Gerdy's Rescues & Adoptions

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TURNING SAD TALES INTO HAPPY TAILS

2017 was a very busy year...

- We took in and adopted out over 200 animals.
- 150 animals requiring special care were treated.
- 200 animals were spayed and neutered.
- 500 people donated to our emergency appeals.
- 300 people participated in our fundraising events.
- Gerdy's Aunt Helen celebrated her 100th birthday.
- Our new website is getting rave reviews.
- We have redesigned our annual newsletter – enjoy!

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Last Christmas Eve, CeeCee was on death's door.

Found abandoned between the entrance doors of an apartment building on Christmas Eve, this "Pittie mix" was emaciated at 19 pounds. Gerdy's took her in, not expecting her to survive, but spent $7,000 to restore her health. She is now 45 pounds and thriving in the perfect home, out of the province (due to the Breed-Specific Legislation ban). Her new best friends are a Golden Retriever and a Border Collie.

Fellow animal lovers,

2017 has been another year of success stories. I want to express my sincerest appreciation for all the kindness you have shown. And, to you who have spread the word about what we do, I thank you from the bottom of my heart.

WE COULDN'T HAVE DONE IT WITHOUT YOU!

You provided financial support for the day-to-day operation of Gerdy's Rescues and Adoptions and for the emergency medical care when needed, and for this, I am truly thankful. You held garage sales, bake sales, spinning classes and other fundraisers; stores held raffles and donated pet food for our animals and I want to acknowledge your generosity. You transported our animals to clinics; you helped by being foster parents who always found room for one more and you even joined the ranks of adopters and repeat adopters by bringing a pet home forever. I feel blessed to count you among my friends.

My gratitude goes to our wonderful veterinarians for the excellent care they give our animals. I also want to give a special thank you to Melanie and Benoit for their tireless effort in creating our fabulous new website. Your hours of devotion to the task are much appreciated. Bravo!

Lastly, I must congratulate our volunteers who are an integral part of making our goals achievable. Knowing you are there is most reassuring since, without you, our mission would not be possible and so many lives would go unsaved.

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Sharon Grant, a profound loss

It is with great sadness that we mourn the loss of Gerdy's great friend and supporter, Sharon Grant, a dedicated animal lover who worked tirelessly to help abandoned, abused, and helpless dogs and cats. The many events she organized helped fund Gerdy's Rescue throughout the years and the entire Gerdy's organization will miss her tremendously.

CHECK OUT OUR NEW WEBSITE:
gerdysrescue.org

Translation: Courtesy of Lucille

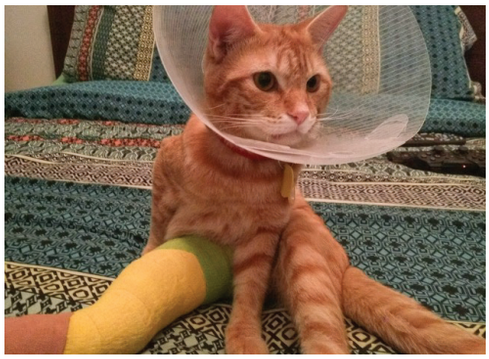
SOME OF THE LIVES YOU HELPED CHANGE...

Three bonded, senior Yorkies (aged 11–13)
were surrendered to Gerdy's and were placed together in a loving home.

Mindy had both eyes removed.
Found abandoned in a dog park and brought to Gerdy's with eyes so badly infected, they had to be removed. She will be spayed and have a small tumour removed as soon as possible.

Theo was saved from euthanasia
in a gas chamber at a high-kill shelter in the Saguenay region.

Arnold is a perfect example of why cats should never be allowed on balconies. This kitten fell and broke his right hind leg. Gerdy's responded to the call for help.



Kali (was Luna)
rescued from the streets of Kosovo, is now a 1st place ribbon winner.

Maddie, a calico beauty was born on a farm and came to us pregnant. Our vets advised us that she would never survive the delivery due to her malformed uterus. The very tough decision was made to abort the fetuses. Now spayed, she loves her new home and Tommy.

Willy and Maddie,
both under 3 years old, required double knee surgery for severe arthritis and torn ligaments, at a cost of $15,000!

Mattea is the only survivor
of two 7-month-old kittens tossed from the tenth floor of an apartment building. She landed in a garbage bin and fractured her paw. The case is now under police investigation.

Beauty was dumped at a Quebec pound
with her four kittens. While there, she was given two other motherless kittens to nurse and she was only 8 months old! Gerdy's took all seven into care.

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