

136 kitties found loving homes since our November newsletter!

Kitty / Family

- Sasha / Michelle & Lance
- Grovenburg / Lisa
- Bella / Matt & Lauren
- Poobah / Rosemary & James
- Dolcetta / Charles & Michelle
- Giorgio / Margaret & Gardner
- Rutherford / Mary
- Orlando / Diana & Christopher
- Macchioto / Sarah & Stefan
- Melanie & Molly / Kelly & Jake
- Lance / Danielle & Ryan
- Sarah / Suzanne & Allan
- Kendall / Margaret & Glen
- Frito / Lauren & Justin
- Rosie / Marcy & David
- Alexis / Dee
- Bandit / Lauren & Justin
- Linus / Carey & Geoff
- Sylvester / Danielle & James
- Mr. Darcy / Christine & Bill
- Jasper & Sydney / Mitch & Laura
- Jupiter / Jillian
- Hemingway / Lewis & Suzanne
- Betty White / Barbara & David
- Pascal / Peter & Kathy
- Jacques / Laura
- Sweet Sally & Daisy / Dana & Troy
- Hercule / Suzette & Aaron
- Liam & Otis / Walter
- Tate & Arnold / Bryon & Emily
- Bella / Lori Leigh & Gregory
- Kole / Charles & Michelle
- Raji / Karma & David
- Henderson / Danielle
- Bugsy / Michelle
- Roxie / Michele
- Dash / Richard & Hope
- Theodore / Kristin
- Fox / Robyn
- Cindy Lou / Gina & Fred
- Callie / Robert & Nancy
- Feena / Peggy
- Deo / Kendall
- Linnea / Racheal
- Loralei / Joanna & Bill
- Abbey / Jamie & Joseph
- Eli / Jasmin
- Angus, Butters & Brigid / Stacy & Tony
- Opal / Elaine & Roger
- Foxie / Joan
- Satsuma / Samuel & Rebecca
- Millie / Barbara & Jim
- Dominique / Alexis & Evan
- Indigo / Terrian
- Cinnamon / Doug & Susan
- P'life Annie / Zucu
- Tex / Brett & Laura
- McGee / Kate
- Penny / Michael & Martha
- Cornbread & Baby Girl / Susana & John
- Richard the Lion Heart & Queen Victoria / Patricia & Ward
- Teo / Lisa
- Buddy Boy & Chunk / Gene
- Hollister / Ashley & Jonathan
- George & Fred / Boravy & Emilio
- Pogi / Jennifer



Greetings from The Director: Four years ago MCA decided it would microchip every cat before adoption and register the cats to us, despite the extra costs (\$20 per kitty). Kitties sometimes escape despite best efforts, and every time I get a call from a shelter telling me a scan told them they have one of our adopted kitties - like dear Iona [left] - I'm so glad we made this decision. Shelters only have to hold a stray cat 72 hours before they euthanize it, so that chip can make the difference between life and death.
>>> Elaine Lyford-Nojima

Finding a Lost Cat



Look in nearby hiding places. If your indoor-only kitty escapes, it may stay close. Cats are territorial, and your cat's territory was inside the home. In unfamiliar territory, it will look for a hiding place quickly. Search under nearby decks, porches, cars, in sheds, garages, or in heavy brush. And don't forget cats can climb. By all means call your kitty, but be aware it may not answer, since meowing would give away its location to a predator.

Search at night, too. Night can be a good time to find your kitty. It may come out of hiding to forage for food, particularly at dusk and just before dawn, and you can see the kitty's eyes shining if you use a flashlight once it's dark. Even if you've already checked a spot during the day, check it again at night with a flashlight.



Leave out food and water. Leave out food and water - smelly food, like Trader Joe's tuna for cats, works well - and some article with your familiar scent on it. Most cats move the saucer a bit while eating so attach a bell to it, or better yet, put a baby monitor near the bowl.

Hand out flyers. Post flyers on streets and at nearby commercial places like laundromats and schools (kids often notice new stray cats), at vets, ER vets, pet food stores, etc. Keep the flyer simple with a large photo. You can download a flyer template from our website - click on "Kitty Care Info," then on "Lost Cat Flyer." Handing out flyers to neighbors in ever widening circles may be the best way to get your kitty back. Ask to look in sheds, garages, basements (explain cats often look for hiding places nearby).

Set a humane trap. This is the same method used to capture feral cats. You put food in the trap, and when the kitty comes in to eat it, a trip mechanism closes the door. Many animal shelters or veterinarians will rent or lend traps that are easy to use, or you can buy one at hardware stores, pet stores or online at www.animalcare.com.

Go to ALL municipal and private shelters in your city and those nearby. Look at ALL cats, including those in sick/isolation areas and feral cat rooms. Shelter staff often vary widely in their descriptions of kitties, so the way your cat looks on paper at shelters may not match how you would describe it. If you just telephone, you may be told your kitty isn't there, even when it is. Go back to the shelters every couple of days if you can.

Post a picture on-line. More people who find pets are now searching for owners on-line. Think about posting a picture of your kitty or searching for it on a pet recovery site like www.lookformycat.com.

Call us. We have experience finding lost kitties, and we're more than glad to help.

Don't give up. Cats often are found weeks or even months after they go missing. Keep looking, and get your baby back in your arms.



MaineCoonAdoptions.com / PreventingEuthanasiaThroughRescue.com



Yes, I want to help the kitties!

Donated by: _____
 Address: _____
 Phone/E-mail (optional): _____

Gift: \$10 \$25 \$50 \$100 other \$ _____



Please make checks payable to **PET Rescue** and mail to:

Maine Coon Adoptions
 2527 Carmel Street
 Oakland, CA 94602

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Kitty / Family

- Pogi / Jennifer
- Mufasa / Venessa & Lance
- Henry / Eric
- Yukon / Benjamin
- Electra & Angelique / Jennifa & Aragorn
- Holly / Derek & Ann
- Luke / Larry & Leslie
- Dapper Dan & Fiona Elizabeth / Louise & Tim
- Poppy & Cooper / Jeri & Michael
- Azzam & Asher / Rachel
- Duff / Jennifer
- Maggie Mae / John
- Poppy & Tessa / Eliana
- Ellie Rose / Janice
- Cocoa / Laura
- Flora & Sandee / Patricia & Virginia
- Delilah, Ruby & Roscoe / Brenda
- Angelo / Lisa
- Boo & Simba / Natalie & Paul
- Tristan & Isolde / Sarah & Steve
- Tippi / Gayle & Don
- Wilkinson / Lori & William
- Melody / Ann
- Nicodemus / Marilynn
- Paris & London / Christina
- Johnson & Hank / J. Bob
- Dolcetta / Diane & Colleen
- Oscar / Kelly
- Caesar / Dragon & Wayne
- Casper / Michael & Lisa
- Mr. Big / Bruce
- Bear & Cricket / Lori & Mike
- Sinatra & Robinson / Nicole
- Dash & Oreo / Stephanie
- Dory / Ronald & Frances
- Kiki / Jennifer
- Figaro / Janet
- Bella / Stephanie
- Eleanor / Rachel
- Magnus / Barry
- Lucy / Naomi & Eddie
- Puss No Boots / Sharon & Chris
- Loki & Ginobelli / AnnaMaria & Alan
- Gobi / Michael & Anne



MCA says **Hat's off!** to the Oakland merchants who helped make our adoption fair a success during the Piedmont Avenue Tulip & Art Festival last month.

Paws on Piedmont, a great neighborhood pet supply store at 3974 Piedmont Ave, let us have several cages in their store and on the sidewalk in front.

Yosemite Framing, a high-quality locally owned framing store at 3972 Piedmont Ave, also gave up some of its sidewalk space for the adoption fair.

We had 6 cats adopted & got \$400 in donations thanks to you!

A Shaggy Kitty Story by Mr. Fergus



MCA wanted to put my "Ask Mr. Fergus" column in that tiny little space where the "Hats Off" note is. I knew my readers would be devastated to have so little of ME, so I protested. As a result, I got to select a story to report on for this newsletter - just like a real reporter with a real byline.

I'm calling this a shaggy kitty story. That isn't anything like a shaggy dog story, which is a long, rambling story whose humor derives from its sheer pointlessness. Unlike doggies, we kitties always have a point to make, and we never ramble.

This shaggy kitty story starts with an adopter - Vicki - who is a regular on our Facebook page. She saw a post on our page about a kitty (not one of ours) who was on the verge of being euthanized in a shelter. The story grabbed Vicki's heart, and she sent it out to everyone she knew. When her ex-husband got her email, he called his girlfriend, who went to the shelter and adopted the cat! How's that for a great small-world, working-together-we-save-lives story?

Maddie's Matchmaker Adoptathon - June 4 & 5

All adoptions from MCA are FREE! for qualified adopters during the 2nd annual Maddie's Matchmaker Adoptathon weekend, June 4th and June 5th.

Plus MCA will receive \$500 for every cat adopted, and an extra \$500 for older and special needs cats!



Senior kitty King got adopted at last year's Adoptathon.

MCA will be at four locations each day, so come by and see the kitties. If you think you may want to adopt, we urge you to get preapproved so you can concentrate on meeting the kitties during the Adoptathon! Fill out our Online Adoption Application. (You don't have to specify a particular cat, and filling out an application doesn't commit you to adopting any cat.) You can still go through the approval process at the Adoptathon sites if you don't submit an application in advance.

4 locations each day:

Saturday:
Oakland, Berkeley & El Sobrante

Sunday:
Oakland, El Sobrante & Pleasanton

[maps for each location & more info about the Adoptathon can be found on our website]

Saturday June 4

- [Paws On Piedmont, 11:00 - 4:00](#), 3974 Piedmont Ave., Oakland
- [George, 11:00 - 4:00](#), 1824 4th Street, Berkeley
- [Animal Care Clinic, 10:00 - 3:00](#), 3340 San Pablo Dam Road (behind McDonalds), El Sobrante
- [The Kitty House \(Private Residence\), 11:00 - 4:00](#), 2527 Carmel St., Oakland

Sunday June 5

- [Paws On Piedmont, 11:00 - 4:00](#), 3974 Piedmont Ave., Oakland
- [Animal Care Clinic, 10:00 - 3:00](#), 3340 San Pablo Dam Road (behind McDonalds), El Sobrante
- [The Kitty House \(Private Residence\), 11:00 - 4:00](#), 2527 Carmel St., Oakland
- [Stoneridge Mall, 11:00 - 6:00](#), One Stoneridge Mall, Pleasanton

If you or anyone you know is thinking about adopting a cat or dog soon, please consider doing it during the Adoptathon. This event is the trifecta of rescue - 100s of dogs and cats find homes, adopters pay no fees, & shelters and rescue groups get funds to rescue more animals. For a complete list of all participating shelters and rescue groups, go to www.maddiesadoptathon.org.

Maddie's Fund is the largest pet foundation in the U.S. It has set aside **\$2 million** for the 2011 Adoptathon - double the nearly \$1 million spent last year - to cover the ambitious goal of finding loving homes for every adoptable homeless dog and cat housed in Alameda & Contra Costa shelters and with participating rescue organizations. Last year, nearly 2,000 dogs and cats were saved in one weekend, and this year promises to be even better for our furry friends.

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