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Good Mews offers an alternative to traditional animal shelters in the Metro Atlanta area by providing a no-kill, cage-free haven for homeless, abused, or abandoned cats until placing them in permanent, loving homes. Good Mews promotes public awareness regarding the value of pets, animal welfare, pet overpopulation, and quality human-animal companionship through education and outreach programs.

## ON THE COVER

### Patriot

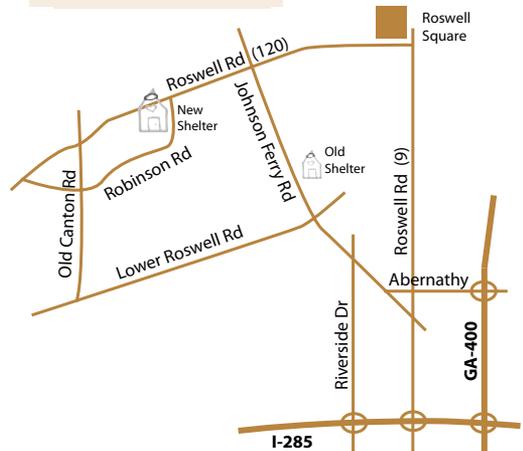
*"I am the  
Commander-in-  
Chief of catnaps  
and catnip!"*



## SHELTER LOCATION

Good Mews is located at 3805 Robinson Road in Marietta, 1 mile west of Johnson Ferry Road on Roswell Road (Highway 120), Behind Rick's Farmers Market.

3805 Robinson Road



# From the Shelter Manager



Dear Friends,

Many of you, already familiar with the mission and values of Good Mews, know that our shelter is a special place that works to give every cat that passes through our doors the best possible chance at a healthy life and loving home. Cats that find their way to GM come from all walks of life. Whether they lived in a happy home with a guardian that could no longer care for them, fended for themselves on the street, or were locked in a room with 30 other cats by a well-intentioned hoarder, they all have a new beginning when they arrive at Good Mews.

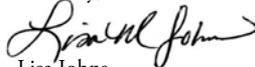
Some of the cats that arrive at Good Mews may not be considered “highly adoptable” by industry standards due to age, chronic illness, or injury. It may surprise you to learn that 22% of our current cat population consists of seniors, while 24% of our current residents are on long-term medication. At Good Mews, this is not an anomaly.

We love helping young, social cats find their forever homes, but we also recognize the importance of going the extra mile to find loving homes for our senior kitties, cats with medical conditions,

and shy felines. Every adoption at GM is a victory for us, but there is something special when a cat that will need ongoing medication, has entered into their golden years, or simply needs a patient adopter with a quiet home finally finds their perfect family.

It is only with YOUR help and support that we can continue to provide food, shelter, love, and medical care to our cats while they patiently wait to meet their match. Please consider making a donation to Good Mews today to aid us in our ever important mission of “finding good homes for good kitties”.

Sincerely,

  
Lisa Johns  
Shelter Manager

## Board News



Dear Friends,

As I write this, my heart is filled with joy. Over the years, the residents and volunteers of Good Mews have become part of my family. I have seen so many wonderful cats come through the doors, and I watched them receive the best possible care. The ultimate highlight has been hearing about Good Mews alumni living happily-ever-after. That is what it is all about .... Finding Good Homes for Good Kitties.

When I first started as a Clean & Feed volunteer in 2000, Good Mews was at the Sandtown Road location. Over the years, I have volunteered in fundraising, communications, and outreach. I joined the Board of Directors in April 2004 and have been in an officer role since 2008. I had the privilege of co-chairing the Building Committee and participating on the Capital Campaign Committee. I have also served as Board President the last four years.

In all of these roles, I have come to appreciate what makes Good Mews so special. It is our people! Even though we are smaller in size and resources than some other groups, we have a whole lot of heart. Seeing Good Mews grow and evolve has been a truly amazing experience.

Now, after 12 years on the board, it is time for me to focus on my health, family, and other responsibilities. Though I am stepping down from my current position, I plan to stay actively involved. I look forward to seeing everyone at the shelter and various events.

Lori Trahan has assumed the role of Board President and Sarah Poland is now serving as Secretary. Robbin Yeager will continue in the Treasurer's role. The future looks bright and I have no doubt we will continue to grow and prosper. Thank you so much for supporting Good Mews.



# four paws, a tail & an attitude



We are coming up on one year in our new shelter, and the only way we could be more excited is if someone let a moth into the kitten room. We've had plenty of activity going on to keep us entertained beyond the big windows!

The memorial walkway pavers were recently installed, and we've had a lot of foot traffic outside the windows – people walking around, taking pictures, and waving at us. I think they may have installed some onion plants out there, because people keep dabbing at their eyes with tissues while looking down! There's still time to get a memorial paver of your own to commemorate that special feline or Good Mews volunteer. Check out the "Memorial Walkway Pavers" section of the Capital Campaign page at [goodmews.org](http://goodmews.org) for more information.

We're also seeing a lot of hustling and bustling going on in the back of the shelter, as work is underway to build our Memorial Garden Sanctuary. The cats are placing bets on how many different birds and butterflies we'll get with all the different plants and flowers out there. I'm pretty sure they all taste the same on the inside, but I suppose that's why we aren't allowed out there. Either way, the volunteers are working

hard to make sure that the space meets the criteria for a Wildlife Habitat Certification from the National Wildlife Federation. You can help us out by purchasing some of the supplies or volunteering time to create the garden; more details are available on our website as well!

We hope you take a moment to stop by the shelter and see some of these exterior improvements, and then pop inside to report to us anything of significance we may have missed from our vantage points! And if you let in a moth or two, we'll do our part to keep it out of the kitten room.

*Boca's cat-titude made her difficult to place and led to a 13-year tenure at Good Mews. Boca is the embodiment of why Good Mews exists and although she passed away in 2003, she forever watches over us and will remain the voice of her column.*



We are turning the shelter's barren backyard into a certified wildlife sanctuary. With stonework, bird feeders, and wildlife-friendly trees, bushes, and flowers, it will be alive with activity.

We're going to have an anniversary Open House on Sunday, December 4, so stop by and see why the kitties are so excited! Check our website for details.



# Homecoming Recap

by Sarah Poland

Thank you to everyone who attended the Good Mews Homecoming on Saturday, October 15th! We had a wonderful time raising money for the home team while eating delicious food prepared by A Peach of a Party, drinking frosty beverages from Red Hare Brewery, dancing to live music courtesy of The After Party, and bidding on items donated by MANY generous supporters. From cheerleading uniforms and letterman jackets to tiaras and tuxedos, our attendees did not disappoint when it came to their attire. Everyone truly brought their school spirit!

After competitively bidding on a wide array of silent auction items, the crowd was touched by a special video presentation. The feature film showcased a cast of beloved Good Mews residents who found their forever homes despite medical hardships. Encouraged by Titan, a foster kitten who was actually adopted the week after his grand debut, our amazing attendees pledged \$11,650 to Good Mews' medical expense fund, ensuring we can continue providing a high level of care to all of the cats who come through our doors, regardless of their health history.

The Live Auction was a great success, thanks to the talented team from Duffy Auctions. One generous guest was the proud winner of an African Safari trip, while two others grabbed getaways to Savannah and Sandestin. Thanks to the McCamish Group, one lucky attendee scored an awesome package for Georgia Tech basketball, including box seats and free parking – we all know how valuable that can be in Atlanta!

Along with our incredible supporters who attended the Good Mews Homecoming, this event could not have been a success without our co-chairs, Ruth Turner and Sarah Poland, and our hardworking volunteers: Barb



Bertke, Jeanette Breault, Leslie Cooper, Lamar Hardigree, Fred Hatch, Michelle Kirkham, Julie Maddock, Jess Manning, Kristen Moody, Tammy

O'Connor, Linda Petkus, ML Riedling, Nancy Riley, Brenda Rhodes, Eileen Roller, Kathleen Shipley, Brenna Strickland, Jessica Temple, Karyn Trahan, Lori Trahan, Melissa Wardlaw, Jenny Williamson, Mike

Williamson, and Robbin Yeager (plus many more who assisted along the way).

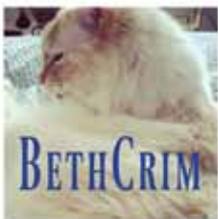
Finally, a big thank you goes out to Sharon Molnar for once again providing delicious treats, to Bob Winn for donating his photography services, and to Elizabeth Finch for creating the wonderful video presentation.

You all truly made this year's event a night to remember. Here's to many more years of giving cats and kittens their very own Homecoming. GO TEAM!

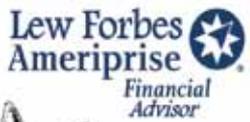


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# cats to consider

## Certified Pre-Owned: Not Just for Cars!

by Leigh Taylor Jose

Here at Good Mews, some of our greatest feline residents are those that have been with us before. Whether it's because the family could no longer care for them, or it simply didn't

work out, we're happy to continue the search for their perfect forever home. Here are just a few of our certified pre-owned cats who have the experience to be your everlasting love!

### Bruno



Bruno is a striking black cat with soft hair and stunning green eyes. At just over six years old, Bruno has tons more love to give – which he'll do willingly! He adores attention, often giving visitors and volunteers a squeaky meow to ask for pets. Bruno first came to us after being rescued from Animal Control, and then was quickly adopted with his new brother, Pongee. Unfortunately, their owner could no longer care for them and both boys were returned to us. Although Bruno has a heart murmur, the vet says he's in great shape and that the murmur simply needs to be monitored with echoes every couple of years. We know that there's a forever family out there looking for a beautiful loving boy – and Bruno is the one!

### Rinnah

Rinnah is a gorgeous dark brown tabby girl who is just over six years old. She first came to Good Mews as a baby after being born under someone's front porch. While she was quickly adopted, things unfortunately didn't work out with her family. Rinnah was sad to leave her home, but she has begun to feel better here at Good Mews, soaking in the attention and chin scratches from visitors and volunteers. She loves to talk and is a fun kitty that is sure to keep you entertained! We love having Rinnah around, but we know that she'll make a great companion for her special someone.



## Monet

Monet most certainly got her name because she's as pretty as a picture. This brown tabby beauty is a bit over four years old and loves people – whether it's getting pets or snuggling up in bed. While she adores humans, Monet prefers to be the only kitty. Unfortunately, this preference caused this sweet girl to be returned twice to Good Mews. In her first home, she was happily the only kitty for a few years until her family began feeding and later took in a stray cat. This new feline family member seriously stressed out Monet, which led to litterbox issues and a return to Good Mews. While she was quickly adopted again, the new family decided to get a kitten, which again led to litterbox trouble. Monet is back with us for the third time, but we know that there's a quiet, loving home out there for her where she can be the center of attention!



## Cricket



Cricket is a handsome black and white fellow who is just over four years old. In his short life, he's been with Good Mews two times: once after he was rescued as a kitten outside of a gas station, and then again when his family sadly brought him back to us. However, he wasn't returned for a lack of a fantastic, loving personality. When Cricket was rescued as a kitten, he was fighting off a terrible upper respiratory infection which led to him developing chronic congestion. We know that the perfect forever home for Cricket is out there, and that they will be able to look past his congestion to see him for who he truly is – a friendly, sweet boy who would make a wonderful friend!

# volunteer spotlight

## Patti Norman

by Leslie Cooper

Patti Norman is a longtime Good Mews volunteer who has given her time, energy, love, and home to many cats over the years. When not working in the corporate tax department of an Atlanta company or spending time with her daughter, she can often be found caring for Good Mews kitties.

Patti currently shares her home with three former shelter residents. McGee is a handsome eight-year-old orange tabby whom she adopted at nine months old. His beautiful kitty “sister” Daphne, formerly known as Fabienne, is almost five and joined Patti’s household two years ago. Minnie is a young cat that Patti is fostering. She’s thin and black with a short funny tail, and was pregnant when she arrived. Minnie will stay with Patti until she has been spayed and, once recovered from surgery, she will return to Good Mews to await adoption.

Growing up in south Florida, Patti had a dog and a parakeet. She always loved cats, and dreamed of one of her own. She got her first, Nikki, in her early twenties and has had cats in her life ever since. Patti joined Good Mews as a volunteer in 2002, a few months after her daughter left for college, and worked on the Clean and Feed committee. Ten years ago, she moved to the Meds team and has been there since. In all her years with the shelter, Patti has always worked on the same night of the week, and with some of the same people as well.

Patti has fostered Good Mews cats for several years. She first took care of Sally, a sweet girl with kidney failure, for two years. After Sally passed away, along came Midnight, a loving boy with serious health problems who spent



*Patti with Sampson*

the remainder of his life with Patti. Knowing that she provided comfort and love to these cats helped make the grief of losing them more bearable. Over the years, there have been pregnant cats, kittens, adult cats with health problems, and (during our shelter’s months in a temporary facility last year) a special Good Mews cat named Sabrina who is full of purrsonality. Patti misses her fosters when they leave, but she is happy knowing they are going to find forever homes with loving families.

Patti says, “When I think of Good Mews, I think of the cats I’ve been able to love and help, and who loved me back. I think of the people I’ve met that I truly respect – kindred spirits who care deeply about animals. I’ve made lifelong friends there.” We know that there are a lot of volunteers and cats who feel the same way about Patti, and are grateful that she shares her time with Good Mews.

# Success Story

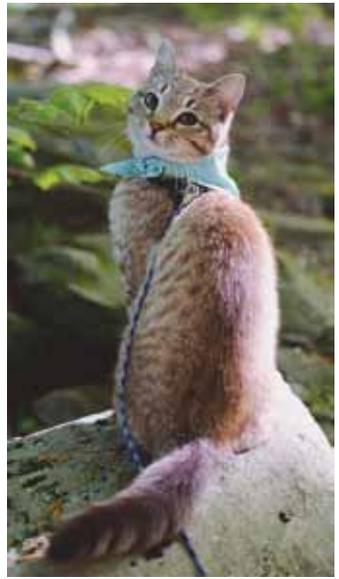
## Maizey

by Sandra Song

Maizey was abandoned as a kitten, and was found on the streets by a homeless gentleman (and truly, a gentleman he was). He remains nameless, but it is known that he lived in a truck with two other stray cats. Adding a third was more than he could responsibly care for, and he contacted Good Mews with his story. Of course, all were taken into the shelter, and he said goodbye to his three erstwhile strays.

Little Maizey, a darling blue-eyed tabby, was diagnosed with an upper respiratory infection which was immediately treated. Otherwise, she was in good spirits in spite of her difficult past. On Valentine's Day 2016, Alexander and Emily Grant paid a visit to Good Mews where they met Maizey. Alexander's cat had recently passed away and he felt ready to welcome another pet into his life. His wife had her own cat, whom Alexander loved, but he longed for the bond that Emily and her cat shared. Maizey was his choice, and they connected immediately. The Grants decided to rename her Kasha; they are both into photography and Japanese culture, so they chose a name which means "click" in Japanese.

Kasha's transition into the Grant household has been seamless. She is an affectionate, responsive cat who is Alexander's constant companion.



Though she is an indoor cat, the Grants have trained her to go hiking with them on a harness. Kasha loves the excursions, and is happy to remain tethered to the leash.

The plan for this "family" is to continue their outdoor experiences. They hope to go camping together, and want to train Kasha to enjoy boating as well. In fact, the Grants are members of Adventure Cats, an online organization dedicated to "living nine lives to the fullest". Indeed, good times are on the horizon for all! (You too can follow Kasha's adventures on Instagram at @heykasha).

# Kitty Keeper Candidate

## Francois

by Shelby Blakely

"Twilight years" look better on cats than on books... or elections.

Hey there young whippersnapper! Where are you running off to? Reading the news, you would think this thing called an "election" was the end of the world. Being a "seasoned" cat, I know better. I also know that coming home



to a warm, purring cat is the best way to leave the chaos of the world firmly outside your door.

It's been a long road, and I've come a long way from the cat carrier that was left street-side. My brother was with me until recently, but I've made new friends. Frankly, I prefer snuggling (contrary to the tough reputation I tried hard to maintain) and I've logged hours that would put most cats to shame.

I've been around the block a few times, and I'm ready for my last trip. If you're looking for a patch of peace, quiet, and purring, then I'm your huckleberry. Laps are the best, followed by belly rubs. And believe me, I've got plenty of belly to go around! Don't get distracted by endless drama that's been on TV. I'd rather take a load off with you, a cup of hot cocoa, and the best book you can find...even if it is Twilight.

Can't bring me home just yet? How about a virtual adoption through the Kitty Keeper program? Check the next page for more info!

## Bennie

by Bridget Szuminsky

Hey everyone! For those who don't know, my name is Bennie. I was rescued in July 2015 with 40 others who were in a BAD situation before Good Mews stepped in to help. If you haven't seen me around the shelter recently, it's because I've been getting special one-on-one attention.

You see, I've had heart problems for a while and I'm currently in the late stages of kidney disease. Since going to a foster home, I've been

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home at last 🐾

doing better. I even gained a pound back! There's nothing I love more than laying around getting back massages. Between cat naps, you'll find me gently head butting while meowing a musical tune. While I may be preparing to make the magical journey across the Rainbow Bridge, I'm so thankful that Good Mews has given me the opportunity to trade belly rubs for my feet warming abilities this Fall. There is nowhere I'd rather be!



*We are sad to say that, after this was written, sweet Bennie lost his battle with kidney disease. He was in a loving foster home for the last 2 months and his final days were peaceful. Because of the HALO program, we are able to provide special kitties like Bennie with the love and care they need, for however long they have. To donate or learn more, please visit our website.*



# Ways to Contribute

## FROM PURRSTRINGS TO PET SESSIONS...

There are numerous opportunities and ways to contribute to Good Mews including:

### Memorials/Honorariums

What better way to honor or remember a pet, friend, or family member than making a donation in their name to Good Mews? Recipients and donors are listed in a special insert in each issue of this quarterly newsletter.

### Bequests

Bequests are a commitment for an even better future for Good Mews. We recommend you consult your attorney to decide which arrangements best suit your individual circumstances.

### Volunteering

Volunteers choose the area they want to work in depending upon how much time they are able to dedicate.

Good Mews relies on volunteer support for a variety of functions such as fundraising, adoptions, medical care, community outreach, and shifts for the upkeep of our shelter cats. Volunteers must attend an orientation meeting (schedule on page 15) to determine their area of interest and time they are able to dedicate.

### Kitty Keeper

*Give long distance love to a special cat that needs you!*

Be a Kitty Keeper and bond with a special shelter cat. Kitty Keeper cats tend to be overlooked for adoption because of age, reserved personality, or a medical issue; many have been waiting for their forever home for years. For a monthly donation of \$20 or more, you will receive quarterly updates from your “kept” kitty with a personal note and a picture. What could be better than a feline pen pal? A Kitty Keeper subscription makes a wonderful gift, too. Contact Harriotte Bohn at [hpbohn@gmail.com](mailto:hpbohn@gmail.com) to learn more.

### HALO (Home at Last)

*Finding permanent, loving homes for our special needs and geriatric cats.*

HALO cats are typically overlooked for adoption because of age, ongoing medical conditions, or behavioral issues – the most common reasons behind euthanasia at traditional animal shelters. Funds designated to this program help pay for the ongoing medical care of these cats while they wait for AND once they find their perfect home.

### CATmitment Program

*Opening your heart and our doors!*

The best way to sustain operations and ensure Good Mews is able to grow is by having a predictable monthly income. You can help the cats and kittens on a monthly basis through a recurring donation of \$50, \$25, \$20, \$15, \$10, or other amount. Funds from the monthly CATmitment Program will go toward the care of the cats and kittens, as well as toward renovation of the new shelter building. Check the website to make your CATmitment to Patriot and all his friends! Please also help by encouraging family, friends, and co-workers to match your donation! Contact Robbin Yeager at [robbiny58@gmail.com](mailto:robbiny58@gmail.com) to learn more.

Visit our website's "Giving to GM" section at [www.goodmews.org](http://www.goodmews.org) for complete program descriptions and instructions on how to enroll or contribute to these programs.



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| Dr. Allison Wansky      | Allatoona Animal Hospital                  | 678.445.1111 |
| Dr. Keri Webster        | Montrose Animal Hospital                   | 770.977.9000 |
| Dr. Baily Cave Wood     | Trickum Ridge Animal Hospital              | 770.516.1111 |

Good Mews benefits from Metro Atlanta veterinarians who graciously donate their time and services to provide quality medical care for our residents. We are always in need of additional vets and vet techs. Contact the Shelter Manager at 770-499-CATS if you can make a little time to help.

# WishList

Some of the items we particularly need:

- 🐾 HP 950 or 950XL Black printer cartridges
- 🐾 HP 951 or 951XL Cyan, Magenta or Yellow printer cartridges
- 🐾 Dasuquin capsules
- 🐾 Paper towels
- 🐾 Scoopable cat litter
- 🐾 Bleach
- 🐾 Feliway Diffuser refills
- 🐾 Copy paper

## NUMBER OF CATS ADOPTED

|                   |            |
|-------------------|------------|
| <b>July</b>       | <b>45</b>  |
| <b>August</b>     | <b>39</b>  |
| <b>September</b>  | <b>18</b>  |
| <b>October</b>    | <b>36</b>  |
| <b>2016 Total</b> | <b>346</b> |

## VOLUNTEER ORIENTATIONS

Want to learn more about volunteer opportunities at Good Mews? The next scheduled orientations are:

|         |           |                    |
|---------|-----------|--------------------|
| Jan 4   | Wednesday | 7:00 pm to 8:30 pm |
| Feb 5   | Sunday    | 2:00 pm to 3:30 pm |
| March 5 | Sunday    | 2:00 pm to 3:30 pm |

The meetings last about an hour. To sign up, please call 770.499.2287 and press "4" to leave a message, or email at [goodmewsvolunteer@gmail.com](mailto:goodmewsvolunteer@gmail.com).

## ADOPTION HOURS

Shelter adoption hours are Saturdays from 10:00 am to 4:00 pm, and Sundays from 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm, except the first Sunday of the month.

For more information on adoptions, please call 770.499.2287 or email [adopt@goodmews.org](mailto:adopt@goodmews.org).

## KIBBLES



Do you love reading Purrs & Prattlings, but want to hear from us more often? Sign up for our monthly e-newsletter, Mews News, at [www.goodmews.org](http://www.goodmews.org).

## CONTACT US

For more information about our shelter, how to adopt, how to contribute, or upcoming fundraisers, please contact us via the following:

Address:  
Good Mews Animal Foundation  
3805 Robinson Road  
Marietta, GA 30068

Phone: 770.499.CATS (2287)

Web site: [www.goodmews.org](http://www.goodmews.org)

Email: [info@goodmews.org](mailto:info@goodmews.org)

## "Meowiday" Holiday Gift Market

**Thursday, December 1st**  
**6:00 pm to 9:00 pm**  
**Lutheran Church of the Resurrection**  
**4814 Paper Mill Rd SE,**  
**Marietta, GA 30067**

Get your holiday shopping in one night while supporting the cats and kittens of Good Mews! Join us at the "Meowiday" Gift Market, which will feature several original artists and craftspeople selling jewelry, artwork, home decor, stationery, pet products, and more. A portion of the evening's sales will be donated to Patriot and all of his elves back at the shelter.

In addition to finding something for everyone on your list, you can stock up on delicious treats at the bake sale - 100% of those proceeds will go to the kitties! Visit our website to learn more.



# calendar

- Dec 1** Meowiday Gift Market, Lutheran Church
- Dec 3-4** Last weekend of Holiday Decot Market
- Dec 4** Anniversary Open House, at the shelter
- Jan 4** New Volunteer Orientation, at the shelter
- Feb 5** New Volunteer Orientation, at the shelter
- Feb 12** Meows & Meowmosas, at the shelter
- Mar 5** New Volunteer Orientation, at the shelter

*\*Please check our website to confirm dates, times, and location.*

The Good Mews 2017 Calendar is now available. You can pick up your copy at the shelter for \$20 or contact Sarah Poland at [spoland@goodmews.org](mailto:spoland@goodmews.org) to arrange for shipping.



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