



# KATS' TALES

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## SUBARU LOVE A PET /KAS FUNDRAISER EVENT PLANNED

The KAS Board of Directors are pleased to announce an exciting new fundraiser, in collaboration with St. J. Subaru, to benefit our shelter. Details are still being worked out at this time, but may include pet ID tagging, raffles, pet photos, contests, and a donation drive, all with the goal of raising awareness and money for our cats. "One focus of this event is our Home for the Holidays campaign," explains KAS Treasurer Kim Pearsons. "Our goal is to place 15 cats or kittens in a forever home during this event, which begins on November 20th and ends on January 3, 2011." Under the sponsorship of the ASPCA®, the shelter will be eligible to win a \$10,000 award if we reach our goal, which will greatly help us keep up with current and future operating expenses. Kim and director Mike Dente are working closely with St. J. Subaru's owner Mike Loschiavo to coordinate this event. Stay tuned for more information as plans develop, and feel free to stop by the dealership, located on Memorial Drive in St. Johnsbury, (Route 5 north of town) throughout the month of December. If you're thinking about adopting a cat, now is the time!



The ASPCA® is one of five beneficiaries of Subaru's "SHARE THE LOVE" year-end national sales event running from 11/20/10 to 1/3/11. To address the pet homelessness problem, the ASPCA is partnering Subaru dealers with local shelters to raise awareness and increase adoptions. To learn more, visit [www.aspc.org/sharethelove](http://www.aspc.org/sharethelove)



### HOLIDAY SAFETY TIPS



Holly, Jolly and Oh-So-Safe! Of course you want to in-

clude your furry companions in the festivities, pet parents, but as you celebrate this holiday season, try to keep your pet's eating and exercise habits as close to their normal routine as possible. And be sure to steer them clear of the following unhealthy treats, toxic plants and dangerous decorations:

#### O Christmas Tree

Securely anchor your Christmas tree so it doesn't tip and fall, causing possible injury to your pet. This will also prevent

the tree water—which may contain fertilizers that can cause stomach upset—from spilling. Stagnant tree water is a breeding ground for bacteria and your pet could end up with nausea or diarrhea should he imbibe.

#### Tinsel-less Town

Kitties love this sparkly, light-catching "toy" that's easy to bat around and

carry in their mouths. But a nibble can lead to a swallow, which can lead to an obstructed digestive

tract, severe vomiting, dehydration and possible surgery. It's best to brighten your

boughs with something other than tinsel.

#### No Feasting for the Furrries

By now you know not to feed your pets chocolate and any-

thing sweetened with xylitol, but do you know the lengths to which an enterprising fur kid will go to chomp on something yummy? Make sure to keep your pets away from the table and unattended plates of food, and be sure to secure the lids on garbage cans.

(more tips next month)



### Ryegate Rescue Update

On November 18, Caledonia County Sheriff's Deputies executed a warrant for search and seizure at a home

in Ryegate. The homeowner had allegedly moved out of state and abandoned an undisclosed number of cats. KAS,

along with volunteers from VVSA, Good Karma Rescue, and Dr. Lisa Whitney, rounded up 19 cats from inside the home. All the cats were taken to Danville Animal Hospital, where they were tested for FeLV/FIV, vaccinated, and given flea treatment. Several shelters in the state offered to assist by taking several of the cats. KAS is awaiting a final ruling by the judge for forfeiture, which will allow us to place the cats in permanent, adoptive homes. Many of these cats are unsocial and will require lots of time and patience to help them become wonderful companion animals. Please stay tuned for more updates!



### CAGE SPONSORSHIPS

If you or your coworkers are looking for a way to help the cats at our shelter, please consider a cage sponsorship. For an annual donation of \$250, your name or company name will be placed on a placard on the front of the cage. It's a purr-fect way to show you care this holiday season! Contact us at the phone number above, or stop by during our adoption hours, which are posted on our front door.

**OUR MISSION STATEMENT** The purpose of the Kingdom Animal Shelter is to facilitate the placement of stray and unwanted animals and pets in desirable homes; to establish and maintain an animal shelter and associated procedures which promote the health, care and handling, and prevent over population and the prevention of cruelty to animals. The animals in our care, our guests, are never euthanized merely because we lack space or because the animal's stay with us has exceeded a predefined amount of time.

Please forward this to your friends, family, co-workers, or anyone interested in supporting our shelter. If you no longer wish to receive emails from Kingdom Animal Shelter, please hit "Reply" and change the subject line to UNSUBSCRIBE. Kingdom Animal Shelter respects your privacy and will never share or sell your email address or other information.