

THE SCOOP

Crestwood Animal Shelter's Monthly Newsletter
OCTOBER 2020

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NATIONAL ADOPT A
SHELTER DOG MONTH

PETS OF THE MONTH

SHARONA



Pretty Sharona is approximately 2.5 years old. With just one look into those soulful eyes, you will surely fall in love with her. She is gentle and sweet and would make a lovely addition to your household. Calico cats are believed to bring good fortune to family home which keeps them.

If you would like to add a little love and good fortune to your life, please go to [our website](#) to fill out an application and schedule a time to meet this sweet girl.

THE MORE YOU KNOW

The biggest concern with pets eating Halloween candy is the risk of the ingredient xylitol. Xylitol is a sugar alcohol commonly used as an artificial sweetener. Xylitol is toxic to pets. This ingredient is often used in sugar-free items but has been showing up in more and more foods every day even when they are NOT labeled as sugar-free. Most often, xylitol is found in sugar-free gum, sugar-free candy, and sugar-free baked goods. It is sometimes found in toothpaste and peanut butter as well.

SUPPORT THE SHELTER WITH SPARKLY JEWELS AND GOOD FOOD

During the first two weeks of October, Crestwood Animal Shelter is holding a **Touchstone Crystal** online jewelry party. Our generous sales consultant has agreed to donate 25% of the total sales to the shelter. So, the more jewelry sales, the more money the shelter receives! You can shop the sale on our [Facebook](#) page, or by using this link: [Touchstone Crystal](#)

It's a great time to get an early start on your holiday gift shopping. Even better, who deserves a gorgeous piece of jewelry more than you? Be sure to check out their cute paw print necklace on page 13 of the catalog!



On October 18th, **Chipotle in Kirkwood** is donating 33% of their sales **from 4 to 8 p.m.** to the shelter. Print out the attached flyer and take it with you to Chipotle, screenshot it and show it to the cashier, or tell him/her that you are supporting Crestwood Animal Shelter's fundraiser. If you prefer to order online use this code: PTJKYTC in the "promo" field on the [Chipotle website](#), or on the Chipotle app. This fundraiser is being held at the Kirkwood location at 1255 South Kirkwood Road only.



THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING US!

Please visit our website at <http://www.crestwoodanimalsshelter.com> for information about pets available for adoption, volunteer opportunities, and our current online fundraisers.

OCTOBER 1 – 15

Touchstone Crystal Jewelry
Online Fundraiser

OCTOBER 1

National Black Dog Day
Fire Pup Day

OCTOBER 5

National Do Something Nice Day

OCTOBER 16

Global Cat Day

OCTOBER 18

Crestwood Animal Shelter
Fundraiser at Chipotle in
Kirkwood, 4 – 8 p.m.

OCTOBER 22

National Make a Dog's Day

OCTOBER 24

National Make a Difference Day

OCTOBER 27

National Black Cat Day

OCTOBER 29

National Cat Day

OCTOBER 30

National Speak Up for Service Day

OCTOBER 31

Halloween



♥♥♥ LOVE STORIES ♥♥♥

IT WAS LOVE AT FIRST SIGHT



We have always been a “cat family.” Having learned that cats are mentally healthier when they have a feline companion, we have always had multiple cats, with as many as four cats at one time – to our current two old timers, Rico Suave and Leon Phelps, who have been with us for 16 years. But, as we began planning our golden years, my husband and I decided that when it was time for Rico and Leon to cross the rainbow bridge, that would be it. No more cats. It is time to travel, see the world, and not have to worry about who will care for our precious fur babies while we are away. -- And then I saw Rocket’s photo and fell head over heels in love.

He had been a stray that wandered into the backyard of a kind cat-loving family. They began feeding and caring for him, but they knew that he would need to find a permanent home, as they were at capacity with their four cats. When Lisa, the shelter president, posted a photo of the handsome boy who would soon be coming to the shelter, I knew that I had to put a plan together to convince my husband that we were wrong about not having any additional cats. I offered to foster Rocket, knowing that my husband’s heart breaks every time we have to say goodbye to any of our foster cats. I would let him fall in love with Rocket and then suggest that he really wouldn’t HAVE to go to another home...

Rocket came to stay with us, and was the biggest, sweetest, most gentle guy ever. He was afraid of his own shadow and certainly wasn’t about to start trouble with the two old cats who were firmly entrenched in our home. Once he came out of his shell, he quickly made friends with the other cats, and then his clownish antics began. My husband would call him “Crazy Eyes” because, honestly, he did look a little goofy when he would get the zoomies. Rocket played a little rough at first, but soon learned that “Ouch!” meant that he should be gentler.

My husband and Rocket bonded over laser pointer play. I lavished cat toys upon him that he could rip apart – his favorite way to play with them. He backed up to us for booty scratches, and then flipped over for tummy scratches. The other two cats joined him for games of chase and “attack the tail.” When he would tire of not getting enough attention as he wove in, out, and around our calves and ankles while we concentrated over one of our pandemic jigsaw puzzles, he would adorably stand up on his hind legs and put his front paws on the table, while resting his chin on the table’s edge, as if to say, “What is so important up here?”

And, my plan worked -- Rocket’s adoption became official two weeks after his arrival. We absolutely adore our big furry guy. It took Rocket a little longer to trust my husband than it did with me. He had to earn Rocket’s trust and love, and that makes him even more special to my husband. Not a day goes by that he doesn’t tell Rocket what a good boy he is. And I always tell him how handsome he is – but I suspect he already knows that.



The traveling will just have to wait, or maybe Rocket will become our travel buddy. Either way, sweet, handsome Rocket is here to stay.

We would love to publish your Crestwood Animal Shelter adoption love stories! Please send photos and your personal story to info@crestwoodanimalshelter.com.

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CAUSE AN EFFECT



Make dinner a selfless act by joining us for a fundraiser to support Crestwood Animal Shelter. Come in to the Chipotle at **1255 S Kirkwood Rd** in Kirkwood on **Sunday, October 18th** between **4:00pm** and **8:00pm**. Bring in this flyer, show it on your smartphone or tell the cashier you're supporting the cause to make sure that 33% of the proceeds will be donated to Crestwood Animal Shelter.

NEW! ORDER ONLINE FOR PICKUP

Use code PTJKYTC before checkout in 'promo' field. Orders placed on Chipotle.com or through the Chipotle app for pickup using this unique code will be counted towards the fundraiser.



MEXICAN GRILL

All online orders must be placed for pickup at the same time/location of the fundraiser. Delivery cannot be counted at this time. Gift card purchases during fundraisers do not count towards total donated sales, but purchases made with an existing gift card will count.