helped by remembering the pet through a perpetual memorial. The Purr-fect Cat Shelter is offering an opportunity to memorialize your beloved pet on our new **Rainbow Bridge Memorial Wall**.

The mural at the shelter (shown on the previous page) is the work of Erin Burns, a talented, young lady who has volunteered in a number of ways for the shelter for several years. Erin thoughtfully captured the essence of this beautiful poem in the mural she designed and painted for us. To see a full color version and more detail please visit our website www.purrfectcatshelter.org.

Your Gold, Silver or Bronze memorial plate will be engraved with your dedication and an etching of the species of animal (if desired), and placed on the wall as a permanent remembrance of your special pet.

Three levels of memorial are available.

Gold Memorial - \$500.00

Silver Memorial - \$300.00

Bronze Memorial - \$150.00

Each Gold, Silver or Bronze plate measures 1" x 3" and allows up to 60 characters total (including spaces), 4 lines maximum. If you would like to add a remembrance of your pet to our **Rainbow Bridge Memorial Wall** please fill out the form below and submit with your payment. All Memorial Donations are tax deductible.

Please include my beloved pet on the Purr-fect Cat Shelter Rainbow Bridge Memorial Wall.

Name _____

Address _____

City _____

State _____

Zip _____

Phone # _____

Pet's Name _____ Memorial Level – Gold \$500 _____ Silver \$300 _____ Bronze \$150 _____

Include Etching? Yes _____ No _____

Cat _____ Dog _____ Horse _____ Rabbit _____ Bird _____ Heart _____

Inscription – 60 characters total (including spaces) - 4 lines maximum – please print clearly.

Example – In Loving Memory of (19 characters)

“Fluffy” Sullivan (17 characters)

1996-2011 (9 characters – 45 total)

Line 1 _____

Line 2 _____

Line 3 _____

Line 4 _____



“Sampson” is a much laid back, gorgeous Siamese, who we hope will find his new home soon. Sadly, his owner had passed away and he was sent to live with other family members. While in their care, Sampson ingested some medication that was lying around. He spent a few days receiving medical attention at an Emergency Veterinary Hospital and when the family was unable to pay the veterinary bill or commit to caring for him they signed him over to the Veterinary Hospital and they in turn called PCS to see if we could find a home for him. Sampson, fortunately suffered no affects of the substance ingested, has received a good report on his blood work and is doing great! The volunteers have fallen in love with him and shower him

with lots of love and affection he so deserves. Considering all he’s been through we feel a quiet adult home with no other animals would be purr-fect for Sampson.



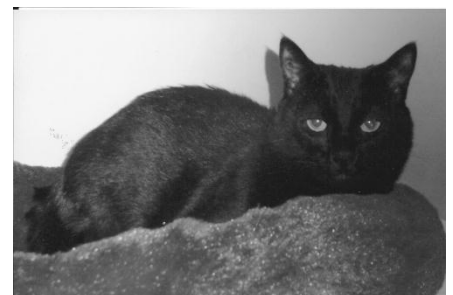
“MJ” is a sweet, domestic short hair, brown tiger who was surrendered to the shelter along with her four adorable baby kittens. The person who surrendered her had taken her from a friend who was not allowed to have a cat in her apartment. As a nursing mother, MJ was very protective of her babies and did not get along with the cat that was already in this house. So for the best interest of all the cats, she and her babies were removed from the house. MJ did a marvelous job raising her babies, has now been spayed and is at the shelter waiting for her new family to adopt her. She has adapted quite well to the shelter and enjoys the attention of the volunteers. This darling lady would make a nice companion to an older person who lives a quiet relaxed lifestyle.



“Regis” is a wonderful, friendly, loveable feline who, with another cat from his home, was tossed outside when the owner moved out and then put the house up For Sale. A caring neighbor called Animal Control and through the realtor was able to contact the owner who took absolutely no responsibility for tossing these cats out. “Regis” is now safe at the shelter enjoying the abundant love and affection from the volunteers. In return he purrs, rolls over and shows his affection with leg rubs and a look of thanks from his dreamy yellow eyes. “Regis” is a domestic short hair, adult with gorgeous orange tiger and white markings. He deserves a safe, loving home after what he's been through and will surely be a terrific companion. We think “Regis” would do well as an only cat or could share a home with a non-aggressive feline friend.



“Raven” is a gorgeous, black cat who was picked up by Animal Control after being hit by a car. She suffered a severe wound to her rear leg and had to have a surgical procedure. She’s healed wonderfully and is at the shelter doing great! She adores the volunteers especially when it’s grooming time. What young lady doesn’t like to be primped and prettied? Raven has amazing amber eyes that express the gratefulness she has for being kept safe and warm from the horrible outside dangers. She’s a lovely cat patiently waiting to find her forever home.





Donations



In Memory of *Kathy Curley*:

Nancy Ross
Judy Bickelman
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In Memory of *June Brooker* – Charles & Carolyn Schwender
In Memory of "*Spike*" & "*Opie*" – Margaret Flood
In Memory of "*BooBoo*" "*Bruin*" & "*Max*" – Denise Swenson
In Memory of "*Bella*" Hunt – Judy Eppley
In Memory of *Doris Daly* – Ann & Eugene Buckley
In Memory of *Laura Nemezczy Lovgren* – Pauline & John Cusick
In Memory of "*Holly*" – Pat Rocha
In Memory of *Ginny* – Arthur Payne, Karen & Aaron Walz, & Jennifer Payne
In Memory of *Carol A. Sheehan* – Mary Geromini
In Memory of "*Nell*" Armstrong" – Nancy Lennon



In Memory of "*Hobbit*" Hamelin:
Joan Ormon
Sandi DiGirolamo

In Memory of "*Softie*" Odabachi:
Joan Ormon
Sandi DiGirolamo
Pat Rocha

A donation was received from Merle Lalor in Honor of her cat "*Gingersnap*".

A donation was received from Ava May Gemelli on behalf of *Brenda Hamelin & Floppy the Bunny*.

A donation was received from *Walmart* for volunteer service hours at PCS by employee *Dotty Larsen*.

Thank you to *Carla* and *Christian* for donating \$293 from the admittance donation collected at the "Girl's Night Out" event.

A Matching Gift was received from *Sun Life Assurance Co. of Canada* in the name of *Karen Travis*.

Membership ~ Thank you for your new or continued support as a member of The Purr-fect Cat Shelter.

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The Truth About Whiskers

Did you think that cats only have whiskers on their cheeks and above their eyes? Well, look again and you'll find them on the backs of their front legs and wispy ones under their chin. Whiskers are extensions of the cat's skin and serve many purposes.

Whiskers help cats identify objects that they may not be able to see. They are very sensitive and can detect small movements and changes in air currents. The nerves in the whiskers furnish the brain with lots of data.

Whiskers are precise measuring tools for cats. The width of the whiskers along the sides of the face can evaluate the opening of an area letting the cat know if its body would fit.

Whiskers are great indicators of a feline mood. In a relaxed mood the whiskers are slightly positioned to the side. When they are intrigued by something or become threatened the whiskers tense up and point forward.

Cat's whiskers are about twice as thick as the hair on its coat and the roots of a whisker are about three times deeper than hair roots. There are usually 8 to 12 long whiskers on each side of the face and will lose a few whiskers at a time as part of normal shedding.

Where to find a sleeping cat



If you're like most people owned by a cat the last thing to do before leaving the house is to make sure you know where the cat is! Have you found yourself saying "Where in the world is the cat"? You may want to seek out these favorite feline sleeping spots before getting yourself in a tizzy.

Place the cat maybe sleeping

Empty Cardboard Box
Bathub
Bookcase
Closet
Open drawer
Laundry Basket
Playpen
Sink

Why the cat is sleeping there

Cardboard is known as a great insulator.
Not only for bathing anymore!
A well-read cat is a treasure.
You weren't planning on cleaning it out anyway, were you?
Fur will compliment any outfit.
Clean clothes smell so good!
Just keeping things warm for baby!
Always just the right size!

Holiday Safety Tips

- ✓ Poinsettias, holly, and mistletoe are dangerous to cats and dogs. Keep them well out of reach or use silk plants.
- ✓ Don't let your cat drink the water from the tree stand. Standing water can breed bacteria which may cause upset stomach, nausea or diarrhea if ingested.
- ✓ Never use tinsel. If ingested tinsel may cause intestinal obstruction. Keep breakable ornaments up high. If you have a tree-climbing cat consider the risk of having one swatted down and breaking leaving the danger of sharp pieces being stepped on by little paws.
- ✓ Edible decorations such as cranberry and popcorn garland can cause a choking hazard if your hungry cat snacks on them.
- ✓ Keep electrical cords well hidden to prevent shock or electrocution from chewing.
- ✓ Don't forget – alcohol, chocolate, and onions are bad for your cat. Make sure food and drinks containing these items are out of reach.
- ✓ Never leave candles unattended. Tails and paws can knock them over starting a fire or causing burns to your cat.

Keep your cat safe and healthy as you decorate and celebrate this holiday season. Happy Holidays to All!



PCS is grateful to the following businesses for their continued support of the Shelter

Bellingham

Bellingham Animal Hospital, 112 Mendon Rd.
Northern Sun Tanning, 20 N. Main St.
Wal*Mart, Hartford Ave.
Homeward Bound Veterinary Service, 116 Mechanic St., Suite 6
The Big Biscuit, 116 Mechanic St., Suite 11

Franklin

Acorn Animal Hospital, 20 Earl's Way
Dog Lover's Grooming Salon, 447 E. Central St.
Franklin Veterinary Clinic, 430 E. Central St.
Vet Med & Pet Supplies, 365 W. Central St.
Wild Birds Unlimited, 215 Franklin Village Dr.

Medway

AdPrint, 96 Main St.
Enchanted Fox, 174A Main St.
Especially for Pets, Medway Commons Rt. 109
Galantes Deli and Luncheonette, 320 Village St.
Keystone Liquors, 80 Main St.
Medway Animal Hospital, 66 West St.
Paramount Industries, 42 Milford St.
TLC Cleaners, Medway Shopping Center

Mendon

Mendon Animal Clinic, 128 Uxbridge Rd.
Mendon Greenhouse, Route 16

Millis

Foreign Car Repair, 943 Main St.
Main Street Veterinary Hospital, 825 Main St.
Quality Dry Cleaners, 979 Main St.
The Dog Barn, 1363 Main St.

Norfolk

Family Gardens Florist, 82 N. St. (Rte 115)
Main Street Hardware & Supply, 156 Main St.
Provo Discount Liquors, Route 1A

Sharon

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