



September 2009 E-Newsletter

Adoption Center gets a Fresh Coat of Paint

Many thanks to Turner Rodgers of the Eagle Scouts in Anchorage for the fantastic volunteer job painting our little shelter a wonderful barn red. We are grateful to ConocoPhillips Alaska, Inc. for their generous \$500 community grant in support of Turner's project, and to Steve Wurtz, who generously donated the paint. The shelter is located at 7309 Arctic Blvd, Anchorage. Please stop by to say hello, see the new paint, and meet the critters and staff.

Buy-1 Get-1 FREE: "Pairs Program" helps Anchorage Cats

This exciting program continues to prove itself a success. Alaska SPCA will pay the adoption fee of one cat when a long-term pair of cats at [Anchorage Animal Care & Control Center](#) is adopted together to the same home. If you're looking for two cats that already get along well, check out this terrific program at AACCC.

Some cats relinquished to AACCC have been together for a long time. When separated at animal control, they may be adopted separately, or become stressed, sick, and possibly euthanized. To help encourage the adoption of long-time pairs of cats together, we pay one cat's adoption fee when they both go to the same home. Getting two cats who already know and love each other can be a real asset to a multi-cat family. Ask a tech at AACCC to show you these special kitties.

Two important Alaskan anti-cruelty bills

When the Alaskan legislative session begins this January, it will address two pending animal-related bills: [HB 138](#) (by Rep. Carl Gatto – still in the House), which strengthens the animal-cruelty statute, and [HB 6](#) (by Rep. Bob Lynn – passed the House, now goes to the Senate), which defines bestiality as an act of animal cruelty. Both bills were presented last year, but were continued to the upcoming session.

We ask everyone who wishes to protect animals from cruelty

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Featured Pet



[Daisy](#) is a Border Collie and Spaniel mix that loves to be around people, especially children. It takes her a while to be comfortable with new dogs, but once she gets to know them, she likes to play. She has separation anxiety, so she'll need a bit more time and patience than other dogs – and hopefully a person who is familiar with the issue and understands her needs. Call (907) 344-3622 today to find out more and to meet this special girl.

(photo by Alaska Pet-ography)

[See all our available pets](#)

We ask everyone who wishes to protect animals from cruelty to actively support these vital pieces of legislation. We will be providing regular updates and ways that you can offer your support. In October, we will post copies of the exact wording of these bills and their related links on our website. Contact your Representatives in Juneau. Your voice on this matter will make all the difference to the Alaskan animals who cannot defend themselves.

National Pet Memorial Day: September 13

This national holiday is intended to honor the memory of beloved pets who have crossed the "Rainbow Bridge." There are many ways to honor your pets, but perhaps one of the most compassionate ways is to reach out to another animal (or animals) with your support. Adopting an animal who awaits a new forever home is the ultimate gift, but if you already have a "full house," donating your time or financial support to the Alaska SPCA, a local shelter, or other rescue group is always greatly appreciated.

Great Deals in the Thrift Shop

If you haven't been in the [Thrift Shop](#) lately, you might be missing out on some of the great items and bargains there. We've doubled the number of racks and better organized our women's clothing. Our books are easier than ever to find. Winter coats will be on the floor soon, and Halloween decorations and costumes are out now. We've got the coffee pot on, so come in for a great shopping experience! Be sure to take advantage of our **Fall Special**: Buy a TV and VCR from us at the same time, and we'll throw in five (5) free video tapes of your choice. *(NOTE: VHS titles limited to stock available on our shelves at time of purchase.)*

On behalf of the animals you are helping, thank you very much.

Business Office & Spay Clinic: (907) 562-2999
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Thrift Shop: (907) 562-1092
549 W. International Airport Rd., Suite B-4
Anchorage, AK 99518
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Pet Adoption Center: (907) 344-3622
7309 Arctic Blvd.
Anchorage, AK 99518
email: adopt@alaskaspca.org

AK SPCA "Featured Pet" in the ADN

Look in the [Anchorage Daily News](#) each Monday for the "SPCA Critter" feature. You may just find the perfect new addition for your family. Thank you, ADN, for helping show off our special animals.

Volunteers Needed

Do you have a few hours a week to spare helping with light office tasks, working in the Thrift Shop, or caring for an animal? If so, we need you! Please call the Business Office today and find out where and how you can best help the animals. Thank you!

Pet Food Bank

We have dog and cat food available for pets in need. If you know of someone who needs help, please let us know at (907) 562-2999.

Foster Homes Needed

Being a foster home can be a wonderful experience for both the foster home and the foster pet. If you would like to learn more, we need you! Call our Adoption Center at (907) 344-3622 or our Business Office at (907) 562-2999. Click [here](#) for an application.

Click [here](#) to see our adoptable animals

on Petfinder.

Please visit our website (www.alaskasPCA.org)
for more information and to see all the wonderful
animals waiting for adoption.



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