This issue is totally fur fun!

This edition of *MSE Quaranteam* is dedicated solely to our four-legged friends (two-legged and no-legged, too, in the case of Ashwin's parrot and Aaron's python). **THANK YOU** to all who submitted your cute, funny, and quarantine-themed pet photos (39 in all!). Almost every subset of MSE participated: faculty, staff, undergrad, graduate, postdoc, faculty emeritus, and alumni! Now comes the fun part: picking your favorites! After you scroll through all the entries below, click on the **Vote Now** button at the end. Vote for as many photos as you'd like. **Deadline for voting is Wednesday, April 15 at 12:00 p.m. (EST)**. The top 3 vote-getters will be announced in next week's *MSE Quaranteam*.

Good luck to all our entrants, and happy smiling:-)!

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**Pawsing to appreciate the positive power of pets**

Research findings suggest that the social support a pet provides can make a person feel more relaxed and less stressed, by actually lowering blood pressure and regulating the heart rate during stressful situations. In addition, pets often encourage more social interactions with people, thereby reducing feelings of isolation or loneliness.

So, with that in mind, let's play! Proudly presenting the pets of MSE (in no particular order)...
Solo and Chewy help fold the laundry. Submitted by Ellen Kampf/Staff
#2 Fudge and Cinnamon. Submitted by Ron Radzilowski/Alumni/EAB

#3 Maizey. Submitted by Renee Hilgendorf/Staff
#4  Fable and Griffon. Submitted by Alex Pielack '20
#5 "Duncan is all of us right now!" Submitted by Kevin Worth/Staff
#6 Jack. Submitted by Grace Fedele '21
Josie, ready for take-off! Submitted by Keith McIntyre/Staff
#8 Bella
Submitted by Joanna Millunchick/Faculty
Hey! No Spring Break partying on my beach!!

#9 Submitted by Smoke and Ron Gibala/Faculty emeritus
WHY WON'T MY HUMANS EVER LEAVE HOME SO I CAN NAP IN PEACE!
"Let's play!"
Submitted by Tina Longenbarger/Staff
"Bentley's ruff draft." Submitted by Kristen Freshley/Staff
#13 A re-creation of "The Sleeping Gypsy" by Henri Rousseau (above).
Submitted by Alex Halvey/PhD candidate
#14 Cedric and Tycho (and unnamed toy hedgehog).
Submitted by Tim Chambers/Staff
Jefferson the ball python, using the extra time to immerse himself in literature. Submitted by Aaron Gladstein/PhD candidate
#16 Sam. Submitted by Brian Love/Faculty
#18 Nigel. Submitted by Brandon Carter/PhD candidate
#19 Carmel. Submitted by Brendan Warren ’20

#20 Natalie. Submitted by Alexandra Lillig ’20
#21 Dixie. Submitted by Marisa Perez '22
#22 Reggie. Submitted by Aaron Gladstein/PhD candidate
#23  "Don't forget to wash your paws" Submitted by Catherine Snyder/PhD candidate
#24 Heidi. Submitted by Brandon Carter/PhD candidate
#25 Snuggles (a.k.a., girlfriend's grumpy cat). Submitted by Joshua Cooper ’20

#26 Nancy. Submitted by Peter Meisenheimer/PhD candidate
#27 Gus. Submitted by Dr. Ben Derby/Alumni
#28 Sesame (right). Submitted by Yong-Jie Hu/Postdoc
#29 Tigger. Submitted by Patti Vogel/Staff
#30 BANDIT. Submitted by Patti Vogel/Staff
#31 Zoey. Submitted by Amy Holihan/Staff
#32 Katrina. Submitted by Kathy Kuhn/Staff
#33 Baxter. Submitted by Kathy Kuhn/Staff
#34 Nanu, an African grey parrot. Submitted by Ashwin Shahani/Faculty
#35 George and Isaac  Submitted by Steve Yalisove/Faculty
#36 Tesla (top) and Newton Submitted by John Kieffer/Faculty
#37 Frog on kitchen door window  Submitted by John Kieffer/Faculty
#38 Darwin. Submitted by John Kieffer/Faculty
Isaac, after depositing "presents" in Steve's daughter's room, which she stepped on in bare feet. Submitted by Steve Yalisove/Faculty