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The Newsletter of Mt. Pleasant Animal Shelter

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Tuesday & Thursday **12-7**

Monday, Wednesday
& Friday **12-4**

Saturday & Sunday **12-5**

Closed all major holidays.

We are a 501(c)3 non-profit organization.

IT'S KITTEN SEASON!

CUTENESS OVERLOAD

You've probably heard that phrase spoken around Mt. Pleasant Animal Shelter (or at other shelters, for that matter), read it in our literature, or saw it on our Facebook page, but what does Kitten Season mean? Typically, cat mating season is January through February so approximately two months later, kittens are born. Litters are typically three to five kittens, but some can be as large as eight. Typically, kitten season begins in early spring and peaks in late spring/early summer, but



CATS CAN BECOME PREGNANT AS EARLY AS 5 MONTHS, WHICH IS WHY SPAYING/NEUTERING IS ESSENTIAL TO REDUCING UNWANTED LITTERS OF KITTENS!

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MISSION STATEMENT

Mt. Pleasant Animal Shelter is a non-profit 501(c)3 animal welfare organization that is 100% privately funded.

Our mission is threefold:

- To provide exceptional care for homeless animals
- To promote spaying/neutering, microchipping and humane education
- To place homeless cats and dogs in permanent, loving homes



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KITTEN SEASON CONTINUED... from page 1

a warm winter might bring about an earlier start to the festivities. In some warmer climates, it's ALWAYS kitten season. Regardless of when it happens, Kitten season is often the shelter's most challenging time of year.

So what does that mean to us? Our kitten intake ramps up in the spring and summer. With the support of our amazing network of foster families, we can increase the capacity of our shelter and make sure fragile, young kittens are being well cared for and socialized in homes while cage space is occupied by adoptable cats. Summer is already a time with limited resources and providing food, medical care, and housing for hundreds of kittens stretches food, space, and, of course, money to their limit as we do our best to accommodate our additional boarders. With so many kittens available, the chances that an adult cat will find a home typically drops as they are often overlooked by potential adopters.

Adopt a kitten (or cat) from us and you can be rest assured that they have been given the best care and attention possible by a team made up of staff and trained volunteers. Their hard work and dedication results in a yearly crop of wonderful, adoptable cats and kittens, and many happy forever home families!



**UNALTERED COMMUNITY CATS
PRODUCE SCORES OF KITTENS.
HELP CURB OVERPOPULATION
IN YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD BY
WORKING WITH YOUR LOCAL
TRAP-NEUTER-RETURN GROUP**

**FOSTERING
THE ULTIMATE STAYCATION**

Summer Fun
In the sand.

Dramatization, Professional
kitten wranglers on a closed
course. Do not attempt at home.

ADOPT

SPONSOR ME

For more information on how you can sponsor the care of and/or adoption fee for any of the pets in our shelter, please contact Steve via email (steve@njshelter.org) or phone(973-386-0590).

Want to become involved? Here are FIVE ways you can help!

1. Spay or neuter your cats.
2. Become a Mt. Pleasant Animal Shelter Volunteer.
3. Care for homeless and feral cats in your area.
4. Become a foster family.
5. Adopt a cat or kitten! Or Two!



IN 2017, WE TOOK IN OVER 450 KITTENS AND ARE ON TRACK TO BRING IN MORE THIS YEAR. FEEDING, HOUSING, AND PROVIDING MEDICAL CARE TO ALL OF THOSE ANIMALS SAPS OUR ALREADY LIMITED RESOURCES!



MOST OF OUR KITTENS RECEIVE LOTS OF LOVE AND ATTENTION FROM OUR TRAINED FOSTER FAMILIES. INTERESTED IN HELPING SAVE LIVES? EMAIL FOSTER@NJSHELTER.ORG.



GINGER

A Chow/Hound mix, our Ginger snap is a sweet cookie. She's a beautiful gal sporting a ginger-colored coat and golden eyes. Ginger says, "I'm looking forward to long walks to help trim my zaftig figure." She's a real sweetheart who loves to flirt, especially for a cookie treat. Come meet and greet our delectable Ginger. She just celebrated her second birthday.



NASIMA

Thrown out on the streets after nursing kittens, Nasima came to us with terrible mastitis and wounds covering her body. She is now healthy and happy and waiting for you to take her home! She prefers to be the queen of her castle!

MT. PLEASANT ANIMAL SHELTER PRESENTS:

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A FAMILY AND DOG FRIENDLY FUN DAY, FEATURING:

- SENT-WELL.COM DOGGIE FASHION SHOW
- MT. PLEASANT ADOPTER'S REUNION & PET ADOPTION EXPO
- ENTERTAINMENT PROVIDED BY WDHA & TERRIE CARR
- HOME AGAIN MICROCHIPPING CLINIC \$25 PER DOG
- PEOPLE AND THEIR PETS PHOTO BOOTH
- AGILITY DEMONSTRATIONS, FOOD, VENDORS, AND MORE!

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