



HUMANE SOCIETY OF KNOX COUNTY FUR, PURRS & BARKS

Summer 2012

OUR MISSION

Adopt * Care * Educate

The Humane Society of Knox County is devoted to caring for and placing unwanted and abandoned animals in loving homes; promoting responsible pet ownership, humane treatment of all animals; demonstrating and enhancing the benefits of the human-animal bond and ending pet overpopulation through aggressive spay/neuter and Trap Neuter Return programs.

TOWNS WE SERVE

Appleton	Rockland
Cushing	South Thomaston
Hope	Spruce Head
Martinsville	St. George
Matinicus	Stockton Springs
Montville	Tenants Harbor
Morrill	Thomaston
North Haven	Union
Owls Head	Vinalhaven
Port Clyde	Warren

Shelter Wish List

**Large black Garbage Bags
Leashes & Collars
Canned dog & cat food
Paper towels
6" paper plates
Surgical Gloves/ Shoe covers
Brooms/dustpans
Laundry & Dish Detergent
Postage Stamps
gift cards: Walmart & Staples

New Van for Vet Runs
THANK YOU!

Humane Society of Knox County- Honors Legacy Members

Community members, Board members and long-time supporters of the Humane Society of Knox County gathered in July, for HSKC's inaugural legacy luncheon held at Amalfi on the Water in Rockland to celebrate the shelter's legacy donors whose vision and generosity truly transform the lives of so many animals in the community.

"It was wonderful to see so many treasured friends of the shelter," said Tracy Sala, Executive Director. "Their passion and commitment to help the homeless and abandoned animals in



our community is inspiring and we wanted to thank them for making what we do possible".

Board President, Warner Vaughan, welcomed honored guests and thanked them for their support. He recognized the late Martha Cobb for her recent bequest that enabled the shelter to build the Cobb House Cat



Dear HSKC,

We found him (Trent) on your site and immediately knew he was the dog for us. Our dog, Ty, had passed away more than a year before and we had been feeling that we were ready to adopt again. We did a search of shelters in Maine and for some reason HSKC came up on top. We opened your site, and only your site, after seeing Trent on the upper right side. We came up that day and he was ours. We love the story of how we came together and I had wanted to put it in writing for the HSKC at some point in his memory. Trent passed away last May after being diagnosed with an aggressive form of Lupus. He was a beautiful boy and I don't have words to describe just how much we love him and the joy he brought to our lives. We think about him every day.

We adopted Trent a few weeks before I was diagnosed with cancer and he passed away a month after I was deemed in clinical remission. We always felt like he was my gift and God's way of letting me know I wasn't forgotten. So, thank you to the HSKC for one of the greatest gifts of our lives.

Kathleen & Jason

Fur, Purrs & Barks is the newsletter of the Humane Society of Knox County. The Humane Society is a non-profit organization dedicated to the care of homeless and unwanted animals. The Humane Society provides care to all admitted animals until appropriate placement can be made. The Humane Society does not euthanize an animal unless a serious medical or behavioral problem exists that cannot be resolved.

Fur, Purrs & Barks welcomes letters as well as photographs but reserves the right to refuse any material.

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Open daily from 11-5, closed Sundays

Closed major Holidays



The Humane Society of Knox County is located on 17 Buttermilk Lane in Thomaston.

Dear Friends,

One of the best parts of writing the newsletter for me is going through all the great letters I receive and posts on Facebook that share the wonderful pictures and stories of the animals people have adopted from the shelter and have accepted into their lives as cherished family members. The animals that come through the doors at the shelter, over 1200 a year, - as strays wandering the streets, in the arms of a tearful owner who can no longer care for their pet or left in a box by the back door with a note that says "can't keep", truly become our animals.



Shilo and Cooper

The staff feel great responsibility for them, care for them, take time to learn their quirky personalities and work tirelessly to find them loving homes. So when we receive a letter that describes how much joy a shelter animals brings to a family, a family we helped create, whether



Thank you Trinity

it's the new bouncy kitten proving hours of entertainment or the dog who attentively sits by the side of someone battling cancer offering silent support and encouragement, we are encouraged and inspired to keep going, keep fighting the fight, and are reminded of the tremendous positive impact that pets can and do have on our lives. Savings lives and creating families, that's what we do. We have been able to do it because of your support: through

adopting our animals, donating food and supplies, attending our fund raisers and your generous financial contributions. Until the shelter animals have a chance to make a difference in the lives of someone, we need your help to make a difference in theirs. In many cases, we are their only chance. Thank you for your support.

Tracy Sala, Executive Director



Pets Make a Difference Project

How Does Your Pet Make A Difference in Your Life?

We want to know. We will be launching Pets Make a Difference Project in early September where you can share a picture of you & your pet and why they make a difference. Stay tuned for more details on our website and Facebook.

Legacy Luncheon cont'd from page 1

Care facility to accommodate the shelter's ever growing cat population. "Sadly, since we weren't aware of Martha Cobb's gift until after her passing we were unable to thank her in person for her life changing donation" said Vaughan. "With the creation of the Legacy Society and our legacy luncheon we will be able to do that with our members going forward."

During dessert, guests had an opportunity to walk down memory lane as Tracy Sala presented a slide show of the growth of HSKC from its humble beginnings to the present. After lunch attorney Ed Collins of Crandall, Hanscom and Collins, gave a brief talk on the benefits of estate planning and how to incorporate charitable giving into estate plans. HSKC thanks Mr. Collins for his participation.

The HSKC Legacy Society is an honorary group that allows the shelter to recognize, honor and thank individuals during their lifetimes for provisions they have made for the shelter through thoughtful estate planning. Supporters are encouraged to notify the Humane Society of Knox County of estate plans that include HSKC so that they may be recognized and honored.



Looking Forward and Giving Back **HSKC Legacy Society**

Please consider including the Humane Society of Knox County in your will. A bequest to HSKC is ensuring that all animals are loved and cared for now and into the future. For the lost and abandoned dogs and cats with no one else to care for them, you will be providing a legacy of love and compassion. You may become a member of the Legacy Society simply by notifying us that you have named The Humane Society of Knox County in your will or estate plan. To learn more, contact Tracy at 594-4897 or at humane@midcoast.com.



A few ladies from St George elected to do some fund-raising on behalf of the Humane Society of Knox County. For two weeks this summer they volunteered at the St. George Transfer Station by sorting and redeeming the refundable bottles and cans. All funds received were donated to the shelter. The ladies said that while the job was sometimes "curious" they enjoyed many laughs while working for such a worthy cause. Pictured: Carol, Debby, Susan and Tracy (Absent: Daila). THANK YOU LADIES!!

Available for Adoption



Jasmyn



Murphy



Little Petey



Cooper



Noodle

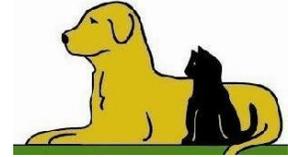


It's time to lace up those sneakers, grab a leash and your canine companion and join us for our Whisker Walk and Family Fun Day, formerly the Fur n Foliage Dog Walk, on Saturday, September 15 at our new location Harbor Park in Rockland. This pledge driven event is the largest fundraiser for the shelter, raising funds in support of providing medical care and finding homes for over 1200 homeless pets in our community. To join, simply register online at www.firstgiving.com/hskcme and create your own fundraising page, or use the pledge sheet and start asking friends, family, neighbors and co-workers to support you in making a difference. Everyone is welcome. Walkers may walk with or without their canine companion (or in honor of a pet). Registrants will receive a commemorative 2012 Whisker Walk t-shirt and prizes will be awarded to the top fundraising individuals (adult and youth) and top pack. Registration opens at 9:30 and the walk starts at 10:30 and the festivities run until 2:00 p.m. For more information visit www.hskcme.org. The drawing above is courtesy of 12 year old Haylee Sylvester,. We think she did an awesome job capturing our Whisker Walk Event. Thank you Haylee and all who submitted fun and creative ideas for our Whisker Walk art design contest.

<p><u>Vendors</u> Loyal Biscuit Pet Quarters Franziska Hart- Jewelry Smiling Frog Home Brewed Soaps CW Studio Mutt Nose Best</p>	<p><u>Kid Friendly</u> Barefoot Books Bouncy House by Just Jump'n Balloon Animals - Kyle Ederly Arts & Crafts Face Painting, Games Pictures with Santa</p>
<p><u>Pet Friendly</u> Agility Demonstration & Try It Your Self Course by Steve Seekins & Naomi Howe Carol Visser - Animal Communicator Ask the Trainer - K-9 Solutions Dog Training HSKC - Doggy Day Spa & Microchipping Down East Dog News</p>	<p><u>Food</u> Sweet Treats 4M Productions (Doughboys, Hamburgers, Hotdogs, Fries) Matt & Renee's Italian Cart Just Jumpin' - Sno Cones & Cotton Candy</p>
<p><u>Local Rescues</u> Avian Haven Catahoula Rescue Brittany Spaniel Rescue</p>	<p><u>Live Music</u> Sam Grinnell Rusty Hinges Mehuman Jonson Plus much more!!</p>

OUR WHISKER WALK SPONSORS

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HARBOR ROAD VETERINARY HOSPITAL



Top Dog



Man's Best Friend

Lonza

pdqphoto

Tail Waggers

ALL CREATURES VETERINARY HOSPITAL



Rockland Savings Bank, FSB



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 RAFFLE**

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 6 for \$5**

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HSKC
 TheWhisker Walk
 Camden National Bank—
 Thomaston (in October)
 or contact
humane@midcoast.com



Drawing December 7th at “3 Dog Nite” at

**5th Annual
 Eat for Pete’s Sake
 Great Success!!**

Thanks for another great Eat for Pete’s Sake event. Thank you to our generous participating restaurants, and those who joined in on this special night of doing good by eating good. Once all money is collected we hope to have raised over \$3,000 from this yummy event. Thank You!!



- Amalfi on the Water
- Archer's
- Athen's Pizzeria
- Atlantica
- Badger Cafe & Pub
- Big Fish
- Blue Sky Cantina
- Brass Compass
- Cafe Mediterranean
- Cafe Miranda
- Come Spring Café
- Craignair Inn and Restaurant
- Fresh Restaurant
- Harbor Gawker
- Hatchet Mountain Publick House
- The Haven
- Highlands Coffee House
- Home Kitchen Café
- In Good Company
- Offshore Restaurant
- Park Street Grille
- Peter Otts
- Primo
- Rockland Café
- Rock Harbor
- Slipway
- Thomaston Café

We’re happy to report that “Pete”, aka Dingo has been adopted and is living his happily ever after with a great family.

**2013 HSKC
 PET CALENDAR
 RELEASE PARTY**

Join us on Saturday, September 29 at the Reading Corner in Rockland from 10-2 for the unveiling of our 2013 Pet Calendar. We will have refreshments available. Calendars will be on sale for just \$10. They make awesome holiday gifts. Be the first to sign your pet up for our 2014 calendar.



Shelter cat Hera is featured in the 2013 calendar thanks to a generous friend of the shelter. Here is available for adoption.

ARE YOU TUNED IN ?

Watch HSKC’S very own T.V. personalities Richard Procopio and Carrie Anderson on our pet program ***Reigning Cats and Dogs*** airing every other **Thursday at 7:30 p.m.** on Maine Coast TV **Channel 7** as well as Belfast Community TV channel 2. See featured animals, hear about upcoming events and adoption specials or learn something new and interesting from our wonderful guest speakers.

TIME IS RUNNING OUT!!

Has your pet left a lasting “memory” on your rug? For a second year Rite Way Cleaning in Waldoboro is donating a portion of rug cleaning back to the shelter: 5% for all rug cleaning from pet owners and 10% all pet urine or stain cleanings. This offer is good through August. Call Mike at 785-3484 to learn more.





MAIL BAG



Thank You for our beautiful kitty Malibu
Danielle Mills Blake

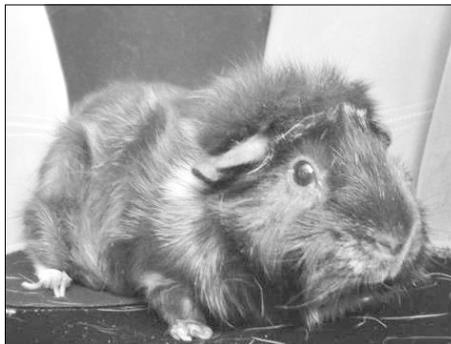


This was a very impulsive adoption, but once I decided to go through with it I've never looked back. The thought of Pindar , left (official name yet TBD) going to some other home would have been the source of much regret for me. Pindar and his brother Timmy (now Mango) are virtually inseparable. They play together relentlessly and always turn up together whenever they make an appearance, usually trailed by little Jonesie, right, who loves them both. And yes, Pindar's Siamese roots are strong, and he's happy to demonstrate them daily by climbing window curtains, shower curtains, and vaulting everything imaginable that's in his way.

Thanks to all of you for your role in this happy story for us!
Jim



A boy and his dog sharing some love. :)
Thank you, HSKC!
Dena



We adopted 2 pair of wonderfully sweet guinea pigs over the past several years from the society! Our beloved Badger passed away a few weeks ago! The other 3 senior ladies, Chloe, Greta and Vereis, are still going strong! Nancy E. Todd



It's official Maxwell a/k/a Bandit has officially settled in . . . My five-week old granddaughter visited yesterday. Look what happened when I took her out of her seat!

Thanks again for all you do!

Jennifer

Do you have a happy ending story with an HSKC pet? We'd love to share your stories. You can send your pictures & stories to Tracy at humane@midcoast.com or mail to HSKC P.O. Box 1294 Rockland, ME 04841



I don't think I have ever done anything in my life as valuable as rescuing an animal. The pride of doing so is beyond description, and is an experience that I will value forever as a part of my inner-being and character. Larry



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RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED



We are located in Thomaston
off Route 1 on Buttermilk Lane

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LIMITED TIME OFFER!

HSKC alumni Schnitzel, adopted 2009



OFFER ENDS AUGUST 31st.



KEEP THOSE BOTTLES COMING

So far you have CLYNKed 28,805 bottles
earning \$1482.25 for HSKC

Thank You!!

- * Pick up the special green Clynk bags at the shelter or at supporting local businesses.
- * Bag your cans & bottles. Tag with HSKC bar code sticker
- * Bring bag to Hannaford in Rockland - scan and drop it off there. Your bottles will automatically be credited to our account.



Upcoming Events	
September 8	Woofstock— Damariscotta 10-4
September 15	Whisker Walk and Family Fun Day Harbor Park Rockland 9:30-2:00
September 29	HSKC 2013 Calendar Release Party Reading Corner 10-2
November TBA	Volunteer Appreciation Dinner
December 7	3 Dog Night at 3 dogs Café