Upcoming Events-

Please tune into our Second Ever Facebook Live Adoption Event!!!

Join us tonight at 7pm on Facebook! We will introduce you to some of the very adorable and very adoptable cats currently residing in our shelter. These cats are ready to go home with you!

Should any of the featured cats catch your interest then simply submit an adoption application at forgottencats.org. Approved applicants will be able to schedule a one-on-one meet and greet (practicing social distancing) or a no contact virtual meet and greet.

Looking for a sneak peak? Check out our available cats @ https://forgottencats.org/services/available-cats/

Wine for Whiskers

4-Course Wine Dinner Fundraiser
Raffles & Prizes!

Hosted By: Carrabba's Italian Grill
102 Palms Crossing West Chester, PA 19382

September 17, 2020
6:00 PM – 9:00 PM | $40.00 Per Person
Dinner served at 6:30 PM

Course One:
Tiramisu Caprese with Fresh Sunkissed
Creamy burrata mozzarella, tomatoes, fresh basil, red onions, balsamic glaze, drizzled with extra-virgin olive oil.
Deeply Chardonnay

Course Two:
Fettucine Carbonara
Fettucine Alfredo with wood-grilled chicken, sautéed mushrooms and peas (vegetarian served without the chicken).
Lose Domaini Prosecco

Course Three:
Chicken Breast
Wood-grilled and topped with goat cheese, sun-dried tomatoes, basil and leek brown butter sauce.

Course Four:
Sogli Plante Parmesan (Vegetarian)
Layered of field eggplant (stuffed with seasoned breadcrumbs and topped with parmesan cheese, mozzarella and Romano cheese, Blackberry Sangria

For Reservations, visit: https://forgottencats.org/category/events/

We still have a few reservations left for the new date September 17. Please visit https://forgottencats.org/category/events/ to reserve your seat.

Announcing another Mobile Adoption Event! Join us this Saturday (June 27th) from 9am-4pm at Heart + Paw in Glen Mills (next to Whole Foods) for another pop up event. Submit an application for pre-approval today at www.forgottencats.org.
Here are a few of the cuties that are up for adoption!

May 2020 Status Update:
In May, we sterilized 1,148 cats and placed 165 cats into loving forever homes.

We’re so excited! Our adoption centers at PetSmart in Brookhaven, PA, Christiana, DE and Jenkintown, PA have reopened!!!

For the past three months all of our adoption centers have been closed and our many adoptable cats have been waiting in foster homes. While we are happy to report a good number of adoptions during this difficult time, the kitties will have a much easier time finding their homes when they can interact with people at our adoption centers. **Stop by and visit them soon!**
Our adoption centers in Brandywine, King of Prussia, Levittown, Pottstown and West Chester remain closed for now, but we are looking forward to reopening soon and will definitely announce it once we have dates. Even if Brookhaven, Christiana and Jenkintown are not convenient for you, we always have cats available for adoption through our network of foster homes and in our clinics. You can apply to adopt online and we are happy to do a virtual meet and greet with the cat you're interested in. We can even make arrangements for a no-contact kitty delivery once your application goes through! Apply here to adopt: www.forgottencats.org/adoption-application

“Special Shout Out”

As things are slowly beginning to go back to normal (we’re back in three of our PetSmart adoption centers, YAY!), we wanted to make a very special shout out & Thank You to our adoption application processors.

These volunteers work behind the scenes processing our many adoption applications that we receive. During the pandemic we’ve been inundated with online applications (which is a good thing). They’ve been busy finding kittens, calling fosters & references, and scheduling meet and greets. Adoptions haven’t slowed down here at Forgotten Cats and for that we owe a BIG THANK YOU to our processors.

Thank you for volunteering day in and day out to help place our cats in forever homes.

- Jenkintown Team: Ellen, Laraine, Lisa, Nancy, Renee, Martin, and Marka
- Brandywine Team: Kristin, Jeni, Leslie, Julie, and Chris
- Christiana Team: Barbara & Diane
- Brookhaven Team: Tracy
- King of Prussia/Willow Grove Team: Linda
- Levittown Team: Rachel
- West Chester Team: Alice
- Pottstown Team: Ginny

We appreciate everything you do!
The Adoption Trailer Photo Contest has Begun!

The rules are pretty simple - all you have to do is:
1. Make a donation of $10.00 each for the number of cats/kittens you want entered into the contest (you can enter multiple cats/kittens into multiple categories or the same cat multiple times!).
2. Post that you donated, along with a picture of the cat(s), their name(s), and the category (Solid, Tabby, Mixed and Calico/Torti).
3. Your cats/kittens will then be entered into the contest and all you have to do is stay tuned for the drawing to take place live on Facebook!
4. The contest will take place from June 18 until July 2. We can't wait to see all of the submissions of your beautiful kitties!

Home for the Quarantine Mobile Adoption Events

Quarantine STILL isn't slowing us down! The homeless cats and kittens of our area need us now more than ever. We're keeping it safe and smart with no-contact meet & greets and adoptions. Please take a look at the photos above, they are just some of our happy endings over the past month...

We are currently processing adoption applications! If you see a Forgotten Cats kitty that interests you on our website, Petfinder, or social media please don't hesitate to apply! Approved applicants can have virtual meet & greets with our cats/kittens due to the wonders of technology. If it's a "go" we arrange a safe, no-contact transfer of the kitty to you.

Check out some of our available cats for adoption here: https://forgottencats.org/services/available-cats/ Fill out an application for either a specific cat or to get “pre-approved” at ForgottenCats.org

We look forward to seeing you at our adoption events!

Volunteer Spotlight
Spotlight on Barbara Garrison
By Mary Ann Emely

If there’s one thing Forgotten Cats volunteer Barbara Garrison has learned from her years working with our cats it’s that “cats pick their people”. Barbara said “it isn’t just a cliché” as she relates a story about a seemingly ornery cat, Leonard, who was awaiting adoption at the Christiana PetSmart. She tells us that Leonard was a purringly sweet gentleman with the FC volunteers, but when someone would show an interest in adopting him, he became anti-social, snarling, growling and back-turning. He clearly wanted no part of being adopted by those people. Then one day an older couple came in, and Barbara held her breath when they said they were in to see Leonard. Amazingly, Leonard came out of his cage, rubbed against their legs, sat on their laps, and nuzzled their faces! The couple filled out an application (the sixth one on file for Leonard) and they were approved, but they said they wanted their son to meet Leonard first. Again Barbara held her breath, but when the son came in, Leonard was just as delightful with him as he had been with the parents. Barbara said now she truly believes that some cats choose their forever homes.

Barbara’s work with feline adoptees goes back many years. Long before she came to Forgotten Cats she volunteered with the Delaware Humane Association and then ran her own adoption service called Happy Endings in conjunction with Concord Pet. She said when that came to an end, there was a hole in her heart and she decided to fill it in 2012 by volunteering at the Forgotten Cats PetSmart adoption center in Newark (Christiana). There, she says, she discovered the best people, loved the cats and felt useful again.

She started doing shifts at Christiana, and about a year later started processing applications. She also fostered for Forgotten Cats but tells us she was a “foster fail” twice – both Loki, a Maine coon mix, and Ariel, a “feisty incredibly smart dilute torti,” (seen in photo on right) became her babies.

Barbara has also served on the Volunteer Appreciation Event Committee, and prior to that, she worked with Friends for Responsible Pet Care on fundraisers for Forgotten Cats.

The best part of being a Forgotten Cats volunteer, Barbara tells us, is seeing how happy we’ve made both the cats and the adopters. Because she has one-on-one contact with the applicants, they often send her photos after the adoptions and she can hear the happiness and excitement in their voices. She said it makes her “feel safe and secure being around people who are sane enough to feel and act on their compassion, supporting Forgotten Cats’ mission.” She added that Forgotten Cats saves cats that have been abandoned, living a life of quiet desperation, by giving them medical care and re-homing the adoptables.

The FC volunteer job has challenges, too - trying to keep the cats happy and healthy under sometimes difficult circumstances such as people banging their
cages, dogs barking and jumping up, music playing 24/7. “And when you work as an adoption processor,” she continues, “you have to be a detective, a diplomat and have the patience of Job.” She adds that one of the pluses is having savvy, caring co-volunteers who understand and help when you need it.

These days, in addition to enjoying time with her family and friends, her cats and the Forgotten Cats felines are what keep Barbara busy as an active retiree. *(Her third cat (Seen in photo to the left) is Sophie, a dilute torti that she rescued from a mechanic’s parking lot 13 years ago.)*

Barbara said she did a lot of kayaking and running in her younger days, and she took long walks with her dog Buddy, who passed in 2016. She still misses him a lot. She also misses Grayson whom she rescued from an industrial park colony and took care of for 15 years before he died of cancer. She said he was her most loving cat.

Forgotten Cats could not do the work it does without dedicated people like Barbara Garrison who give long hours each week to help the kitties in need and support the important work of the organization.

**Thank You Barbara for all you do to Help Forgotten Cats in Our Community!**

**Picture Pawfect Fundraiser**

In early May, we noticed an awesome fundraiser that was going viral with animal rescues called the “Picture Pawfect” fundraiser. For a donation of $20.00 each, donors could submit a picture of their pet(s) and the artists would create a portrait of their pet(s) to be posted on Facebook. It looked like such fun, that we decided to jump in and give it a try - we found that we had some very talented artists among our volunteers that were willing to contribute their time and talent to the fundraiser.

Thanks to our talented artists and generous supporters, we raised $1,200, which will help support our TNVR and adoption programs. Forgotten Cats serves over 10,000 cats EACH year and is one of the largest TNVR (trap, neuter, vaccinate and return)
Here are Some Special Cats Looking for their Forever Homes!

Fwank
(FCID# 09/19/2019 - 12)
Domestic Short Hair• M

Are you looking for a snuggly, easy going cat that gets along with other cats?
Then look no further. Please meet Fwank (FCID# 09/19/2019 - 12)! Fwank is the cat for you! Fwank is around 6 years old and is a lovable boy.

Fwank enjoys human company especially when they rub his tummy! He spends his days lounging on the couch, sitting on his window perch, and throwing his favorite shrimpy toy in the air. Fwank loves other cats and will quickly bond to any friends he’s introduced to. Fwank also wanted you to know that he loves meal time too! Frankie will curl up on the couch, snuggle in bed, and be the best companion for you.

Fwank is FIV+, but that’s no big deal! He will live a long, healthy life and can peacefully and safely live with FIV negative cats. Fwank was a homeless cat and is so grateful to be safe and warm. All he needs is a forever home to make his story complete.

Please submit an online no-obligation adoption application @ http://www.forgottencats.org/application.php for a meet and greet.

Fitzgerald
(FCID# 03/24/2020 - 8 Hockessin)
Small Young Male

Are you looking for a conversationalist and constant companion? Please meet Fitzgerald! Fitzgerald (FCID# 03/24/2020 - 8) is a small, light brown tabby with uniquely-shaped eyes; he is about 2 years old as of May 2020. By the look on his face in one of the pix, he is not too happy to be
subjected to an exercise video. Aren't dashing madly around the house, climbing a cat tree, playing and watching birds enough exercise for the day?

From Fitzy's foster: *Fitzy came to us after a short stay at the Forgotten Cat “sanctuary” where he was healed from a rough life on the streets. He was different from the very start. He didn’t run and hide when I let him out in his room, and he MEOW’ed like we were long lost friends talking about our lives since we had seen each other. Since he has stayed with us, his friendly manner indicates that he will be great in a home with attentive parents and gentle kids. He isn’t a fan of being held for long, but tolerates my attentions graciously and without too much fuss. We are working on the “lap kitty” training and how to leave the laptop screen alone while Mommy is on a telecom. He loves looking out the window. He seems great in the same room with my other cats, and took all the mean old lady hissing my resident cat dished out with little to no reaction. He and my young foster female went nose to nose with gentle curiosity through the crate screen. We haven’t tried free roaming yet. Fitzy LOVES the salmon Friskies pate, to the point where he goes on mini hunger strikes if he thinks he deserves the salmon. He uses his litter box regularly. Though bathing cats isn’t a regular requirement, he tolerated a bath much to my surprise. Don’t expect a quiet companion! He will talk your ear off and will want to be in the same room as you. He is the quintessential “Good Boy.*

Now known as Eddy Fitzgerald by his new foster family, here is what Eddy is up to:  *The one eye is a little drainy but nothing out of the ordinary. He is very social with the other cats - introducing and greeting everybody. He has and is gotten used to our American Staffordshire Terrier, Nox, in no time. Nox is very mellow and ignores the cats. Eddy just started yesterday to play with one of the younger cats (Alvin). Loves to talk to you, being petted, gives and wants kisses, sleeps on my bed. He definitely wants attention but is not overly needy. He is just perfect. Sometimes he sits on my desk and stares at me for minutes until I pay attention to him. If our porch is not open (the cats love to hang out there), he usually follows me upstairs to my office or when I go to bed.*

Please submit a no-obligation adoption application:  [https://forgottencats.org/adoption-application/](https://forgottencats.org/adoption-application/),

**Job Opportunities**

**VETERINARIAN-**

Due to expanding needs, *Forgotten Cats, Inc.* is hiring a part-time or full-time *Veterinarian* to join our compassionate team, working to reduce the homeless cat population through trap, neuter, and return. This employment opportunity offers a flexible schedule and location, working within one of our 3 clinics in PA (Trainer and Willow Grove) and/or Lincoln, DE.

This candidate will perform routine and emergency surgery, as well as provide wellness services and medical treatment as needed for cats in our shelter or adoption program. Over the last 16 years, more than 135,000 cats received surgery or medical treatment within our facilities. In addition, over 15,000 homeless cats
were removed from the streets to be given a second chance on life with loving adopters.

Please consider joining our dynamic team, where we make the extraordinary an ordinary occurrence each day. This job will reward you with more than compensation.

If you are interested in applying for this position, please email your resume and cover letter to John Fedele at info@forgottencats.org.

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