

# FORGOTTEN Cats

  
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## JULY/AUGUST 2019 STATUS UPDATE:

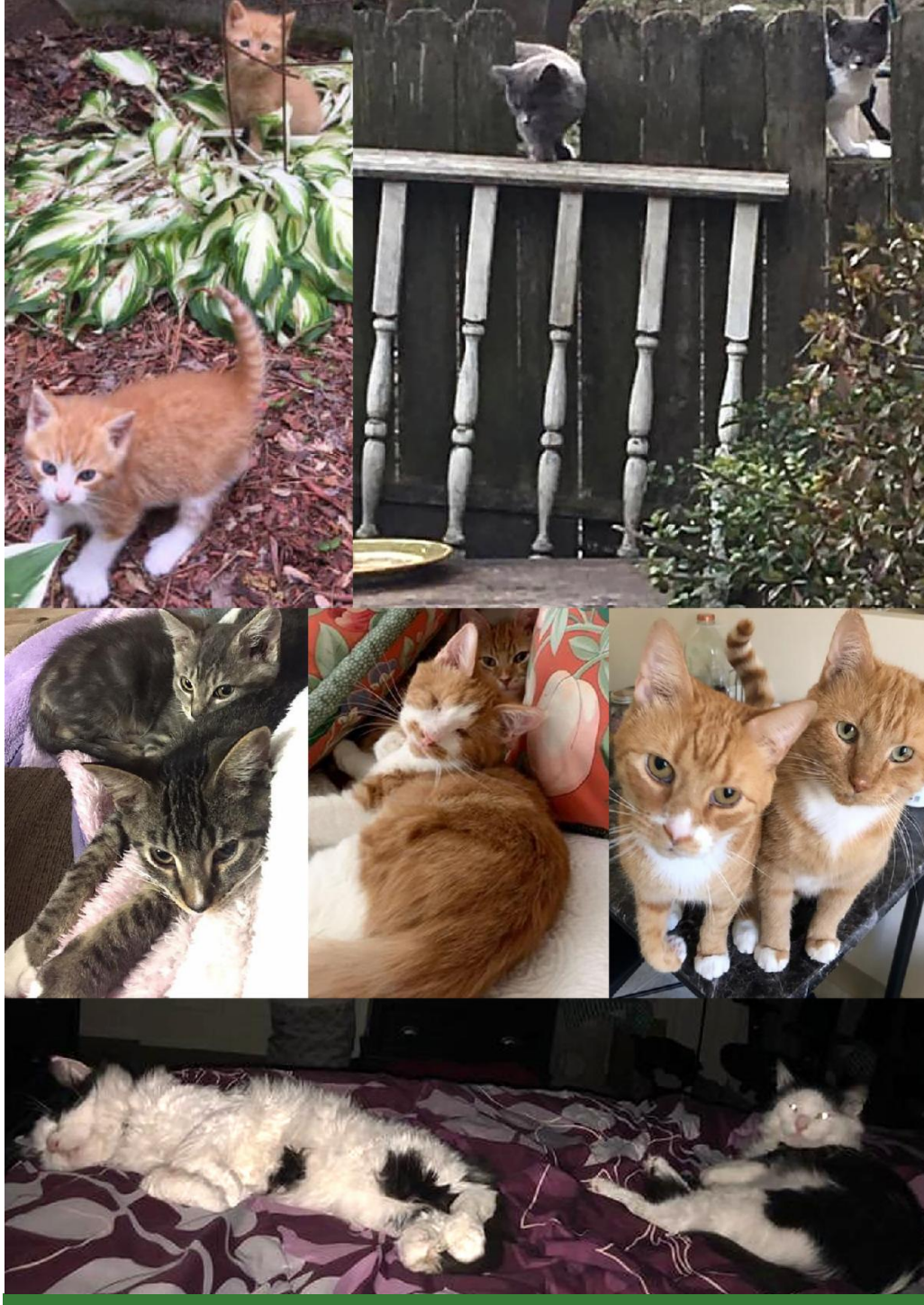
In July & August we sterilized **1935** cats and placed **417** cats into loving forever homes.

## We Want to Hear from You!

If you have an idea for an article or have a story you would like to share about a rescue, special volunteer, your adoption center or recent adoptions from Forgotten Cats, please send photos if possible and/or story to: [calleycat1@comcast.net](mailto:calleycat1@comcast.net) and/or [info@forgottencats.org](mailto:info@forgottencats.org)

We would like to extend our deepest gratitude to the Maryland Department of Agriculture, Spay & Neuter Grants Program. In the fall of 2018, they provided full funding for a much needed year-long targeted TNVR program in Salisbury, Maryland. We are excited to share that last month we completed the project and the totals are in! In the past year, we TNVR'd **733** cats residing in **25** large colonies in Salisbury. **165** friendly cats and kittens were held and placed for adoption. Many are in their forever homes as we write this and others are still patiently waiting. As for the feral cats that were released, they will no longer be contributing to the homeless cat population and will live a healthier life thanks to their neutering services. Our photos below, showcase some of the many beautiful & happy cats that this program helped.





And one last shout out to our awesome volunteers  
who make this work possible!.....

The good news for Maryland cats doesn't end here!

We are excited to announce  
that thanks to two grants from  
the Maryland Department of  
Agriculture Spay and Neuter  
Grants Program, Forgotten  
Cats is providing FREE TNVR  
in Salisbury, Ocean Pines,  
Berlin, and West Ocean City,  
Maryland.



# FREE Spay & Neuter

for outdoor feral/stray cats in Salisbury,  
Ocean Pines, Berlin, and West Ocean City, MD



## TNVR program includes:

- Humane Trapping & Transportation
- Spay/Neuter
- Rabies & FVRCP Vaccines
- Parasite Treatment
- Ear Tip for Feral Cats

Fully funded by the Maryland Department of Agriculture Spay and Neuter Grants Program, this program is designed to provide a humane solution to control the free-roaming cat population and reduce shelter intake & euthanasia in Worcester & Wicomico Counties, MD.



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## How can YOU help with this program?

- JUST CALL- Contact Forgotten Cats if you know of a stray or feral cat that needs to be spayed/neutered
- Forward this flyer on to others to spread the word
- Volunteer your time to help with this program

Please contact Forgotten Cats at 302.429.0124 or [www.forgottencats.org](http://www.forgottencats.org)

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**Do you know of feral or stray cats in need of spay/neuter?**  
If so, call us today at **302-429-0124**.

**Please help us spread the word!**

## Volunteer Spotlight on Julie Watson

By Megan Dively Lehman

### Tell me a little bit about yourself.

Hi there! My name is Julie Watson and I volunteer at the West Chester Petco FC adoption center. I am a Project Manager from 9–5 p.m., but look forward to Tuesday nights when I am able to go spend time with our rescues. I refer to it as “free therapy” :).

### When and how did you start volunteering for Forgotten Cats?

I first learned about Forgotten Cats after numerous visits to Pet Supplies Plus. Every time I’d pop into the store, I’d sneak over to say “hi” to the kitties near the checkout counter before I left. After about the 3rd or 4th visit with the FC rescues, I noticed a bright yellow flyer promoting volunteer opportunities. While I wasn’t in a position to adopt any more cats at the time, my heart was telling me that I should do *something* to help these sweet, innocent babies. I picked up the volunteer application and contacted the volunteer coordinator that day to see what I could do to help. That was about 2½ years ago and the rest is history!

### What volunteer work have you done for FC?

I primarily help out by cleaning cages and playing with the cats. I am also our supply coordinator and in charge of replenishing any items we are running low on at our adoption location. Finally, I make intermittent trips to

the Trainer Clinic to pick up new kitty friends and bring them to our center for adoption.

### **What is your favorite thing about working with FC?**

I absolutely love getting to know each and every cat that comes through our doors. Each cat's personality is so different, and every volunteer shift is an opportunity to learn more about our current FC residents. Some adoptees are more challenging than others when it comes to opening up and trusting people, but it's SO rewarding and heart-warming when they find their forever homes.

### **What do you wish the public knew about animal rescue?**

That there are so many amazing, caring, and hardworking people behind the scenes that make rescue and permanent placement possible. Most of these folks have full-time jobs, families, and other commitments on top of their volunteering responsibilities and still take the time to make a difference—no matter how big or small. Volunteering doesn't come in one shape or size; you can get involved and help out no matter how much free time you have to spare. It's the collective effort that really changes the lives of the cats we rescue.



### **We all know that working with animals can be quite unpredictable! Tell me something funny or unusual that has happened while volunteering.**

One of our current adoptees, Julia, has a funny habit of literally JUMPING into your arms the second you open her cubby to let her out for play time. Despite having experienced this a few times already, it still gets me every time it happens!

### **What animals do you share your home and heart with?**

My fiancé and I have 3 cats...we only had 2 cats when I began volunteering at Forgotten Cats... you can probably guess what

happened! Before I started volunteering, we had Captain Mittens, a fun loving and feisty brown tabby, and Paczki (Polish for "jelly filled donut"), a shy yet quirky calico. After volunteering for about 6 months, I met our newest addition to the family, Jack. He and his 2 brothers were up for adoption at our center and I immediately fell in love. Our adoption coordinator at the time allowed me to "foster" Jack for a couple of days to see if he would mesh with our two cats at home, but I always knew we'd

keep him. Captain Mittens, Paczki, and Jack are the best of friends and adopting him was the best decision we ever made.

### What else do you enjoy besides volunteering? Any interesting hobbies or secret talents?

When I'm not volunteering, you will likely find me enjoying downtown West Chester with my soon-to-be-husband or on the couch deeply immersed in a True Crime novel...an Ann Rule True Crime novel, to be specific (most likely with a cat lounging on or nearby me).

### Is there anything else you'd like to share about yourself or FC?

The volunteers at the Clinic are absolute rockstars. Every time I visit the Trainer location, I'm gobsmacked by how much those volunteers give up in order to provide love and care to the recently rescued cats. It's not easy work, but you can FEEL their dedication and selfless attitudes radiate the second you walk in the door.

**Thank You Julie for All You Do for Forgotten Cats!**

## Happy Endings for Two Great Kitties Libby & Mollie Moo (aka Amber)

By Julie Tipton

In May of this year, I lost my beloved cat of 15 years, Mimi, to cancer. I saw her fade away and it was so sad. She was such a presence in the house, greeting all that came to the house (the more people the better), talking loudly and always playing, that when she passed away, the house and my broken heart felt so empty.

Since volunteering for Forgotten Cats and having my mom adopt one (Violet, 2009), whom she still has, I decided to look online at the Forgotten Cats [Cat Gallery](#). One cat named **Libby** (who is about 1 year old) stood out to me, so I decided to go to the Brookhaven PetSmart to check her out. I immediately fell in love with her and signed the adoption papers a few days later.

Looking back, I should have either gotten an older cat to start with or fostered because it soon became clear that Libby and Violet weren't a good match. Sadly I had to return Libby, whom I fell in love with after only a few days. Forgotten Cats suggested that I foster **Amber/now Mollie**, who is about 6 years old, so I decided to give it a try.

**Mollie** has turned out to be the perfect fit for our house. She was very shy but quickly has adjusted to the house. Her favorite pastimes are to watch TV, especially Animal Planet





or Bird videos on YouTube, playing with her feather wand, eating, and giving kisses and hugs!

Whenever our older cat Violet walks by, Mollie just bats her eyes at her and is very gentle. She doesn't give her a second glance and both are adjusting well. I am so glad I gave her a chance and adopted her and everyday she shows me how happy she is with plenty of kisses! **She is a wonderful addition to the house.**

**Libby** was recently adopted, after I had to return her since my home wasn't a good fit for her. Luckily it seems that **TWO** times is a charm for Libby, because she is positively thriving in her new fur-ever home!

Here's what her new mom has to say about her..."Libby is doing great. We didn't change her name, we love it. She has her own room in my coffee table! She loves to sit on our dining room table & stare outside. She loves to beg for treats as soon as anyone goes into the kitchen. She plays with our kid's toys. She doesn't bother with her own toys so much. She loves to cuddle with her daddy when he comes home from work. She is great with the kids. She loves my 1 year old. They play together all day. They sit together too. Libby is more like a dog than a cat, lol! She runs around the house with my 1 year old. **She has been wonderful.**"



## If Cats Could Talk

By Susan Humphreys

*If the cats could talk what would they say  
"Thank you, thank you" every day  
For taking such good care of us,  
even when we make a fuss.  
Forgotten Cats brought us together,  
out of rain and all kinds of weather.  
The Volunteers they keep us fed,*

make sure that we have nice warm beds.  
They're there for us both day and night,  
and when we are so full of fright.  
They change the water and cat litter,  
don't mind a hiss, they're never bitter.  
The Volunteers they hold us dear  
and take away a kitten's fears.  
We sometimes purr to let them know,  
we do appreciate them so.  
If the cats could talk....

## Here are Some Special Cats Ready for their Forever Homes!

### Batman

(FCID# 06/10/2019 - 47)

Senior • M

#### LAP CAT!!! SUPER SENIOR!!!

Batman is a handsome ebony 10-year-old senior citizen with a big personality.

**If you are looking for a cat that likes people, he is the cat for you!**

Batman is a special cat and has been with his foster parents for over two months.

Within 24 hours of his arrival at his foster home, he was sitting on laps, and friendly to anyone who visited. His foster parents nicknamed him 'Shadow' because he follows them around the house, and always wants to be with people. They have grown quite fond of him, and he has earned the privilege of roaming the house. He is very sweet and friendly and is happiest sitting on a lap, purring, and having his head scratched.

Batman gets along with most other cats but would do best in a home without dogs. As you have read, Batman sure is a wonderful cat and because of his recent diagnosis, **time is of the essence**. Batman has early chronic kidney disease which requires a special diet and lots of extra snuggles. Our vets said he still has a few years of unconditional love to give. Now, he just looking for someone to take him home and reciprocate that love for the rest of his days. **Does Batman sound as if he will fit right into your household and lap?**



Please submit a no-obligation adoption application to meet him:

<http://www.forgottencats.org/application.php>.

Thank you!

(Foster: Debbie S.)

View this pet on [Petfinder](#) • Fill out an [application](#) for Batman  
(FCID# 06/10/2019 - 47).

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## Clifton

(FCID# 05/12/2017-401

Brookhaven PS)

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Waiting over 2 years for his forever family!!! **Super lap cat who can enjoy watching football with you!!!** My name is Clifton (FCID# 05/12/2017-401). I was found at an apartment complex in Bensalem, PA. I am very friendly and love to be around people.

My upper lip looks a little funny because I had an ulcer on my lip, but it is better now. I have a skin sensitivity. It really is not a big deal, but sometimes I have to be careful about what I eat. Although I am happy almost anywhere, **I really want a family and home of my own.** A nice foster family took me out of the clinic and brought me into their home to give me a break.

**I LOVE to sit on laps and to be petted and scratched on my head. I would probably stay there all day if I could.** "He has come such a long way since he has been with his foster family and would be an excellent companion for someone willing to give this handsome guy a forever home." Cliffie gets along great with the kittens & younger cats. **Would you like to meet Clifton and offer him your lap?**

Please visit him at our adoption center in the Brookhaven PetSmart!

<http://www.forgottencats.org/application.php>.

(Foster: Mary Lou S.)

View this pet on [Petfinder](#) • Fill out an [application](#) for Clifton  
(FCID# 05/12/2017-401 Brookhaven PS).

**There are many other cats looking for fostering or forever**





**We are in DESPERATE (not an exaggeration)  
need of Clinic Volunteers in Trainer, PA.**

This is an opportunity to help cats whose ONLY medical treatment during their lifetime may be when they go to our clinic. Volunteering at the clinics is an important and serious undertaking and we are looking for the few ready to make the commitment. Our needs are as follows:

1. **Clinic Volunteers** needed Mondays and/or Thursdays. Start time between 9:30 am and 10:30 am. You will volunteer for ½ day or one full day. The work will be in the clinic.
2. **Cat Care Volunteers** are needed every day of the week. Volunteer time is about 3 hours. Start time is flexible. Basic feed and clean of shelter cats and cats awaiting or recovering from surgery.
3. **Medical Team Volunteers** are needed every day of the week. One hour commitment in AM and/or PM. Administering medications to shelter cats awaiting adoption. Basic knowledge of administering medication is required.

**IF YOU OR SOMEONE YOU KNOW IS INTERESTED IN THIS POSITION, PLEASE RESPOND TO THIS EMAIL AND ALSO INCLUDE A CONTACT PHONE NUMBER.**

## Upcoming Events- OCTOBER



### OCTOBER 12

Yoga with Kittens

YogaFit Studios

Horsham, PA

12:30 pm-2:30 pm

Contact YogaFit Studios directly to reserve your spot.  
215.795.4600 or [horsham@yogafitstudios.com](mailto:horsham@yogafitstudios.com)

**DONATE**

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