

**YOLO COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT  
PRESS RELEASE**

<b>RE:</b>	<b>Krispy The Cat Turns Two</b>
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The Yolo County Animal Services section of the Yolo County Sheriff's Department is recognizing a special birthday. Krispy the cat turns two.

As a baby, the kitten was acquired by the County Animal Services on January 19, 2006. He was underweight, very dirty, and looked like a little blob of grey fur curled up in the shrubs in front of the shelter. Upon examination Animal Care Technician (A.C.T.) Swain noticed that the little kitten had neurological deficits; his ears, whiskers and his facial hair were burned. With loving care, A.C.T. Swain took the kitten home, named him Krispy, and fostered him.

At 10:00 p.m. he started having seizures. With care and various medications, after two long days and nights the seizures stopped. With continued care and provisions for the next few months, the Yolo County Animal Services team were worried that little Krispy was not doing well. When all seemed bleak the University of California at Davis accepted him for a neurological exam. They suspected a Porto systemic shunt. Blood work confirmed the diagnosis.

Although everybody was happy to know what was causing his problems, Krispy's medical problems were very serious and required major surgery. He had a congenital liver disease. This caused the blood to bypass his liver and the toxins were not being filtered out of his body. The only treatment was a very risky and expensive surgery. The U.C. Davis veterinarians donated their services and performed the surgery. Although doubtful that he would survive, Krispy made it through.

After several days of hospitalization he was returned to the shelter to finish recuperating. As time went on he grew into the huge, six pound cat that he is today. He is a very happy and totally functional cat. Now he spends his days playing with his kitty friends, toys, and gazing out the window of his adopted home.

Chief Officer Vicky Fletcher and her staff at the Yolo County Animal Services do a wonderful job caring for the many cats, dogs, and other animals at the shelter. You are encouraged to stop by any Monday through Friday, 10 am. – 1 p.m; 2 p.m. – 6 p.m; or Saturday between 10 a.m. – 1 p.m. or 2 p.m. – 4 p.m. to take a walk through the area and find an appropriate pet for you. The staff would be happy to provide you with the guidelines for adoption and fee information.

If you would like to offer support for their services, you can adopt a brick or send a monetary donation to: Yolo County Animal Services, 2640 East Gibson Road, Woodland, CA, 95776. For more information on donations or adoptions contact Animal Services at 530-668-5287.