

FORGOTTEN Cats



Forgotten Cats, Inc.



2021

A HEARTFELT THANK YOU!

Thank You

For July's newsletter, we want to start with one of the most important things – ***a heartfelt thank you!*** As noted, and commemorated recently, ***Forgotten Cats surpassed the sterilization of over 150,000 cats and kittens as well as found loving forever homes for over 17,000.*** This is a remarkable achievement and there is no way that it would have happened without all of you that have contributed in some way, to include, but not be limited to adopting, fostering, volunteering, donating, matching contributions, foundation grants, participating in

fundraisers, fundraising partnerships, sharing posts, and the list goes on.

We wish that this newsletter could be about nothing but expressing our gratitude to you . . . but in the world of rescue, the need for fosters is one that never ends.

KITTEN FOSTERS URGENTLY NEEDED!



This is the time of year when we bring in countless cats and kittens every week.

Currently, we are inundated with nursing mothers and babies.

The kittens we would like fostered range in age from a few days old to a few weeks.

We also have "bottle babies" (for experienced fosters) and weaned babies without their mother.

The shelter environment is very risky for kittens - they are so fragile they can easily succumb to disease, which

is why we are desperately seeking the help of our community. ☐☐

Can you open your heart and home and foster a shelter cat or kittens?

Pick up would take place at our shelters in Willow Grove, PA or Trainer, PA (whichever is closer to you).

To apply to foster, please complete our foster application using the button below.

FOSTER APPLICATION



Seeking Foster or Permanent Homes for these Special Kitties

During kitten season, we naturally have a need for kitten fosters, which are the most urgent right now. But we do also have several adult cats, including some seniors, that really need a foster or forever home, so we would like to share them with you in the hopes that we can find that special someone to get them into a loving home environment.



Cassidy is a beautiful, sweet, and gentle girl. She is about 2 – 5 years old and was found with her litter of 4 kittens AND a broken leg! Can you imagine what that must have been like for her? Her kittens have all been adopted, yet Cassidy is still waiting for her happily ever after to come. Could that be with you? FCID# 05/27/2021 - 3

Chrome is sweet, snuggly, and as cute as they come (as you can see!). He is about 5 years old and is a gentle giant. We would love to find Chrome a loving foster or forever home – he is just so sweet and would thrive in a loving home environment. Chrome's only special requirement (besides snuggles and a loving forever home) is that he be fed Hill's Z/D diet. FCID# 04/29/2021 - 31

Midge - Our little Midge needs to be your one and only! At approximately 1 year old, she is a sweet and affectionate little girl. She has such plush fur – she feels like a teddy bear. She also loves to be brushed and pet. Sadly, Midge had been adopted but recently returned because they had another cat that frightened her. She is very friendly and outgoing and hopes to be fostered or adopted into a pet-free home so that she can be her happy go lucky self. FCID# 07/16/2020 - 31

Grace was found in Belmont in early May when her rescuer was working outside and felt her head-butting him. She was so in need of attention, that she would not leave his work crew and him alone. To make a long story short, her rescuer cared enough about her to go back for her and eventually get her to Project Meow, who then transferred her to Forgotten Cats so that she would have the opportunity to find a loving forever home. We do not know how long Grace had

been living outside after being rejected by her family, but we do know that she now has the opportunity to be in a loving forever or foster home. FCID# 05/06/2021 - 11

Heisenberg is such a sweet kitty and has been hanging out at the Trainer Clinic just waiting for a loving foster or forever home. He loves it when the volunteers stop by to give him love and pets, but they are so busy he does not get as much as his little heart desires, although they do their best! Heisenberg lives in an enclosure with other cats and gets along great with them. He is approximately 3 years old and as you can see, he looks quite comfy in his basket – imagine how comfy this handsome guy would look all comfy in a home environment. FCID# 04/15/2021 - 38

Athena is a beautiful petite tabby girl – she weights just under 7 pounds. This little beauty is whiling away her time at the Trainer Clinic waiting for a loving foster or forever home. Could you be the one to provide that for her? FCID# 04/26/2021 - 34

Cassie - please meet beautiful, sweet, and gentle Cassie! Cassie is really hoping to find a home of her own. She looks sad in her picture because she really is sad. She waits all day for a volunteer to pet her, but sadly everyone is SO busy and spread so thin. She is lucky if she gets a few minutes of their precious time. Cassie deserves so much more love and attention. Please consider being her hero and open your heart and home to this little girl as a foster or permanent home. FCID# 04/19/2021 - 27

Einstein (tabby) and **Rudy** (tuxedo) lost their home and family! Please meet Einstein (FCID# 06/07/2021 - 16, tabby)! This sweet and gentle 1-2 years old guy was living a happy and relaxed life with his buddy Rudy (FCID# 06/07/2021 - 17, black and white tux, 3-5 years old) until their person had to go live in a nursing home, and sadly, none of the family members wanted them. They are trying to adjust to the hectic shelter life, but what they would love is to live in a warm, loving home again. Would you consider giving these two best buddies that opportunity?

Pebbles is a beautiful long-haired calico. She came through our doors already spayed and is estimated to be 4 - 5 years old. Pebbles would do best in a home with an experienced cat owner as she can be kind of sassy at times, but who doesn't love a sassy calico? And like some calicos she prefers affection on her own terms and prefers to not be picked up. Could you be this sassy lady's special someone? FCID# 04/29/2021 – 16

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Gia the Diva Needs a New Foster!



Our little diva Gia - as you can see, she's a beauty! Gia is approximately 1 – 2 years old and loves to sit in front of a sunny window or glass door. Gia is low maintenance - she just wants her food, and a home with a view and some play time. Because she is very hand shy, she does not like or require physical interaction, although she does enjoy following her human around. She would do okay in a home with other cats so long as they do not care to interact with her. ***Gia needs a new foster or she will be moved to the Trainer Clinic, which will be a difficult transition for her.*** FCID# 01/25/2021 - 64

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Bonded Senior Pair in Need of Foster Home!

Please meet Ruby & Max! They are 10+ years old, and each weigh 17 pounds. Ruby (Bee Bee, black and white) is a total "purrball" that loves attention day or night! Ruby likes to sit in the window and make noises at the birds and squirrels.

Max (Big Mac, black) is quiet and elusive during the day. However, he becomes affectionate in the evening and loves nighttime cuddles and would like nothing more than to curl up at your feet and watch TV. Max likes to be picked up and held.

Both cats have been raised in a loving home with plenty of attention, kids and a dog. They are gentle and don't bite or scratch. Max and Ruby clearly love each other very much!

Note: The family who adopted them as kittens in Aug. 2009 is devastated that they had to give them up, but there really was no other option. Max and Ruby are bonded and must be adopted together. FCID# 06/16/2009 - 170, 173

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Thank you Athletes 4 Animals!

Thank you to Athletes 4 Animals for their grant of \$1,000 to our "Forgotten to Forever" Program. This grant will enable us to remove 20 cats/kittens from the streets of Chester, PA for adoption at one of our adoption centers! Cats and kittens that are left on the streets struggle to survive as they compete for food & shelter and are also vulnerable to abuse and neglect. ***The lives of these 20 cats will be forever changed thanks to A4A!***



Thank You, TTV, Grinning Cat & American Solutions for Business!

We would like to thank the Ten Thousand Villages Glen Mills and Chestnut Hill stores for their recent fundraiser. Thanks to those that were able to stop by the stores and shop during the event - TTV raised approximately \$350.00 for Forgotten Cats! We would also like to thank TTV and Heart + Paw for contributing to the volunteer recognition raffle and to the Glen Eagle Square Shopping Center for hosting our Mobile Adoption Trailer - we received several applications, so hopefully several forever homes were found as a result of the event!

We would also like to thank Courtney of Grinning Feline for donating her talent and time to create the awesome "It's Hip to Tip" t-shirt for our 150,000 commemorative special edition t-shirt! And thank you to Amy of American Solutions for Business for offering this fundraising opportunity and working with us to set-up the fundraiser - we raised approximately \$1,500.00 from the t-shirt sale! You should be receiving your t-shirt(s) in the mail shortly!

And last, and certainly not least, we **thank you** for supporting these fundraisers! Without your support, they would not have been as successful as they were - thank you!



Volunteer Spotlight

Forgotten Cats' July Volunteer of the Month Attributes Her Success to Her Fellow Volunteers

by Mary Ann Emely

This month's Forgotten Cats' Volunteer Spotlight shines brightly on the Glen Mills PetSmart Adoption Center Coordinator, Kelly Barretta. Kelly loves animals, especially cats, and came to Forgotten Cats by way of other animal volunteering she had done.

Kelly began as an Andy's Friends Cat Rescue volunteer in 2014 and grew to know all the employees and volunteers at the Glen Mills PetSmart. It was FC's Beth Allen, our barn cat coordinator who was transporting cats to/from the Glen Mills PetSmart who suggested to Kelly that she become a Forgotten Cats' volunteer. Because Kelly considers herself a "crazy cat lady" with 8 cats of her own, she thought the suggestion made sense and from that point on, she became a devoted FC volunteer.

Kelly quickly became an integral part of the Forgotten Cats Adoption Center at the Glen Mills PetSmart as the Center's Coordinator taking care of scheduling and handling day-to-day tasks, making sure the Center was being taken care of and the cats were happy. She works with the store managers to make sure everything is running smoothly and is the contact person for questions or concerns the volunteers at the Center may have.

Kelly says she has the best group of awesome volunteers at the Glen Mills Adoption Center. "Our volunteers are the main reason why I love doing this job – one that I couldn't do without their help."

Outside of being a devoted Forgotten Cats' volunteer, she adds that she's "a crazy lunch lady for Glenwood Elementary" – a job she has done for the past five years. "I absolutely love my job" she tells us but adds "it was really hard at first when we shut down for COVID without getting to say goodbye to the kids. Then upon returning to school we all were wearing the masks! Not being able to see the children's full faces made me sad. However, seeing how well they adapted to wearing their masks and how they just kept going was quite impressive!"

Kelly has three kids and a supportive husband, all who help with rescues! Her daughter, Molly, who is 20 now, began volunteering with Kelly when she was 14 and struggling with teen challenges. They had many meaningful talks during those years volunteering together at the Adoption Center. Her sons, Tanner and Luke have also been integral parts in cat rescue as they both have opened their bedrooms to foster cats and kittens through the years. "When Tanner moved into an apartment he took two of our kitties with him!" she tells us.



Above, Kelly Barretta and her amazingly supportive cat rescue family. Left to right, daughter Molly, Kelly, her husband Steve, and sons Luke and Tanner.

Kelly says her husband Steve's support includes allowing all these cats in their home! "With all the kittens and cats we have fostered, he has given these kitties love and affection and has also been understanding when I needed to run out and help with the Glen Mills Center or any cat-related situation."

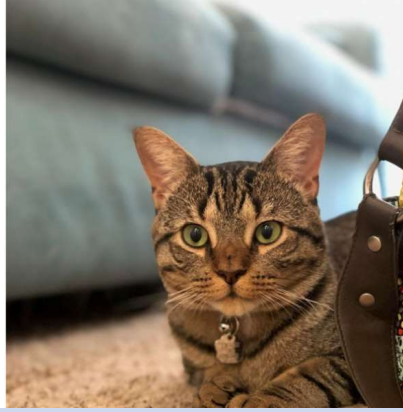
Also part of Kelly's family are eight cats of her own, mostly foster fails. She has many stories about each one! Tigger, an orange tabby, is my "most special guy". He was adopted and returned a few times over the course of four years with Andy's Friends when finally Kelly felt so sad that he was returned again, she just adopted him herself!



Another rescue is one that became accidentally lost after she got out of her carrier -- she was a pregnant Torti and due any day! After searching and setting traps for a month, Kelly found her and then found her kittens a few months later. Kelly adopted her, Roma, as well as one of her kittens, a tabby she named Butter.

Kelly truly loves being with all of her cats. At the Center, she loves it when kitties who have been there a longer amount of time finally get adopted. They need good homes, and she just wants to help to make sure that happens for all of them. It's a very rewarding experience she says. When not working or volunteering, her favorite thing to be doing is spending time with her own family and playing with her own fur babies.

Forgotten Cats is grateful that Kelly has made us and our kitties an important part of her life because she is a very important part of the lives of so many of our cats and kittens. Thank you, Kelly!



for Titus!

Hello! I know everyone we interacted with at Forgotten cats and at the PetSmart had a special place in their heart for Titus, so I wanted to send an update on the handsome fella!

We adore this little boy. He, of course, started settling in very quickly. He spent the

first few days following us *everywhere!* He continues to take a little more time for himself to explore as he gets more confident in the space, but he does like to know where we are. We have a bay window he likes to sit in and watch the activity outside.

His wobbling does not slow him down at all! He actually fares better than we thought he would with getting around. Most of our floors are carpeted, which is good for him, and while he falls over sometimes, he's still a very active little dude, running and jumping like normal. He has a motorized wobble toy he loves and we'll be doing some clicker training to keep that curious brain fed. He adores wet food, which makes us happy for his urinary health!

He has an appointment set with our long-time vet and we'll be checking with her on how we can keep him in good shape with his wobbles and any insight she can provide on that.

Thanks a ton for our little angel. We love him to bits.

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

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY: Full and Part-time Veterinarian



Part and Full-Time Veterinarian Positions Available!

Forgotten Cats, Inc. operates one of the largest trap, neuter, vaccinate & release (TNVR) programs in the country. Due to expanding needs, we are seeking a Full and Part-Time veterinarian to join our compassionate

team, working to reduce the homeless cat population through TNVR.

This employment opportunity offers a flexible work schedule as well as location.

Forgotten Cats operates two clinics - one in Trainer, PA (Delaware County) and one in Willow Grove, PA. The candidate will perform routine and emergency surgery, as well as provide wellness services and medical treatment within our facilities.

Since our inception in 2003, Forgotten Cats has sterilized and provided medical treatment for over 150,000 cats and kittens within our facilities. In addition, over 17,000 homeless cats and kittens were removed from the streets and given a second chance at life in loving forever homes through our adoption program.

Due to the high volume of sterilizations performed at our clinics, the candidate must have surgery experience, a willingness to learn, be able to function in a high-energy environment and enjoy working with cats. Salary is commensurate with experience.

This is a challenging position, but the rewards of making a positive difference in

the lives of sick, injured, and/or frightened cats are immense.

Please consider joining our dynamic team where we make the extraordinary occurrence an ordinary occurrence each day.

To apply, please email your phone number, resume and a cover letter explaining why you are interested in the position to:

John Fedele,
Vice President of Forgotten Cats
info@forgottencats.org

PS. If you know of anyone who may be interested in this job opening, please have them respond to info@forgottencats.org.



A poster for a cat adoption event. At the top, a circular photo of a white and grey kitten is framed by a string of colorful triangular bunting. To the left of the photo is a black circle with the text 'the adopt spot'. Below the photo is a black silhouette of a cat's head. To the right of the silhouette is the 'PETSMART Charities' logo. The text 'Cat Adoption Event' is in a bold, black, sans-serif font. Below it, 'at' is in a smaller font. Then 'Glen Mills PetSmart' is in a bold, black, sans-serif font. The dates and times are listed: 'Saturday, July 17th 10-6' and 'Sunday, July 18th 10-5'. The address is '800 Hatton Dr. Glen Mills, PA 19342'. A blue arrow points from the address to the bottom right corner, which says 'Get pre-approved at forgottencats.org'.

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Please spread the news about our wonderful cats and kittens that will be available at the Glen Mills PetSmart Adoption Event!



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Please spread the news about our wonderful cats and kittens that will be available at the Brookhaven PetSmart Adoption Event!



We are so excited to announce that we will be holding an in person event on **October 28, 2021 from 5:30 pm - 8:30 pm**. We will provide more details in the future, but the mask will give you a hint of fun things to come!



It's never been easier to give back! Help our animals in need by shopping our Wish List on Chewy to donate much-needed pet food and supplies directly to our organization. Click the link to donate today! [Chewy Wish List](#)

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Remember to shop on Amazon Smile and choose Forgotten Cats as your charity so that a donation will be made to Forgotten Cats at no additional cost to you!

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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