

# Lucky Chance BY VIRGINIA L. DAKINIEWICH

On a weekend stroll, a mother and her young son encountered an injured black and white cat. They coaxed it to come to them. The little cat slowly made his way over on three legs, dragging a badly fractured hind leg. The cat was shockingly thin and clearly malnourished. As a result of the broken leg, he was probably not able to procure food easily. To make matters worse, he had a cut on his face and an infected eye. The woman brought him to her home and gave him with food and water. He devoured both voraciously. The family bundled him up and took him to the SPCA. The mother also contacted SCAT (Street Cat Rescue) as she was concerned that he might be euthanized due to the degree of his injuries. SCAT then contacted the SPCA who turned 'Lucky Chance' over to the rescue agency with no hesitation.



SCAT workers took Lucky Chance immediately over to the Western College of Veterinary Medicine Teaching Hospital at the U of S. In severe cases such as this, they do their utmost to help out by providing their services at a discount. Lucky Chance underwent surgery at their Small Animal Clinic for amputation of his fractured hind leg. After recovering from surgery, he also received additional care for his ulcerated right eye. He bounced back from his injuries and was made available for adoption.

Social networking proved to be successful. He was spotted by a prospective adopter through a posting on the SCAT Facebook page. Kim, his adopter, was drawn to Lucky Chance because of his distinctive appear-

ance and white whiskers. With help from SCAT, she tried various things to make the arrangement work but his personality eventually clashed with her other two felines. Unfortunately, Kim had to return Lucky Chance to SCAT at the end of December.

The next stop in the chronicle of Lucky Chance was the Erindale Animal Hospital. He came into the hospital right before Christmas. Staff at the hospital found him to be a pleasant little cat. He had to adjust a bit to socializing with fellow felines and animals but made great progress. Lucky Chance was taken into foster care the first week of February.

Lucky Chance's debonair appearance lives up to the description of "Tuxedo Cat." He is solid black throughout most of his body with white patches on his chest, belly and paws. Because of his three legs, Lucky Chance is classified as "special needs" but requires no special accommodation. He is up to date with routine shots and house-trained.

Currently, Lucky Chance is living in his new foster home and is available for adoption through SCAT. Everyone coming into contact with this distinctive little cat has been impressed by his loving and sweet personality. He would make a wonderful companion pet for anyone. Let's hope luck will continue to be on Lucky Chance's side and that he will soon find an adopter and a permanent home.

For more information, contact SCAT Street Cat Rescue; Phone: (306) 955-7228  
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