

Feline Forum

Cat Welfare Association Newsletter

June/July 2013

Mojo Elected Top Cat

Are we live? Oh, we AREN'T televising the victory? Very funny, Snuffy, you got me! Well, what a super day we've had with our Community Open House, all of the wonderful people who came to visit and of course, wow, I am your new Top Cat. I promise I will fulfill the post with the honor and dignity it deserves.

I heard lots of people mentioning how much they enjoyed the band Pet Project, who came out and donated their talents at the Community Open House. I stopped in the Recovery Room to see Jay and Paula's display on the importance of altering feral cats and proper colony management. I gotta say, those catnip plants that were being sold on the other side of the fence sure were being talked about by my fellow residents. Thank you to all of the volunteers who helped to make this event a success!



Final vote tally:

Mojo 356

Fannie 262

Lily 148



Many of our kittens in foster care are big enough to return to the shelter so they can find their forever home. Thank you to everyone who attended or sent in supplies for our Kitten Shower.

Cat Welfare Selling Flea Treatment

Cat Welfare is excited to be able to offer our friends an effective flea preventative at an affordable price. Unlike some flea treatments, Activyl® doesn't just kill adult fleas, it also stops flea eggs and larvae from developing. Breaking the flea life cycle is important, so your pet is not re-infested by new fleas developing from existing flea eggs and larvae in your home environment. A single dose can be purchased at Cat Welfare for just \$8. Activyl® is approved for use on kittens that have reached two pounds, which typically happens at nine weeks.

Food/Supply Drive
noon- 3 p.m. June 29

Fourth-Place Finish Means 50 Cat Beds

Thank you to everyone who took the time to vote for Cat Welfare in The Animal Rescue Site \$100,000 Shelter+ Challenge — with Petfinder. We came in fourth place in Ohio and will be receiving 50 pet beds for the kitties. Be sure to like us on Facebook or keep an eye on our website, www.catwelfareohio.org, so you can help us win first place in the next Shelter Challenge.



Our Mission

Cat Welfare Association is dedicated to the care of and education about cats and kittens. Our pledge is to cherish, nurture and provide veterinary care for homeless, abused, injured and abandoned felines. We strive to find each cat an appropriate, safe and loving home, allowing those not placed to live their lives in the care and comfort of our shelter.



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www.catwelfareohio.com
facebook.com/catwelfareohio

Hours

11 a.m.- 3:30 p.m.
Monday, Thursday, Friday,
Saturday & Sunday

11 a.m. - 7 p.m.
Tuesday & Wednesday

(Closed the first Thursday of each month and all major holidays)

The adoption fee of \$80 includes spay/neuter surgery, initial vaccinations, testing for feline leukemia and FIV, microchip identification, flea treatment & deworming.



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'Great Catsby' a Roaring Success

The Feline Wine & Dine was once again a success, raising almost \$25,000! The sellout crowd bid on silent auction items and entered raffles (including the popular 40/40 raffle for a week at a Florida condo), enjoyed delicious food, and shared each other's company. It was a memorable evening for everyone who attended!

Thanks again to our presenting sponsor, Aire-Flo Heating, Cooling & Generators, your local Lennox dealer, Master of Ceremonies Kurt Ludlow, all our business sponsors, and everyone who supported the event. *Photos by Charper Images Photography.*



CWA Happy Homes



I just wanted to send you an update on **Atticus** (known as Nolan at the shelter). I brought Atticus home on September 30th. He had an eye infection and an upper respiratory infection when I brought him home. He has fully recovered and is gaining weight like crazy. Atticus

is such a snuggle bug! He purrs like crazy and loves to taunt his dog brother, Boo Radley.

I am so grateful for the kind staff at Cat Welfare for taking care of Atticus before I could bring him home.

Bethann Chordas



Let me tell you about **Romeo!** I went to Cat Welfare and was pretty overwhelmed by the number of cats waiting for homes. I held a couple on my lap, and then I spotted this beautiful guy sitting in his tree. That face! I just knew he was the one. His kennel name was Norman, and I learned that someone had just dropped him off the previous New Year's Eve. How awful for him!

A year and a half later, he follows me everywhere and acts like a pesky little brother to Punkin. He purrs very softly, likes to rub noses, yawns a lot, and he and Punkin frequently curl up together to sleep. They're both good watchcats, growling when any person or animal is near my condo. The funniest thing he does is meow or hiss in his sleep. I don't know what he could be dreaming about. He shouldn't ever be worried about anything again, because he will always have a good forever home with us.

Marti Worth



We adopted **Franzi** (formerly Juan Francis) in February 2010 after the loss of our 15-year-old boy, Wolfie. He was a two-year-old stray tom cat brought in by another Cat Welfare volunteer after he bummed around her sister's neighborhood for nearly a year. It was bitter cold that winter, and she decided to get him to Cat Welfare.

Franzi has turned out to be the nicest cat we have ever lived with. He's gentle

and peaceful, very affectionate, loves to play and his personal habits are exemplary. He's a happy cat. I often think how fate changes things. Had I not been a volunteer at Cat Welfare, I might never have found Franzi. To be found by one Cat Welfare volunteer, taken in by Cat Welfare and adopted by another Cat Welfare volunteer is a pretty lucky turn of events for any cat.

Julie Karovics

Got a Happy Homes story? Send it to catwelfarecats@yahoo.com or mail it to Cat Welfare, 741 Wetmore Road, Columbus, OH 43214.



2013 Community Open House



An unspayed female cat, her mate and all of their offspring, producing 2 litters per year, with 2.8 surviving kittens per litter can total:

- 1 year: 12**
- 2 years: 67**
- 3 years: 378**
- 4 years: 2,107**
- 5 years: 11,801**
- 6 years: 66,088**
- 7 years: 370,002**

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Get Cozy with a Colorful Cat Quilt



Quilters Elizabeth Bowling (right) and Sharon Warrington (left) have created another gorgeous quilt to raise money for Cat Welfare. Join us from 5 to 7 p.m. July 17, where cool cats will be serving grilled hot dogs, and our Catique Resale Shop will be open, with all items 50% off. At 6:30 p.m. we will draw the name for the lucky winner of the 2013 quilt. You need not be present to win. Good luck!

Quilt Raffle Ticket Order Form

Name

Address

City

State

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Phone

Number of Tickets _____

Total Cost _____

(\$5 per ticket, \$20 for 5)

Mail to: Cat Welfare, Attn: Quilt Raffle
741 Wetmore Road
Columbus, OH 43214

Summer Photos with Santa

Join us from noon to 4 p.m. July 13 for a very special photo opportunity with the man from the North Pole, who is enjoying his summer vacation! Our friends at Petco Clintonville/Worthington, 5030 N. High St., will host Christmas in July. Bring in your fur children for their chance to pose for a keepsake with tropical Santa. A printed photo will be available for a \$10 donation, and an electronic version will be offered for \$5.

All of the proceeds will benefit the cats at the shelter that are waiting to find someone to pull up THEIR picture on their phone and ask, "Have I showed you this picture of my cat?"

Calendar Vote Ends June 14

The 2013 Cat Welfare calendar raised more than \$8,500 for the shelter thanks to all your photo submissions, voting and sales. Help us top that this year! Voting for the 2014 calendar ends Friday, June 14 at 11:59:59 p.m. Peruse the whole collection of submitted photos by visiting catwelfareohio.com/calendar.htm, then pick out your favorites. Each vote is only \$1 with a \$5 minimum purchase of votes. Vote as many times as you like!

If you do not have access to a computer but would like to participate, please stop by Cat Welfare and a staff member will gladly assist you with the voting process.

We Love Our Donors

Ishie Memorial Fund

for long-term care of shelter residents

Rosemary Huey, “In memory of Virginia Leach”
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Cat-A-Lack Chow Club

for food for the shelter residents

Judy Staiger, Hilde Bumb, and Dorothy Martin

Travis' Altering Fund

for spaying/neutering kittens

Lydia Stone and James Hodnett

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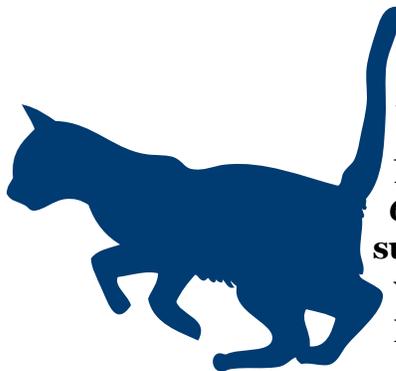
Completeness.net for hosting our website for free.

Girl Scout Troop 2903 for their large donation of items for the shelter.

The Westland Senior Club for inviting Cat Welfare representatives to their April luncheon. Your donation of shelter supplies and financial contribution is greatly appreciated.

Girl Scout Troop 7251 for bringing supplies to the shelter, visiting with our kitties and decorating paper sacks for our floor cats to play in!

All of our wonderful foster families for the gift that you give with your hearts and your homes.



From January through April 2013, we **adopted 278 cats** into loving homes and **subsidized 641 spay and neuter surgeries** through our various Altering Fund programs.



Hello, Pumpkin

Hello everyone! My name is Pumpkin, and I need a new home. I am only about two years old and I live at Cat Welfare. I was found as a stray back in December 2012, and within a month I was adopted, but it turned out that someone in the house had an allergy to me, so I had to come back. I am happy at Cat Welfare, but I really want to live in a home with my own family. One of my best friends here at the shelter is our veterinarian. She is super nice to me and has taken me under her protective wing. You'll hear no complaints from me because she's always kind and caring. My good doctor friend would like me to find a home soon because I have a food allergy. It irritates my skin, and then I get little sores on my head. Currently, I am living in a cage so we can try a change in my diet, and it really seems to be helping.

I am a really friendly and very sweet-natured little cat. You can see from my picture that I am a rare beauty, as well. I make friends very easily, and I like to sit on laps, too. I also like to play and run around. Please help me find a new home. My doctor friend and I would be so grateful to you.

Cat Welfare has nearly 300 cats available for adoption. Find your new feline friend by visiting www.catwelfareohio.com or stopping by our shelter. The kitties would be happy to see you!

Shelter Wish List:
Purina Cat Chow, Kitten Chow, moist cat food, brown paper grocery bags, Windex, clean newspapers, clean towels, clay litter, dryer sheets, bleach, Clorox wipes, Mr. Clean Magic Eraser pads, laundry detergent, stainless steel Chore Boy scrubbers, and Mr. Clean.

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