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HAPPY TALES — STORIES OF RECENT FOBA ADOPTIONS

Millie

Millie, our half-Siamese, half-tabby cat, has brought so much joy and fun to our home. We lost our old cat, Ben, 2-1/2 years ago at age 17, and the loss was so hard that we decided not to get another cat. Then, early this summer we "caught" each other researching cats online. We burst out laughing and decided it must be time. Our last two cats were Siamese, so, while we weren't looking for another Siamese, the picture of cute little Millie with her blue and slightly crossed eyes really "spoke" to us. We



had to see her.
Cheryl Mezack was such a good foster mom to Millie. She had a special room appointed just for her with lots to do and "windows on the

world" around her. That meant she could see animals, birds and get plenty of fresh air. After a visit to Cheryl's home and meeting Millie, we both knew she was "the one." Today we are loving every moment with our kitty. She runs up the stairs to see us, purring loudly when we wake up in the morning.

She tries different places in the house to sleep and play. Our grandchildren adore her. We are in love. Thank you, FOBA, for adding a new and special member to our family, and thank you for the good work you are doing on behalf of animals in need.



Franny and Ralph Etna Ipswich, MA

Grayson

Introduction by Jill Auld, FOBA foster mom: Mr. Gray was very afraid, hissy and generally not a house pet. FOBA took him in off the street, calmed him down and gave him a chance. Turns out, he



deserved it! He has become a fun-loving boy, who now has a kitty friend to join him in his escapades with his great family. All the best to Grayson and his family.

I thought you might enjoy seeing the almost oneyear-old, laid-back Mr. Grayson and his new gal friend Addie (formerly Bootsie, from the Marblehead Friends of Abandoned Animals). Thank you again for our lovey kitty and I hope all is well.

Kim Lenihan, Swampscott



Rudy





We love Rudy very much. My friends all love him. He's cute as a button and quite a character. Gets along perfectly with my dog Sydney. We love him!

Janice, Peabody, MA



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2016 CALENDARS AVAILABLE

In June, we asked for pet photos for our calendar, with a deadline of August 1st. We received over 200 photos, and selecting which ones to use was a little daunting, but we did our best. We think it's a beautiful publication, and we hope you will agree.



Besides all the great dog and

cat photos, we received photos of a tortoise, a rabbit, a hamster, plus a couple of photos of squirrels. The owner of Squirt, the tortoise, was asked if he was really a pet, and her response was, "Yes, he is. He roams the house for the main part, but we do have an inside area where he loves to hang out and a penned-in area on our porch. I'm not sure of his exact measurements but he's roughly 14" wide, 19" long, and weighs about 50 lbs." - Katrina Smith, Beverly

Rex, a pretty dog who was rescued after Hurricane Katrina, appears in the month of August. His owner wrote, "Rex was adopted as a pup from a rescue in New Orleans... He turned 10 this year. If he could talk, he could tell you about his amazing adventure ... fleeing the wrath of Katrina! He's a wonderful, loving boy."

- Donna-Marie Ryan, Topsfield

Many people shared touching stories of their beloved pets, their rescues and adoptions, their personalities, and more. We truly appreciated hearing from all of you. Thank you for the wonderful photos and stories.

Calendars are \$13 each, and are available at **Beverly Wild Bird & Pet Supply**, 214 Rantoul Street, Beverly 978-927-2880; **Carroll's Florist**, 385 Cabot Street, Beverly 978-922-8444; **DogSpa**, 45 Enon Street, Beverly 978-922-9227; **Dogs by Design & Cats, Too!** 131 Dodge Street, Beverly 978-998-7620; **Marika's Restaurant**, 190 Cabot Street, Beverly 978-927-1768; **Soho Cats**,100 Cabot Street, Beverly 978-921-2287. We thank all of these businesses for their kindness and support and we hope you will visit them often.

For more information about purchasing our calendars, visit our website at friendsofbeverlyanimals.org, see our Facebook page, email bhannable@gmail.com, or call 978-922-7190.

Bonnie Hannable, Calendar & Newsletter Editor



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

Check out the City of Beverly's updated website for information on animal control at http://www.beverlyma.gov/departments/animal-control/

The site contains Beverly's Animal Control Mission Statement and other information, including what to do if you have lost or found an animal. FOBA works closely with Beverly's Animal Control, as well as numerous agencies in other towns/cities and rescue organizations to help improve the lives of animals in need throughout this area. Contact:



Matthew J. Lipinski ACOAM, NACA Director of Animal Control Operations Animal Control Officer, Animal Health Inspector mlipinski@beverlyma.gov Phone 978-605-2361

If you don't live in Beverly, please check your town or city's websites for information for your area.

We recently learned of a new rescue organization, The Rescue Business, in Peabody. We have already begun collaborating with them and wish them much success! Here's a little info on this new group.

The Rescue Business is a 501(c)(3) tax-exempt, all-volunteer organization. We support caregivers who work on the front lines 24/7, helping stray and feral cats along the North Shore and in the Greater Boston area. All donations are used to purchase food and supplies, build shelters and feeding stations, and provide veterinary care (including spay/neuter) for homeless cats...

The Rescue Business
P.O. Box 228
Peabody, MA 01960-8605

Contact: Margaret Kudzma at (339) 201-1491





Tickets are \$25.00 and may be purchased at bhannable@gmail.com or by calling 978-922-7190.

TO TAKE

It's time for our Annual Fur Ball! This is our major fundraiser for the year, to be held on Friday, October 23, 2015 at the Italian Community Center (ICC), 302 Rantoul Street, Beverly, from 7:00-11 PM. The very popular band Ray Novack and Horizon will provide music. Dancing, good food, and lots of great raffle items. All animal lovers are asked to attend and support FOBA's rescue and adoption work. Tickets are \$25/person, cash bar. Contact Bonnie Hannable bhannable@gmail.com 978-922-7190 or Heidi Roberts at heidiroberts@comcast.net 978-927-4157 for tickets and further information.

Dress is casual; come in Halloween costume if you wish. Have a ball with us and support this most worthy cause!