



## October 2009 E-Newsletter

### Rescued Malamutes urgently need help

Seven of nine dogs recently rescued from an unfortunate situation on the Kenai Peninsula are now part of the AK SPCA family. (The other two dogs are with Homer Animal Shelter.) Although in reasonable physical condition, the dogs are poorly socialized and extremely shy about all the new faces in their lives. But they are quickly adjusting to a regular nutritional program, warm shelter, and a safe environment at the Adoption Center. Many thanks to AK SPCA board member Bob Sutherland, Dr. Gerald Nybakken of Peninsula Veterinary Clinic, and Tony and Sherri Bess of Homer Animal Shelter, for securing and transporting the dogs. Check our website soon for details and progress reports!

*p.s. Our new charges are stretching both our human and financial resources to the limit. Donations in the mail or online through our website will be very much appreciated!*

### Two important Alaskan anti-cruelty bills

When the Alaskan legislative session begins this January, it will address two pending animal-related bills: [HB 138](#), which strengthens the animal-cruelty statute, and [HB 6](#), which defines bestiality as an act of animal cruelty. Click [here](#) to view the text of these bills and see related links on our website. Please contact your Representatives in Juneau – your voice on this matter will make all the difference to the Alaskan animals who cannot defend themselves.

### Halloween at the Thrift Shop

It's not too late to visit the [Thrift Shop](#) for some great Halloween decorations and costumes. Also, take advantage of our October special – ALL TVs are 50% off! And don't forget, the Thrift Shop has a surprise sale each Saturday.

### National Adopt a Shelter Dog Month

National Adopt a Shelter Dog Month helps to focus attention on the thousands of wonderful pets available for adoption at shelters and rescues nationwide. With record setting numbers of abandoned and owner surrendered pets stretching their capacity, it is more important today than ever before to choose

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### Featured Pet



[Mooch](#) is a big smooshy cat who loves to be with people and sit on laps. He would be best matched with someone who wouldn't mind being followed around all day! Mooch does not deal well with change, so he would need a very stable home. If you are looking for your very own orange shadow, come check out Mooch. Call (907) 344-3622 today to find out more and to meet this special boy.

*(photo by Alaska Pet-ography)*

**[See all our available pets](#)**