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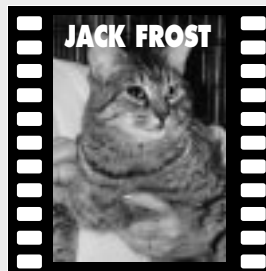
## Animal Umbrella will be proudly celebrating our **20th Anniversary** PLEASE JOIN US!

**Founded in 1985**, Animal Umbrella is a statewide, volunteer, non-profit organization dedicated to the rescue, spay/neuter and adoption and overall welfare of even the most unadoptable abandoned cats and kittens. Over the years we have evolved from a small rescue group to one of the largest no kill organizations in New England.

We have rescued spayed/neutered and found homes for thousands of homeless cats, many from desperate situations. We have also educated people on animal welfare issues, networked with other humane organizations and consulted with animal lovers on cat-related health and behavioral problems. We have placed many animals in foster homes to save them from certain death.

We have socialized many feral cats and placed cats considered totally unadoptable by other humane organizations. Our shelter is also a sanctuary for unwanted cats, which have not yet found a home. They are free and live comfortably. We are strictly a no kill organization.

We would like to share with you a few of the rescue/adoption stories which have occurred during the last several years. It was very hard to choose among so many compelling life saving stories. Our commitment and compassion towards abandoned animals remains strong. Please continue to support our work and **THANK YOU FOR YOUR LOYALTY AND GENEROSITY!**



Jack Frost and two other FIV cats were found nearly frozen to death during a snowstorm. We gave them around the clock care.



Clarence was rescued by an elderly man. He had a terrible eye injury but we saved him against all odds.



Barbara was declawed and abandoned. She was mauled by a pit bull. We brought her back to life.



Fern and her kittens were living in a dreadful junkyard.



Belle was trapped in the ceiling of a house for days until rescued.



Frankie was run over by a car in Lynn and recovered after long care.



Skippy, a large sweet male was surrendered by a couple. Once they left we noticed he had a kitten collar totally embedded in his skin, we removed it immediately and cared for him.



Aliza lived on a landfill over the ocean at Logan Airport with a colony of ferals. She was rescued by two kind people and we socialized her.

**Come to Celebrate Animal Umbrella's 20th Anniversary** on Saturday, October 1st from 2:00pm to 5:00pm at our shelter located at 320B Charger Street, Revere. The shelter will be open for visitors, cat adoption and sale of handcrafted gifts for people and pets. Refreshments will be served! *See you there!*



# Animal Umbrella

## Mission

Founded in 1985, Animal Umbrella is a strictly no-kill volunteer organization dedicated to the rescue, care and adoption of abandoned cats and kittens. We believe in rehabilitation not destruction and make a special effort to find special homes even for highly unadoptable animals because of handicap, injury, age, behavior, feral status (after being socialized) and FIV or FELV positive.

### ANIMAL UMBRELLA STREET CATS SHELTER ADOPTIONS

Every Saturday 3 to 5 p.m.

Please call to set up special appointments.

We have relocated to 320B Charger Street, Revere.

We are located on the second floor of Paws Here. Call for directions.

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for having sold without commission some of our handmade cat pins and cat note cards for nearly a year.

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## ANIMAL UMBRELLA Spring 2005 Raffle Winners

Thank you to all who participated in this event! Animal Umbrella volunteer Linda donated all of the prizes.

FIRST PRIZE: Bose Portable CD/MP3 Player - John Verrenga, Revere

SECOND PRIZE: Bose Triport Headphones - Linda Peters, Lynn

THIRD PRIZE: \$100 Gift Certificate Target Stores - Bernadette Shayeb, Saugus

FOURTH PRIZE: Handmade quilted throw made by animal lover Connie - Lisa Curran, Winthrop

# In Memory of June Jacoby

Abandoned cats and kittens of Massachusetts have lost another very dear and caring friend. June Jacoby, an animal lover and supporter of Animal Umbrella died recently. Terminally ill, June tried to cling to life as long as possible to remain with her loved ones. She fought till the end.

*We are terribly saddened by this loss because June was such a caring and kind person towards animals.* For years, she fed starving stray cats and saved many of them from death. She often fought her neighbors in Stoneham who wanted her to stop feeding. June ignored them and continued to save animals and take care of abandoned cats without fear.

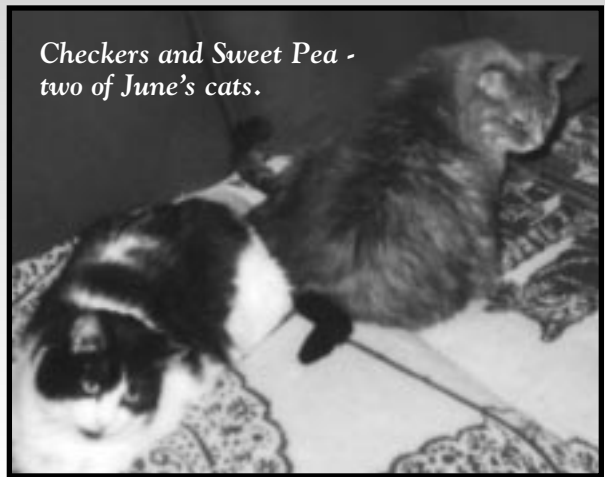
She took in several feral cats from her yard and was able to socialize them and adopted them herself. They lived a wonderful life with her as they were loved and cared for. To help other strays, she placed many cat houses throughout her yard so they could be repaired from the elements and remain warm during the cold months. She would get up early every morning and feed the cats inside her house and those outside waiting patiently for food so that they could survive.

Our volunteer Justine helped June over the years with several rescues and adopted herself a few of June's strays. The cats she adopted are still with her and doing well. We are grateful to Justine for her help.

We will remember June fondly and have decided to find a home for her cats both inside and the few left outside. We would like to express our sincere condolences to her son Blake and daughter Lanise for their loss. We would like to thank them for their generous donations and for requesting that additional donations be sent to Animal Umbrella in lieu of flowers. *Thank you for helping us continue to save abandoned animals.*

*We are sharing below a story of one the many cats June rescued.*

*Checkers and Sweet Pea -  
two of June's cats.*



## **SPENCER - Saved by June Jacoby is now living a great life**

It was an early hot summer morning. June called me and asked if I would help a poor stray laying in her yard. He was very sick and not eating. He could not stand up. I recommended she would take him to a vet I knew in the area as soon as possible. She did not have a car and took a taxi. In the meantime, I called the hospital and since they did not have an account with Animal Umbrella, I gave them my personal credit card number and offered to pay for the cat's care. Some time later they called me and told me the cat had arrived and was extremely dehydrated and emaciated but that they had managed to stabilize him. The following day, we took the cat in our care and took turns to feed him and hydrate him. He was so weak he would eat laying down in his bed just barely lifting his head to get into the bowl. Spencer was a very sweet cat and after months of intense care, he came back and became healthy. Our volunteer and board member Marilyn fell in love with him and adopted him. He is now a chubby and very content cat as shown in this photo she gave us. Thanks to June one little life was spared that hot day. God knows how many stories she would tell us if she were still alive . . . *Rest in peace.* — *Annamarie Taylor*





# HAPPY ENDINGS



## Oscar & Rascal

These two remarkable cats survived a house fire but unfortunately, their owners moved in with relatives who did not want them so they remained outside. We heard the story and took them. *They have now been adopted by a caring woman and they are no longer homeless.*



Rascal



Oscar



## Chelsea

Chelsea is an extremely friendly tuxedo male. He was rescued from a Malden household whose landlord had threatened eviction if he and four other cats had not been removed immediately. They were spared by Animal Umbrella before the cats were surrendered to a large kill shelter.



## Amber

This calico lost her home as her Lynn owner was forced into low cost housing because of financial problems. She had to give up four of her five cats as she was only allowed to keep one. *We took Amber and found her a new home.*



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# UPCOMING ANIMAL UMBRELLA EVENTS!

## SATURDAY, SEPT. 10th

from 10:00am to 4:00pm  
Founders Day Celebration, Saugus  
Please Visit Animal Umbrella's Table

## SATURDAY, SEPT. 10th

from 11:00am to 3:00pm  
Flea Market at the  
Waltham Moose Lodge  
17 Spruce Street, Waltham

## SATURDAY, SEPT. 17th

from 10:00am to 4:00pm  
Arlington Town Fair, Arlington  
Please Visit Animal Umbrella's Table

## SATURDAY & SUNDAY SEPT. 24th & 25th

from 9:00am to 6:00pm  
Bolton Fair  
(on the Bolton/Lancaster line  
4 miles west of 495 on Rt. 117)  
Please Visit Animal Umbrella's Table

## SATURDAY, OCT. 1st

from 2:00pm to 5:00pm  
Animal Umbrella 20th Anniversary  
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Please help us rescue more homeless cats by participating in our Raffle Calendar Fundraiser! Each entry entitles you to try your luck on 31 prizes! A daily drawing will occur during the month of January 2006. Winners will be notified by phone. Names will appear in our following newsletter.

## RAFFLE TICKET DONATION \$5.00 PER ENTRY

If you mail the entry, please send your check made payable to Animal Umbrella, P.O. Box 2675, Acton, MA 01720-6675. Animal Umbrella is a statewide volunteer non-profit organization founded in 1985.

**YOUR DONATIONS ARE TAX DEDUCTIBLE!** Call us at 617-731-7267 if you have any questions.

## LIST OF DAILY PRIZES – DRAWINGS WILL TAKE PLACE DURING JAN. 2006

<b>1</b> Pair of Boston Celtics Tickets	<b>2</b> Pier 1 Imports Gift Certificate \$35	<b>3</b> LL Bean Gift Certificate \$50	<b>4</b> Barnes & Noble Gift Certificate \$35	<b>5</b> Pair of Boston Celtics Tickets	<b>6</b> Macy's Gift Certificate \$50	<b>7</b> Home Depot Gift Certificate \$35
<b>8</b> Starbucks Gift Certificate \$25	<b>9</b> Pair of Boston Celtics Tickets	<b>10</b> Bertucci's Gift Certificate \$25	<b>11</b> Stop & Shop Gift Certificate \$50	<b>12</b> Sears Gift Certificate \$50	<b>13</b> Michael's Gift Certificate \$35	<b>14</b> Shaw's Gift Certificate \$50
<b>15</b> Barnes & Noble Gift Certificate \$35	<b>16</b> Pair of Boston Celtics Tickets	<b>17</b> Bath & Body Works Gift Certificate \$35	<b>18</b> Bertucci's Gift Certificate \$25	<b>19</b> Eddie Bauer Gift Certificate \$50	<b>20</b> AMC Theater Entertainment Card \$25	<b>21</b> Macy's Gift Certificate \$50
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The **Animal Umbrella Streets Cat Shelter** is located at:  
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