

CAT TALES



Winter 2019

Holiday Greetings!

2019 has been a year for adopting cats, attending events, hosting events, making repairs, and most of all, providing the care and love that all cats deserve.

The passing of Chucky, the shelter mascot left us sad but confident that Chucky had a life well beyond what he would have experienced without us. A few pictures and words about his passing are in this issue.

We had a wonderful time at Cinco de Meow as always. This shelter event is a spring time ritual for the shelter. We love meeting local supporters and new friends and sharing some outstanding Mexican Food while visiting with the cats.

Our last event of the year, "Whisker Wonderland" is in December. Information is also included in this issue. As always, we are providing light refreshments and an opportunity to see the cats. Our Cat Boutique will be open again for those last minute kitty themed gifts.

We continue to renovate and repair items in the shelter. We are slowly working toward the hospital area now that we have some extra storage.

A most generous gift was made to the shelter this year by longtime supporter and ex board member, Karen Hansen.



Our new kitty transportation, generously gifted by Karen Hansen

Karen gifted us a barely used 2014 MVL1 Van, pictured here. The shelter has long used the older van on the premises to transport cats to the vet, take items to events, and be there in case of evacuation during wild fire season. The plans are to keep the older van as well as utilizing the new van, giving the shelter an extra vehicle should evacuation be needed again. We need the older van to pick up materials as we continue to maintain and renovate the shelter. The new van will be used to transport kitties to and from the vet and events. It is truly a gift that will benefit all the cats.

Lastly, as the year closes, we would like to thank everyone who donates to Friends of Cats. Your gifts are important as the shelter only exists because of your donations. If you would like to make a year end donation to Friends of Cats, visit our website at www.friendsofcats.org and click on Donate at the top, or you can make your donation or membership donation by using the coupon on the back of Cat Tales.

Best wishes for the holidays!



Friends of Cats, Inc.



Whisker Wonderland 2019

Saturday | December 14, 2019
5:00 p.m.–7:30 p.m.

15587 Olde Highway 80 | El Cajon, CA 92021
Exit on Lake Jennings Park Road from I-8
3 miles East on Olde Highway 80
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Chucky

On 08/27/19 long time resident of Friends of Cats, “Chucky”, passed away. Chucky was relinquished to Friends of Cats on 01/25/07 and immediately became part of our sanctuary cats. He was a pure-bred Persian diagnosed with Polycystic Kidney Disease. PKD is a disease found in humans, but cats can also develop it as well. Lots of water and a good diet provided by Friends of Cats extended Chucky’s life for many years.

Over the years, return visitors to the shelter would ask specifically to see Chucky because he was so cute and charming. Chucky had the run of the shelter. He got along with his fellow cat residents and he loved people. He was a good sport about being dressed up for holidays and was always ready for his “Closeup”.

Chucky’s final reason for leaving us was Lymphoma, also a disease also found in humans. Chucky was a rock-star that will be missed by all who knew him.

Rest in peace,
sweet Chucky.



Happy Adoption

Our family recently adopted adorable “Tony Stark”. He has bonded really well with all of us--he loves to sleep by my feet at night and loves playing with and getting patted by the children especially. He is a happy kitty and has made our family whole. Instant love IS a thing, apparently. He’s currently sprawled sleepily all over our couch. Thank you for introducing us to all the wonderful cats and for uniting us with our sweet kitty.

Tamara VanWormer

*We invite you to come and find a “Kitty sprawler” like Tamara did.



Dustin, available for adoption.

Amazon Smile

Holiday Shopping? Sign up for Amazon Smile and Friends of Cats will receive a check quarterly from Amazon based on your purchases. There is no cost to you.

It's easy to sign up. Go to smile.amazon.com, and on your first visit you will be asked to select a charity (we hope you pick Friends of Cats). After that, every time you use your smile account .5% of your purchase goes to Friends of Cats. That's it! More information is available on the Amazon site.

This quarter Friends of Cats received over \$200. As of this date, the shelter has received over \$3500 from thoughtful people like you that selected Friends of Cats as their charity on Amazon Smile.



Thank you!



Donations

Alfred Aberle
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Robin and Cora, Great FOC vet techs—
Steele Canyon Veterinary Clinic

Donations in Honor of the Following Cats

Gizelle—*Suzanne Christy-Goldberg*
Inky—*Martha Evans*

Lucy, welcome to the family—*Lili Feingold*

Donations in Memory of People



Jamie Hanrahan, S.T.A.R. San Diego—
Jean Graham
Bobbie Gardner-Eidsmoe—*Susanna Hafner*

Helen Danko and her cat, Sassy Sue—
Linda O'Riley
Bobbie Eidsmoe—*Jane Sherwood*

Donations in Memory of Cats

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Puddy Cat—*Janet Kelley Bock*

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Autumn, White, Jake, Izzy, Salem, Pekoe, Wanda, Pumpkin, Sweetie, Royce, Other, Babie, Radagast, Steve McQueen, Nutters, Chesterfield, Voltron, Tucker, Tiger, Tabby, Squeaky, Siren, Roxy, Rambo, Eleanore, Draco, Cuca, Callie, Buttons, Butters, Buster, Phoebe, Neo, Monta, Lucy, Lily, Jasper, Emmy, Emily, Rally, Nelson, Tatsu, Porky, Cammy—*Cheshire Feline Hospital*
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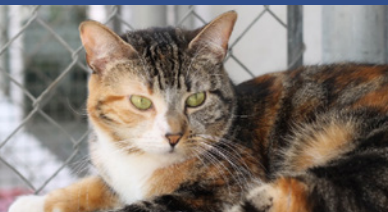
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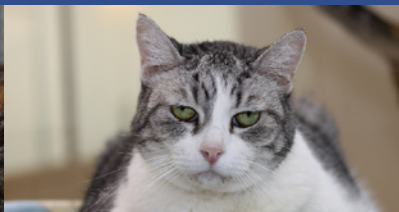
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92021 619-561-0361

Hours

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Mailing Address

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