MEOW CAT RESCUE & ADOPTION
CELEBRATING 22 YEARS OF RESCUE
AND OVER 24,000 LIVES SAVED

Fall 2019

MEOW'S HOLIDAY BAZAAR — NEW LOCATION
SATURDAY, NOV. 30TH FROM 11 AM – 4 PM

Mark your calendar and create your shopping list! Our annual Holiday Bazaar and Bake Sale has moved, but not far. This year we will be at Life Community Church, located at 232 5th Ave S. just off State Street in Kirkland and kitty corner to our previous location. As always, we’ll have beautiful handcrafted items and delicious baked goods for sale, generously donated by our volunteers and supporters. There will also be MEOW logo merchandise available and fun raffle drawings. We will once again be accepting donations of pet food to support our AniMeals food drive for families in need. distributed by HopeLink.

Frio — All Decked Out

EVE — BELIEVE

When she lost her home for a second time through no fault of her own, it seemed as if Eve couldn’t catch a break. Back in 2005, she had tested positive for Feline Leukemia. When she returned to MEOW last year, her senior lab work revealed early kidney insufficiency as well as hyperthyroidism. If that wasn’t quite enough, she had become diabetic.

The hope of finding someone special to accept Eve’s unique medical picture grew dim. Through it all, she remained gregarious and affectionate, like the Leader of the Band she is. She willingly took her thyroid medication and hardly noticed the tiny insulin injections. She gladly ate the special diet which supported her kidneys and helped to regulate her glucose.

About a year into her stay with us, quite unexpectedly, the cloud that seemed to follow Eve was lifted by not one, but two rays of blessed sunshine! First, Eve has responded so well to her diabetes protocol that her glucose can now be managed by diet alone – no more shots! And second, because all of her life Eve has been asymptomatic for FeLV, she was retested. To our utter joy, the results of two testing methods confirmed that she is now negative for Feline Leukemia.

Do miracles come in threes? Eve would love nothing more than to have her own special person again, someone to rub against with the whole length of her body. Someone whose lap is warm and whose heart is soft. For now, Eve is happily entertaining visitors in the Spring Suite. You are cordially invited.

Precious Eve

all nine lives are precious™
E-HARMONY FOR CATS & DOGS

Kegger, Kerry & Kaya

Adding a new pet to your household, whether you already have a dog, a cat, or both, requires planning, preparation, and plenty of patience. These easy tips may help the meeting go as seamlessly as possible.

Let Your New Pet Settle

Give your new cat or dog a minimum of one to two days in a separate room to settle in before the introduction takes place. Let both pets be aware that there's another animal at home. Stroke your cat and then let the pooch sniff your hand, and vice versa, or switch their bedding.

Calm Introductions

Be sure both pets are relaxed for a first meeting. Either of the pets should be securely enclosed in a crate to ensure their safety while allowing them each to see and sniff one another. Your own relaxed attitude will help the pets stay relaxed.

When you perceive curiosity and acceptance, without fear, growling or hissing, it's okay to allow more direct contact for a very short time. This may be on a second introduction or it could be much later, depending on the confidence of both pets. Remain alert in case you need to act. Intermittently, reward your resident pet with a treat. End the meeting with several minutes of one-on-one time with each pet. Repeat this, two to three times per day for the first several days.

Take the process even more gradually if either pet is nervous or needs more time. You might also want to speak to a veterinarian or animal behaviorist if you need more help.

(This article was written by Angie Hill, a pet-lover, animal enthusiast and creator of WoofDog.org. When she's not on walks with her pup, you'll find Angie at home sharing lots of cozy snuggles with her two spoiled cats.)

ANNUAL EMPLOYEE GIVING CAMPAIGNS

Every year, often in October, corporations encourage their employees to learn more about the benefits of charitable giving and to sign up for monthly payroll donations to their favorite charity. Many employers even offer a match or partial match of those donations, which helps the non-profits even more. Recurring donations via payroll deduction is an efficient way to give and provides worthy non-profits with stable funding throughout the year. If your employer has giving campaign, and MEOW Cat Rescue is on the list, your monthly gift would go a long way to help the animals. If MEOW isn't on the list, and we could be, please let us know.

15TH ANNUAL FINE WINES & FELINES AUCTION FUNDRAISER

SAVE THE DATE – SAT. JUNE 20TH, 2020

Our 2019 auction fundraiser was another one for the record books, with a sell out crowd, raising over $140,000 for the animals of MEOW! Can we beat that? With your help we can! Our Fine Wines & Felines Auction is our major fundraising event each year, providing critical funds for the animals. Please mark your calendar now for June 20th, and plan to join us again at the HUB Ballroom! It promises to be a fun filled evening with the greatest supporters around. Watch for early bird registration. available beginning in May.
Ramona was surrendered shortly after having birthed a litter of stillborn kittens. Exhausted and in respiratory distress, she was rushed to emergency. X-rays revealed pneumonia and an enlarged heart. A long period of antibiotics followed. When her cough was diagnosed as asthma, she quickly and easily accepted the inhaler treatment.

Throughout hospital stays, vet visits, numerous medical procedures, and medications, Ramona has remained chipper. Now that her medical issues are managed, she is all about fun. She loves toys of any sort but she particularly enjoys her big green pickle— or is it a zucchini? She carries it from place to place, sets it down as if expecting it to run away, and then pounces on it again. Ramona often pushes a toy under the door of her Suite at the shelter and then waits expectantly for a passerby to join in the game. Hopefully soon, Ramona will be playing her games in her own home and entertaining her forever family.

Ramona is an extraordinary cat who has received extraordinary care. thanks to our Mercy Fund. She waits now for that extraordinary person who, in exchange for endless entertainment, will offer Ramona a lifetime of love.

Today the cats’ fondest wish is for canned food, a staple at MEOW. Every day our volunteer Supper Servers open dozens of cans. Some of our cats are fed canned food exclusively. It’s vital for introducing kittens to the plate. It’s a gesture of kindness to our frightened newcomers. It’s helpful for cats with finicky appetites or fuss stomachs. It’s necessary for those recovering from dental procedures, and it’s the best diet for overweight and diabetic cats. If you can donate a case of food, any brand, any flavor, the cats at the shelter would be ever so grateful. Other items on our Wish List would be much appreciated as well. If you’re an Amazon shopper, you may purchase most of these items at www.amazon.com/go/registry/wishlist/3LXAT722VXY12. Shopping on AmazonSmile and designating MEOW as your charity of choice will have an even bigger impact.

Canned Kitten and Cat Foods
Royal Canin Mother and Baby Cat Kibble
Royal Canin Sensitive Digestion
Unscented Clumping Clay Litter
Liquid Laundry Detergent HE
Kitchen Garbage Bags
Bleach
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With respect and compassion for all animal life, MEOW promotes lifelong relationships between people and companion animals, providing shelter and care for each precious life until adopted into a forever home.

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Rudolph — The Ready

Rudolph—Ready for his Riches

Rudolph was a young adult in 2016 when found foraging in a dumpster. Although the couple who took him in had good intentions, they had other issues to deal with and Rudolph was neglected. When they divorced, their teen daughter was tasked with “getting rid of the cat”.

Rudolph, a fluffy Chocolate Snowshoe Siamese mix, had contracted FIV from three years of battling over the lady cats. FIV is passed among cats by bite wounds and mating. Now that he’s neutered, these risky behaviors are in Rudolph’s past. Luckily, cats positive for FIV can live long, healthy indoor lives.

On arrival at the shelter, Rudolph’s eyes were nearly swollen shut with infection from the Feline Herpes virus. In addition, his lower left eyelid had a painful condition called Entropion, in which the eyelid rolls inward causing the lashes to scratch the eye with each movement. After surgery to correct this, and a regular supplement of lysine to keep the herpes flare-ups at bay, his beautiful blue eyes are bright and clear.

Rudolph is a gentle boy who enjoys petting and brushing, cheek and chin rubs, and will melt into cuddles in your arms or on your lap. We’re thrilled that just recently he found his well deserved, real rags to riches happy ending.

The Fingerlings

Zeus, Zoltan & Zorba

MEOW’s Toms & Moms Program was the perfect solution for a mama cat whose owner was overwhelmed but wanted very much to keep her. Mama had just given birth to three teeny, tiny kittens. Very premature, they were totally hairless, their skin bright pink; they hardly resembled kittens.

It was touch and go the first couple of weeks in our care. Still breathing? Latching on? Gaining weight? We held our breath and affectionately called them “the fingerlings”. When at last the super soft blue and white fur began to appear on their little pink bodies, a collective sigh could be heard from their whole team of caregivers.

Pictured here, at just 39 days old, they continue to become more and more adorable. They have discovered the enticing tastes of canned food and the joys of toys. They roll and tumble with one another, learning to be cats.

With the kittens no longer dependent on their moma, she will soon be returned to her person, after receiving her vaccines, viral testing, parasite treatments, spay surgery and a microchip. The kittens, too, are receiving all of the veterinary care and unconditional love and support needed to give them the very best start in life.
Our 2020 Calendar is now available
Get yours today!

Our 2020 Calendar Cover Cat is the lovely miss Ramona. Every year we commemorate several of our rescue stories in our 12 month calendar. It's a wonderful way to be reminded that there are indeed happy endings. The calendars make great gifts for cat lovers and those who recognize the critical work that MEOW Cat Rescue is doing each and every day of every year.

You may purchase online at meowcatrescue.org with payment through PayPal, or call us at the shelter and we'll mail yours. (425-822-6369) Even better, stop by to visit Ramona and pick up your calendars at the shelter, for just $10 each ($12 if shipped).
In memory of Michele (Garvey) Seaver
   Michael Seufert
   Lucy Olson

In memory of my daughter
   Valerie and her three
   companion kittens.
   Joan Soderquist

In memory of my mom,
   Jane Hartman, for passing
   on the love for all animals to
   her children.
   Lois Kotzmoyer

In memory of Ping,
   my piano student
   Sarah Silvia

In loving memory of
   Talyn and Snowy
   Gayle Reidy

In honor of June Hanley's
   80th birthday!
   Cindy Nordness

In memory of
   Kira and Muneco
   Sabrina Chase

In memory of Sugar Plum,
   Megan, and Mariah,
   my dearly loved kittens.
   Gayle Nelson

In memory of
   Emme Marie Keith-Kerns
   Beth Schansky

To honor and thank
   Nydia White
   Jane Scheiber

In memory of Mello
   Michael Senf

In honor of Bella and her family
   Janice Anthony

Celebrating our two wonderful
   Maine Coon cats from
   MEOW - 10 years!
   Susan Hart

In honor of Taco and Crouton
   Liz Bennett

In honor of every cat
   I have known.
   Emogene Lortie

Happy 80th birthday
   Jack Avery!
   Noreen Allen

In honor of Chester (previously
   Redford) an alum of MEOW.
   Most gentle, lovable boy.
   Nancy Jackson

For Karen Sharp,
   my cat loving sister
   Carol Verga

In honor of Carol Wu
   Joanie Adams

In loving memory of our special
   kitty, Prince
   Coleen & Jason Marta

In honor of Brittany Loyea
   Olivia Katbi

In memory of Janis Newman
   Karen Fineide

In memory of Sugarplum,
   so loved and missed.
   Gayle Nelson

In honor of Jaimie Quaglino's
   birthday!
   Rebecca Harris

In honor of our MEOW cat,
   Noel. Loved for 13 years.
   Pam Seaberg

In fond memory of
   Arden Kanov
   Darla Resnick

In memory of
   Desi, loved by
   Sean Jones
   Luna, loved by
   Elena Ejevskaya
   Sugar Pie, loved by
   Kristina Yakunina
   Angel, loved by
   Michael Berry
   Lucy, loved by
   Chris & Sharan Happel, and
   Calypso, loved by
   Lynne & Steve Waldber
   Their Friends at City Kitty

In memory of Rita Suzanne
   Griffin (1971 - 2019)
   Andrew Rogers

In memory of Christine Carr
   Jeffrey Cobb

In loving memory of
   volunteer Christine Carr
   All of us at MEOW