

Feline Forum

The Cat Welfare Association Newsletter

December 2021/January 2022

Two Cats in a Tough Spot Get Help from CWA

Midnight & Whiskers were surviving, but they were having a hard time thriving. The person looking after them loved them, but he did not have the means to care for them, especially if they had health issues. Sometimes they were able to live in his trailer, but there were periods when that was not an option. A kind person who feeds community cats at the trailer park brought the duo to our attention because they were suffering from severe flea allergies. They needed help.

The neighbor brought them to Cat Welfare, where they got some care before Carol Ann adopted them and renamed them **Sebastian & Cassie**. About two weeks later, we received this picture of them, happy in their new home, along with the news that they are now playing with toys.

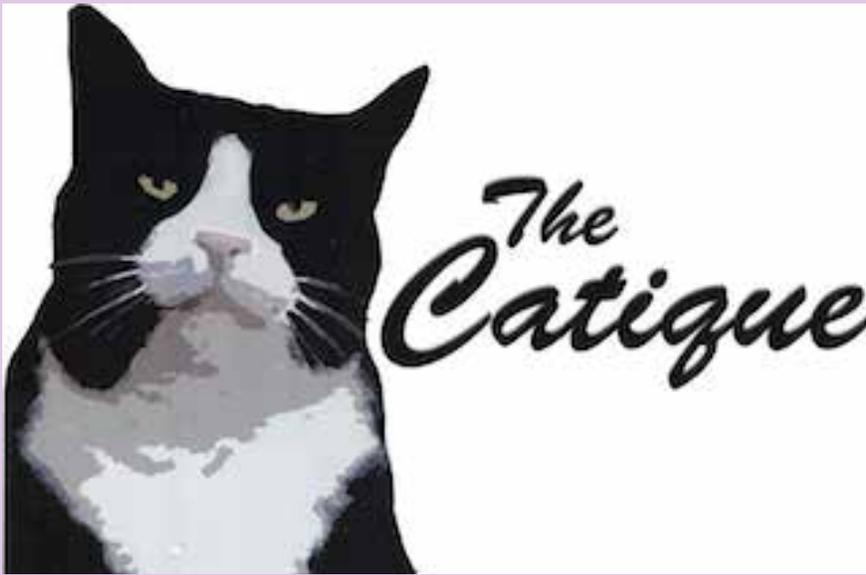
Your donations to our Vincent Fund allow us to heal the cats brought into our care and connect them with forever homes.



Axl Needs a Forever Home

This adorable young boy is **Axl**. He is 6 months old and ready for his forever family. Axl is playful, curious and delights in human interaction. He needs a special home, as he was found to have the feline leukemia virus (FeLV). People and dogs can't catch FeLV. Only cats can catch it. This means that he needs to be an only cat or in a home with only other FeLV+ cats. You can read more about FeLV at bit.ly/3HvQChG, and our staff can answer any questions you might have.

Cat Welfare places FeLV+ cats as permanent fosters. You provide the loving home and cover the day-to-day cat expenses, while we cover any medical expenses. It's a win-win situation! Stop by to visit this sweet boy and his friends in our FeLV cats' room.



Shop Holiday Sales at The Catique

Our upscale resale shop at 1005 Mediterranean Ave. features an eclectic variety of treasures. Stop by and do some holiday shopping on December 9, 10 and 11 to get 50% off, or December 23-24 to get 70% off! The Catique is open from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Thursday through Saturday, and all proceeds benefit the cats in our care.

Board Welcomes New Members

Thank you to all of the members who voted in our Board elections. We are welcoming new Board members Amy Borrer, Jay Mathew and Lisa Strickland, and we look forward to working with them in the coming year.

We also want to thank outgoing Board members Karen Ramey, Heidi Garinger and Teresa Plummer for their dedication to our shelter.

Copper Shines with a Little CWA TLC

Copper arrived underweight, unthrifty and uncertain about much human interaction. Your financial contributions and our staff's dedication allow cats like Copper to blossom in preparation for their forever homes. Team work does truly make our dream work.



Our Mission

The 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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Columbus, OH 43214
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catwelfareassoc.org

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Helen DeSantis, Executive Director

Hours

11 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Thursday
through Tuesday
11 a.m. to 7 p.m. Wednesday

The adoption fee of \$40 (\$25 for senior and special needs cats) includes spay/neuter surgery, initial vaccinations, testing for feline leukemia and FIV, microchip identification, flea treatment & deworming.



Board of Directors

Amy Borrer • Katie Thomas
Sue Godsey • Brenda Martin
Jay Mathew • Lisa Strickland

Spoil Your Felines with Our Famous 'Nip Pillows



Our holiday motif catnip toys are now available for \$3 each. Last December we sold 584 of them! You can pick them up in the shelter entryway between 11 a.m. and 3 p.m. daily or call 614-268-6096 to have them shipped for an additional \$1 per pillow.

Grant Our Holiday Wishes on Amazon and Chewy



As you do your holiday shopping, consider

purchasing a few things from CWA's Amazon Wish List at goo.gl/eLNYhd or Chewy Wish List at bit.ly/35PLR1s.

You can also benefit the shelter cats through the AmazonSmile program, which allows you to shop as usual, and Amazon will give 0.5% of your purchase to Cat Welfare! To qualify your purchase, go to smile.amazon.com and search for The Cat Welfare Association. Click the "Select" button to select it from the list, then shop as usual. It's that easy! Your personal Wish Lists, baby and wedding registries, and other accounts stay the same. Happy shopping!

Cat Welfare 2022 Calendar

Name

Address

City State ZIP

Phone

Number of calendars _____ at \$18.92 each

_____ Total cost

Cost includes tax and shipping

Make checks payable to The Cat Welfare Association



Visa Mastercard

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Name on Card

Signature





Thanks, Caper Sponsors & Friends!

THANK YOU to everyone who made the 2021 Cat Caper 5k run/walk to benefit The Cat Welfare Association such a success! The event, held in October at the Scioto Audubon Metro Park, brought in much needed funds to support services and programs at Cat Welfare.

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We also want to thank the more than 50 businesses and individuals who donated raffle baskets! Much appreciation as well to breakfast donors Starbucks, Costco & Jen Kin of Kin's Hog Farm! And, of course, thank you to our tremendous Caper chairperson Jenny Howell, our 25 race day volunteers and the 471 runners, walkers & catnappers who participated (the second-highest number ever)! Thanks to everyone's hard work, we matched 2019's total raised: \$21,000!

Thank you, and stay tuned for info on the 2022 Cat Caper!

CWA Happy Homes



We adopted **Frederick** in 2018. His face and happy purrs drew us in right away. He is the sweetest cuddler, and he loves following mom around!

Cole & Alexandria



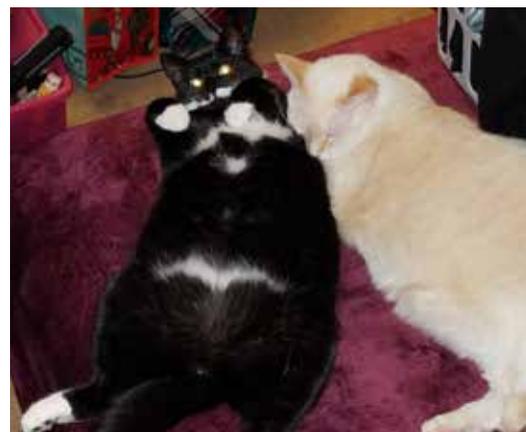
I love **Kameron**. All he does is sleep all day and want to play at weird hours of the night. I'm glad I made the right choice.

Kaiya

I adopted **Bambam** in July of 2018, shortly after moving out on my own. We have since become closer than two peas in a pod. I have never known such a sweet, kind, laid-back cat in my life. We can spend all day just cuddling on the couch, watching movies and snacking. I'm pretty sure every picture I've posted to social media since I brought him home is a picture of him, which is certainly not a bad thing given that he's so photogenic. Thank you so much, Cat Welfare, for introducing me to my best furry friend.



Morgan



My boyfriend and I adopted **Minnie** after we suddenly lost our kitty to a heart condition. Her story on Petfinder broke my heart, and I knew she deserved a new home. Even though she is 10 years old, she loves to play and will even play fetch with her toy mice! She also enjoys playing chase with our other cat. She is a sweet kitty that loves to cuddle and has helped heal our hearts. We're looking forward to many years together!

Lindsay

My boyfriend was crushed after we lost one of our fur babies. One day he stopped at Cat Welfare after work. He brought home **Hela**, the black and white kitty in the picture. She's been the perfect fit with her human and fur family. We love her. She's funny, smart, sassy and obviously well loved by her brother Loki.

Ken

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

We Love Our Donors

Ishie Memorial Fund

for long-term care of shelter residents

Lisa Pillow "In memory of William Studer"
Richard & Lynne McWherter "Martita Dougherty"
Steven Puckett
Samuel & Diane van Schoyck "Ruby, Amanda & Tecumseh"
Karen Kaiser

Altering Fund

to subsidize community low-cost spay/neuter surgeries

Annie Lach, Lynn Straley "From Percy & Annie Lach," Bill Hout "In memory of Doug Buhner," Ashley Finley, Winnie Young "In loving memory of Doris Arnold, Jean Collier and Ila Hinkle," Linda Schellkopf, Nancy Aleman, Craig Lewis, Karen Kaiser and Kelsey Witt

Vincent Fund

for emergency care for shelter cats

Linda Schellkopf, Leon & Patricia Cohan Jr., Nancy & Paul Bohn "In memory of Mystra, beloved cat of Cat & Chris Henry," Linda Schellkopf "In memory of Carol Ann Bradley's cat Sebastian," Catherine Zitko, Marjorie Obrist, Dale & Marty Keener, David Freedy, Karen Kaiser and Judy Hardy

Joey's Good Samaritan Fund

for medical care of owned cats

Randall Hertzner "In memory of Doug Buhner and Jasmine Boots," Linda Schellkopf, William Hout "In memory of Doug Buhner," Craig Lewis, Jane McEvoy and Heather & Paul Knapp

Willard's Village Babies Fund

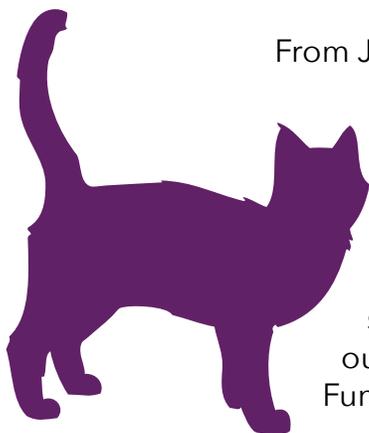
for care of feral cat colonies

Juanita & Rita Woods "In memory and love of Willard," Annie Lach, Lisa Leaper, Susan & Doug Edwards, Erin Eichel, Ohio Association of Disability Examiners, Richard Austin, Susan McKinley and Josh Cooper "In honor of Anne, Earl & Linda Riley & Wilma Wabnitz"

Cat-A-Lack Chow Club

for food for the shelter residents

Leslie Bothast, Allison Haedt, Claire Smith, Elizabeth Morrison, Stacy Cochran "In memory of Bonnie Scranton" and Edythe Degood



From January through October 2021, we **adopted 632 cats** into loving homes and **subsidized 2,835 spay and neuter surgeries** through our various Altering Fund programs.

News and Thank You's:

Thank you to our dedicated volunteers. We couldn't do it without you!

We're always looking for more volunteers! If you're interested in joining their ranks, find more information at catwelfareassoc.org/volunteer.

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Shelter Wish List:

Purina Cat Chow, Purina Kitten Chow, moist cat food, Temptation treats, brown paper grocery bags, clay litter (non clumping), bleach, Clorox wipes, Mr. Clean Magic Eraser pads, laundry detergent, stainless steel scrub pads.

Order directly from our Amazon Wish List at goo.gl/eLNYhd.



Hello, Toeby

Ouch! My leg got caught in a collar as I tried to take it off. I was so grateful to have that pesky collar removed. Unfortunately I did have a rather large wound under my arm, but with some TLC and antibiotics, it healed right up! The CWA staff was thrilled because I have Feline Leukemia, which means my immune system is compromised, which can make healing difficult for me.

Not to toot my own horn, BUT I have been called "just an all-around great cat," "a wonderful lap sitter" and well, you have to admit that I'm a handsome boy!

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