

FORGOTTEN Cats



Forgotten Cats, Inc.



2021

April 2021 Status:

We sterilized 1,359 cats and placed 105 cats into loving forever homes.

The "Fun in the Sun" RAFFLE HAS BEGUN!



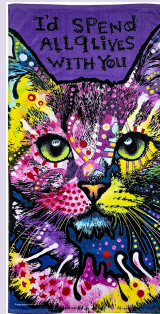
The raffle runs from **May 17 thru May 31** with the **winner being announced June 1st**. This raffle "item" includes everything listed below and is valued at **OVER \$1,000**. Tickets will be **\$10.00 for 1, \$25.00 for 3, and \$50.00 for 7**. *If our goal of \$4,000 is reached, we will add another prize for another winner!!*

To participate, use the link provided below to make a donation for the number of tickets you wish to purchase and then post "donated" on our **Facebook** page. Then your name will be entered into the drawing for the number of tickets you purchased per your donation amount.

<https://forgottencats.org/services/donate/>



- Private Wine Class for 20 at Total Wine & More (Good thru 3/22/22) - donated by Total Wine
- Case of Seagram's Escapes (Jamaican Me Happy, Strawberry Daiquiri, Calypso Colada & Wild Berries)
- Case of Summer Beers (Lienenkugel's Summer Shandy, Land Shark, Sam Adam's Porch Rocker & Victory Summer Love)
- 4 Sam Adams Beer Glasses
- Tommy Bahama Nylon Cooler (Can hold up to 30 cans!)
- Weber Smokey Joe Grill
- 3 Piece Grill Set



- 2 Rio Beach Chairs
- Picnic Set
- 2 Dean Russo Beach Towels
- Bag of Snacks, Dips & Lemonade/Iced Tea Mixes for a trip to the beach, mountains, picnic, etc.
- Everything you need for S'mores!
- 2 Bottles of Wine
- 4 Floral Stemless Wine Glasses

And for your furred family members

- The Kitty Tube™ with Custom PILLOW | New Gen 4 Design | Heated - *donated by Kitty Tube LLC*
- K&H Thermo Outdoor Kitty House Extra-Wide | Heated - *donated by K&H Pet Products*
- American Cat Club Cardboard Scratch Kitty Hotel
- Flippity Fish (*As seen on TV!*)
- Yeowww! Organic Catnip Banana, Rainbow & Fish
- Misc. Toys
- 12 Pack of Sheba (Salmon & White Fish/Tuna)
- 3 Packs Temptations Treats (Seafood Medley, Savory Salmon & Surfer's Delight)

Forgotten Cats Thanks 2SP Brewing Company and Brewery Cat!



Forgotten Cats would like to extend a special thank you to **2SP Brewing Company and Brewery Cat** for hosting a **Cinco de Meow** celebration benefiting the cats and kittens of **Forgotten Cats**.

We also wish to extend our most **sincere thanks** to those of you that came out and supported the event - it ended up being a beautiful day for beer & tacos! And thanks to you and 2SP, we raised over **\$3,300**, which will enable us to help many more

homeless cats and kittens in need. Our mission would not be possible without you and community businesses like 2SP Brewing Company (*and of course Brewery Cat*)!



Looking for a few good barns to "employ" some of our hard-working country cats — with no fees to the new owners! They prefer the smell of the hay and the thrill of the hunt over cushier home surroundings!

BARN CATS SEEKING JOBS!



BARN HOMES NEEDED! (DE, MD, PA, and NJ)

Some of our cats don't prefer the indoor, house pet kind of life and that's okay! Instead of toy mice they'd really like to get their paws on the real thing. Our rodent control technicians will work hard in exchange for food, water and shelter. Forgotten Cats will deliver your barn cat(s) to you fully vetted and at no charge.

Interested in learning more about our barn program? Please email info@forgottencats.org for more details.

Our barn cats will be waiting to hear from you!

Volunteer Spotlight

Life Transitions Help Define May's Forgotten Cats' Volunteer of the Month

by Mary Ann Emely

At the most basic level, **May's Forgotten Cats' Volunteer Spotlight** shines on a lifelong "dog person" who has become a devout "cat person". More profoundly, after an enriching career that has taken **Susan McMullen** all over the U.S. and, in fact the world, Susan has happily retired closer to her native hometown of Havertown, PA and embraced life as one of FC's devoted volunteers, working primarily at the Trainer clinic and the Concordville PetSmart adoption center.

Susan's involvement with Forgotten Cats began during the pandemic summer of 2020 when she received an email asking for volunteers to help with the re-opening of the adoption center at the PetSmart in the Concordville Shopping Center. She had previously visited that PetSmart on many occasions when shopping for cat supplies and thought it might be fun to take care of the adoption center cats. She signed up for two shifts per week and loved it!



Susan McMullen, with her 12 year-old cousin, Christopher, who often comes with her to close the Concordville PetSmart adoption center on Fridays at the end of the day.

She then signed up as a volunteer at the Trainer shelter working in recovery at the spay/neuter clinic on Monday afternoons. She's also an adoption counselor and transports cats between the shelter and the Concordville PetSmart.

Susan says she really loves volunteering with Forgotten Cats. She is retired and had been looking for something worthwhile to do with her time, so the FC opportunity came at the "right time" for both Susan and FC.

"One of my goals," Susan tells us, "especially down at the shelter and particularly with the feral cats, is to let them feel loved, even if it's just for a minute or two when I carry them back to their cages. People sometimes tease me because I often carry them as though they are human babies. I always say that for those few moments, they ARE by babies!" Knowing Susan's pre-retirement professional background, this is no surprise.

To the left, photos from the early 2000s when Susan worked in rural Uganda training AIDS workers on clinical practices, an extremely

impactful time in her life.



A nurse for almost fifty years, having earned her nursing credentials from the Hospital of the University of Pennsylvania School of Nursing, Susan had some amazing jobs all around the country - in locations that have included Texas, California, Arizona and Hawaii, among others - spending the last 28 years of her professional life in the Washington, DC area. There she worked for George Washington University with end-stage AIDS patients, the Lombardi Cancer Center at Georgetown University, and for a contractor serving the National Institutes of Health (NIH) where she had the opportunity to travel to deep rural Uganda to train the AIDS workers there about Good Clinical Practices (GCPs). It was a trip that changed her perspective about many things. She said she still feels guilty today if she leaves the water running while she brushes her teeth! She also went to Beijing in the same capacity. Her last position was working directly for the NIH Center for Cancer Research as its Director, Office of Patient Outreach and Recruitment.

Susan tells us her years living in the Washington Metro Area were very interesting. For many years when not working or being involved with family activities, she did ballroom and country western dancing and was "something of a gym rat". "Family" usually included pet dogs; her two grown children still live there - a son who lives in Alexandria, VA and a daughter who lives in Germantown, MD. In fact, her daughter is the reason Susan now considers herself a "cat person". Her daughter found a starving little kitten in a field near her home and that little cat eventually became a member of the family. That is when Susan learned how wonderful cats can be.

In February of 2019, after retirement, she moved to this area and adopted a little cat because she realized a cat would be a much better companion in a small apartment. **Penelope** has been her best friend every day since then and has "certainly been a lifeline during this pandemic" Susan adds. While taking care of the cats, says Susan, they also take care of her. She believes the research that shows a cat's purring brings down a person's blood pressure.

Susan is very glad to be a part of the Forgotten Cats organization as she is regularly amazed by the dedication and ability of the volunteers to help cats through some tough injuries and surgeries. Her greatest challenge in working as a volunteer for FC has been the "steep learning curve" (having been a lifelong dog person, and only recently transitioning to cat person). Most of the other volunteers whom she has met have had many years of experience with cats and have several of their own.



Above, a few of Susan's favorite photos of her baby, Penelope!

Susan is happy to continue her work with Forgotten Cats, and she believes this sense of satisfaction she receives from her volunteer efforts is a sign that she wouldn't be happy if she wasn't taking care of living things. She also continues her workouts at the gym 5 to 6 days each week. One of the beauties of retirement, she says, is the freedom to do the things you find fulfilling and that give you joy. Right now, FC is one source of that joy, and she hopes her work with us gives others joy as well. She's loving the personal journey she is on.

Susan, Forgotten Cats is grateful that you have included us on that journey! Thank you!



Happy Endings for Milly!

FeLV+ cats need love too!

Milly was rescued from the streets of Philly a few months back. This weekend she was adopted into a loving home. She will have a brother who is also FeLV+ to play with. Their parents know ALL sweet kitty cats need a home and didn't bat an eye taking in another cat that may not live as long as most. Milly was thrilled to meet her new parents and we know she'll have a lifetime of love and happiness. Yay Milly! Check out her cute new collar.

Thank you to our dedicated team of volunteers who make success stories like these possible.

Maryland TNVR Program is Still Happening!

Cat caregivers in Wicomico and Worcester counties, call us **TODAY** to request help with feral or stray cats.

We'd like to extend a **HUGE Thank You** to the Maryland Department of Agriculture Spay and Neuter Grants Program for funding this program and supporting TNVR.

Please help us by sharing this post far and wide!

**Maryland kitties,
we'll see you soon!**

FREE Spay & Neuter

for outdoor feral/stray cats in the Worcester & Wicomico County cities of: Salisbury, Willards, Fruitland, Pittsville, Ocean Pines, Berlin, West Ocean City, Pocomoke City, Whaleyville, and Bishopville



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
- Spread the word to friends and families about this program
- Volunteer your time to help with this program

Please contact Forgotten Cats at 215.219.8148 or www.forgottencats.org



Here are a few a Special Cats Looking for Forever Homes!



Yoda

(FCID# 11/02/2020 - 50)

Tabby • M

IS THIS YOUR LUCKY KITTEN? Please meet **Yoda (FCID# 11/02/2020 - 50)**! **This special needs kitty would love to make that happen!** Yoda is an approximately 8 months old - *as of March 2021* - male kitten waiting to go to his special forever home. When Yoda was just a few months old, his rear end was injured and reconstructive surgery was needed. This had left him with some **minor** "poo" issues. *He requires a special cat food and an inexpensive supplement, plus monitoring of his GI issues by his pet parent.* Otherwise, this little cutie is a normal happy, playful, feisty, mischievous little guy who purrs through all his cuddles and petting

He likes other cats. His foster mom says it is very easy to get into a workable routine with Yoda that minimizes his poo issues. **This little bundle of energy would do best in a home with another kitten or young cat with whom he can chase and tackle. Are you that special pet parent for this fun little guy?**

Would you like to meet Yoda? Please submit our no-obligation adoption application: <https://forgottencats.org/adoption-application/>.



Sadie

(FCID# 10/22/2015 - 1)

Tabby • F

LOOKING for a MEDICAL FOSTER for Sadie; also, Sadie needs **love** and to develop more trust.

Hi, my name is **Sadie (FCID# 10/22/2015 - 1)**!!! I am currently seeking a foster who has a quiet, loving home. You see, I was returned to Forgotten Cats four years after being adopted. The resident cats had started bullying me. Forgotten Cats discovered that I also desperately needed dental treatment and provided that to me. All the stress has caused me some tummy trouble.

I was with a foster for a while, but then she moved, and I had to return to the clinic. I'm feeling very displaced. I just need to find a place to call my own for a while. Ideally, I would love to be in a quiet home that doesn't have dogs. The barking at my old foster's house was nerve racking. I did like her quiet cats though. I will seek you out for attention and pets, but I prefer if you don't pick me up. I like to play with a wand toy and a circle toy. I also like a sunny window to look out. My special food has helped my tummy, but the clinic is stressful. **If you have room in your home and heart I would like to fill it.**

Will you please consider applying to foster Sadie, and to help her to become ready for her REAL forever home? Please submit our no-obligation foster application: <https://forgottencats.org/foster-a-cat/>.

Volunteer Opportunities

Volunteers Needed for our Pet Supply Plus Adoption Center in West Chester, PA

We are seeking **Volunteers**, for our **Pet Supply Plus** adoption center located at 959 Paoli Pike, West Chester, PA. Volunteers help care for the cats and interact with potential adopters. With just a **FEW** hours a week, you can make a lasting difference in the life of a cat or kitten.

Duties include cuddling and playing with cats, interacting with potential adopters, and maintaining a clean and healthy living environment with their litter boxes, food, and water bowls.

Volunteers are needed during ALL hours of operation.

Hours of Operation:

Monday-Saturday: 9am-8pm

Sunday: 10am-6pm

If you are interested in volunteering, please send an email to info@forgottencats.org and **INCLUDE YOUR PHONE NUMBER!** Please **share this email** with friends and family who might also like to volunteer.



Feed and Clean Volunteers are **URGENTLY** needed at our Trainer, Pa facility!

This is the beginning of a homeless cat's journey to a second chance with a loving family. We are desperate to find volunteers willing to care for these cats while they are in our shelter.

The **start time** for our "feed and clean" volunteers is **flexible**. You would be caring for our cats by feeding them, giving them fresh water, and scooping the litter. Our volunteers also help with laundry, dishes, sweeping and mopping. We ask volunteers to **make a**

commitment of 2-3 hours per week.

This job may seem like a simple one, but it is SO important in keeping our kitties comfortable and making sure they always have the essentials: food, water, and a clean cage. If you can help, please apply on our website: <https://forgottencats.org/services/volunteer/>

**Come play an integral role in helping
the homeless population of kitties in our area!**

We Want to Hear from You!

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

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