

## What happened to 2009?

Hard to believe another year has gone by. This was a hard year for non-profits, ours included. The need is always the greatest in tough times, but the funds are not always plentiful. Our rescue wasn't affected by the government cuts, because we don't receive any government funds to begin with. How did we survive? By holding fund raisers, lots of adoptions, your donations, our sponsorship program, and the hard work of our dedicated volunteers. We also did everything we could to honor your donations by watching our expenses.

Our organization would not exist without our volunteers, and we really have a group of remarkable people working hard for the cats. They stepped up to the plate with a Yankee Candle sale, a yard sale, bake sales, and other events to help raise funds. Our volunteers are top notch. They foster, bake, assist at events, mow the grass, feed, scoop, shuttle cats to the vet, create saleable items, talk to potential adopters, do shelter maintenance, write thank you letters, run a fundraiser, help spread the word about our cats in need or jump in to do any one of the many other required functions. We are very fortunate to have so many supporters who help us overcome many challenges.

As we say goodbye to a challenging year, we are looking ahead to 2010 and all the cats who need our help to find a home. Thank you for your support, we hope you'll continue along with us in our quest. We wish you all the best for 2010!



## Mogli

Mogli was found hit by a car on a busy road beside Kutztown University on a very frigid night. One of our volunteers saw him trying to get up. She stopped, gathered him up and took him home.

We directed her to Valley Central. Dr Hodges set his broken jaw and sewed his one eye shut. Mogli is a very sweet, young cat who is so grateful for all the help he is given. He is currently in foster care with his VC treatment nurse who fell in love with him. Mogli was not able to eat on his own, so his foster mom was syringe feeding him

Thanks to a kind person who stopped to help him and excellent veterinary care, Mogli is alive and doing well.

## Happy Tails

### "Sunny" Cash

Just writing to give you an update on our boy Sunny. Right now as I'm writing he is playing on his Turbo-Scratcher like the one he had there at the shelter. He loves that thing! Sunny is really the best friend I ever had. He follows me around everywhere I go. If I approach him or call his name, he "talks back" to me. He loves to play fetch like a dog with his catnip mouse. He likes to sit at the window in the morning and watch birds and squirrels. He has 2 other cats to play with and he is the boss. We have been blessed with Sunny. He has a great life here and has lots of room to run in our new house. I cannot thank you enough or write words that convey how much I love that boy. Please feel free to visit Sunny. I'm sure he did not forget all the extra love and care you gave him.

– the Cash family.

Editor's note: Sunny & Honey were 2 stray black kittens at our shelter. Honey had an easy-going personality from the start and was adopted quickly. Sunny was scared and needed a bit more socialization prior to adoption. He was paired with our little shy female, December, for company and our volunteers gave them both lots of care and affection to help them overcome their fears. Sunny found his forever home first, then December found her special home too. The time our volunteers gave to help these two frightened cats truly paid off.



## Jerry and Eva

Thanks for your inquiry about Jerry & Eva. I would have returned your email sooner but we've been waiting for them to tell us their real names. We're pretty sure Eva's name is Sasheen, but Jerry keeps insisting his name is Walter and we think there must be more to it that he's not revealing.

They are delightful most of the time. So far we've had playful antics, rubs and purrs, naps in the sun and cautious encounters with our dog, Toby. We've also had a broken plate that was on a



plate rail about 7 feet off the floor, walking on ceiling beams, a huge plant spill, and an urgent order we had to send out for cord wrapping coil. They are so curious and full of life that they engage completely in everything they do. Right now they're completely engaged in sleeping and in about a half hour they'll be completely engaged in dinner. They have claimed the house as their own, explored every nook and cranny, and made themselves perfectly at home. We couldn't be more enchanted.

- Donna (by email)



## Our foster moms get emails from their former fosters.....

Hi Foster Momcat,

Wow! It's been a long time since I've written. Today is my first year here. Dad says I'm lucky I'm still here. Then he said THEY were lucky THEY were still here. ( I guess here rather than on the local funny farm)! Yes! I've been a little terror. I've been exploring.

The crawl space under the roof was rather interesting. Especially at 10:00 at night. Mom and Dad were going to bed but I had other plans.

They were real impressed that I got the door to the closet open and then undid the hook on the door into the crawl space.

Mom had to come up after me. She wasn't real happy about me parading through the insulation but I was having fun! Finally, half an hour later Dad handed her DaBird and boy! was I stupid: fell for that old coax 'im out trick.

Checked out the crawl space under the house too. That's creepy. Dusty, few cobwebs (Mom had to clean my whiskers off). She doesn't clean under there. Of course I ran in there before she could catch me.

Mom kept moaning about her Easter egg tree and about how it DEFINITELY wasn't going up this year. I think that had something to do with me and the Christmas tree. I AM SO BAAAAD! But they love me anyway!!

I think they got me a toy for my first anniversary (whatever that is). If it means "new toy", I'm all for it.

Next Saturday I go see Dr. Kirsch for my yearly checkup. Not sure I'm going to like that but Mom says I have to go!

Well guess I'll go see if they'll give me that new toy.

The Bogiemonster (Mom calls me that and I don't think that's a good thing).

--Bogie by email

## Choo-choo kitties

The son of one of our volunteers works at a train yard in New Jersey. Some train cars had recently been moved there from Newark which is about thirty miles away. One morning he and his coworkers heard faint sounds of kittens mewling coming from within one of the cars.

They investigated and discovered that a mother cat had crawled into a remote area in one of the cars and had a litter of kittens. The mother cat was nowhere in sight and had probably jumped out of the train in Newark.

The sympathetic men got food and coaxed the kittens to the hole where they were able to retrieve the three hungry kittens who were then brought to One By One. The kittens were only about 5 weeks old but were eating on their own.

Adorable little puffballs of gray and brown tabby, the three boys loved to be petted and cuddled. A kind volunteer offered to foster care them in her home where they grew and played and got stronger and much more curious each day.

One of the train men who rescued the kittens decided to adopt two of them when they turned eight weeks old. He absolutely adores his two energetic boys who regularly unravel rolls of toilet paper in their playful moments.

The third kitten was adopted by his foster mother and has a big sister named Tabora (also adopted from One By One) who teaches him how to do everything.

A happy ending for three little helpless souls who had an incredible train ride!

## How about those apples!

What a difference one day makes. You've probably all experienced it in one form or another, everything is going along fine, and then whammo. Well, we had a double whammy this year. It all started on August 17, the morning volunteers arrived to find 6 fruit boxes under the apple tree outside our shelter. The 6 boxes contained 16 young cats that someone dropped off very early in the morning. Thankfully, the boxes were placed under the trees to keep the cats out of the hot August sun.



Our small facility is always full, where do we put 16 more? First order of business - separate the girls from the boys! It was

clearly evident that 10 of the 12 boys were not neutered, the other 2 boys were kittens. Since we had no knowledge of their history, we had to assume the girls also were not spay.

Large temporary cages on wheels were set up in our foyer area making for very tight quarters for the volunteers, but at least they could be moved around. Next order - get them to the vet, or vets in this case, for exams and testing. Our volunteers and vets were put to the test



on this one to get 16 cats examined, vaccinated and altered all in a record amount of time. For larger animal facilities in any area, this is probably a daily routine, for us it was a monumental task. But what a team effort, and what an outstanding job everyone did to accomplish this task.



After everyone was pronounced healthy except for extreme cases of ear mites, we all breathed a huge sigh of relief. They are all very social cats and they handled this situation fairly well, only exhibiting signs of stress after the continuous rounds of ear cleanings. We can't even imagine how they were feeling to be placed in boxes, and dropped off in very unfamiliar surroundings.

So now everyone is settled in, awaiting their new homes and the volunteers are back to business as usual. And then?



Yes, you guessed it.

On October 22, a volunteer drove down the lane to the shelter around 7 a.m. and stopped in the middle of the road, just staring at 4 more fruit boxes. Oh no, here we go again!

The second 'special delivery' contained 9 more adorable cats, mostly girls this time. The boxes were moved into the lobby, and two calls were made to alert the volunteers to this new development. One volunteer was able to scoop 4 of them up immediately and get them to the vet. And yes, once again they were healthy, sweet, young and not spay!

The costs for veterinary care for all 24 has now exceeded \$4,500.00. A few have been adopted already, while the others await their new family.

The question remains - who did this and why? Maybe one day we'll find the answer, then again maybe not. We believe they were loved and cared



for since they are very social and appeared well fed, but possibly became an overwhelming burden since they were not spay or neutered. Even with the unexpected added expense, we are so glad to have had the opportunity to help these cats who now look forward to their forever homes.

## BINGO! 2009

Our 5<sup>th</sup> annual Basket Bingo in August was another spectacular event. Every year gets better – the fun, the food, the prizes! Barb Kissinger, our Longaberger representative, did a phenomenal job in the



selection and display of the prizes. Many compliments were heard around the basket display before the games began. The silent auction, run by Kelly Templin, had an extraordinary assortment of prizes that caught the attention of almost everyone who came to play. We'd like to thank Dr. Brockmeier who volunteered to be our bingo caller this year and did an outstanding job.



We hope to have her back for the 2010 games too. We just heard she might have a new part time job as a bingo caller since another rescue also requested her services. Hold an August date for us Dr. B!

We, of course, couldn't have the event without a hall, so once again we have Ed Meinholz to thank for procuring the Kenhorst Social Quarters for us. And so everyone leaves happy, we have Deb Hauptmann and all her volunteer bakers and cooks for all the delicious food. Deb also is in charge of the food at our Wine & Cheese event.

Can you believe this was the 9<sup>th</sup> year for our Wine & Cheese event in November? We always enjoy this one with lots of food and different wines to try. Always new faces to meet and greet and our friends who've been with us from the beginning. This event wouldn't be possible with the support from Terry & Sandy at Wild Birds Unlimited, and Ben too. Ben doesn't seem to enjoy the event as much as the rest of us though. But if you stop by the store any other time, he'll be there to greet you!

## Temple PetSmart Adoption Center Celebrates 1st Birthday in October

We can't believe a year has gone by already for the Temple PetSmart. An adoption event weekend was held to help celebrate the 1 year mark. Ten gift bags of assorted toys, treats, gift certificates were put together for the adopters.

In March, five short months after the opening of the store, we hit 100 adoptions. Simply amazing. Lucky was the 'lucky' kitty to be #100. He went to a lovely lady named Betty from Wyomissing. Lucky is a little love machine who was just as sweet as can be and totally deserving of the honor of being 100! And nine months later, over 260 cats have been adopted through the Temple store.

To commemorate the 100 mark, our volunteers donated items to create a gift basket. Betty cried when she received it and was so overjoyed. Lucky was also awarded a PetSmart gift certificate by the store's management.

Our first adoption center in the Wyomissing PetSmart will soon celebrate its 4<sup>th</sup> year in operation. Combined, the two adoption centers have helped to find homes for almost 800 cats and kittens since we partnered with PetSmart in 2006. That's a lot of happy cats!

## Yankee Candle Fundraiser

Sophie needed a medical procedure that might have required some major funding. Sharon, her former foster mom, wanted to do a fund raiser to help offset the costs. Sharon's candle fund raiser garnered over \$1,400 which more than covered Sophie's expenses. The additional funds were used to help pay for our mommy cat Mimi and her tiny babies.

Mimi had some difficulty birthing the kittens and needed a trip to emergency at 2 am. Then Mimi developed health problems and needed additional medical attention. Mimi's foster mom, Patty, was there to help Mimi through her tough times as a new mommy.

Thanks to Sharon and everyone who helped to sell the candles, Sophie and Mimi's expenses were covered. Sharon recently held a second Yankee Candle fundraiser that again raised over a \$1,000.

## Redner's Receipts - Giant & Weis Grocery cards

Thank you to everyone who donates their Redner's receipts to us. We have a volunteer who is diligently working on these, and it's amazing how the funds add up. If you shop at Redner's and don't participate in their program, please fill out their form to get a Redner's Save-a-Tape and use it every time you shop. Then drop off your full receipt at either the Temple or Wyomissing Petsmart stores or mail them to us at One By One, PO Box 226, Kutztown, PA 19530.

We also have Giant & Weis Grocery cards for sale which we earn 5% on. Our Giant grocery card program is doing well and we are consistently ordering cards. We have to batch up our Weis orders since the program has a minimum order of \$1,000 which is a bit of a challenge to get together. To order the cards please contact Linda Rosencrans at [Linda@lby1catrescue.org](mailto:Linda@lby1catrescue.org) or 484-839-2019 Ext. 2.

## Great Lakes Pet Furniture

Great Lakes set up at the cat show in Reading in February and our volunteers loved their unique pet furniture. These trees are not only functional, they are a work of art. Visit their web site at [www.greatlakespetfurniture.com](http://www.greatlakespetfurniture.com) to view their quality cat trees. When you place your order, be sure to use our shelter # of RE0902001 and receive a 10% discount off your order. Great Lakes will then make a 10% donation to One By One.

## Karousel Kats 11th Annual Cat Show February 5 - 7, 2010

This is an all-breed and household cat show which will be held at The Riveredge, 2017 Bernville Road (Route 183), Reading, PA. Learn more about your favorite cats, and browse the many vendors who have items for you and your cat for sale. Visit with us and browse our various items for sale and show your support.

### Our Mission

One By One is dedicated to helping abandoned, stray, rescued, and injured cats, by providing quality shelter and foster care through voluntary efforts, for their lifetime, if necessary.

One By One will place the cat's health, happiness, and well being above all else while working toward the ultimate goal of finding the best match for the cat and the adopting family through careful screening and discussion.

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What does it feel like to get over \$50,000 in a fund-raiser? We would have to think it feels pretty darn great. Our biggest fund raiser earns us around \$6,000 and we are ecstatic that through our volunteers' hard work we received \$6,000 towards veterinary care for our cats. Our funds are used to keep our cats healthy - spays/neuters, dental work, vaccines, vet visits and medicine to help the ill kitties get well again. Every life that enters One By One has meaning and is one more life saved. And we do it all through voluntary efforts. That's what your donations to One By One are used for. What we do not use your donations for is euthanasia of healthy cats, top-quality printing of flyers, bill boards, staff, remodeling, etc.

While we realize there is a need for all shelters, we sincerely hope you'll continue to support our no-kill mission, where our goal is to adopt out every cat who enters our organization one by one (or two by two whenever possible). Donations to non-profits across the board have decreased due to the economy, we are no exception. Our funds are desperately low. Please help...however you can. Thank you.

Photocopy this form or detach original. Fill out and mail to:

One By One, Inc.  
PO Box 226  
Kutztown, PA 19530

Enclosed is my check or money order donation of \$\_\_\_\_\_, to help the lives of stray and unwanted cats who have no place to go. One By One is a 501(c) (3) non-profit organization and donations are tax deductible.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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I would like my donation to be used for:  Building Fund  General Operation  Sponsorship

Please make checks and money orders payable to "One By One, Inc."  Check here if you need a receipt.

Yes, I would like to volunteer, please contact me. Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

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