



Abbey Cat Adoptions, (416) 284 -2140, www.abbeycats.org

Thank you!

I'd like to personally thank all of our volunteers, donors, foster parents and friends for helping Abbey Cat Adoptions find permanent homes for 132 cats and kittens and provide foster homes for another 111 of them in 2009.

We've had quite a few challenges this year - decrease in donations and rising vet bills to name a few - but I am happy to know we can still count on our supporters to keep us going!

Thank you very much for your help!

I wish you a safe and happy Holiday and a great New Year!

- **Jan, President and Founder of Abbey Cat Adoptions**

Please help us help Kotai-Ren!



Kotai-Ren is a 4 to 5 months old kitten who was part of a large Siamese rescue done by Abbey Cat Adoptions.

As many of the rescued kittens, Kotai-Ren was malnourished and to make matters worse he was badly injured – probably due to fighting over food.

After being taken to the vet, it was diagnosed he had an old fracture on the joint of his hind leg and a severely infected bite wound in the

same area. **The vet recommended surgery to try to recover the wounded leg and luckily amputation was not necessary.**

Kotai-Ren is recovering well and is now on two lots of antibiotics and pain medication. He has returned to the vet once since the surgery and will be going back again in two weeks to have the stitches removed from the wound.

We, at Abbey Cat Adoptions, believe we should do whatever is necessary to ensure Kotai-Ren recovers.

We appeal to all like-minded pet owners to help us save his leg and make sure this super-affectionate kitten

receives all the good nursing care he needs.

No amount is too small, and any amount of \$15 or over will be eligible for a tax receipt. You can pay on site **www.abbeycats.org** or send a cheque to:

**P.O. Box 20026
1077 North Service Road #39
Mississauga, ON, L4Y 1A6**

When sending in your donation, please designate it is for Kotai-Ren.

Thank you for your help!



CanadaHelps.org: Monthly donations can now be set up through CanadaHelps.org at the following link:

<http://www.canadahelps.org/CharityProfilePage.aspx?CharityID=s83809>

The process is simple, fast, secure and convenient!

A rescue story: six more left in need!

Recently, we received a call from a shelter asking us to help 12 cats that were scheduled for euthanasia due to lack of space and we **SAVED** them from euthanasia.

Since we didn't have anywhere to place these cats, one of our volunteers offered us the use of the back of her office on a **VERY** temporary basis until we could find foster and/or permanent homes for the 12 cats.

We have found permanent or temporary homes for six of these cats but there are still six cats left to be

placed. To make matters worse, the building will soon be closed down for the winter so we must get the cats a place to stay as soon as possible!

In order to expedite this rescue effort **we are willing to halve the adoption fee as we URGENTLY need placement for these wonderful kitties.** We have no other place for these cats to go! If you have been thinking of adopting or fostering, please don't delay! Call us today at **(416)284-2140!**

Holiday Hazards

The most common holiday hazards for pets include holiday plants and decorations:

- **Mistletoe and Holly:** All parts of these plants are poisonous and may cause vomiting, diarrhea, and stomach pain.
- **Poinsettia:** Ingestions of very large amounts may be harmful. The sap from the plant may cause skin irritation.
- **Christmas Trees:** The sap from Cedar Christmas trees may cause skin irritation. Coniferous trees such as pines, spruces and firs may be harmful if ingested in large amounts. Small amounts may cause stomach upset. The needles can be a choking hazard. Make sure to anchor Christmas trees to the ceiling with a string to keep it from falling on pets.
- **Garland, tinsel, and tree ornaments** can be a choking hazard and may also cause injury if they are broken. Use wooden, medal, resin-cast or the like on the lower branches in case curious little paws want to play with bright and colorful ornaments.
- **Holiday lights and other fixtures** can look like chew toys to pets. Tape down or cover cords to help avoid shocks, burns or other serious injuries. Unplug lights when you are not home.