# THE SCOP

Summer 2017









#### From the Editor's Desk:

In this edition, we take a look at how dangerous retractable leashes can be; hear how adopters find their perfect match; and recap some of our fundraising events from the past few months.

"Kitten Season" is in full swing and goes into the fall. During Kitten Season, an influx of pregnant mom cats and cats with newborn kittens come into the shelter - all of whom need a safe and secure environment for birthing and rearing. During Kitten Season, QAS needs foster homes to provide its mother cats and their kittens a safe place to grow. If you're interested in fostering, please visit: <a href="https://www.QuincyAnimalShelter.org">www.QuincyAnimalShelter.org</a> to find out how.

We also need the following supplies for our fosters to take care of the mom cats and their kittens:

- 1) Royal Canin Mother & Babycat dry food
- 2) Royal Canin Kitten dry food
- 3) Non-clumping (clay) cat litter, such as Tidy Cat

**About the Cover**: A view of the shelter on a beautiful summer day. We're hoping to have a new shelter built for us by the City of Quincy. Read more about our special appeal on the QAS web site at: <a href="https://www.QuincyAnimalShelter.org">www.QuincyAnimalShelter.org</a>.

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# by Don Conboy

Summer months can be trying on cats and dogs with the heat and humidity. Please be aware when the sun is out to keep all animals hydrated, in the shade, and not exercised during this time. Volunteers should be careful also, as this weather can take its toll on them as well.

Thank you for all you do to keep the animals safe and well cared for!

- Don

#### **Quincy Animal Control Officers**

Don Conboy & Bruce DiBella (617) 376-1364

Animal Control Office Hours: Monday through Saturday 8:30 - 9:30am & 3:30 - 4:30pm

# **ADOPTION HOURS**

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# Get a Grip on Safety: Say No to Retractable Leashes By Sandra Sines, volunteer

When it comes to our dogs most of us spare no expense; we buy cute dog bowls, coats, and fluffy dog beds. We want to take them everywhere. The best part of our day is coming home and getting a wonderful greeting. Then we get ready to take 85lb. Buster for a walk to the dog park on his retractable leash. Stop right there! You think you're doing Buster a favor, letting him roam all over the park but no, that would actually be a great script for a horror movie. Try getting him back to you—one of the things you cannot do if you're relying on a retractable leash and not a traditional leash. Instead, bring your dog to the dog park on a traditional leash, that way you've greatly reduced the likelihood of an injury to you, your dog, or someone else's dog.

Retractable leashes are not really leashes at all. They are cords that are wrapped around a spring-loaded device that gives the dog walker two options: you can pull the cord back in or let it out to a specified length. The problem is that there is nothing in between. You can play around with the button hoping it will retract fast enough to remove your dog from danger but that's risky. You could try to grab the cord with your hand but, because the cord is very thin, you risk being burned by the cord or worse! Humans have suffered painful hand injuries trying this maneuver. Retractable leashes are mechanical devices and have been known to malfunction just when you need it the most, putting you and your dog in harm's way. They are also bulky and can be easily dropped by humans.



When walking your dog, you need to be able to control your dog. A traditional leash allows you to easily regulate how close or far you want your dog to be from you. For example, if you're walking along Wollaston Beach where they are many distractions, you want to be able to control what your dog can get close to. Your dog maybe the best-behaved dog around you but, you still need to be careful of cars, baby carriages, and, of course, other dogs. Some retractable leashes will allow close to 30 feet of roaming—which can make it much easier for Buster to get into trouble. When you allow your dog to roam far away, you have very little hope of keeping them safe from other potential dangers such as other animals, humans, and vehicles.

Training is another reason to avoid retractable leashes. When properly done, leashed walking is an excellent way to bond with your dog and teach them how to be polite in public places. Retractables teach dogs how to roam and pull. It is not easy to train a new puppy or dog on a retractable.

People, pets, and situations are often unpredictable. That is exactly why you need to be prepared for anything that comes in the path of you and your dog. So, make sure you are always prepared for life's unexpected events. One way to do this is to walk your dog on a quality leather or nylon leash. When you decide to take your dog for a walk, long or short, you need to be in control. Walking your dog on a retractable leash pretty much removes control from the equation.



#### **QUINCY ANIMAL SHELTER'S 9TH ANNUAL**

# 5K Run & 1 Mile Walk

Sunday, October 15, 2017

8:00am - 12:00pm

DCR's Squantum Point Park

@ Marina Bay, Quincy, MA



Cause 4 Paws is a family and dog-friendly event and will be emceed by Boston 25's Heather Hegedus!

### The event includes fun activities for all ages:

- 1 mile walk led by QAS' mascots
- Costume contest for people, dogs, and cats
- Flying High Frisbee Dogs performance
- Quincy Police Department's K-9 unit demonstration
- Pet vendor fair
- Dog agility course to complete
- Photo booth for taking fun pictures

Plus, dozens of raffle prizes to win!

## For race and walk participants:

Runners: \$40/person

Walkers: \$30/person

Children under 12: \$20/person

## Deluxe package upgrade available

Sign up as an individual, as a team, or sponsor a runner or walker. This event is rain or shine.

General admission to the event is free.

#### **Questions?**

Email: cause4paws@quincyanimalshelter.org

Phone: 617-376-1349

# Register Now! Visit: RunSignUp.com/Race/MA/Quincy/Cause4Paws



The Cause 4 Paws 5K race is a USATF certified, chip-timed event. Medals will be awarded for runners and trophies will be awarded to best costumes.

BOSTON 25 is our exclusive promotion partner for Cause 4 Paws.



# 2017 Purr, Wag, & Wine Event Recap

On Thursday, April 27, 150 people gathered at Boston Winery to help raise funds for Quincy Animal Shelter. While tasting local wines and enjoying yummy food, singer Suzanne MacNeil entertained the crowd. In total, the event raised over \$17,900 for the shelter. Event co-Chairs Dawn Gaffney and Michele Mold felt: "the evening seemed to speed by and was very upbeat and enjoyable. [The] live auctions added to the excitement of the evening."

QAS would like to thank all attendees, volunteers, and the donors of the raffle prizes and auction items which included: a week's stay at a home in Costa Rica, \$1000 in cash, several trips, wine baskets, Red Sox tickets, a boat ride, and more. Special thanks to Roberta Anslow for photographing the event. We couldn't have done it without our event's sponsors: South Shore Mini, Rockland, MA; Sam Kramer of Alloy Wheel Repair Specialists, Quincy, MA; and John Scales from Killington, VT. Thank you all for making the evening a success!









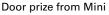


















Enjoying yummy food

Rockland





Taking a chance on raffle prizes





Singer Suzanne MacNeil



Waiting to hear the winners

Dawn and Peter calling out the silent auction winners

# **Pups & Pints - June 22, 2017**

On a beautiful June summer evening, over 100 people gathered at Dorchester Brewing Company to celebrate the beginning of summer and to help raise money for Quincy Animal Shelter. While sampling the brewery's beers, people enjoyed spending time with their friends—both two- and four-legged on the patio. In total, the event raised over \$1,800 for the shelter.

QAS would like to thank all attendees, volunteers, and raffle prize donors. Special thanks to Draft Kings and Dorchester Brewing Company. Event chair, Courtney OKeefe, along with volunteers Claire Thompson and Karimah Grana, would like to thank all who attended and helped make it an enjoyable night!











# QAS in the 2017 City of Quincy Flag Day Parade

On Saturday, June 10, Quincy Animal Shelter participated in the 66th Annual City of Quincy Flag Day parade. Shelter volunteers marched along the parade route along with several dogs who were adopted from or avail-

able at the shelter.











## **Upcoming QAS Events**

October 8 - Trivia Event @ Cagney's, Quincy October 15 - 9th Annual Cause 4 Paws November 18 - Fall Craft Fair December - Santa Paws

# PETSPOTLIGHT

# **Big Guy**



I'm really hoping my new humans can give me a cool name but for now, I'm known around these parts as Big Guy. I just turned 5 and am a handsome, all black perfect specimen of a cat. I was found by a Good Sam on the streets but I came from somewhere because I'm a super nice cat. Come

on down and meet me, and start thinking of some new names, because you're gonna love me!

If you're interested in Big Guy, stop by the shelter during our adoption hours: Tuesdays & Thursdays from 6-8pm and Saturdays from 10am-4pm or email our Adoption Manager at: adoptions@quincyanimalshelter.org

#### Hilo

Hilo, a 1- to 2-year-old bundle of sweetness, is a mix. We think it's Hound and Shepherd. You decide. Hilo is full of love, energy, and sometimes kisses. He's doing well at learning to play, fetch, and other training. His new family will have to continue his training. The joy he will give back will make you smile for days. Hilo would like a family with kids over 12.



If you're interested in Hilo, stop by the shelter during our adoption hours: Tuesdays & Thursdays from 6-8pm and Saturdays from 10am-4pm or email our Canine Manager at: k9@quincyanimalshelter.org

# Adoption Success Story: Maggie, the cattle dog By Liz Goodwin, volunteer

Growing up with a specific breed of dog can lead to a lifetime love for its type. Such was the case



for Michael, who grew up with cattle dogs on a farm in Ireland.

Fast forward many years later and across the ocean, Michael and his wife, Keleigh, were in search of a cattle dog. As fate would have it, Maggie, a dog of that breed, was having trouble adjusting to life at Quincy Animal Shelter. A

shelter volunteer that knew Keleigh reached out to the couple to see if they'd pay Maggie a visit.

When the trio met, there was an instant connection. "The moment Maggie and my husband met... I knew she would be a part of our family," Keleigh said.

Today Michael and Maggie are inseparable and do

everything together. Occasionally, the cattle dog even keeps her dad company at work. "I swear sometimes she thinks she's 'one of the boys,'" said Keleigh.

True to her breed, Maggie is a high-energy dog. But, when she's not running around or walking along Wollaston Beach, she's at home snuggling with her forever family.

"Our Maggie has brought nothing to our family but happiness," said Keleigh. "[She] has given us a warm welcome and has allowed us, with open paws, to be her new mommy and daddy! Thank you again to the Quincy Animal Shelter for changing



our lives by introducing us to our Maggie Moo."

# Adoption Success Story: Rebecca and Smokey By Liz Goodwin, volunteer

Adopting a new pet isn't always easy. Sometimes it requires going above and beyond the call of duty to create a home where an animal can feel loved and secure. Such is the case for Allison and her adopted cats, Smokey and Rebecca.



For over 25 years, Allison has fostered cats, resulting in homes for over 150 animals. "Friends would call if they found a stray," she said. "Some came right to my door, and many were found by the lineman at NSTAR when I worked there." However, it wasn't until last

year that she found herself at a shelter.

The passing of her cats, ages 18, 17, and 6 (the latter had cancer), brought Allison to QAS where she intended to adopt a couple of kittens. Instead, at the urging of QAS volunteers, she left with Smokey and Rebecca, ages 10 and 3.

Finding homes for Smokey and Rebecca had been a challenge for QAS. Both cats had been adopted, only to be returned because they urinated around the house. Aware of Allison's longtime fostering experience,



QAS volunteers felt confident she would be an exceptional and reliable owner for Smokey and Rebecca.

With time and patience, Alison worked through her new pets' issues. Today, Smokey is doing better on a low dose of Prozac. Meanwhile, Rebecca occasionally urinates around the house, although Allison believes the cat is trying to do better.

In addition to managing the urination problems, Allison

is dealing with Rebecca's feral nature. Even though the cat is affectionate with her, Allison says, "Skittish behavior never seems to leave [feral cats], even when they feel safe and loved."



For current and prospective pet owners, Allison has this advice: "People should never

get discouraged. We need to remember that these beautiful little souls are heartbroken.... If we put ourselves in their position for a moment, it helps us realize how hard it is to trust and love again."

Despite the challenges, Allison sees the rewards of having rescues. "As anyone who has ever adopted knows," she said, "Like the sticker says, 'Who saved whom?'. They are the true gift."

## Success Stories Wanted!

If you have an adoption success story about an animal you've adopted from QAS, please send us a photo & short story to: Quincy Animal Shelter, Attn: Scoop Editor, P.O. Box 690088, Quincy, MA 02269 or email: marketing@quincyanimalshelter.org You may be featured in our next edition! (Please include your contact information along with the update.)



# **Quincy Animal Shelter**

P.O. Box 690088, Quincy, MA 02269 617-376-1349 www.QuincyAnimalShelter.org

# Guardian Angel Sponsorship & Tribute Gift Form

Quincy Animal Shelter offers multiple ways to make a donation in honor of your loved one. Our Guardian Angel Cage & Kennel Sponsorships are available for 3 months, six months, or one year and can be dedicated to a family member, friend, or pet. You may also make a Tribute Gift in someone's name.

All proceeds go towards animal care and operation of the Shelter. Your donation is tax deductible.

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Please make your check payable to: **Quincy Animal Shelter** and mail it along with this form to: Quincy Animal Shelter, P.O. Box 690088, Quincy, MA 02269

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# **Membership & Donation Form**

Support the Quincy Animal Shelter and you will be saving the lives of hundreds of dogs and cats. Each year, QAS rescues, rehabilitates, and finds loving homes for unwanted animals, saving many from a miserable life on the streets and an uncertain future.

All proceeds go towards animal care and operation of the Shelter. Your donation is tax deductible.

Annual Memberships: As a member, you will receive QAS' periodic newsletter to keep you informed of QAS happenings.						
□ \$15 – Student (up to 21 years old)		\$	□ \$250 – Business			
□ \$15 – Senior (60+ years old)		□ \$500 – Lifesaver				
□ \$25 – Individual		□ \$:	□ \$1,000 – Angel			
□ \$50 – Family						
Donations (Non-membership):  Even if you're not interested in becoming a member, QAS thanks you for donations of any amount.  Non-membership Donation Amount: \$  The Mickey Medical Fund (Pays for extraordinary medical care) \$ Wesley's Wish Feral Cat Fund (Pays for the care of feral cats) \$						
Contact Information: (Please also update if you've moved or changed your address!)						
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Please make your check payable to: **Quincy Animal Shelter** and mail it along with this form to: Quincy Animal Shelter, P.O. Box 690088, Quincy, MA 02269-0088

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# **Tributes & Thanks**

(March 1, - July 15, 2017)

Donations made in memory of or in honor of special friends

### In Memory of:

"Bear" - Peggy Doyle

"Bella" - Susanna Brown and Beau Desmond

"Camie" - Sandra Lee

"Dunkin" - Diana & Joe Maloney

"Pumpkin" - Sue Schroepfer

"Rosie" - Ryan Stoeckel

"Ziggy" Gilbert - Jennifer Clifford

Carolyn Anderson - Paul Murphy

John Bearne - Lorraine Bearne

Harriet Bonish - Staff of Morse Institute Library and Denise Fisher

Ruth Bortnick - Louis Bortnick

David Mark Colton - Rita Minton

Catherine Craig - Gary & Heather Caruso

Jeanne Falcione - Rita Minton

Ruth Hatch - Patricia Molengraaf

Mike Kelly - Dr. Edward Marianacci

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Theresa Mikkola - Monica & Robert Solarchick

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Roberta Gore - Barbara Watts, Katherine Murphy, Barbara Sullivan, Joanne Gallahue, Mariclare Cheny and Kristen,

Ann Reilly, Kathleen Dahill, and AFSCME Local 2417

Paul McDonough - Judy & Rocky DiLorenzo, Patricia Elder,

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#### In Honor of:

"Milo" - Carrie Stevens

Mary Gabriel & Penny - Joseph & Henrietta Fontana

Papa's Birthday - Erika LaFavre

Ann Regan - Kathleen Armstrong

Shelter Cats - "Petra" & Steve Nelson

Janet Thomas's Birthday - Kathleen Kelly, John

Murphy III, and Alexander Campbell

Wedding of Kim Miner and Adam Aronson - Richard

& Anita Miner, Carol Snyder, and Dana Quinto.

Congratulations Kim and Adam, thank you for

including QAS in your wedding!

#### In Honor of Shelter Volunteers:

Debbie Weisman Clasie's Birthday - Ellen Ward, Holly

David, Vivian Golan Weisman, Laurie Ajello Golan,

Michelle Mitchell Millet, Kevin Gracey, Greg

Clements, Merith Weisman, Katy Peters, Matt

Warner, David Brickley, Lynn Gramer, Jason

Aylsworth, Ann Toscano, Cathy Parsons, Hannah

Clasie, and Carrie Johnson

Debbie Weisman Clasie - "Jason" & "Nathan"

Diane Davis - Beryl Feinberg

Lynda Southerland's Birthday - Andrea Boyer and

Kristen Porter

# **Tributes & Thanks (continued)**

(March 1 - July 15, 2017)

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#### **Kids That Care:**

In celebration of Will's graduation - Donations from Will Cotter and Mary Cotter Kelly

Cheyenne Libby, 9 years old - Donated \$20 of her "vacation money" to QAS

Deryl Callahan & Friends from Middleborough Mass. Did "Random Act of Kindness for Down Syndome
Awareness". Donation of many of our Wish List items
because we do not discriminate against Pitties & Rotties

Jack Herlihy - In lieu of Birthday presents made donations to QAS

Kayla Mckeon - Donation of Wish List items. Kayla has an ongoing drive at Thayer Academy for QAS

# Schools That Help QAS Care for the Shelter Residents:

**Broad Meadows Middle School** - 12 bags of assorted Wish List items for shelter

Central Middle School's 7th grade Animal Abuse

Awareness group - Fundraiser donation of \$246

Central Middle School Students - Eric C., Benny M.,

Dylan R., Zack D., Quinn M., Riely O., and Mike S. 
Cash and Petco gift card

Flaherty Elementary School, Braintree - \$395 donation and Wish List items

**Merrymount School** - Donation of food, Wish List items, and a Petco gift card

Montclair School Student Council - Held a "Spring Day" fundraiser and raised \$150 for QAS

North Quincy High School Learning Center - Students earned money doing chores then shopped for Wish List items and delivered them to shelter

**Snug Harbor School** - Donation of \$225 to help us care for the animals

Woodward School's 6th grade class & Animal Welfare
Group - \$76 cash and Wish List items donated

Too young to volunteer at the shelter and want to help? Here are some ideas:

- Make cat & dog treats and sell them at a local dog park or in the neighborhood
- Have a QAS "Wish List" drive
- Share your birthday by having guests bring an item for the shelter residents

### **Special Thanks:**

**Trustees of the Martha Morse Foundation** - Grant of \$5000 for animal care

Estate of Agnes Gidley - Annual donation for animal care

Fraternal Order of Eagles Weymouth Auxiliary #2889 &

Smokin' Joes - Fundraiser proceeds to shelter

**Houghs Neck Congregational Church - Mission** 

**Committee** - Selected us to receive the collection of Wish List items held on three Sundays in March

Employees of the following companies donate monthly, request company grants, or have their companies match their donations to help us care for the shelter animals:

AbbVie Employee Fund Allstate **American Express** Ameriprise Financial AT&T **BCD Travel** Berkshire Partners, LLC **Eaton Vance** General Mills John Hancock McKesson Corporation Morgan Stanley Raytheon Corporation **State Street Corporation TRUIST UBS** United Health Group

# **Tributes & Thanks (continued)**

(March 1 - July 15, 2017)

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# Thank You to Our Veteranarians Who Care for the Animals:

Canton Veterinary Hospital, Canton Dr. Jo Traveling Vet South Coastal Veterinary Hospital, Weymouth Weymouth Landing Cat Clinic, Weymouth

# Thank You to These Businesses Who Support QAS:

Almquist Flowerland, Quincy Big Y, Quincy David Ellsworth Design Fratelli's Pastry Shop, Quincy Frozen Freddies, Quincy Golden Manet Press, Quincy Granite Lock Company Inc., Quincy Gypsy Kitchen, Quincy Jerry Knowles - Irish Contracting, Quincy Keezer Sportswear, Weymouth Lighting & Lamps, Quincy L & L Pet Grooming, Quincy Petco Foundation Pet Supplies Plus, Quincy Sandy's Pet Grooming, Quincy Stop & Shop, Quincy Superlative Printing, Stoughton Willard Veterinary Clinic, Quincy

QAS would like to thank everyone who makes purchases via **Amazon.com's Smile Program** and chooses QAS as their charity. We don't receive donor names from Amazon so we want to give a big THANK YOU! for your generosity & compassion for these wonderful animals.

#### 2 Ways to Give to QAS through Amazon.com:

**Option 1**: Shop using AmazonSmile and the Amazon Smile Foundation will donate 0.5% of the price of eligible purchases to the charitable organization selected by their customers.

- 1. Go to <a href="https://smile.amazon.com/ch/31-1703439">https://smile.amazon.com/ch/31-1703439</a>
- 2. Select Quincy Animal Shelter as the charitable organization you would like to support

**Option 2**: Purchase items from our Wish List To search for our list:

- 1. Go to Find a List or Registry
- Enter "Quincy Animal Shelter" as the list you'd like to find
- 3. Click Search
- 4. Once you've located our logo, you can select items from the list you would like to donate

#### **How to Double Your Donations:**

We are so very grateful when we receive your donations. Your thoughtfulness is what enables us to give the excellent care that our special residents need 24/7, 365 days a year. Did you know it's possible that you may be able to double your donation?

If your company has a Matching Gift Program, your gift could be doubled and twice as many animals could benefit. The match could be based on your monetary donation or the volunteer hours you serve. Please check with your company's Human Resources department to see if they'll match your charitable donations or volunteer hours. If they will, ask for a form and mail it to us at:

#### **Quincy Animal Shelter**

ATTN: Matching Gift Program PO Box 690088 Quincy, 02269-0088

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## **Wish List**

We urgently need:

#### Paper towels

#### **Bleach**

Any brand laundry detergent - must be high efficiency (HE) Cascade ActionPacs Dishwasher Detergent

Any brand of dry cat food for our feral pantry (open bags ok!)
Fancy Feast Adult and Kitten canned food - for our shelter
residents

Natural Balance Dog Food Rolls or Redbarn Food Rolls "Yesterday's News" Cat Litter

Furry mice toys for cats

Interactive dog toys like Buster Cubes and balls (no tennis balls)

**NEW** Plastic litter boxes and **NEW** plastic litter scoops with tags and stickers (cannot be used)

Postage stamps

Gift cards to Pet Supply Plus, Petco, Walmart, super markets

Can you help? Give us a call with any questions! 617-376-1349

# **About QAS**

The Quincy Animal Shelter (QAS) is a nonprofit organization designated under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code and is recognized as a Massachusetts charity. As a no-kill shelter, we make every effort to find appropriate placement for each animal in our care. Since 1999, we have placed more than 8,000 cats and dogs into loving and forever homes throughout MA and New England.

Before adoption, all animals are checked by a veterinarian, spayed/neutered, microchipped, and have received age-appropriate vaccinations. Cats have been tested for Feline Leukemia (FeLV) and Feline Immunodeficiency Virus (FIV). Dogs have been temperament tested and tested for Lyme disease, Heartworm, and other tick related diseases.

Delivering this type of care involves many volunteers, a dedicated Shelter Director and Board of Directors, and a lot of money. Our budget runs approximately \$250,000 per year and we rely completely on the community for support. Here's how you can help QAS: volunteer your time; donate money or pet supplies; sponsor a cage or kennel; donate via your corporate matching gift program; become a QAS sponsor; purchase QAS wear; or attend a QAS event!

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