# Feline Forum

Cat Welfare Association Newsletter

October/November 2017

# CWA Open House Features Live Music

Great food, great fun ... come spend some time with like-minded folks who support our mission at this year's Cat Welfare Community Open House on Sunday, October 15. The Paul Strawser Trio, including Alex Blumenthaler and Daniel Seibert, will perform a variety of tunes ranging from jazz to country to other standards.

Other activities will include a Make Your Own Feral Cat House booth and festival games like a giant Connect Four and a putt putt golf hole. Food will be provided.

The annual quilt raffle drawing will take place at 2:30 p.m. This year's quilt was made, as always, by Elizabeth Bowling and Sharon Warrington to help raise funds for the kitties! It measures 62" x 77". To purchase tickets, stop by the shelter or visit cwaquiltraffle.myevent.com. You need not be present to win.



### Get Started on Holiday Shopping November 9-12

We are hosting a unique online shopping event, Adventures in Shopping! Each independent consultant will donate a percentage of their sales to Cat Welfare.

From November 9-12, 2017, all purchases made with the links on the event website will benefit Cat Welfare. Please shop with these



consultants, start your Christmas shopping early or treat yourself to something special. Get the links and find up-to-date information at catwelfareassoc.org/adventures-in-shopping.

### Membership Meeting Set for Nov. 21

Please join us for our annual membership meeting. The meeting will be held on November 21, 2017, at Villa Angela from 7 to 9 p.m. The agenda includes an annual report from the Treasurer, updates from the various committees, light refreshments, and a featured speaker. We hope you will be able to attend this informative and fun event. Villa Angela is located at 5700 Karl Road, Columbus, OH 43229.

### Want to Get Involved? We Need You!

Are you interested in serving on a committee at Cat Welfare? Opportunities are available on the Finance Committee, Fundraising Committee, Marketing Committee, and Membership Committee. Requirements include a love for the kitties and a desire to make a difference.

If you have an interest in learning more about any of these committees, please contact Anne Riley at aeriley1@gmail.com.

### Vote for Cat Welfare's Holiday Window

CWA is so thankful to Magic Cruises, 656 High St., for once again making Cat Welfare its charity of choice for the Old Worthington Partnership's "It's a Wonderful Window Contest." Shoppers will have the opportunity to vote for their favorite window display through a ballot box set up inside each participating store. Each vote is \$1. Shoppers may vote as much as they want and for as many windows as they want. The window with the most votes at the end of the competition will win the Bronze Window trophy. More importantly, all the charities will be winners, as each charitable organization will keep 100% of the money placed in its ballot box.

All windows will be revealed at noon on Friday, November 10. The Holiday Open House on Sunday, November 26 from noon to 5 p.m. will give the community more opportunities to vote. The competition will run through December 26, 2017. Please be sure to stop by Magic Cruises, thank their staff for selecting Cat Welfare as their charity partner, and drop a vote or two in our ballot box.

# Bowling for Felines at Capri Lanes

5860 Roche Dr., Columbus, OH 43229 7 to 10 p.m. Friday, October 13

\$20 Adults, \$17 Children 17 and Younger

Bowl three games (shoe rental included) and enjoy vegan food provided by Vegan Shift. A portion of the proceeds and 10% of alcohol sales will benefit Cat Welfare Association. Hosted by Columbus Vegan Meetup. Find more information at goo. ql/4NoeHF.

### **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. Tuesdav & Wednesdav

(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.



### **Board of Directors**

President: Peggy Kirk Vice President: RoseAnn Ballangee Secretary: Anne Riley Erik Diekmeyer • Steve Hebenstreit • Claudia Plumley • Karen Ramey

Shelter Treasurer: Judy Vertikoff

# CWA Happy Homes



We adopted *GracieGrace* in 2015. This is my first tortie, and I love her to pieces. She definitely has a tortie attitude and requires tons of attention but only on her terms. She rarely leaves my side, and if she does she checks back constantly. GracieGrace is a total diva and the biggest sweetheart ever. There are three other cats in our home, all adopted from Cat Welfare, and she makes sure she keeps them all on

their toes. She and our male kitty, Benmont, are best of friends. My little family is complete now that GracieGrace has joined us.

Linda



When we met him, *Ferris* was very timid. With the help of some kitty treats, he warmed to us fairly quickly. We are so pleased to say that Ferris has made a happy home with us! He is very chatty and loves to let us know when he can see the bottom of his food dish. He enjoys staring out the window at the geese near our home and loves to sleep in bed

with us. Ferris is an important part of our family, and our home wouldn't be the same without him. Thank you, Cat Welfare, for providing us with the opportunity to expand our family!

Stacey & Doug



I adopted **Boo** as a kitten in September 2014. I named her Boo because of the proximity to Halloween and the orange and black coloring she sports. She has been very happy, playful and well-behaved in my apartment. The fact that she has only one eye has never slowed this tortie down. Boo loves sleeping in my bed (day or night!) and is very

affectionate. I couldn't ask for a better fur companion! Thank you, Cat Welfare, for all you do for the community!

David Good

We brought home *Nora* in January 2015. I knew we were meant to be when she followed me all around Cat Welfare. She still likes to



follow me all around my apartment. She always greets me at the door and ends her day by my side, too. She gets along great with our other two cats, and any time she thinks one is distressed, she runs right up to him or her to make sure he or she is OK! I can't imagine life without her!

Jackie



My family adopted *Paddy* about 13 years ago from Cat Welfare. My two children were young and our tiger cat of 15 years had passed away. We went

"just to look" but fell in love with this little calico who had been brought in with her brother and mother. She crawled into my daughter's lap, and the deal was sealed. Paddy loves our beagle, and we're pretty sure, due to their coloring, she thinks they are related! She is a tiny sweetheart and we think she is just beautiful.

Colleen Tiefenthal

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





















Cat Caper Runs at Griggs Many thanks to all who came out to support our 12th annual Cat Caper at Griggs Reservoir. Fun photos can be found on our Facebook page.

Thank you to 2017 Cat Caper Chair Karen Ramey, Kylie Shaffery for orchestrating the raffle and Lisa Johnston with her crew for making the pancake breakfast happen. Additional gratitude to the Ultra-Fit team and our talented photographers, Laura and Becca Milem & Heather Pekula.







Is there a special person or pet who lights up your life? Honor them with an ornament on our You Light Up My Life Tree! For \$5, your pet or friend's name will be written on an ornament and displayed on the tree in the shelter's entryway. You may pick up your ornament at the shelter January

8-19 for a keepsake.

Your Name	
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x \$5.00 = # of ornaments	Total

Send payment to Cat Welfare, 741 Wetmore Road, Columbus, OH 43214.



### OCTOBER 10-11

Support us in our work to care for and educate about cats and kittens through The Big Give at columbusfoundation.org between 10 a.m. October 10 and noon October 11. Donate at least \$20 and receive a special receipt with perks from local businesses like Jeni's Splendid Ice Creams, Donatos Pizza, Piada, White Castle, Homage, and Hot Chicken Takeover.

Find out more and sign up for reminders at goo.gl/McRBXc.

### Cat Welfare 2018 Calendar

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Number of calendars _	at	\$16.92 each	
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# We Love Our Donors

#### Ishie Memorial Fund

for long-term care of shelter residents

Joyce Purcell "In memory of Kitty 2"
Barbara Rupple
Helena Brus
Richard Austin "For Cheryl, in memory of beloved
Lola"
Ilisa Nodelman
Irina & Boris Pittel
Craig Lewis "In memory of Marjorie Lewis"
Georgeann McCall "Carol Jones' cat Sue"

### **Altering Fund**

to subsidize community low-cost spay/neuter surgeries

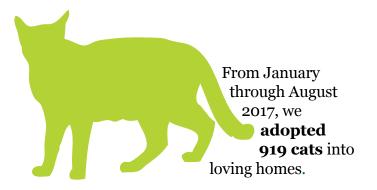
Nancy Smith, Barbara Mann, Craig Lewis "In memory of Sara Jane," Lucy Gettman, Joy McClarren "In memory of Doug Buhrer," Nancy Rausch Walz, Vicky Hertzer "In memory of Doug Buhrer from Vicky, Rich & Sandra," Nicole Trimner and Kathryn Kim

#### Vincent Fund

for emergency care for shelter cats

Anna Teichmoeller, Richard Austin "In memory of Virgil; Frank's brilliant buddy," Linda Schellkopf, Marjorie Obrist, Leon & Patricia Cohan Jr., Janet Wilson, and Patricia Eiben

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### Joey's Good Sam Fund

for medical care of owned cats

Randall Hertzer "In memory of Doug Buhrer," Helena Brus, Catherine Zitko, Patricia Eiben, and Tommie Hannel

### Willard's Village Babies Fund

for care of feral cat colonies

Juanita Woods "In memory of precious Willard," and Penny Popper "In memory of Versace"

#### Cat-A-Lack Chow Club

for food for the shelter residents

Cindy Hahn, Alan Ritzert, Sheila Cantlebary "In memory of Mosely, who brought much joy to all," William Hout "In memory of Dan Schellkopf," and Leisa Fent

### **News and Thank Yous**

Thank you to all who donated and attended our Purrs and Purses Event to benefit Willard's Village Babies Fund. Your efforts raised nearly \$3,000!



Still have some catnip growing in your garden? We could use one more harvest for our much loved catnip pillows. Just bring it to the shelter. We really appreciate your help!



### Hello, Jerry

As you might be able to see, I had a pretty hard life on the streets until a nice person brought me here, but I'm a very sweet and gentle cat. If something happens around me that I don't like, instead of hissing or swatting, I will move away and meow in protest. Even a big guy like me can get his feelings hurt!

Since I have been here, I have discovered something called Temptations Treats. Wow! I will dance, meow or do just about anything for these wonderful treats! I have also found that I am a bit athletic, especially catching a toy called "Da Bird" and demonstrating my fierce hunting abilities with fuzzy mice.

I would like to add that I get along well with other nice cats. I'm happy to share toys and play together, but I get very upset and sad if another cat isn't nice to me!

I was found to have FIV, which means I have a decreased immune system, but I can live a normal life. I can also live with other cats. (For more information, please ask the shelter staff.) Please consider adopting me so I can be your loving, sweet companion.

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!

Shelter Wish List:
Purins Cat Chow, Kitten Chow, moist cat food
in tuna flavors, 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.

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