

Feline Forum

Cat Welfare Association Newsletter

June/July 2018

Let a Little Bit of Weasley Magic Into Your Heart

Meet Fred and George Weasley! This young bonded pair had a rough start in life, but they have been getting TLC on their own terms in a very special foster home. We now believe they are ready for their forever family!

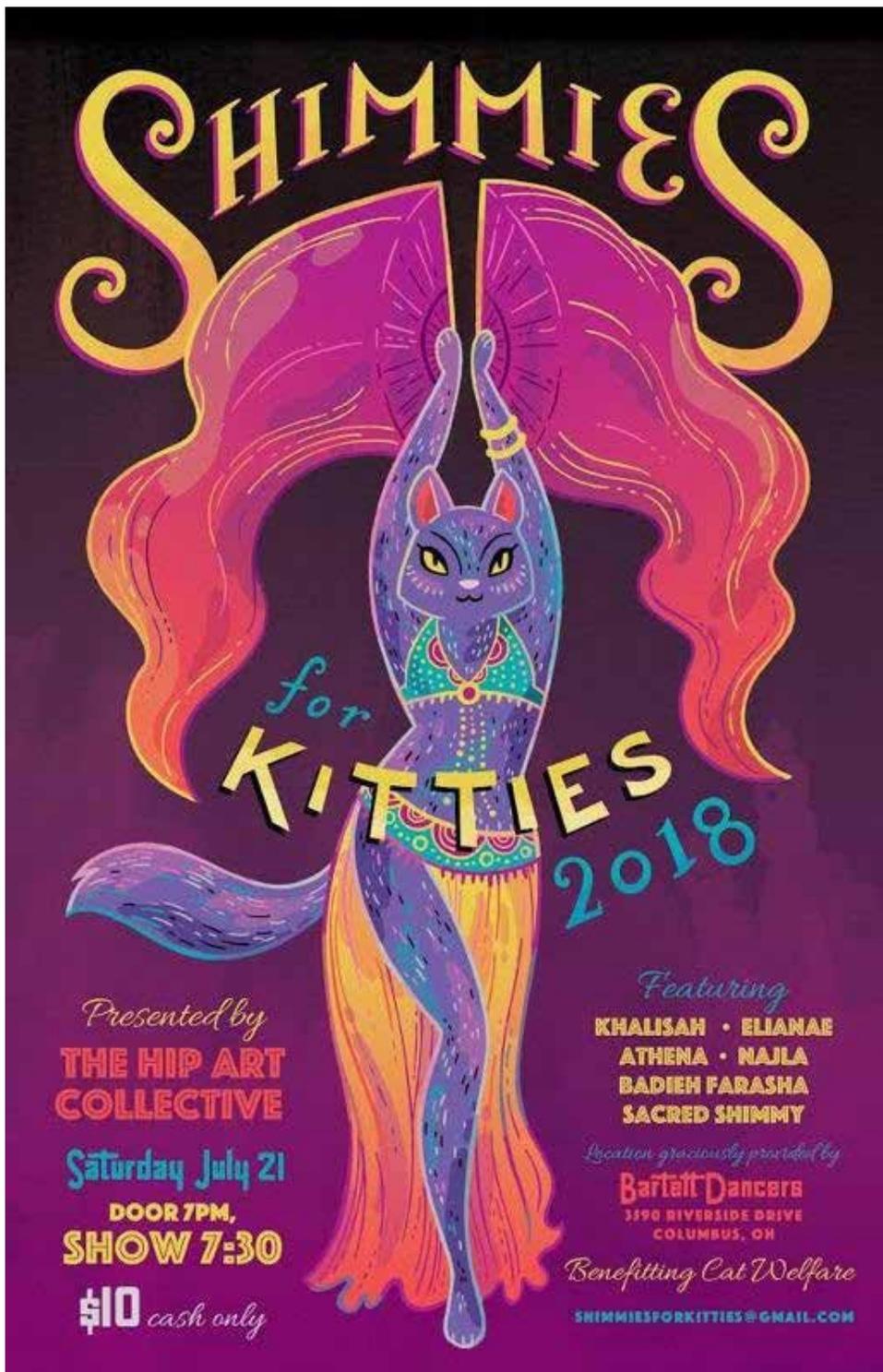
These boys will need a patient, experienced family who will allow them to bloom when they are comfortable in their new surroundings. The boys are good around other cats and are even okay with the dog in their foster home. They are wary of human interaction, but once you have their trust, they are affectionate.

The boys do require a special diet for dermatitis issues. We are able to offer the food to their adopter at our cost. We are also offering a special adoption rate for a bonded pair. Please call or email the shelter if you would like to meet these characters.

Why adopt a bonded pair? Consider these points from our friends at Team Cat Rescue in Toronto, Canada:

- 1. Happier cats** – Cats are social animals, not meant to be left alone for ages. A lonely kitten can feel agitated or bored. Bonded cats give each other comfort and a playmate, so you can feel comfortable knowing that your fur-babies are happy at home while you're at work all day.
- 2. Twice the rescue** – Adopting a cat means saving a life. Adopting a bonded pair of cats means rescuing best friends, saving them from a terrible fate and giving them a new life in your forever home.
- 3. 200% more love for 150% of the work** – A bonded pair of cats is more self-sufficient than one lonesome cat, and that confidence results in cats that are more affectionate and relaxed. The work involved in caring for a pair isn't double. They will be on the same feeding schedule, and the litter box will still need one daily cleaning.
- 4. Easier integration into your home** – If you think you might want more than one pet in the future, it's much simpler to adopt two cats who already co-exist peacefully. Introducing a new pet to a cat that's already happily established can be tricky.
- 5. Happier humans** – Cats that play together while their humans are away at work or school are cats that are less likely to resort to undesirable behavior for attention. Bonded kittens teach each other about acceptable play and keep each other company. It's a great pleasure to have a pair of cat besties in your home, and they show little humans how nice it is when we all get along.





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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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Columbus, OH 43214
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catwelfareassoc.org

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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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Our Heartfelt Thanks to Peggy Kirk

for her many years of service and leadership on the
Cat Welfare Association Board of Directors.

Clock Raffle Ready to Raise Funds



Grandfather Clock Company in Uptown Westerville has donated this lovely 24-inch walnut wall clock by Westminster Time Company to help raise funds for the kitties! 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 July 31 at 6:30 p.m. You need not be present to win.

Clock Raffle Ticket Order Form

Name _____

Address _____

City _____

State _____

ZIP _____

Phone _____

Number of Tickets _____

Total Cost _____

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

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

Get Your Favorite Furry Faces in This Year's Calendar

There is still time to make your kitty famous! Calendar submissions are being accepted at <http://www.catwelfareassoc.org/calcontest.htm> through June 30. Be sure your photo is focused and of good quality. If your picture is blurry, then it is not likely to be selected for the calendar. The larger the JPG file size, the better the quality. The contest is open to everyone. You can submit as many entries as you want, provided you pay the \$10 entry fee for each photo. Photos may

be taken from any place or time, but the subject must be a cat. Other animals may be in the photo, but sorry, no humans are allowed in the photo. Once you've entered your submission, encourage your family and friends to vote! Votes are only \$1 each, and their donations assist the cats and kittens in our care.

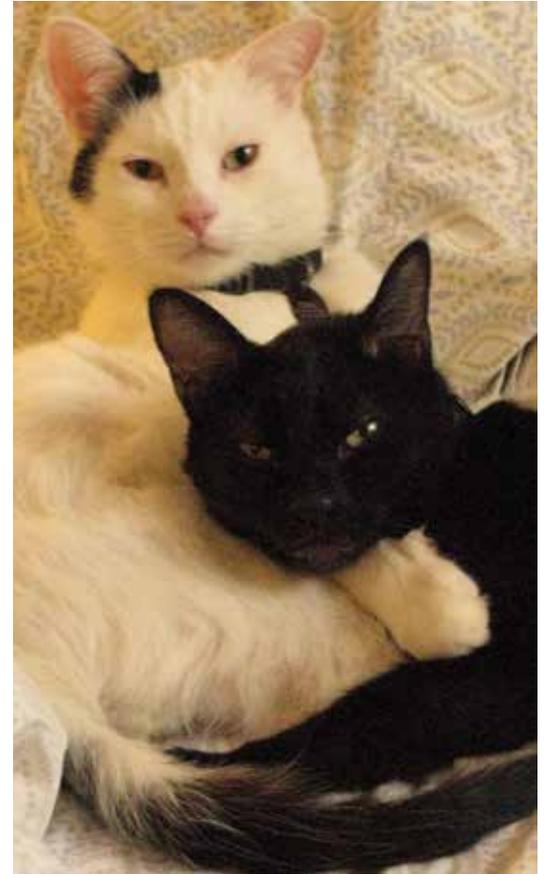


CWA Happy Homes



We lost George, our 17-year-old cat, at the end of June 2015. He was such a good friend and companion that we knew we could not replace him for a long, long time. And when we did, we knew we'd replace him with another calm, older cat. We waited eight days. Then we adopted these three goofy kittens, **Rosie, Lucy and Scully**. They were tiny when we got them; however, they have grown into their current collective nickname, "The Fatties." They shed too much and stink fairly often and destroy most everything, but they are big, happy healthy girls—sisters—who we love to pieces, and we couldn't imagine life without them. George would be appalled, but, on some level, would probably grudgingly approve.

Craig Calcaterra and Allison Hagen



We think these two brothers were close to begin with, but now they are the best of buds. **Eddie and Alfie** have settled in quite nicely. Dodger, their older brother, doesn't quite know what to do with them, so he follows them around like a shadow. And Orlando, their older sister, treats them to the nonchalance that only a 17-year-old can muster. Thank you for letting us have these two amazing boys. We love them and now can't imagine life without them around.

Slim and Pam Bloom-White



It has been five months since we adopted brothers **Jackson and Panther**. They have been a wonderful addition to our home! Both are settling into their new home, as you can see from the picture. Their personalities have definitely come out! We call Jackson "King Jackson" as he struts around the house. He likes to hang out on the steps "monitoring" the house! Initially Panther was very shy, but he has come out of his shell and is the most affectionate cat! We are so thankful we found Jackson and Panther!

Teresa and Steve Stahl

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



2018 Volunteer Appreciation Party



JOIN US FOR OUR *Kitten Shower*



June 16, 2018
12:00 pm - 3:00 pm

Please join us for kitten snuggling and light refreshments. Our kitten wishlist includes Purina Kitten Chow, Purina ProPlan Moist kitten food, toys and pet nursing bottles. You can view a full wishlist and contribute online at goo.gl/QepdEX.



Sign Up Early for the Cat Caper 5K

Registration is now open for our 2018 Cat Caper on September 23. The registration price for our 5K remains at \$25. If you sign up as a team of five, each member can register for just \$20!

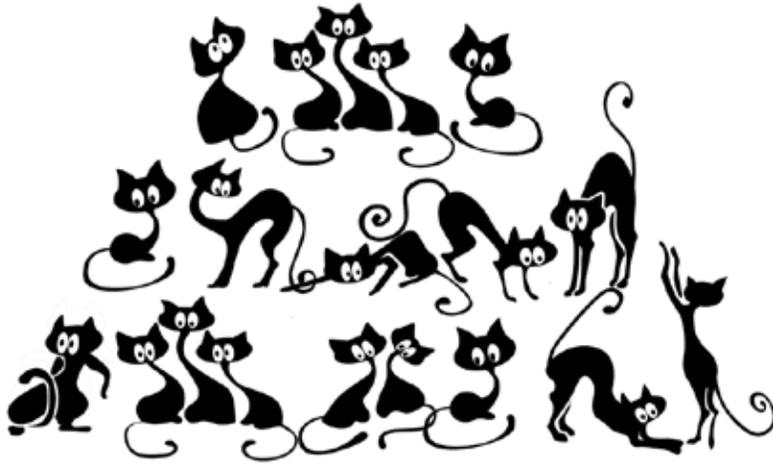
Race participants receive a T-shirt, goodie bag and one post-race raffle ticket. Like our Facebook Caper page at facebook.com/CatCaper5K to keep up on all the latest Caper news.

Ready to race? Register online at runsignup.com/Race/OH/Columbus/CatCaper5K or by printing off the form found on our website under Recent News.

Why spay or neuter?



An unspayed female cat, her mate, and their offspring producing an average of 2.8 surviving kittens per litter at a rate of two litters a year adds up quickly.



- 1 year: 12 cats
- 2 years: 67 cats
- 3 years: 376 cats
- 4 years: 2107 cats
- 5 years: 11801 cats
- 6 years: 66,088 cats
- 7 years: 370,092 cats
- 8 years: 2,072,514 cats
- 9 years: 11,606,077 cats

Spaying or neutering one cat saves many lives.

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After His Great Escape, Uncle Ed Finds a New Home

On a warm day in 2014, the unthinkable happened and a hole was cut in the fence at our shelter during the night. When the kitties were let out to enjoy their outdoor enclosure in the morning, two snuck out through the hole, including Uncle Ed. He crossed Indianola and took up residence in the 600 block of Wetmore Road. After holing up in the alley and being fed by several families, Uncle Ed took a shining to a family with two young ladies who showered him with attention. In 2017, that family moved on, and Uncle Ed was again cared for by kind neighbors. Much to their dog's chagrin, Faith and Rocky allowed "Cheezit" to come in their home when the nights were cold. The time Uncle Ed spent in their home proved to the couple that he deserved a home instead of life as a stray. Upon arrival at the shelter, our microchip scan revealed Uncle Ed's identity. After being updated on his vaccinations and given a dental cleaning, Uncle Ed was cleared for adoption. New mom Melissa states that Ed is acclimating well in his new home.



We Love Our Donors

Ishie Memorial Fund

for long-term care of shelter residents

Kenneth Ingram, Joni Beck Brewer, & Sherrie Passmore “In memory of Elaine Stevenson”

Jodi Potterton, Amy Huber, Charles & Jo Pfeiffer, Richard Lund, Michigan Association of Insurance Agents, US Agents Underwriting team, George Morgan, Alice Bradley, Janis Mann, Deborah Knight, and Mark Male “In memory of Kyla Renae Morgan Gutierrez”

Melinda Ridgeway “In memory of Kyla and in honor of her mother Sabrena Saly”

Christian Laver “In celebration of the life of Kyla and condolences to the family”

Richard & Lynne McWherter “In memory of Martita Dougherty”

Janet Overmyer “For a longtime friend, Faith Kelsey”

Claudia Speakman “In memory of Tai, loved cat of Pat Hadler”

Michelle Davis, Barbara Moseley, Art Exline, Karen & Scott Williams, Irina & Boris Pittel, Dale & Marty Keener “Grant,” Dick & Linda Hamilton, Karen & Julie Yassenhoff, Janice & Dan Bailey, Penny Popper

Altering Fund

to subsidize community low-cost spay/neuter surgeries

Jennifer Strawn, William Hout, Judith Johnson, Susan Graham, Shereen Midkiff, Sue Lape, and Ruey Landis Rodman

Vincent Fund

for emergency care for shelter cats

Linda Schellkopf “In memory of Chloe, beloved cat of Jason Foo,” Mary Nye, Lisa Buchanan, Marjorie Obrist, Leon & Patricia Cohan, Jr., Richard Austin, and Jeanette & Edward Gladden

Joey’s Good Sam Fund

for medical care of owned cats

Randall Hertzner “In memory of Doug Buhner,” Joyce Barker, William Hout, Karen & Julie Yassenhoff, Janice & Dan Bailey, Dorothy Kell, Molly, Brian, & Mischa Watts “In memory of our little man, Ivan, he was always his own cat,” and Charles & Marcia Dunlop “In honor of Marty Montgomery – you are the wind beneath my wings”

Willard’s Village Babies Fund

for care of feral cat colonies

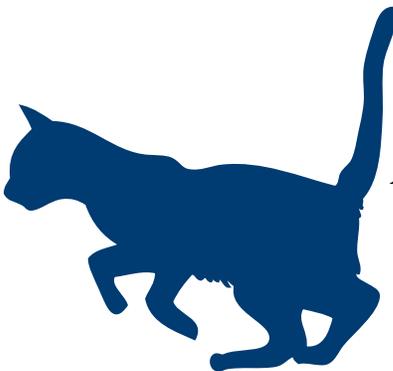
Juanita Woods “In memory of Zenia who died February 26 at the age of 7,” Richard Austin, Darin & Teresa Plummer, and Charles & Marcia Dunlop “In honor of Lois Schultz for all her support and caring for Sir Sydney”

Cat-A-Lack Chow Club

for food for the shelter residents

Carol Wilson “In memory of Kyla Renae Morgan Gutierrez,” and Carol Daniels

From January through April 2018, we **adopted 358 cats** into loving homes, and **subsidized 628 spay and neuter surgeries** through our various Altering Fund programs.



Cat Welfare Gives Thanks

Thank you to Mrs. Stiverson and her class of fourth-graders from Columbus School for Girls for visiting once a month to learn about cats.





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Shelter Wish List:

Purina Cat Chow, Kitten Chow, 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 scrubbies, and Mr. Clean.



Hello, Mama Duck

This girl is amazing, and she needs her forever home along with, for goodness sake, a new name! Two years ago she arrived at Cat Welfare and within hours gave birth to Huey, Dewey and Louie. She was a great mom and has since spent countless hours working on how to be the best cat you'll ever adopt. We believe she would do well in a home with another young, laid-back cat or two. She enjoys play time, attempting to share a meal with a human, and cuddling when the mood strikes. This gal is healthy and keeps her coat sleek. So please come in and ask to meet Mama Duck, we just know you'll fall in love.

Cat Welfare has nearly 270 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!