

KATS' TALES

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Exciting News from Kingdom Animal Shelter Helen Morrison

Kingdom Animal Shelter is pleased to announce that we have been gifted a building from Julie and Peter Murphy for the future new home of KAS. We closed on the property on August 15. The building is located at 1161 Portland St in St. Johnsbury, right beside Wes Ward Auto just past Maple Grove (formerly it housed RCT). The new building will be a great new home for us and will have space to allow us to slowly expand and grow. The building will require a great deal of work to get it into shape as a functioning shelter. But this it is a great start for us! In the future we might have a cat colony room, a kitten colony room, even a surgery room for spay/neuter clinics, visiting rooms, and of course, storage rooms, a laundry room, a food preparation room, etc. Although some people would like us to start taking in dogs, at this point, we don't anticipate doing that in this building, due in part to a lack of outdoor kennel space and less of a need for dog rescues in this area..

We also received a sum of money in an estate gift from the late Earl Ashcroft of East Ryegate. The generosity of both the Murphys and Mr. Ashcroft have made this great step forward possible for KAS. While we are being gifted the building, in addition to closing costs, the building will still need a new roof and many other repairs, as well as renovations to make the space functional for us. We will have a capital campaign to raise \$100,000, which we will match with funds from Mr. Ashcroft's gift, to help make the new building and its costs more affordable for KAS. With all the work that needs to go into the building before we can move in, we don't anticipate being able to move into the building until some time in the Spring of 2018.

This was a wonderful alignment of events. We have been looking to have our own space for several years now. When the Ashcroft Bequest happened, we thought about buying a building to renovate to our needs, but that would have used up most if not all of the bequest, and we would have still had a "mortgage".

We then began to look at buildings for sale and approached Mr. Murphy about the Portland St. property. The donation of the building from Julie and Peter Murphy was the perfect solution to finding a new home for Kingdom Animal Shelter.

We are incredibly excited, as you might imagine.



****NEW MONTHLY FEATURE**** AUGUST ADOPTIONS: Jack, Sully, Bob, Tips, Wilbur, Murphy, Lucy, Montana, Trevor, Ebony, Otto, Target, Jake, Ranger, Bear, Zepplin, Butterscotch 2, Missy, Fiona 2, and Daniel

SUNSHINE



SHADOW

Here are two perfect kitties for Halloween...Sunshine (orange) and Shadow (black). These girls are about 10 months old. They are probably sisters. They were rescued from a hoarding situation where they were then abandoned. They are very close and should be adopted together. They are affectionate and playful...but can be a bit shy, probably because their life was rather uncertain before they came to Kingdom. Finding them a home together would be the perfect Fall gift.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Oct. 1 Autumn on the Green, Danville
- Oct. 21 Yard Sale Butler's Bus Service, Red Village Road, Lyndonville, 9:00-1:00 Call 802-249-3199 for info

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Did you know...Cats are believed to be the only mammals who don't taste sweetness.

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 that promote health, care and handling; and to prevent overpopulation 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.

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