

SAINTS



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Merry Christmas to all of our friends,

This holiday season will be our FIVE YEAR ANNIVERSERY since SAINTS became official. We did not move onto our first actual site of operation until January 2005 tho. But we had the first place and reno's were happening to get the site up and ready to move the animals there. What a journey the past 5 years have been, it seems like a lifetime. So many animals have moved us, and touched us, and rocked us to our very cores.

We lost Spritely this year, our treasured Miracle Horse. We knew from the day that she arrived more than 3 years ago that we would lose her very soon. But Spritely pulled off miracle after miracle and we started to believe that she could keep doing it forever, until this fall when we finally lost her. It was such a blow. Faith and hope is something we believe in here and it hurts when we lose it for awhile.

It was a year of big changes out in the barns. We lost 21 yr old Spot who was Percy's second foster cow-mama, and he took her loss very hard. Sometimes you do something stupid, that seems like a good idea at the time. My stupid idea was to go to the auctions and save a new old cow from slaughter. We came home with a new cow friend for Percy, her name is Joy. She was being bid on by the meat man, but she was young and not old. And we came home with 2 very sick, day old calves that still had their umbilical cords attached. Todd died within the first couple of weeks, Emily is growing strong and big. We are having trouble weaning her, she likes her bottle and I am a big wean-er failure. I have faith that eventually she will get there, who has ever seen a 1500 pound cow who still drinks from a baby bottle? We still have a bit of time, Emily only weighs a few hundred pounds. We also came home with three very social and young goats that were headed for slaughter too. We named them after the three stooges and we did find them all a very good home.

We have had some new dogs and cats come in over the year and we have lost quite a few that we loved too. Rose is a very lovely old rotti cross who came from a terrible life. We did have to remove one of her eyes, and we are having trouble getting the weight on her. The vets think she has an underlying cancer but Rose is so happy to find the warmth, caring and safety that SAINTS has here for her.

We lost several dogs like Tony and Les who did not even last out the year with us. I think we gave something of value though while they were here, good medical care, kindness, friendship and some fun before they ended their days. Many cats have come in, we lost several of our very special Feline Leukemia cats. These cats are all so loving that the loss of them is hard to bear. We have gotten in Morgan who we thought was a feral, but 5 months after her arrival, she is finally purring and letting us pet her. And we brought in some lovely old cats from the shelters up for euthanization. Scrappy is a beat up old street cat with a big mush ball for a heart. Marshmellow is a lovely old Persian who needed two eye surgeries to restore his sight.

Like every year here, SAINTS is full of laughter and tears. We miss the ones we lose and we fall in love with the new guys who come in. This is the time of the year when we say thank you to all of you who have helped us along the way. Without your caring and kindness SAINTS would not be what it is today.

On behalf of the sainted crew, we wish you a Very Merry Christmas and a magical new year, this is what you have given to us this past year and we hope the same for you.

With love and gratitude,
from everyone at SAINTS

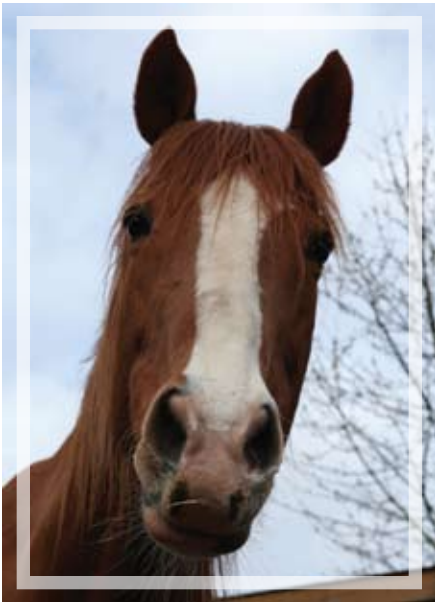
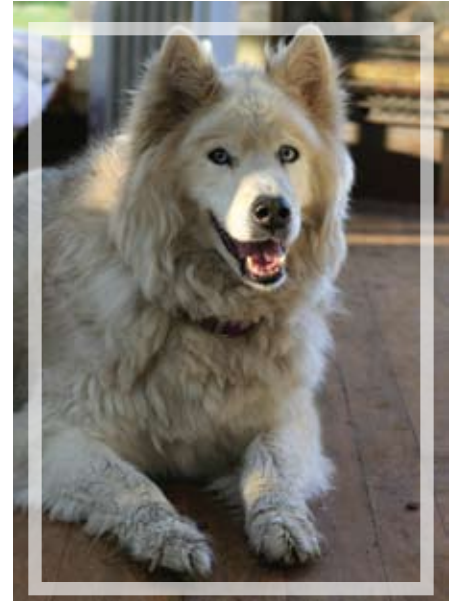


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Happy Tails

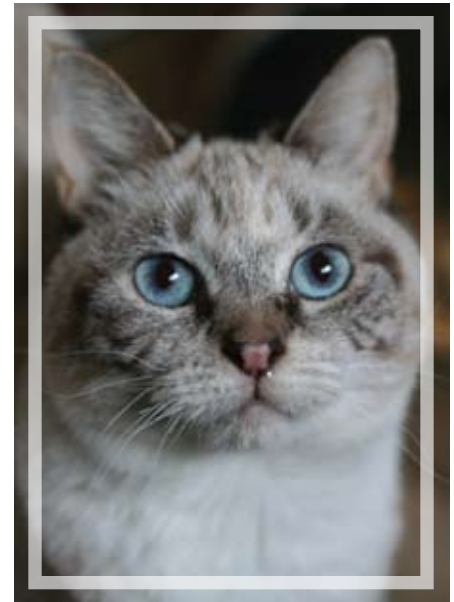
Spunk	Colton	Larry
Cuddles	Renee	Curly
Star	Serena	Moe
Izzy	Chyna	Banjo
Skye	Fiona	Tia
Mikey	Shrek	Joey
Sydney	Jack	Paluchie
James	Niko	Daphne 1
Stella	Timmy	Daphne 2
Colby	Maggie	



In Memory

of the SAINTS we lost this year

Monkey	Tony	Mosley
Cruz	Butch	Miz Boo
Tiki	Les	Watson
Belle	Caro	Marty
Ronnie	Ben	Este
Toby	Spot	Spritley
Shilo	Brianne	Grammy
Rusty	Misfit	Bruce
Betsy	BJ	Codi
Asia	Aurora	



Want to help out the animals at SAINTS, but can't take one home.

If so, the Sponsorship program may be for you.

The majority of the animals that come into our care have major health issues that require extensive medical care and attention. The total veterinary costs for 2008 was just over \$49,000. This year it will be higher. SAINTS' operating costs are above and beyond that.

Your sponsorship helps cover the animals' medical needs and helps provide them with the loving care and attention they deserve. It is also a great way to help out if you see an animal you want to help, but are unable to foster or adopt.

If you'd like to, you can give the sponsorship in someone else's name, as a way of remembering or honouring a friend, family member or pet.

For \$25 a month you can sponsor an animal of your choice. Your name will be posted as a sponsor on their webpage. Please visit our website to find out how you can sponsor an animal at SAINTS.

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