Cat Caper Moves to Griggs Reservoir

Are you ready to run, race walk or stroll at scenic Griggs Reservoir to benefit our mission? Our 11th annual Cat Caper 5K will be held Sunday, September 18, at a new venue, which will give the event a new flavor but with all of your favorite Caper features: vendors, The Catique Resale shop, CWA’s catnip pillows and the post-race raffle. And of course, there’s no need for breakfast before you come. For a donation we’ll serve you a pancake breakfast.

Registration begins at 7 a.m., followed by the Kids Fun Run (ages 12 and under) at 8:30 a.m. The 5K itself starts at 9 a.m.

Dogs can share in the fun, too! Leashed and friendly dogs are welcome to attend and race alongside their owners. The first three canine-human pairs to cross the finish line will receive a prize.

The first 350 human participants in the 5K will receive a T-shirt. Awards will be given for the top three male and female runners and walkers, as well as for age group winners.

Find more details and register at catcaper.org.

Olympic Gold Medalist Gabby Douglas Adopts CWA Kitten

Cat Welfare was excited to welcome 2012 Olympic gold medal champion gymnast Gabby Douglas and her two sisters, Arielle and Joy, to our shelter on August 30, 2015. The trio visited with many of our shelter feline residents in search of a companion for Gabby. An adorable, brown 9-week-old tiger kitten, Tobias, ended up being “The One.” As with all adoptions, we’re thrilled Tobias found a happy home and Gabby has a forever friend!

Join us in cheering for Gabby as she goes for gold in the 2016 Olympic Games in Rio. And be sure to visit our many shelter cats and kittens – our adoption counselors can help you find “The One.”
Cat Welfare’s 2016 Cat Caper
Thank you to our Sponsors!

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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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 $20 ($10 for senior cats) includes spay/neuter surgery, initial vaccinations, testing for feline leukemia and FIV, microchip identification, flea treatment & deworming.

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Announcing the large photo winners in the CWA 2016 Photo Contest, for the CWA 2017 Calendar!

Each of these photos is more than just another pretty picture because they were taken by ordinary people, who show they care about the cats in their lives by making a positive difference in their communities.

The entries and voting involved more than 85 people who wanted their favorite kitty’s photo to be one of the 13 feature photos in next year’s calendar. The voting proceeds and calendar sales benefit all of the programs for cats at Cat Welfare!

This year, as in the past, there were many wonderful photos and great rescue stories for the judges to consider. The 13 large photos were chosen by the CWA judges from a combination of the following:

- Ten photos were selected from the top 20 photos with the most online votes
- Three photos were selected from the remainder of the entries regardless of the number of vote donations

In addition to the 13 large photos, nearly all of the photos are winners because they will be featured on the monthly calendar pages. This fun contest and fundraiser helps support Cat Welfare while creating awareness about events for cat lovers scheduled throughout the coming year!

The 2017 calendars will be on sale this Fall at the shelter, at The Catique and on the CWA website at catwelfareassoc.org.

If your photo was not selected this year, just remember we want your entries in the next annual CWA Calendar Photo Contest. Look for the contest photo upload link on the CWA website, starting in the Spring of 2017.

The top 13 photos for the 2017 Calendar are:

- **Baby Gaga** - *Baby, It’s Cold Outside* by Bill R.
- **Baxter** - *What is a Tuxedo Cat Without a Bow-tie?* by Cat Welfare, photo by Suzy D.
- **Beela** - *Santa’s Little Helper* by Danya, photo by Jim
- **Brewster** - *Stripey on Stripes* by Meghan A. and Erik D.
- **Cinnamon** - *Happy Just to Watch and Smell the Outdoors* by Jeannette M., photo by Rebecca H.
- **Daisy** - *Peaceful Feeling* by Bob and Christina
- **Floyd** - *Floyd the Movie Cat* by T.J. and Suzy D.
- **Fluffy** - *Fluffy* by Rosehill Veterinary Hospital staff, photo by Maggie B.
- **Lauren and Alexis** - *Have a Heart, Lose the Laundry* by Heidi S.
- **Orange** - *Baby It’s Cold Outside* by Doug W.
- **Tulley** - *Tortie-tude* by Bethany, photo by Carolyn
- **Van the Man** - *The Most Interesting Cat in the World* by Amy B.
- **Zucca** - *Rosy Outlook* by Roger N.

Also this year we will have a tribute to:

- **Bugsy & Black Betty** - Best Friends for 14 Years
Mr. Lipscomb and Dixie are two three-legged cats who became part of my family. Mr. Lipscomb lost his left front limb, and Dixie her left rear one. Mr. Lipscomb is very agile, playful and affectionate. He goes out of his way to find creative ways to avoid being brushed. He answers to his name, which few cats do! Dixie has struggled with her mobility in a new environment but is now adapting remarkably well and progresses each day. She is my little ray of sunshine! Mr. Lipscomb encourages and challenges Dixie, and the two are playmates and great friends. I’m so glad I found these two special animals.

Angie Lipscomb

Moxie, formerly Calypso, totally took over the household and became the boss in spite of being the smallest and youngest! She is now getting along great. She has especially taken to the dogs and this handsome young fellow. She is a dear sweet kitty and she loves to play, play, play. Moxie gets lots of treats and has a window seat where she likes to watch the bird feeder. I am so happy I adopted her. She always puts a smile on my face.

Deidra

In 2009, I came to Cat Welfare with my Mom, looking for a black kitten. The first thing I saw when I came in was a cage with a black cat and her kittens in it. The nice lady at the desk opened it for us, and I started to pick up each cat, one by one. Eventually I came to one little boy, who just stared at me and let me hold him as long as I wanted. He also had a slight overbite, which looked very cute. I knew right away he was the one. We took him home and named him Dracula. My family loves him very much. He likes to sit on the screened-in back porch and watch the birds at the feeder. He loves treats and rolling around in patches of sun on the floor. We can’t imagine our lives without Dracula!

Carissa Thrush

Got a Happy Homes story? Upload it at catwelfareassoc.org or mail it to Cat Welfare, 741 Wetmore Road, Columbus, OH 43214.
Get Cozy with a Colorful Cat Quilt

This spectacular quilt was made by Elizabeth Bowling and Sharon Warrington to help raise funds for the kitties! It measures 72” x 84”. To purchase tickets, mail in the form, stop by the shelter or visit cwaquiltraffle.myevent.com. We will draw the name of the lucky winner on October 1 at noon. You need not be present to win.

Quilt Raffle Ticket Order Form

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Saying Goodbye to Guardian Angels Black Betty, Bugsy

It is with great sadness that we announce the passing of long-time residents and Guardian Angels, Bugsy and Black Betty. Black Betty arrived at Cat Welfare in April 1999 as an extremely shy kitten. In 2002, she started to come out of her shell just enough to become friends with our vet tech, Mary. Later that year, Bugsy arrived at the shelter. Bugsy was also shy, and before long she and Black Betty were inseparable. We so enjoyed watching our sweet girls be the best of friends for 14 years.

Bugsy passed away May 11, 2016, from liver failure. Black Betty was at a loss once Bugsy was gone and ventured out of the shy cats room that she had lived in for 17 years to search for her friend. Mary was with Black Betty on May 29, 2016, when she crossed the Rainbow Bridge, where she could once again be with her Bugsy. We buried them next to each other in the shelter’s memory garden and have a beautiful memorial stone marking their resting place. We would like to thank all the staff and volunteers who gave attention to these two special girls and to their loyal Guardian Angel sponsors who loved them from afar.
One Cat Household? Consider Adopting a Tritrich Cat

Tritrichomonas is a microscopic parasite that settles in the large intestine and can cause diarrhea. It is generally accepted that humans cannot get this parasite. All of the cats at Cat Welfare that tested positive for tritrich were treated with Ronidazole. Read about three of our available tritrich cats below.

Anita is a 5-year-old cat patiently waiting for a forever home. This gal is a bit slow to trust and does not seek attention but once approached, she is a chatty cat that enjoys being petted and having a hand-to-head butt. We believe this kitty will blossom once she has a home to call her own. Will you come by and meet her?

Nelly has lived in our shelter for two years. This lovely tortie has lots of spunk, and once she has become your pal, she will seek your affection by rapping on your legs with both of her front paws. Won’t you open your heart and home to this fur baby?

This is Serena’s third feature in our Feline Forum. She is an 11-year-old cat who has lived in our shelter since 2010. She is healthy, friendly and has a magnificent purr. Can we make this third time her charm?
Ishie Memorial Fund
for long-term care of shelter residents
Amrin Singh, “In memory of Ruth Stanton Edmunds”
Janice & Jerry Noltemeyer, “In memory of Mindy, one of the calico sisters”
Thomas Kraft, “In memory of Herta Kraft”
Mary Murphy, “In memory of Ruth Edmunds”
Leslie Huntington, “In memory of ‘Auntie Jan,’ Jeanette Grueson”
Denise Dutton, “In memory of Adam”
Melissa & Stephen Clines, “In memory of Penelope Mae Munson”
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Alterning Fund
for subsidies to community low-cost spay/neuter surgeries

Vincent Fund
for emergency care for shelter cats

We Love Our Donors

From January through June 2016, we adopted 636 cats into loving homes and subsidized 729 spay and neuter surgeries through our various Altering Fund programs.

Cat Welfare would like to thank:

Maddox & Keaton (pictured) as well as Vivian N. for hosting lemonade stands this summer to help fund the shelter. You kids are awesome!
Purrs De Latte is my name, and I am not your ordinary run-of-the-mill pussy cat! No siree! I am very active and ornery, and you just might find me anyplace here in the shelter, because I like to get around! I especially love high places to take serious naps. I get along well with other cats and can be very loving when I want to be. I am friendly, like people, and am an all around good cat. I do, however, need to tell you that I must eat a special diet to avoid bladder stones. If you love adventure as I do, we might just be meant to be together! Come on in, and let’s find out!

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