

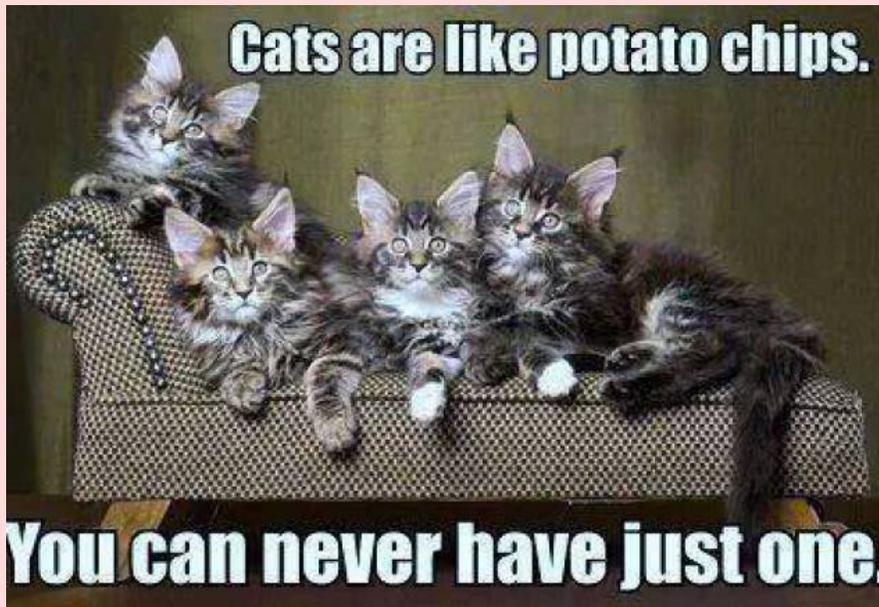
FORGOTTEN Cats

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News

Forgotten Cats, Inc.



2017



Hi Forgotten Cats Friends...

FC has some exciting adoption news!

We have set an adoption goal of 1000 adoptions from September 1, 2017 - January 28, 2018. If we reach our goal, we can qualify for the PetSmart Charities Big Thanks Bonus which could be up to \$41,000.00!

To kick off this quest, we will be participating in the PetSmart's National Adoption Event at all of our PetSmart adoption centers. The dates are Friday, September 15 through Sunday, September 17. With the national publicity this event offers, we have an opportunity to have a great weekend for adoptions.

This is a very important adoption weekend for Forgotten Cats, as it is nearing the wind down of the kitten season and we have many kittens that need to find their homes while they are still young. All locations will be adding extra cats for the event, set up in cages near the adoption centers. This gives customers even more choices from which to select a new furry friend for their family. This also gives additional exposure to cats that might not otherwise make it into the adoption center. For any adult cats at the event it gives them a chance for a home, which is hard for them to get during kitten season.

For those adopters reading this newsletter, why not add another feline to your household? Multiple cats are company for each other and fun to watch play and snuggle with each other. Think about it...cats are like potato chips, you can't have just one.

Help us spread the word so we can send these cats home! Talk to family, friends, coworkers and encourage them to adopt! For any FC fosters interested in adopting your foster cat, now is the time!

FC will be waiving all adoption fees for foster parents that would like to adopt their own FC

STATUS UPDATE:

In August, we sterilized 919 cats and placed 140 cats in loving forever homes.

Visit our website at
www.forgottencats.org

September Volunteer Spotlight Shines On...

LINDA OSTER

Linda Oster wasn't always a fan of cats. As a teenager in South Jersey, she had a bad experience. While helping a neighbor get a reluctant cat into a carrier, she was bitten. Linda was admittedly afraid of cats for many years afterward.



Fast forward to 2006, when Linda moved to Delaware. She noticed stray cats on her street that were being fed by neighbors. Two of these strays decided Linda's property was a nice place to hang out. She discovered a young grey tabby sleeping in her car cover which had blown off the car during a storm. Later she found a large male cat sleeping in her shed, nestled in some warm moving blankets. Linda was concerned for the welfare of these visitors, and she started to feed and look after them. The little tabby became Kimba and the big boy was named Sterling. Eventually, Kimba and Sterling joined her inside her Claymont home. Both kitties were friendly, loving and very appreciative. Thanks to these two furry ambassadors, Linda became a cat person!

Linda's career as a psychotherapist and Licensed Clinical Social Worker has provided her with lots of flexibility. She began using some of her down time to volunteer at the Brandywine adoption center. This led to her doing feed & clean shifts at the Trainer clinic. When she saw all the cats and kittens in need of temporary homes, she started fostering. Two of her fosters have become members of her household - Dodie and Madison. She has also been a long-term foster mom for the wonderful Johnny Angel (see him on our website Cat Gallery), and a short-term foster mom for countless other cats and kittens.

Like many Forgotten Cats volunteers, Linda wears numerous hats, but she primarily acts as Foster Coordinator for DE, keeping track of all the foster cats in the Forgotten Cats Trainer clinic network, and providing information and training to foster parents. Her other major role is assessing which cats trapped by Forgotten Cats are likely candidates for eventual adoption, and which would prefer to be returned to their colony. When cats are brought into Trainer twice per week for spay & neuter, Linda assesses each cat's personality and makes this call. Linda also coordinates "meet & greet" visits for prospective adopters interested in meeting cats located at Trainer who are not yet at an adoption center or foster home, and serves as an Adoption Counselor. Fellow volunteer Neal Stephens started assisting Linda with her duties, and Linda is grateful for the help.

Linda dreams of the day when the Trainer clinic is empty - meaning all the cats have been placed with fosters families, in adoption centers, or loving forever homes.

As a dedicated, enthusiastic Forgotten Cats volunteer,
Linda Oster touches the lives of so many cats in transition.
Thank you Linda!



FUN FACT:

A cat's whiskers aren't just for show - they help cats detect objects and navigate in the dark.



ADOPTION UPDATE: From Forgotten to Forever...

Happy Endings for Mr. Butters!

Mr. Butters has had quite the journey. Last May, one of our volunteers was walking around New Castle trying to locate cats in need of TNVR services. She spotted a sad, skinny cat that was riddled with fleas. This was the day Butters life

changed forever.

Our volunteer spoke with his owner who stated she kept him outside because he was "worthless" and she requested we not bring him back. As our volunteer was getting ready to leave, a young boy ran out of the home and kicked Butters in the face. Our volunteer quickly grabbed him and another cat on the property and never looked back!

Butters was taken to FC's Trainer clinic where he was provided medical care. It was at that time that we found out he was FIV+ and knew it would be more challenging for him to find a home. During his time at our facility, he fattened up quite a bit and made some kitty and human friends.

In December 2016 he finally went to a foster home! His foster family instantly fell in love and shall we say the rest is history? Butters fits in perfectly with all the other house cats. He enjoys snuggling up in bed, breakfast time, and playing in his tunnel. Butters is **LOVED** and **SAFE!**

UPCOMING EVENTS

Join us at these upcoming events to socialize.

September 14, 2017 - Anthony's Coal-Fired Pizza Fundraiser

Wilmington and Pike Creek locations will be participating.

September 16/17, 2017 - PETSMART National Adoption Event

Christiana, Brandywine, King of Prussia, Levittown, and Jenkintown PETSMARTs will be participating.

September 30, 2017 - Woodside Creamery in Hockessin, DE, 11:00 am - 5:00 pm

Forgotten Cats & Autumn Leaf Fundraisers will be at the Woodside Creamery Arts & Crafts Fall Festival.

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