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## MISSION STATEMENT

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

### Beetle

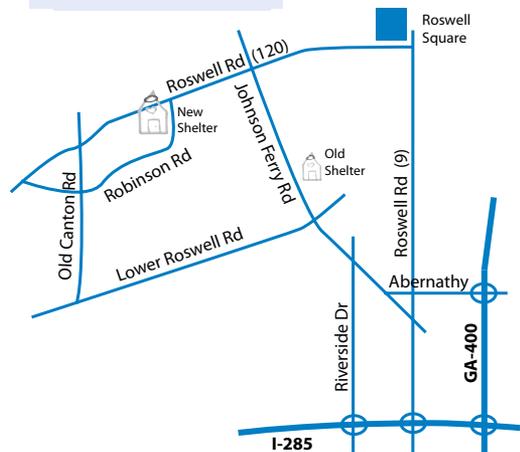
*"Loooooook into  
my eyes....and  
now adopt me!!"*



## 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,

This past year brought a multitude of success to Good Mews. With the first full year in our new shelter now behind us, we can look back on some of 2016's most exciting highlights.

In 2016 we were able to save the lives of 478 cats and kittens. We found loving, forever homes for 428 of our cats, a record for Good Mews since moving to East Cobb in 2003. We started cat yoga classes – the newest sensation in the metro Atlanta area – and we were even profiled by CNN, which led to our story going viral. Thanks to your donations, we raised over \$17,000 on Georgia Gives Day, more than doubling what we raised in 2015! Finally, we participated in the first ever Best Friends “Strut your Mut” Atlanta event. Surprisingly, Good Mews, a cat shelter, even won the award for top fundraising organization in the area!

With such incredible achievements behind us, sometimes it's hard to imagine what 2017 will look like for Good Mews. But I can assure you, this year

will bring us new opportunities for triumphs as well as our share of challenges to overcome. The important thing to remember is that Good Mews, now going into its 29th year of service, is built on a strong backbone of dedicated supporters like YOU.

So, how many cats can Good Mews help in 2017? 479? More?? That number, in part, depends on you. It is only with YOUR help and support that we can continue our mission, continue to grow, and continue to save lives. Please consider a donation of time, money, or other resources so that we can make 2017 our most successful and life-saving year ever!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Lisa Johns".

Lisa Johns  
Shelter Manager



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## four paws, a tail & an attitude

*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 slowly emerging from the cat-bed chrysalis to bask in the sun of the approaching spring. Or, you know, just lying around in a cat bed near the window to do the same, but without actually moving. It's a perfect time to talk about how you can help Good Mews raise funds with some minimal effort yourself!

Several ongoing programs help the shelter earn income on the side, and you can find details on the “Ongoing Fundraising Activities” page on our website. If you like to search the internet, consider using Good Search. When you specify Good Mews as your charity of choice, we earn

1 penny per search.

So, satisfy your midnight curiosity and find out “Why cats are awesome alarm clocks”, while helping the shelter!

If you're already shopping for alarm clocks or anything else, check out Amazon Smile or iGive.com, where Good Mews can earn a portion back of your purchase—at no extra cost to you! If you buy ink jet or laser printing cartridges, bring your empty cartridges to Good Mews; we can earn money by recycling them. And finally, if you use Fresh Step cat litter, donate your Paw Points codes to Good Mews to help us buy kitty litter. There are endless EASY ways for you to help!

If you're up for a challenge and want to help with direct monetary contributions, check the next page for details on our next big fundraising campaign. There are exciting things on the horizon!

# Operation: Complete the Suite

by Kelly McNamara

Good Mews is very excited to be launching the “Operation: Complete the Suite” campaign! Now that Good Mews has settled into its beautiful, permanent home, plans are underway to build out and equip the Misty Williamson Surgical Suite. Some of you already know that Dale Williamson sponsored the surgical suite during the initial Capital Campaign in honor of his family’s beloved cat, Misty.



Good Mews is also extremely fortunate to have received a generous gift from The Fisher Family, to be used towards furnishing the suite. Now, here is where you come in! The Fisher Family’s generosity presents an exciting opportunity for Good Mews volunteers and supporters to make a gift, which will in turn be matched up to a maximum total amount. So far, we have already raised over \$200,000 towards the surgical suite!

The overall goal of the “Operation: Complete the Suite” campaign is to raise \$500,000. This campaign will provide the funds needed to do all of the required construction, purchase equipment and supplies, and create a reserve fund for operating the surgical suite. The Board of Directors plan to use a contract veterinarian at first, then hire a staff vet as more services are added.

## Operation: Complete the Suite

will occur in 4 phases:

### Phase 1

Phase 1 will enable our participating veterinarians and/or a contract veterinarian to provide general medical care and perform spay/neuter surgeries on Good Mews cats and kittens. This is such a positive step because providing on-site spay/neuters, and eventually other procedures to the resident cats, will be less stressful for them. The kitties will be able to recuperate from surgery at Good Mews and receive care from the staff and volunteers they have come to recognize as their caregivers.

### Phase 2

As part of Phase 2, low cost spay/neuter services will be offered for animals currently in the program of other local rescue groups.

### Phase 3

This phase will consist of adding equipment and resources to enable our veterinarians to take on-site dental x-rays and to perform dental cleanings and do tooth extractions.

### Phase 4

The final phase will consist of introducing a low cost spay/neuter clinic that will be open to the community.

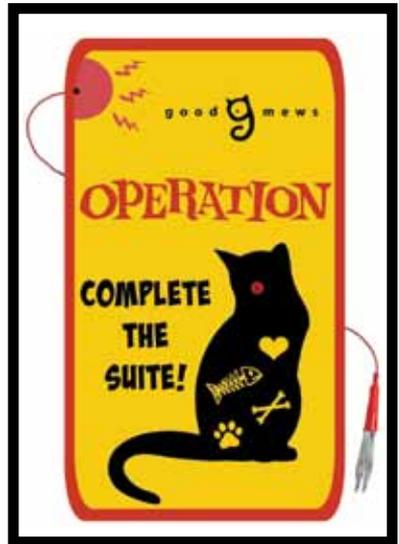


*The surgical suite as it appears today, currently used for storage and training classes.*



You can help Good Mews equip and furnish the surgical suite by making your donation online at [www.goodmews.org](http://www.goodmews.org). Click on the "Donate Now" button and for donation type, select "Building Fund" from the drop-down menu. You can also contact Robbin Yeager at [robbiny@fairgreen.com](mailto:robbiny@fairgreen.com) if you have additional questions or would like to discuss options for your Surgical Suite donation. There will be a campaign tracker at the shelter and online - just

like the one below - so you can track this very exciting campaign's progress! We will fill in the pieces on the graphic (just like our very own game of Operation) as the equipment is purchased. And, we will have a wall of honor to recognize all donors at the \$1,000 level and above. With your generosity, our operation will be a success. Please help us COMPLETE THE SUITE!



# cats to consider

## Empty Nesters

*by Sarah Poland*

They say a mother's work is never done. These four young ladies raised 19 kittens among them, and all of their sweet children have been adopted into forever homes. So, now that the kids have ventured out on their own, these

mothers' work IS done! It's time to turn the spotlight on the mommas themselves. Please meet our newest Empty Nesters.

### La Tigra



La Tigra is one strong-willed young lady! She was fending for herself as a stray; it was a hard life, but she managed. Well, she had no idea how hard it was about to get! La Tigra got pregnant, and though the average litter size is three to five babies, she had EIGHT! La Tigra and her identical brown tabby kittens did not have to live outside for long; fortunately someone found this young family and brought them to Good Mews. La Tigra's boisterous bunch was quickly adopted and, now that she has time for herself; two-year-old La Tigra is ready to be pampered! Don't be fooled by her initial resistance; La Tigra is just tired of being surrounded by cats and desperately wants some personal time. She is definitely ready to share her love with you, and only you!

### Darcia

Darcia was barely an adult herself when she found herself expecting kittens. She was only a year old, sitting at an over-crowded Animal Control. Good Mews rescued Darcia just 8 days before she gave birth to three kittens: one gray tabby boy and two girls who were spitting images of their raven-furred mother. Darcia was very attentive to her babies while in foster care, and her kids were lucky to be adopted together into a family with three human siblings. Darcia loves attention but she has a quiet, laidback personality. Though she can be timid when there is a lot of commotion, she is happy to emerge once things quiet down. If you have catnip or a feather toy, you'll be Darcia's new best friend! After a good play session, Darcia will roll over for belly pets – her absolute favorite thing. Please come meet this lovable lady!



## Acacia



Acacia is a beautiful four-year-old with a unique tabico (tabby/calico) coat and striking green eyes. She was living outside and fending for herself before she was brought into Animal Control. Though people were trying to help her, Acacia didn't understand. She was pregnant, alone, and VERY afraid. In fact, she was so afraid that she escaped her cage! She hid in the facility's laundry room, which is where she gave birth to her six babies. Luckily, Good Mews was able to help, so we brought Acacia and her kittens to a foster home. After her kittens were weaned, Acacia came into the shelter for a chance to find her own family. She has made several feline friends, but she is still working on letting her guard down around people. For this reason, it's important that Acacia be adopted with one of her shelter buddies, or into a home with a resident cat. If you can provide a quiet home, and the patience to let Acacia blossom on her own time, you may just be the purrfect pet parent for this magnificent momma.

## Ping Pong



Ping Pong is a two-year-old tortie girl who, like the rest of this bunch, found herself pregnant and alone on the streets. She actually had her two babies outside, and a kind woman started feeding the young family. Her initial plan was to do TNR (trap/neuter/release) so Ping Pong wouldn't have to give birth outside again. But, she realized that Ping Pong and her kids were not feral, and were deserving of a loving home. Thankfully, Good Mews was able to take them in. Torties may be known for their 'tude, but Ping Pong is super sweet and loves attention. She can be timid at first, and will likely hide when she first gets into a home (something she learned to do outside to protect herself). However, she is sure to emerge and ask for petting in no time. Ping Pong's kittens have found their forever homes, and now it's time for their mother to discover that joy for herself.

We hope that you will come meet La Tigra, Darcia, Acacia, and Ping Pong soon! Their nests may be empty, but they are ready to fill your lives with love.

# Success Story

## Zoe

by Sandra Song

Zoe came to Good Mews in 2008 from an Animal Control facility when she was only two months old. An adorable kitten, she was adopted quickly. Five years later, she was returned to the shelter because she suddenly became unable to get along with the other cat, after a move that seemed to greatly unsettle her. Zoe's second sojourn at Good Mews lasted only a month, then her second family adopted her. Unfortunately, she lasted only three months in her new home. Apparently, Zoe was unable to adapt to an environment with active children. So, in 2013, Zoe returned to Good Mews for a third time. This became her home for the next three years.

It was apparent from her previous experiences that Zoe was sensitive to changes in her environment, and was not comfortable in a tumultuous setting. Her care-givers at Good Mews quickly came to understand and love Zoe's unique character, personality, and needs. The trait that quickly captured the attention of everyone around her was her uncanny ability to figure out how to open any door, which she did, in order to make her rounds to the staff of Good Mews. She would often be found sitting

beside a computer, literally on a file of



*Tabitha (then named Zoe) running the office with Lisa in 2015 at Good Mews' temporary shelter.*



*"May I help you?" Zoe was definitely in charge during her time at Good Mews.*

papers, seemingly offering her approval. Lisa Johns, Good Mews shelter manager, commented that "Zoe would perch herself on the highest cat tree, checking everything out. She knew she was the boss and loved that role. Her special personality endeared her to everyone around, and she was everybody's best friend."

Finally, in 2016, Zoe's family found her and she moved to her third adoptive home. She was renamed Tabitha by her new owners, George and Lucy Arsics. Resulting from Good Mews' careful screening and placement policies, they made certain that Zoe's new home would be stable, calm, and quiet. Empty nesters, George and his wife have offered Tabitha her perfect environment. Her transition has been seamless and everyone is very happy!

True to the wisdom of Good Mews caregivers, Tabitha needs and thrives on predictability and routine. "Every morning, like clockwork, she goes straight to the sunroom to begin her day. She is at our side constantly, and ends the day playing catch with me in the basement before we go



to bed,” George said. Perhaps because of the strong stability George and Lucy have given Tabitha, she has evolved to be quite the flexible feline. When the Arsics went on a two week cruise, they boarded Tabitha. The staff reported that she was the model resident – cheerful, cooperative, and friendly. You may not be able to teach old dogs (or cats) new tricks, but Tabitha has shown everyone her capacity, given the right circumstances, to

*Tabitha relaxing high in a cat tree in her forever home.*

rise to the occasion and grow. Yes, it seems that this unique girl has finally settled into her forever home!

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## Volunteer Spotlight

### ML Riedling

*by Leigh Taylor Joser*

Good Mews is fortunate to have wonderful volunteers who dedicate themselves to the safety and well-being of cats in need. In this edition of Purrs & Prattlings, we’re happy to honor ML Riedling for nearly a decade of service at our organization. Beginning in late 2007, she became an invaluable asset to our team.

Shortly after joining the Good Mews family, ML took volunteering to the next level by adopting a shelter resident, Autumn. Her other fur baby is Apollo, and she says they bring so much joy to her life: “I have had a cat for most of my life. I enjoy their unique personalities, never-ending surprises and, of course, a warm lap in cold weather!”

ML’s main volunteer position is leading the Wednesday morning Clean & Feed shift every other week. During her time with us, she’s also worked at various fundraising events, including the successful holiday décor market which she’s led for the past three years. Of the many benefits of volunteering, ML says watching Good Mews grow and expand has been amazing: “The most rewarding part of volunteering is seeing the growth of the shelter and its ability



to help an increasing number of cats.”

ML thinks that all of the cats at our shelter are special, but she has a soft spot for those that might have a little trouble finding their forever home. She says that Cinderella, Sabrina, and Buddy

are a few of her recent favorites. She says that “cats in need may sometimes appear aloof and indifferent, but once you get to know them you realize how much love they have to give and deserve.” Along with ML, we are thrilled when these aloof kitties finally open up and find their purrfect home – just like Cinderella and Sabrina recently did! (Handsomeness Buddy is still available for adoption – check the next page for details!)

We send many thanks to ML for helping us give love and care to so many great cats – we appreciate her dedication, passion, and years of service. Here’s to many more!

# h.a.l.o. highlight

home at last 🐾

## Buddy

by Bridget Szuminsky



I know what you're thinking...Buddy is one beautiful boy! If you can believe it, I'm even more handsome rocking my cool new lion cut (I've included a picture in case you think I'm kidding). But on to more important matters. After finding my furever family as a young lad, I stayed in a loving home for many, many years. Unfortunately, my human took the journey over the rainbow bridge. I spent a bit of time at a friend's house, but their health issues prevented me from making it a permanent arrangement. The Good Mews humans convinced me to hang out at their place until I'm able to find my next lap to call my own.

I'm an older gent at 13 years, but you won't be able to tell with my (normally) long black and white fur. There's no male pattern baldness around here! I love socializing with people, especially when there's a brush or an empty hand for pets involved. Basically, I just love being loved on! Because of my diabetes, I'm on a special diet and need insulin. But luckily, I was able to join the very-exclusive HALO club. It allows kitties

like me with special needs to have the support we need – even after finding our new furever homes.

So, if you're looking for a new lap warmer and aren't afraid of needles, stop by and say hello! After one look into my unique eyes, you won't be able to resist me. In fact, I was even honored with "Prettiest Eyes" in the Good Mews "Class of 2017" calendar! Get your copy today and check out my beauty all year long. Or, bring me home and you'll get an up close and personal view!

We may be a couple of months into the year, but you can still bring The Class of 2017 home with you! There are a few calendars left at the shelter, and shipping is available.

Email us for details at [spoland@goodmews.org](mailto:spoland@goodmews.org)



# Kitty Keeper Candidate

## Basia

by *Shelby Blakely*

It's chocolate your New Year's diet can't stop!

I know, I know. It's that time again...the time of year when you promise to eat less junk food and go for more walks. This, however, is your lucky year!

I'm Basia. You see this fur? This rich, chocolate fur? New Year's resolutions can't banish me from your lap; this luscious chocolate is completely resolution friendly! Want to run your fingers through soft chocolatey fur? Got you covered. Want to curl up with a book and a warm chunk of sweet goodness? You need me. In your house. This weekend. And this chocolate is totally guilt-free!

When I came to Good Mews, I had an epically bad case of ringworm. Seriously, taking a "dip" might sound nice, but ringworm dips rank

somewhere between spending the night in Animal Control and sitting in a tub full of fleas. Weeks I tell you. Weeks. I looked awful, and losing my fur hid one of my best assets. Who would want to pet a hairless cat?

Anyway, I was overlooked, until my fur grew back. But now...CHOCOLATE.

You should see me. Holy catnip I am soft. I kept my chin up (notice the bit of white chocolate there) and now this ugly duckling is a swan, looking for her forever pond. Please come meet me soon! And don't worry, even if you can't bring a sweet treat home right now, you can sign up to be my Chocaholic aka Kitty Keeper. Learn more on page 13!



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## Good Mews Goes Viral

by *Nancy Riley*



What started as a brainstorm to draw new visitors and potential adopters to Good Mews became an international phenomenon: Yoga with Cats! Led by certified yoga instructor and Good Mews volunteer Lisa Bass, yoga classes sell out within days of being announced. The classes are a huge hit with participants and cats alike. The shelter residents seem to get in zen mood as soon as the furniture is moved and the mats hit the floor. Some claim a mat and a student and then hang out with them for the whole class, while others make the rounds and

socialize with all the students. Ponytails beware – the cats often decide that these make a great toy! You'll see many of the kitties striking their own poses; downward cat is popular, of course.

Cable news giant CNN produced a short documentary film about Good Mews' Yoga with Cats, and the story went viral from there – accumulating over TEN MILLION impressions among PeoplePets, BuzzFeed, Good Housekeeping, The Weather Channel, and Mashable, to name a few. Our kitties even showed up "down under" in Australian Women's Weekly Magazine! Now the whole world knows how amazing Good Mews is. Meowmaste, indeed!



# 2016: A Year in Numbers

## 478

Cats saved, including:  
155 from Animal Control  
and 152 stray / abandoned  
(plus 1 who found us in our back yard!)

## \$214,315

Medical expenses, including:



\$21,304 for HALO  
\$73,850 for supplies  
\$96,810 for vet visits  
\$22,350 for foster cats

## 264

Cats fixed prior  
to adoption



## 377

New volunteers  
going through  
orientation,  
including 96 kids  
and 281 adults

## 428

Cats adopted,  
including:

201 Kittens  
22 Seniors  
12 FIV+  
32 Bonded Pairs  
14 Kitty Buddies  
7 Kitty Keepers  
3 HALO

## 0

Shelter Moves

We have never been  
so proud of a zero!  
Thank you all for  
making this possible.  
We love our new home!

## 194

Cats placed in  
foster homes

## \$5,090

Amount raised  
by our new  
"Yoga with Cats"  
classes

Thanks to our awesome  
instructor who donates  
her time and expertise!

## 33,206+

Hours donated by our many  
generous volunteers

(Including  
3,698 at the  
Spring Flea  
Market alone)



## \$47,831

Amount raised at the  
2016 Good Mews Homecoming

## 137

Kitty Keeper  
sponsors

(Including 39 new and  
representing 18 states)



## 10,000,000

Number of social media impressions  
after "Yoga with Cats" went viral

Did you see us on CNN, People.com,  
Buzzfeed, Good Housekeeping, Mashable,  
Crazimals, or the Weather Channel?



## \$30,043

Amount raised by the  
Kitty Keeper program

We had a record-breaking month in  
September with 14 new sponsors!

# 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 Beetle and all her 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.



*Thank you, vets!*

*We would like to thank the following veterinarians who have given their assistance to Good Mews:*

NAME	LOCATION	PHONE
Dr. Lynn Bahr	---	---
Dr. Agda Barreirinhas	Montrose Animal Hospital	770.977.9000
Dr. Lindsay Boozer	Cobb Veterinary Internal Medicine	678.354.7126
Dr. Jennifer Covington	East Marietta Animal Hospital	770.973.4830
Dr. James Davis	Montrose Animal Hospital	770.977.9000
Dr. Jerry Diaz	East Marietta Animal Hospital	770.973.4830
Dr. David Filer	Veterinary Referral Surgical Practice	770.424.6663
Dr. Michael Friedlander	Cat Care of Vinings	404.792.0700
Dr. Christina Fugedy	East Marietta Animal Hospital	770.973.4830
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Dr. Patricia Lane	---	---
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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>November</b>	<b>42</b>
<b>December</b>	<b>40</b>
<b>2016 Total</b>	<b>428*</b>

\*The most adoptions ever during our time in East Cobb!

## VOLUNTEER ORIENTATIONS

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

March 5	Sunday	2:00 pm to 3:30 pm
April 5	Wednesday	7:00 pm to 8:30 pm
May 7	Sunday	2:00 pm to 3:30 pm
June 4	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



Help Good Mews raise money by getting your taxes prepared by H&R Block. Download a referral form via our website ([www.goodmews.org](http://www.goodmews.org)) and present it at any H&R Block location. If you are a new H&R Block client, Good Mews will get a \$20 contribution!

## 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)



## Vaccination & Microchip Clinic

Good Mews will be holding a low-cost vaccination and microchip clinic on Sunday, April 1 from 10:00 am to 3:00 pm. We will have individual services and packages for both cats and dogs. To make an appointment, please contact Robbin at [robbiny@fairgreen.com](mailto:robbiny@fairgreen.com) or by calling 678-520-4735. Walk-ins are also accepted. Check our website for more info on the packages that are available.

If your pets aren't yet due for their annual vaccinations, don't worry, we'll have clinics in August and November as well! Just check our website for details.

# calendar

**Mar 30**

Spin Class fundraiser, *CycleBar Dunwoody*

**Apr 1-30**

"Herding Cats" Virtual 5k, *anywhere you want!*

**Apr 2**

Microchip Clinic, *at the shelter*

**Apr 5**

New Volunteer Orientation, *at the shelter*

**May 6**

Cinco de Meow, *at the shelter*

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



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## Spring Flea Market Coming Soon!

The Good Mews Spring Flea Market is our largest and most important fundraiser. We will begin accepting donations in early March, so now is the time to start gathering your gently used items. We rely on awesome donors, volunteers, and shoppers like YOU to make this flea market a big success and raise a ton of money for our kitties! Details will be posted on our website as soon as a location and dates have been confirmed. Stay tuned!