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## HAPPY ADOPTION STORIES

### Whatever Lola Wants...

“Immediately after bringing Lola home, I expected her to be shy and go into hiding for a day or so. I was definitely wrong about that. Lola came out of the carrier, inspected every room in the apartment and once she was satisfied, sat in the middle of my bed, basically letting me know that this was her place now. Things haven't really changed a whole lot, Lola is a typical princess and a diva. She loves to chat and talks my roommate and me to death when we wake up in the morning. I wish I knew what she was saying! She has become such an important part of our home and I am so thankful to FOBA for my new family member!”

- Katelyn McCarthy, Boston, MA



### Sarge & Blizzard

These pretty five-month-old brother kittens were adopted in February by Nancy and Steve, a nice couple from Beverly, who renamed the cats Sarge and Blizzard.

Steve commented, “They are playful and sweet...doing great and it's such a treat, since we haven't had pets in a while. I love when they purr at me and curl up together in my lap. Also they groom each other, which is way too cute.”

It's wonderful when adopters are willing to keep siblings or close companions together (as in this story and the one which follows)...



Best wishes to all adopters and kitties!!



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**MORE HAPPY ADOPTION TALES**



**Cosmo & Casey**



“Cosmo (black) and Casey (white) joined our family recently. After a couple of days spent in our enclosed study, they proceeded to take over the entire house. Their foster parents, Cheryl and Gary, did a great job getting them ready for adoption. It’s clear that they got lots of love, as they are very affectionate and super-socialized. We just love them! They love to cuddle with us and with each other and their purring is so loud that we can barely hear ourselves think. (At one point, the *motor sound* was so loud, we had to remind ourselves that our neighbor wasn’t mowing his lawn!)



“They are very curious and they love playing cat games such as, *Hide and Seek*, *Catch Me if You Can* and *Soccer*. We also discovered, when we re-watched the second half of the Super Bowl, that they are avid Patriots fans — they watched every play and never took their eyes off the football!”



– Connie & Paul Krueger, Beverly, MA

**Margaux & Juno Enjoying Their Christmas Present**



FOBA alumni cats enjoying their cat-tree Christmas present. The short-haired girl, Juno, was found in downtown Beverly, along with two siblings. Margaux and Juno are now living the high life.



Please “like” us on Facebook and help us spread the word about the animal rescue work we do and our plans to establish a shelter in Beverly. Only with your help can this dream come true!

## **DECEMBER 2016 & JANUARY 2017 MORE HAPPY ADOPTIONS**



**Left: Boo Boo, a pretty, friendly black and white female cat with a very warm heart, now has a new home.**



**Left: Lovely tortie Tess was very glad to get a home for the holidays.**



**Right: Pretty tuxedo cat Luna settling into her new home.**



**Left: Penelope, an adorable, sweet five-month old tabby. No more living in the cold and snow for her. She now lives in Hamilton with a family who will love her and keep her warm for the rest of her life.**

**THANK YOU TO ALL ADOPTERS!**

**THANK YOU TO OUR FOSTER HOMES!**



**Left: Lucky Leroy, a handsome two-year-old Mackerel tabby, was the first cat to be adopted in the New Year, 2017.**

**Right: Two gorgeous tortie sisters, Echo and Shadow, were adopted in January 2017.**



## NEIGHBORHOOD AWARENESS CAN SAVE LIVES

by Nancy Lillydale, FOBA Volunteer

Lucy & Norma

Just before Christmas, I began noticing two young cats in the neighborhood. Since several new families had recently moved into the neighborhood, I thought it was likely that the two kitties had a home. After several days of sightings, it became apparent that the kitties had taken refuge under my neighbor's shed.

FOBA helped me with suggestions on building trust through regular feedings and assistance in getting them to safe shelter in my home. This included a little holiday drama, with one of the kitties needing to be rescued from a tree!

The two kittens have adapted wonderfully to life indoors while I have fostered them and it has been so rewarding to watch them thrive. They have been adopted and named "Lucy" and "Norma" by their new pet parent. In just a few days they will be heading to their new forever home.



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## NOT SURE IF A STRAY CAT BELONGS TO SOMEONE?

by Jill Auld, FOBA Volunteer, Foster Mom

Sometimes unfamiliar kitties can show up in the strangest places. If you are not sure if an outdoor cat needs assistance or rescuing, always be very cautious when approaching. If the kitty makes very frequent visits, shows medical issues or is injured, has thin or dirty-looking fur, you should contact Animal Control in Beverly or in your area, FOBA or your nearest animal shelter. If the kitty is friendly and will let you touch it, attaching a paper collar may be helpful. Make it from paper and some tape. Write, "call me" on the paper and your phone number. If the kitty has a home, the owner will usually call within a day or two. Remain calm while discussing the kitty. Explain you just wanted to make sure the kitty has a home and is being taken care of and thank him/her for calling you.

**NOW AVAILABLE \* STAR \***



Looking for a lap cat? **Star** is a black, short-haired, indoor cat with a white "star" on her chest. She will sit quietly, like an adult, or often will play like a kitten. Since Star's front paws were declawed by a previous owner, she would do best as the only pet in an adult home. Star is up-to-date with feline tests and shots, and is spayed. For more information on this cat, contact Cheryl at [cmezack@aol.com](mailto:cmezack@aol.com) (978) 578-0588.



## NOW AVAILABLE FOR ADOPTION



**BOBBI & MONTY**

Meet **Bobbi**, a short-haired orange and white female, and **Monty**, a black male, medium-length fur with silver tufts. They are 1-1/2 years old and are best friends. Monty is a love bug, returns affection right away, and Bobbi will warm up to people in time. They will flourish in an adult home. They are up-to-date on routine shots, negative for FeLV, litter-box trained, and are neutered or spayed. You can send adoption applications to [www.friendsofberlyanimals.org](http://www.friendsofberlyanimals.org) or contact Cheryl at [cmezack@aol.com](mailto:cmezack@aol.com) or call, text (978) 578-0588.

**Linus**, a lovable 4-year-old neutered orange male, has all his shots and feline tests. He would flourish as an only pet in an adult home. He is very adaptable to a new environment and would be a wonderful companion for the right person. If you would like more information about Linus or other adult cats that may not be listed, contact Suzanne at (978) 210-6179 or Heidi at (978) 927-4157.



Here's **Chloe**, a ball of energy. She is a female tabby and white kitten, 5 months old. She has all her shots and tests done, and is spayed. She can be cradled in one's arms one minute, and wrestling with a kitten brother the next. Being raised with her five male siblings (already adopted), the kitten is used to sleeping, playing, eating, and spending life with other kitties. Chloe will make a fine family pet and may enjoy the company of a kitty "big brother." Inquiries and adoption applications can be sent to [cmezack@aol.com](mailto:cmezack@aol.com) or call Cheryl at (978) 578-0588.

## What about dogs?

FOBA is best known for rescuing and placing cats, but we love dogs, too, and try to help them whenever we can through working with Animal Control in Beverly, which handles dogs (but not cats), and through networking with other shelters and individuals in this area. Since we do not have a shelter, we have no place to keep canines. We already have a hard time finding enough kind souls who are willing to foster felines in their homes, and finding people to foster dogs is even more difficult. Our long-term goal is to have a no-kill shelter in Beverly so that we can one day help cats, dogs and other small animals.

We will be having a Dog Walk this year, and we'll let you know about that soon, but please check our website [friendsofbeverlyanimals.org](http://friendsofbeverlyanimals.org) and our Facebook page for information about coming events. Here are few photos from our Dog Walk last fall. Unfortunately, it turned out to be a very rainy, windy day, but we still managed to have a lot of fun!



**We need more foster homes for the animals we rescue. FOBA covers food, litter and medical expenses. Fostering can be a very rewarding experience. Contact Cheryl Mezack for information: [cmezack@aol.com](mailto:cmezack@aol.com) or 978-578-0588**

Show your love for animals by donating to FOBA. Your donation will assist us in providing food and medical care for rescued animals and help us reach our goal of establishing a shelter.

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**The animals really need your help. Thank you for caring!**