# CAT TALES Summer 2020

Friends of Cats, Inc. | San Diego County, CA

### In the Meantime...

Friends of Cats temporarily closed our doors to the public in Mid-March for the protection of our staff, visitors, and volunteers. Since that time, only our caring staff has maintained the shelter and taken wonderful care of the cats, with the help of cats, as seen on the next page. Work had already started on the Kitten Cottage, and luckily we were able to continue with the help of our fulltime maintenance person, Cornelio.



Volunteers had replaced interior wall guards and upgraded flooring. Cornelio installed new windows, a new air conditioner, and a heater. Lastly, a fresh coat of paint, and the mamas and kittens were ready to move in!

The Kitten Cottage is important because it gives the mamas a quiet place to raise their kittens, while the kittens have extra room to play. There is less exposure to germs while the kittens' immune systems are developing. Spending eight weeks with mama in the Kitten Cottage allows the kittens a healthy jump start.

We are in kitten season now. Once it ends in the fall, and there are no mamas with kittens, the space will be repurposed to house bigger, adoptable kittens. Their high energy will have an outlet with lots of fresh air.

We thank all who are members or donors. Click on the donate button on the upper right of our webpage at www.friendsofcats.org to make a donation by PayPal, or mail the form on the back of this newsletter. If you are unable to donate at this time, we understand. Your notes of support and concern have been wonderful these last few months. Follow us on Facebook at Facebook.com/friendsofcatsinc for updates on the reopening of the shelter.



As always, if you want to talk to us you can call (619) 561-0361, or email us at catfriends@friendsofcats.org.

# **An Update From The Cats**

We the cats would like to fill you in on what has been happening at the shelter. As you know, Friends of Cats closed temporarily to the public in Mid-March 2020. The guardian staff stayed on to feed us, clean our surroundings, medicate us, and provide the company we missed without visitors.

We decided to help wherever we could.



"Kit" helped with the phone





"Seamus" helped with the laundry



"Bailey" assisted the vet techs





and provided high fives



"Scarlett" assisted in grooming, starting with her own summer cut



20 year old "Misty" ran security at the front



Masks were made by longtime volunteer, Christine Hogan, for the dedicated guardian staff.

"Bailey" was excited about teamwork. He got his own mask as well, although it was only worn it for this picture.

LOVE to our guardian staff and we miss all of you that visit, volunteer, and adopt. We will see you soon!

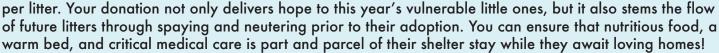
A note from the humans:

We pay tribute to our essential staff that works so hard to keep the shelter a place of comfort and security for all the cats. In the upcoming months, Friends of Cats will pay close attention to information provided locally and nationally as we slowly reopen for adoptions, volunteers, and visitors.



### **Kittens Need Your Help**

Kitten season is now in full swing at Friends of Cats, and while there is no denying the sweetness of a furry little bundle of purring joy, a lot of work goes into caring for them when they need it most. The math is staggering: on average, female cats can have up to 3 litters per year, with 4 to 6 kittens



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Zoe adopted from Friends of Cats—William & Louise Ewing

# Donations in Memory of People

Jesse James Howarth, beloved son—Patty Howarth
Jane Ewald & her cat Agatha—Lauralee Leitz

Our parents, Warren & Mary Upson— Natalie Stephens, Sue Blitz, Joe Concellosi

# Donations in Memory of Cats

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Ghost Kitty, beloved cat of Kathy Lashchuck— Laura Costello

Autumn beloved cat—Martha Evans

Autumn & Gus-Martha Evans

Frankie—Cindy Firkins

Beloved cat, Shadow-Patti Gentes

Ozzy, loved by Peggy and Art—Sherry Gilbert

Jimmy and Ember—Mary Hurley

Lucky, beloved at of Dorothy Jenison—

Amanda Jenison

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Oliver, beloved cat of Judi Traynor— Suzanne Masheeco

Luna, beloved 17 year old cat— Kristen & Aaron Montan

For Luna, donation from my allowance— Hailey Montan

**Princess**—Patricia Piercey

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Alex-Lea Torregiano

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#### **Shelter Location**

15587 Olde Highway 80 El Cajon, CA 92021 619-561-0361

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#### Membership Status:

- ☐ Youth: \$5 ☐ Supporting: \$100
- ☐ Senior: \$10 ☐ Supporting +: \$500
- ☐ Regular: \$25 ☐ Life: \$1,000 ☐ Sustaining: \$50

Mail to: Friends of Cats, P.O. Box 1613, Lakeside, CA 92040

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#### Hours

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Tues-Sun 10am-4pm Closed Monday

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