

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



Frio — All Decked Out

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.

CANINE "TALENT SHOW" & WINE TASTING NOVEMBER 17TH AT NORTHWEST CELLARS

Join MEOW Canine on "No Seahawk Sunday" for a super fun wine tastina celebration on Sunday November 17th from 1 pm - 4 pm at Northwest Cellars in Kirkland. Alona with wine tastina and light appetizers, we'll be hosting a talent show of sorts. If your pooch has a special talent you'd like to share. we'd love to see it. Who knows, maybe you'll win a prize for the most talented pup! Of course, well behaved leashed pooches are welcome. Admission and wine tasting is \$25 in advance or \$35 at the door. We will have two custom labeled wines for sale. one red. one white. They make great gifts for the holidays, or a super bowl party. We will be taking preorders soon. \$19 from each wine tasting fee and \$5 from each custom labeled bottle purchased will be donated to the MEOW dogs. Please register online at http://www.northwestcellars.com/events/event-signup.html so that we know you'll be joining us.

ENE — BELIEVE



Precious Eve

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 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 alucose.

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.

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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 Angle Hill, a pet-lover, animal enthusiast and creator of WootDog.org. When she's not out on walks with her pup, you'll find Angle 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 a 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 SOTH SOSO



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 — CALENDAR GIRL

PUSSY CAT PANTRY



Cover Girl Ramona

Ramona WO S 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 auickly 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.

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 adapted into a forever home.

MEOW Cat Rescue 10600 NE 68th St., Suite F Kirkland, WA 98033 425-822-MEOW (6369) Hours: Wed., Thurs., Fri. 3-7pm Sat., Sun. 12-5pm Closed: Mon., Tues, and major holidays

into@meowcatrescue.org Newsletter@meowcatrescue.org www.meowcatrescue.org 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 fussy 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/gp/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
Postage Stamps
Paper Towels
Hand Sanitizer
Costco Gift Cards
Target Gift Cards
Fred Meyer Gift Cards



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 (id 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 HINGERLINGS



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 mama, 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!

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MEOW CAT RESCUE & ADOPTION 2020

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).



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TO HONOR & REMEMBER

In memory of Michele (Garvey) Seaver Lucy Olson

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

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

> In honor of Ping, my piano student Sarah Silvia

In loving memory of Talyn and Snowy Gayle Reidy

In honor of June Hanley's 60th birthday! Cindi Nordness

> In memory of Kira and Muneco Sabrina Chase

In memory of Sugar Plum, Megan, and Mariah, my dearly loved kitties. 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 honor 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 Ardene Kanov Darla Resnick

In memory of

~Desi, loved by

Sean Jones

~Luna, loved by

Elena Ejevskaia

~Sugar Pie, loved by

Kristina Yakunina

~Angel, loved by

Michael Berry

~Lucy, loved by

Chris & Sharan Happel, and

~Calypso, loved by

Lynne & Steve Waldher

Their Friends at City Kitty

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

In memory of Christine Carr Jeffrey Gobb

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