

Winter 2017

# The Yowler

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## HULL Seaside ANIMAL RESCUE

501(c)(3) Non-profit  
No-kill Shelter

Our very own Kittendales Calendar has been raising money for HSAR going into its 11th year. We have sent calendars all over the world, including Iceland and Australia, and are grateful for all of our supporters both near and far!



[www.kittendales.com](http://www.kittendales.com)



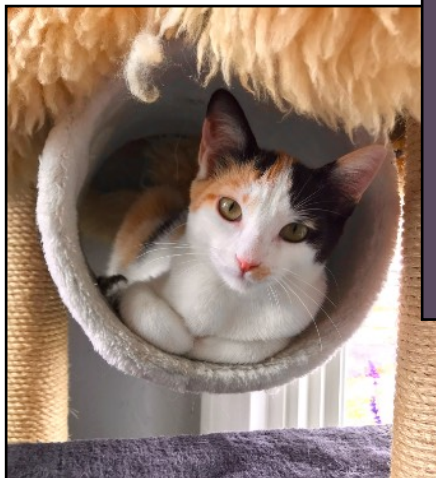
Throughout the year, there are numerous unsung heroes who consistently support the work we do. Thanks to the Hull Times, Hingham Journal, and Hull Cable. Thanks to local merchants who proudly display our collection boxes. And thanks to all of you who give us your returnable cans & bottles.

## 2017: A Picture Purrfect Year!



Judy Bouldin & Sue Wall

Volunteers are the life force of our shelter. More than 75 volunteers perform so many tasks. They provide loving cat care, sort cans, and take part in events like our Halloween Party, the spring and fall yard sales, Hull's Endless Summer and Holiday Showcase. Volunteers make the shelter work!



HSAR has found homes for over 125 cats and kittens in 2017. We owe special gratitude to our traveling vet Dr. Joanne Keith, Hingham Animal Clinic, and Crazy Paws Veterinary Hospital who have provided compassionate medical care to our cats.

Our location on Nantasket Avenue has become a true home. We've made improvements to the interior, and the exterior has become warm and welcoming thanks to Tyler Casey.



## President's Letter

2017 has seen natural disasters strike around the country, imperiling humans and animals leaving many homeless. Fortunately, the year for the HSAR organization has been a blessed one. Volunteers have staffed two daily shifts each day. More than 125 cats and kittens have been adopted. Our fundraising events have been financially successful and have been community-building as well.

While the shelter continues to thrive, it has had to face a year of increasing medical care costs. We rescue cats from a variety of circumstances. Many arrive at our doors after having lived on the streets for weeks or months. They have been exposed to feline illnesses, lacked healthy food, and endured extreme weather. HSAR's mission is to alleviate the suffering of these cats and to find nurturing homes for them. This year, we have spent over \$20,000 in veterinary care. For example, Angie came to the shelter with a terrible uterine infection that required a hysterectomy. Bradley, an adorable kitten now named Bruiser, needed one of his eyes removed. Crosby's painful dental difficulties led to

the removal of all of his teeth. These cats and many others like them have been let down by humans and are now finding the love and care they deserve.

The end of the year is a time for assessing the past months and looking to the future. HSAR volunteers and board of directors are grateful for your continued financial support and ask you to think of our cats as you consider your end of the year donations. We see the power of teamwork everywhere. The nickels redeemed from the bottles and cans you donate add up to thousands in revenue. Even the small items you buy at our yard sales help the cats. When we work together, we make a powerful impact to alleviate the suffering of cats and we enrich the lives of the families who welcome them into their homes. May 2018 be a blessed year for you and yours!

Peace,  
Maura



The staff of Pilgrim Bank in Cohasset donated \$1,000

## 2018 Kittendales Calendar: Warming Up Your Holiday



2018's Kittendales Calendar brings us into our 11th year of raising money for Hull Seaside Animal Rescue. Funds raised through the purchase of the calendar go directly

to the shelter and the daily care of the cats at HSAR. As a nonprofit organization, the shelter relies solely on fundraisers, grants, and donations. The Kittendales project continues to be a consistent source of income thanks to all of you who have purchased the calendar over the years. We hope this year finds new supporters who love to support our shelter at a grass roots level. The Calendars make for a unique and fun gift for any cat lover, and it's a gift that keeps on giving all year long.

We are so grateful to our Kittendales models, who freely donated their time for our cause. Their generosity was overwhelming. We were able to

shoot, design, and print the 2018 calendar in record time this year!

The 2018 Kittendales Calendars are available for purchase locally at the shelter during open hours, as well as Toast Restaurant, 121 Nantasket Avenue in Hull. We are proud of the work HSAR does in the community by helping reduce the rate of stray and feral cats in Hull and surrounding towns. We are a predominately volunteer organization, with only one part-time employee. Come visit us at 487 Nantasket Avenue in Hull during open hours. The calendar is available at [www.kittendales.com](http://www.kittendales.com).



Photographer: Joanne Berman  
Production: Susan Davis



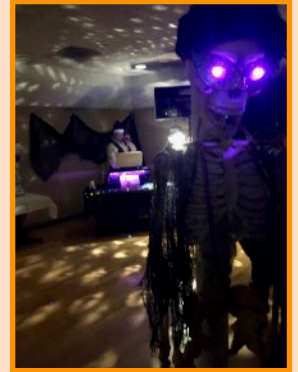
# Our 2nd Annual Halloween Party: What a Scream!



Polly Feinberg & Bob Platka

Hull Seaside Animal Rescue held its second annual Halloween Party Fundraiser at the Red Parrot on October 28th. The dance floor was packed with pirates, fairies, and vampires as well as “Larry David,” a ghoulish president, and party-goers creatively dressed as locations in Hull. Costumes were unique and impressive. And it was all for a great

cause. Proceeds from the event benefit the cats and kittens at HSAR. A special thanks goes to Gerry Whelan and Alana Swiec, all the merchants who contributed, and the volunteers who made it happen. We are so grateful to those who supported us on Halloween. See you next year for a scary good time!



Unknown Party-Goer



Paulet Kirley



Gerry Whelan & Alan Swiec



Poster by: Mazcreative.com



Cindy Nickerson

## Bruiser, the One-Eyed Wonder

Earlier this year, four abandoned kittens were rescued from a barn in Boston. Two of the kittens, came to HSAR and went to the home of a loving foster mom. Unfortunately, six-week-old Bruiser had been born with a malformed eye. Since he couldn't see out of the eye, and it was likely to cause him pain in the future, the veterinarian recommended its removal.

A wonderful family in Hingham adopted Bruiser and his brother. His new family brought him to his eye appointments and took amazing care of him until he was old enough for surgery. When he came home from his operation, his new adoptive mom gave him his medicine and his brother Bucky provided the



Bruiser and Bucky

loving support he needed to recover. Bruiser and Bucky are now living happily with their new family. Our immense gratitude goes out to all of our donors who help us provide exceptional medical care to needy cats and kittens like Bruiser. Your generous donations fund HSAR's mission to better the lives of our feline friends.

By Erika Plante

### Yes, I want to donate to HSAR.

Please complete the form below and enclose your tax-deductible check or money order.

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

Email address: \_\_\_\_\_

Amount: \_\_\_\_\_

I would like to make a special donation in memory of \_\_\_\_\_





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**Open Hours:**

Monday 6:30-7:30 pm

Saturday 2:00-3:00 pm

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The New England Thunder made their annual visit and donated much needed supplies. Thank you!



Hull Seaside Animal Rescue is a 501(c)(3) non-profit, tax exempt organization which rescues and places homeless cats and assists in the care and control of the local feral cat population of Hull and surrounding towns. We are a no-kill cat shelter, founded in 1999 by a handful of concerned citizens that understood the need to establish an animal rescue and shelter program. We have grown over the years and now boast over 75 volunteers with a part-time paid shelter manager. The shelter exists solely on donations, fundraising events, grants, and bottle/can collection and redemption.



**Recycle your returnable cans and bottles with HSAR. These funds add up, one nickel at a time, and contribute to the day to day care of our residents.**