



Smiles All Around!

Many long-term shelter residents find forever homes.

They say good things come in bunches. That certainly rings true for some of our resident shelter pets. Over the last few months, notable names like Judy, Mary, Pluto and Kane have made their way from long-time residents to forever homes. Our staff and volunteers have come to know these cats and dogs as their own, spending countless hours with each one loving, teaching, consoling and just being there for comfort while these and all of our shelter pets patiently await their chance. The stories below highlight each of these special four-legged and their journey from long-time residents to forever homes.

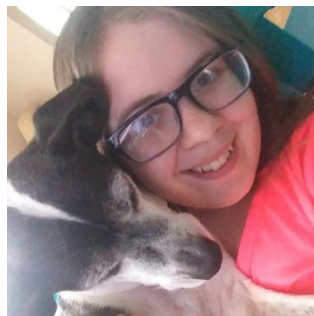
“Judy”

Judy is a petite Tortoiseshell known by all at AAF as the Queen Bee of the shelter. She is just as sweet as she is sassy! Judy arrived at the shelter 1/26/16. You could say Judy came with some cattitude, quick to let you know she’s boss and when loving was acceptableor not. At the shelter, Judy was a lobby cat and very good about delegating to both volunteers and staff as she sat high on her usual cat tree perch. Thank you to Katie Norton for falling in love with this fickle feline. Katie adopted another cat from AAF (Flynn) and has a soft spot for our “special” cats. Judy was adopted by Katie three years to the day she arrived at AAF...1/26/19.



“Pluto”

Pluto has always been a volunteer favorite, specifically with our I-Care group. Arriving on 12/14/15, Pluto was a quirky dog to say the least. He had a passion for his tennis balls and anything that looked like a toy. He was a shy dog in public situations. His unique behaviors landed Pluto in specialized training programs. To be truly effective, the training needed to occur in a foster home. Emily is an active volunteer with our I-Care group and this is how she met Pluto. She immediately stepped up and offered to foster Pluto. Needless to say, the fostering went so well, Pluto became a permanent member of Emily’s home on 1/19/19.



“Kane”

Kane, a beautiful and highly intelligent Pit Bull Terrier could melt your heart with his soulful eyes and huge grin. He came to the shelter on 11/10/17. Kane could be reactive to some men and without many male volunteers at the time, it was difficult to work with him to get over those fears. Over time, with more men joining the ranks of our I-Care program, Kane felt increasingly comfortable around his male counterparts. Kane waited and waited for the right family to come around and on 12/20/18, just in time for the holidays, it happened. Ryan and Crystal Leugers met Kane and immediately fell in love. Kane went home that day and we here at the shelter now believe in Christmas miracles!



“Mary”

Mary was always ready to greet you at the door of cat room Number Two. She came to the shelter on 6/10/15 after having been found alone outdoors. At first, Mary did not know how to properly behave around people and therefore she was often overlooked by potential adopters. Eventually, Mary became comfortable and mellowed out when approached. During volunteer orientation, cat room Number 2 was used to introduce new volunteers to the world of cats specifically because Mary had become an expert greeter. Her affectionate nature helped her on 2/20/19, when she introduced herself to Tabitha Morgan. The rest, as they say, is history.





Dust off your Hawaiian shirt and reserve your spot for the Luau-themed Waggin' Tails Charity Auction. The 13th annual event will include entertainment, an extensive silent auction, live auction, games and much more! Discounted tickets available before April 15.

Discounted event tickets are available until April 15. Want to bring your friends? Book a table for ten guests and receive VIP privileges. Event sponsorships are still available. **Please go online to www.aafpets.org and follow the links for registration!**

Silent Auction

This year's auction will include over 100 items. There will also be raffles and games, including chances to win a major prizes.

There is a huge variety of auction items, including admission to national and local attractions, unique meal experiences, concert tickets, sports memorabilia, one-of-a-kind art pieces, grown-up party supplies, and more!

Details on specific items will be listed on the site soon!

You can assist AAF in reaching goals through donation of gift certificates, products and/or services for the silent auction. Please contact Sara Ingram at sara.ingram@aafpets.org to make arrangements.

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