



Pet Gazette

Holiday
2022



Why We Are Thankful for You!

The holidays are a time to reflect on the past year. It is also a time of gratitude; we are incredibly thankful for friends like you. The UPAWS team has put together this list of reasons why your local animal shelter is genuinely grateful for YOU!



Diesel and his new family!

Because you adopt!

Gotcha days, aka adoptions, are what we live for! UPAWS sees nearly 1,000 animals come through our doors each year and leave with their forever families. These adoptions happen all thanks to people like you who open your hearts and homes to these deserving furry and feathered souls!

Because you donate and support us!

The words "Thank You" are just not enough! UPAWS is beyond grateful for your monetary donations, wish list help, supply drives, attendance of our events and fundraisers, and the sharing of your gifts of talent; we can go on and on. Your donations and support, no matter the size, make a big difference in the lives of shelter animals.



Shoppers at our UPAWS Holiday Store in the Westwood Mall with their new dog toys. Your support of our fundraisers are a great way to give back to the animals.



Because you volunteer!

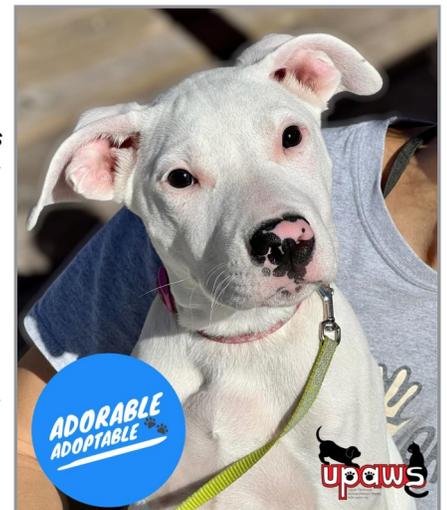
Without a good core of volunteers, a shelter or rescue cannot make it. Volunteers can socialize with the animals, spend time with them, and even help clean their cages or feed them. Dedicated volunteers help with events, serve on committees, drive transfers, offsite projects, community outreach, fundraisers, and more. Whether you serve on the Board or volunteer at a fundraiser once a year, ALL UPAWS volunteers are essential to UPAWS' success!

Photo left: Volunteers help at events and fundraisers like our Rescue Raffle and sell raffle tickets at events like Strut Your Mutt.

Because you "Like" us!

Social media is a powerful part of getting the word out! Your likes, comments, and shares make a big difference in the lives of the pets in our care. The more people we can reach with information about our pets for adoption, the more likely the chances are that those adorable animals find homes faster. So, the next time you click the "like" button, share, or comment, remember it could mean the difference between a pet being adopted quickly or staying in our shelter for a longer time.

Photo right: Puppy Chowder was adopted through Facebook "likes and shares"!



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Upcoming Events/Activities

UPAWS Holiday Store
Westwood Mall Marquette, MI
Now thru December 30th

Bissell Empty the Shelters
Event December 1—11

UPAWS Raise the Woof
Comedy Show
January 20, 2023
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Ishpeming, MI

Visit our website at upaws.org for
more info or phone 475-6661

From the Executive Director



As the 2022 year is coming to an end, here at UPAWS, we have been able to reflect on the work from this past year that has been accomplished to meet our mission. Without the support of our community, our accomplishments could not have been reached.

I am thankful that we have a community that loves and cares for our animals and organization. Without your help, we could not fulfill our mission of improving domestic animals' quality of life and welfare and providing a safe haven while finding lifelong homes for the animals in our care.

Thanks to you, homeless animals are now loved by new family members, lost animals are safely back home with their families, and injured animals are receiving the vet care they desperately need. Thanks to you, our community has a wonderful facility to come to for assistance, education and a welcoming gathering place for all.

Because of your financial support, volunteering, and adoptions in 2022, we have been able to accomplish the following –

- 940 animals have been adopted
- 99% Save Rate
- Conducted seven animal transfers from shelters with high kill rates, translating into 207 saved lives.
- Created a self-serve grooming room that the community can use for free.
- Partnered with Marquette 4H and began holding programming on youth animal education at UPAWS, in which 85 children participated for free.

These accomplishments prove that great things can be achieved when a caring community comes together. Please still come alongside our organization and financially support, volunteer, and give a new home to our animals for the rest of this year and in 2023.

From my family to yours, Happy Holidays!

Bill Brutto



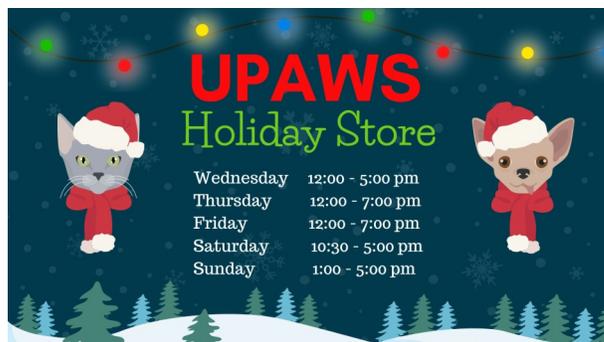
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UPAWS Holiday Store in the Westwood Mall



The holidays are here, meaning the UPAWS Holiday Store is open at the Westwood Mall in Marquette. All items for sale have been purchased from small businesses, and many give back to rescues! We have apparel, dog and cat toys, stickers, coffee and mugs, and unique gifts!

If you loved our local pet photo calendar last year, the 2023 Pet Photo Calendar is available and makes the perfect gift.



We have our 'Lights of Love' tree to honor or remember a pet by purchasing an ornament (\$5 each). Please stop by and learn how to participate or download the form on our website.

Thanks to Jessica Mariin-Glomp for giving our store windows a unique festive look with her artistic skills.

Please remember, all proceeds from the Holiday Store and Lights of Love Tree go back to benefit the homeless animals we care for 365 days a year!

Give the Gift of Love All Year Long!

Gifts from UPAWS provide your loved ones with the warm feeling of caring and sharing. UPAWS Gift of Love gifts makes lovely presents for pet lovers with everything in their life.

Adopt a Pet ~ Gift Certificates

UPAWS will be offering gift certificates to adopt a pet this holiday or anytime. You can purchase a gift certificate today and then bring the lucky gift recipient to the shelter at a later date so that they can help choose their new addition to the family.

Gift Donation

Make a charitable gift donation in a family or friend's name. A card will be mailed to the gift recipient acknowledging your gift in their honor.

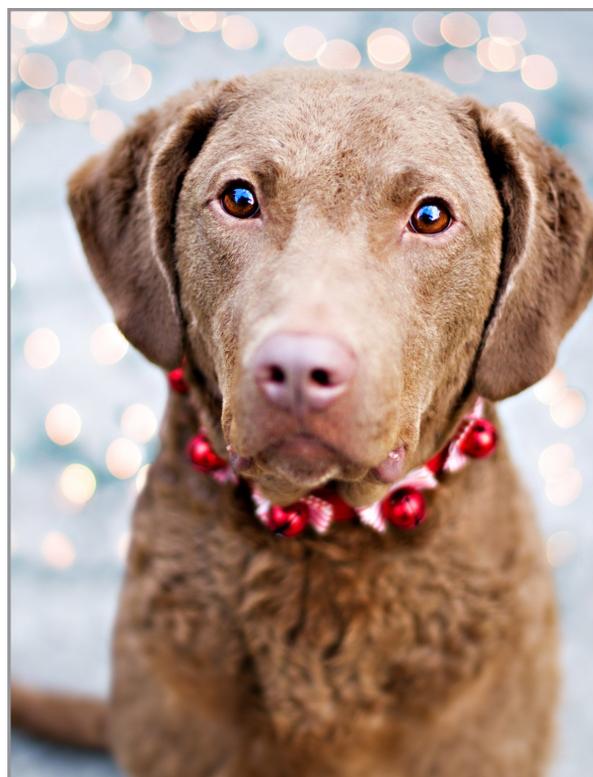
Sponsor a Shelter Pet - Gift Sponsorships

Give the gift of a "Shelter Pet Care or Adoption Sponsorship" by sponsoring a shelter dog or cat or small pet. Your sponsorship can help homeless pets in our care. We will send the gift recipient a special card noting the pet you are sponsoring for them.

Memorial Garden Brick or Granite Wall Stone

Honor or remember a loved one, human or four-legged with a gift of a custom engraved Memorial Wall Stone or Garden Brick in UPAWS Community Memorial Garden. Your support will help homeless animals have a second chance and the garden is also provide a beautiful place to visit and remember our pets and loved ones.

Learn more by visiting www.upaws.org or calling us at 906-475-6661.



Pleased to Meet You ~ Introducing Cats



So, you've fallen in love, adopted a cat from our shelter, and are bringing him "Home for the Holidays"! The only thing on your mind is how the kitty cat will LOVE your family, LOVE your other cats, LOVE your dogs, LOVE your house. This is the perfect addition to your home! What a great cat! But then, once the cat is in the house and the crate door opens, Superman comes flying out of the crate, dives under the bed where he can hide, and hiss at you. Where did mild-mannered Clark Kent go? He was such a sweet cat when you met him at the shelter! Did you bring home the wrong cat? No, he needs to feel safe!

Some cats can adapt to a new home so quickly that it's as if they have been a part of your family their entire lives. Other cats need time for adjustment. Be patient. There is no magical formula or a "typical" response time. However, moving step-by-step through the introduction process will help the two new friends adjust.

Safe Room: To allow time for both cats to adjust to the new situation, keep the new cat in a safe room such as a small spare room or even bathroom with his food and water, litter box, bed, scratching post, and toys for several days to a week or more. Initially, keeping him in a small space makes the move much less stressful and helps him get accustomed to his new home.

Positive Association: Once you've set up her space and given time for your new cat to settle in, you're ready to start letting the cats make positive associations with each other. These need to be as pleasing as possible to reduce friction when they finally have free access. Feed the cats on each side of the dividing door so they learn to associate each

other with the pleasure of food. Each day, move the food bowls closer to the door until they are immediate across from each other. The cats will hear and smell each other as they eat. You might also attach two toys with a 12-inch long string and put one toy on each side of the door so the cats can play with each other.

Scent: For animals, smell is more important than appearance, so let the pets get used to each other's scent before meeting face-to-face. Once the newcomer is accustomed to his safe room, let him have free time in the house while confining the other pets to the new cat's safe room. This allows the resident cat to get used to smelling the newcomer's scent on what she probably considers 'her' territory and gives the new cat a chance to explore the remainder of the house without confronting the resident cat. Make sure to supervise the new cat while she explores the house. After 20-30 minutes, switch the cats back to their original spaces. After the switch, a baby-gate stacked one on top of another makes a safe door and room divider. Repeat this process over a few days.

Slow and steady: When you're ready, let the pets meet, use really yummy food, and please supervise closely. Some might sit and stare or even do some mutual sniffing. Or they might sniff each other, hiss, growl, and walk away – this is to be expected.

Break it up: The cats may be stressed when they meet. They may posture and make a lot of noise. But if there are signs of increasing aggression (flattened ears, growling, spitting, crouching), make a distracting noise, such as clapping your hands to startle them. If the standoff continues, carefully herd them into separate parts of the house to calm them

down. If the cats continue to disagree, you may need to go back a few steps in the introduction process or maybe even start the whole process over again.

Additional ways to reduce tension:

- Keep an eye on all interactions for the first week or so, not letting the cats have free access to one another when nobody is home.
- Keep the food and litter in the safe room, at least for a while.
- Have one litter box per cat plus one extra, and consider maintaining litter boxes and food dishes in different parts of the house for the first few weeks or months to reduce the tension.
- Keep the resident pet's routine close to what it was before the new cats arrival.
- Give all of your cats plenty of love and affection, and never punish them for displaying fearful or aggressive behavior. Cats have their way of adjusting to change, and time is needed.

Please get in touch with UPAWS if you have questions or need advice.

We are always happy to help!

Helpful Hints

- Introduce cats slowly to your home by containing them to one room until they are completely comfortable (this may be a few days, a couple weeks, or longer)
- Introduce a new cat to a resident cat by feeding them together. Yummy, delicious food is the key! The food creates a positive association between the cats.
- Use baby gates stacked one on top of the other, or a temporary screen door to make a barrier so they can see and smell each other and still remain safe.
- Don't rush the process! It may take as long as six months for your cats to acclimate. **But it's worth it!**

Speaking Dog

The holidays can be fun for everyone, however unfortunately, the changes in routine and the coming and going of visitors can be stressful for our pets. Dog bites are a common occurrence during the holiday season. While young children are at greater risk of being bitten by dogs, your guests are also at risk.

It's news to most humans that the way we act when we're most affectionate — hugging and staring into each other's eyes, to give a couple of examples — doesn't translate well to dogs. It can be perceived as downright aggressive. Even patting a dog on the head can be taken the wrong way. You can do many things to prevent dog bites this holiday season and all year round. Here are some of them.

Don't pat his head. It bugs him. This is a threatening gesture to many dogs. Although most family pets have gotten used to it, they don't find a heavy-handed pat-pat-pat very enjoyable. Try it on yourself, and you'll see why. A deep scratch behind your pooch's ears or chest is much more satisfying to him

Don't stare into a dog's eyes — you're asking for trouble. Remember your parents telling you to look people in the eye when you spoke to them? Good manners in people's company are often considered a challenge among canines. This is why experts don't recommend staring contests with an unknown (or any) dog.

Defuse tension by looking away. Just as staring at a dog can be uncomfortable, looking away can help defuse a tense situation. It's also good to tell a persistent dog to back off. An dog being pestered for attention by a submissive dog will signal his disinterest by looking to the side, nose turned up in the air.

Never hug a strange dog. To us, hugs mean, "I like you." To dogs, a front paw (or arm) over the shoulder means, "I'm of higher status than you are." Next time you see someone hugging a dog, watch the dog's face — he's probably tolerating but not enjoying it. For that reason, never hug an unknown dog; you may get a growl or a bite.

Approach a dog from the side rather than head-on. Walking straight up to a dog can be perceived as rude. Dogs move in an arc when walking toward other canines. While most socialized dogs are used to the more direct human approach, you can make a submissive dog more comfortable by angling toward him.

Get on his level. It's friendlier. You're probably thinking, "Cute little doggy, I'm gonna give you a pat," as you lean over a pooch. But in the dog world, standing over someone is a way of showing your higher status. Tower over a dog, and you may get a growl warning you to back off — if you're lucky. Stand over a submissive dog; he may cower, roll over, or even pee to appease you. If you want to say hello to a timid pooch, turn sideways, squat, and let her approach you.

One of the most common mistakes an owner can make with their dog is to misread what the dog is saying into something completely different. People do it all of the time. The dog's body language says one thing, and we interpret it into something completely different. In reality, dogs see and read the world and people much differently than we do. If we better understood our dogs, we could prevent many dog bites and other behavioral issues.

To learn more, visit the website www.DoggoneSafe.com.



Looking for Pet Behavior Answers?

- Does your dog jump on people?
- Does your pet get upset when you leave the house without her?
- Is your dog walking you instead of you walking your dog?
- Is your cat going potty outside of the litter box?
- Cat keeping you up all night crying or running around? What to do?
- Did you adopt a kitty cat, and she won't come out from under the bed?
- Does your current cat, not like your new adopted kitty cat?
- Does your pup urinate when excited or fearful?

Many of us struggle understanding what our pet is trying to tell us. Most of the problems you are facing have solutions. If you need guidance, some new ideas, or support, please review our UPAWS Pet Behavior Resource Library for various topics and advice (see the link below).

Can't find what you are looking for? Contact UPAWS! Our dedicated staff will do their best to help you find the answers you need to keep both you and your pet happy, healthy, and together. It's always best with pet health or behavior problems to see your veterinarian to rule out any health-related issues.

UPAWS works hard to keep pets in stable homes by educating both pets and their owners, reducing the number of homeless pets in our community, and strengthening the human-animal bond.

Need help? Visit UPAWS Pet Behavior Resource Library at www.upaws.org/educationbehavior/ or telephone 906-475-6661.



Pet Tips for a Safe Holiday Season

- Avoid using tinsel on your trees; this looks like a fun play thing to cats, but causes major issues when ingested.
- Keep the human treats away from the pets! Chocolate, candy, gum, alcohol, holly berries, and chicken bones are typically more present in our homes this time of year and are all dangers to pets.
- Keep the decorations up high too - these new items look like fun toys to all of our four legged family members.



- With lots of visitors during this festive time, provide your pet with a quiet place to rest if your pet is feeling overwhelmed.
- Cover cords with protectors to guard them from pet chewing.
- When gift wrapping, be sure to keep your pets away from the activity. Wrapping paper, string, plastic, or some types of cloth could cause intestinal blockages.
- Holly, mistletoe, and poinsettia plants are poisonous to dogs or cats. Be careful what plants you bring into your home.

We all get very busy during this time of year. Please remember to set aside time each day to give your pet attention. It will keep them happy and out of mischief! Plus it's good for you too!

It's for the Youth!



Campus clean up and planting flowers!

Across the country, shelters are overpopulated with animals, and euthanasia numbers are at an all-time high. With the proper education and resources we can provide for animal owners, we hope that pet retention will increase and that not as many animals will have to be surrendered to shelters.

We want to teach younger ages about animal education and care in the hope that future generations can give a better life to animals. One way UPAWS teaches younger generations is through a partnership with the Marquette 4H.

In the spring of this year, we collaborated for a UPAWS Campus Clean-Up and Planting day! Fun was had by all! Plus we started an annual Pet Patrol program, which allowed our youth to learn about a different animal each week, the care for that animal, and a service project to benefit that animal. We had 75 youth from Marquette County registered in the program, and each week was an opportunity for a child to learn something new. To see the children's faces as they got to hold a kitten or pet a horse for the first time brought great joy to our staff and volunteers that helped with the program.

We are excited to continue this partnership with Marquette 4H for the rest of 2022 and beyond.

On the second Tuesday of every month, UPAWS and the Marquette County 4H Community Service Club hold a fun educational activity program in the UPAWS campus Community Room.

Hours are from 4:30 pm to 5:30 pm.
All are welcome from ages 5 – 19. Join us!

Bill Brutto
Executive Director



Pet Patrol participants can get a chance to snuggle some UPAWS pets.



Pet Patrol isn't just about cats and dogs; all types of animals are featured, like horses, birds, reptiles, and small critters!

Pets and Kids Can Go Together!

Pets are part of many children's lives. A child who learns to care for an animal, and treat them kindly and patiently, may get invaluable life lessons in learning how to treat people the same way.

- Pets teach us how to develop close, relational bonds with those that we spend the most time with. Positive interaction with a pet helps children form good social skills.
- Pets, especially dogs, need exercise, walks and playtime. The activities that children participate in with their pets are usually physical. This allows kids to stay fit. In general, families spend more time outside when they have pets. The fresh air is good for everyone.
- Pets tend to bring about a sense of calm for children. Some children are more relaxed around their pets than around other humans. Like adults, children turn to their pets when they are feeling sad, angry, or otherwise upset. Pets will bring peace to the situation. They can provide their people with unconditional love and teach them how to be present and live in the moment. Pets teach everyone compassion, and empathy for others and that's a good thing!



Special Thanks, Memorials & Honorariums February 1, 2022 — September 30, 2022

Special Thank You to:

Babycakes for their macaroon fundraiser to help us.

Flagstar Bank Employees for their "Jean Day" fundraiser.

Range Bank Employees for their "Dress Down" fundraiser.

Tadych's Marketplace Foods for their "Pet Tag" fundraiser.

Special Thanks to Kids Helping:

Aspen Ridge 4th Graders

Gabby Green & Autumn Hernandez held a can drive for us.

Mqt. Unitarian Universalist Church Youth Group helped with a car wash.

Milo Kocho shared his birthday with UPAWS.

St. Michaels Church Teen Group for their help.

In Honor of:

Kimberly Gintrand From: William Laycock

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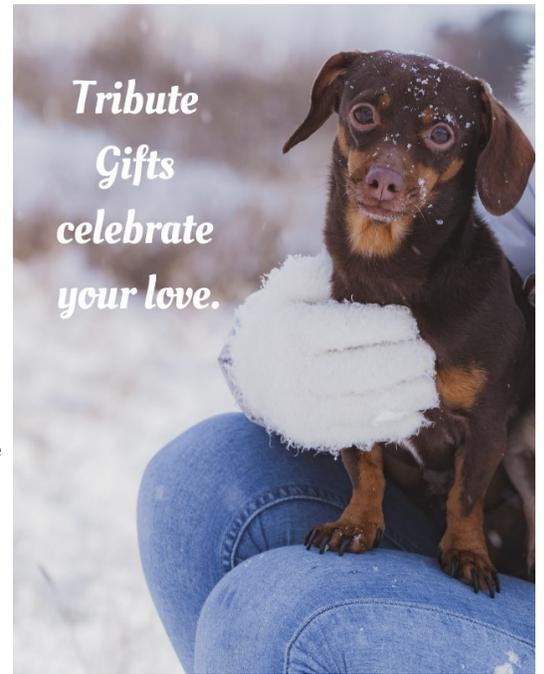
Remember ~ Honor ~ Celebrate!

If you are a regular reader of our newsletter and support UPAWS, then you have probably noticed the listing of memorials, honorariums made to our shelter. This is more than just a list of names; it's a testament to the kindness of those who donated and the people and pets that are remembered and honored in these lines.

Once a donation is made, that gesture of kindness continues. Because of the generosity represented by these gifts, we have a caring staff to care for our pets every day of the year. We can keep the pets warm and safe and receive any care they need. Sometimes it is a visit to a vet; sometimes, it is insulin to help a diabetic cat or dog, and sometimes it is checking in a newly arrived pet and giving comfort where it is sorely needed. Your gift could also help our foster families care for the pets that they have taken into their homes with food and supplies. But your gift doesn't stop there. Because you helped with a donation, the pet that received the needed care will find a new home with a family and bring joy into their lives.

A Tribute Gift is a great option to honor or remember a person or pet, celebrate an anniversary, birthday, work promotion, or holiday! UPAWS will send a card notification to the person or family of the pet you are honoring or the family of the loved one being remembered.

Visit www.upaws.org/donate/ or call UPAWS at 906-475-6661.



UPAWS Frequently Asked Questions

- Do you offer veterinary services?

We currently do not offer walk-in veterinary services to the public or after adoption. Any continued care after the adoption is the responsibility of the owner. For those demonstrating a financial need for assistance with spaying or neutering their animals, we accept applications for our Spay/Neuter Assistance program. We do offer microchipping and nail trimming services at UPAWS.

- Can I be on a waiting list for a particular animal or breed?

Because we receive many similar requests, we cannot keep a waiting list or personally contact you when a pet becomes available. Our website is updated by an animal shelter computer program to ensure you get the information you need on what pets are available.

- What do you mean by No-Kill?

No-Kill shelters are classified as such because they do not euthanize simply for time or space and do not euthanize healthy or treatable animals. We are proud to be a no-kill shelter where the animals can stay until they find a new home and are never euthanized for time or space. We also work extremely hard to rehabilitate sick and behaviorally challenged animals. UPAWS has a save rate of 99%. The 1% we cannot save are those with severe terminal illnesses in which the animal is suffering or an animal with aggressive behavior that has reached a level where we cannot safely interact with the animal. These situations are rare, and euthanasia occurs only after we have exhausted every possible alternative.

-Are you part of the Humane Society of the United States, PETA, or the ASPCA?

UPAWS is an independent non-profit not affiliated with or supported by any other humane organization. We make decisions on caring for homeless, unwanted, abandoned, and abused domestic animals based on what we believe is best for them. We have no affiliation with any larger group and receive no funding outside of grants from any larger group that might influence our decisions or actions.

Visit our website link for more FAQs: <http://upaws.org/the-shelter/faq>

You Make our Spirits Bright!

It brings us such joy to see how a once-homeless pet is now loved, happy, and cherished in a new home with their family. These wonderful happy tails, aka love stories, help prove that every animal's life counts and that every animal deserves a loving family and home.

Wedo

We wanted to thank you very much for helping to get Wedo into our home. He's absolutely amazing and our new best friend!



My fiancé and I have both wanted a dog our entire lives; this has been a dream come true! We are so grateful to the kind folks at UPAWS and those with huge hearts who helped make this adoption possible. Wedo has filled our home with kisses, energy, and silliness!

Much love from Rune, Jon, and Wedo



Big Mac aka Chompy

Hi UPAWS Staff,

I adopted a cat from UPAWS this summer named Big Mac and wanted to give you all an update.

He's doing amazingly well! He bonded with my other cat Winnie, who is also a Russian blue in just a week. He's a little shy with strangers but is super friendly with anyone he gets to know. I renamed him to Chompy because he likes to nibble (gently) when he isn't getting enough attention. I wanted to say thank you for all the hard work that everyone there does.

From Ben



Remi and Indi

I adopted Remi (tuxedo) 2 years ago and he is truly one of the nicest kitties I have ever had. When he lost his sister, who I had also adopted, Remi was very lonely without her. So, I decided he needed a brother, and I adopted Indi (white kitty) six months ago right before the viral outbreak at UPAWS. Indi was quite ill and required several vet trips and three weeks of antibiotics but now he is a healthy, happy little boy. He is so sweet and loves his big brother and makes me smile every day. I love these boys.

Thank you UPAWS for all your hard work, dedication, and efforts to rehome these wonderful animals.

From George



**We'd love to hear about how your adopted pet has impacted your family and found their forever home!
Submit your UPAWS adopted pet's Happy Tail at happytails@upaws.org**

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