

Learn to make a winter shelter for a stray cat who has come to depend on you.

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Did you know you can shop on the Internet and benefit StreetCats at the same time? Log onto www.igive.com, designate StreetCats as your charity, or on Amazon, go through AmazonSmile and designate StreetCats, and we'll get a percentage of your purchase.

Cat Vocalizations Can Be Serious

By Lin Egermeier, StreetCats Volunteer

One night last week as I was drifting off to sleep, ZsaZsa started burbling in the hallway outside the bedroom door. I called out to her and when she didn't stop, I reluctantly got out of bed to see what was going on. To my surprise she was pointing out a very large wolf spider and I quickly put him outside to explore a world other than our house. Which brings me to our behavior topic: How many sounds do cats make? According to multiple internet sources, cats can make over a 100 different sounds. Here are a few of the more common cat sounds.

The Meow- A vocalization used by kittens to call or alert their mother.

The Purr- Cats often purr when they are sick, injured, or

need to comfort themselves.

The Trill- A trill is used as a greeting and has a fluttering sound. My cat trills to me multiple times each day.

The Growl- A warning that means 'back-off, my claws come out next!

The Hiss- The hiss is associated with fear or anger and comes after the growl. It always comes in this order when I comb-out my cat, and it is then followed by a polite warning bite. It's like

combing a snapping turtle with long hair.

The Scream- Is very loud

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The Chatter– This is a vocalization that cats often do when they watch birds. It com-

municates either excitement or possibly frustration.

The Burble- A sound somewhere between a purr, a meow and a growl yet has no negative meaning. It sounds like the word 'Aloha'. Sometimes it is skillfully used to get the attention of the desired human.

As StreetCats volunteers, we've seen many different breeds and personalities in the cats we care for. Some have

higher activity level needs and others are happy curled up in a lap. Excessive vocalizations can be a sign your cat is having serious health problems (bladder infection, bowl obstruction, or injuries and pain). Vocalizations can also signal lack of activity or even deafness and senility. When your cat is vocalizing please remember to rule out illness first. A visit to your vet is a good place to start. Reward quiet behavior; don't reward bad behavior; redirect rather than punish, and consider your cat's age and activity level. Also, look at how you are relating to your cat. Get some books on feline behavior and start reading. If consulting the internet, look for articles written by veterinary professionals, or credible feline behaviorists. Finally, explore possible medication options.

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Shopping with StreetCats

Have you been shopping at StreetCats yet? If the answer is yes, we bet you love your purchases because everyone says we have great items at very reasonable prices. If the answer is no, then now is the time! StreetCats Boutique is open Tuesday-Saturday from 10:30 a.m. until 5 p.m.; **Jade on Main** at 1639 S. Main St. in Broken Arrow is open 10-6 Mon-Sat. and noon-5 on Sunday; and An Affair of the Heart of Tulsa show will be at River Spirit Expo November 18-20 just before Thanksgiving.

Of course our feline family members love all our great toys but, our human family members and friends also look forward to special items from StreetCats and December is a wonderful gift giving month so be sure to include shopping for special Christmas items at the Heart of Tulsa show (and afterwards at our Boutique). The show is open 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Friday and Saturday, November 18 and 19 and from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday, November 20. Enter

through the south doors (behind the Golden Driller) walk straight ahead (we'll be one row east of the large center aisle) and you'll find our large booth on the right. Some Christmas items will be ornaments, knick knacks, towels, cards and special embroidered cat tote bags.

Additional "got to have" items include:

For Kitties: The DaBird toy and refills, catnip pillows (made by one of our volunteers), mice

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WINTER CAT SHELTERS

by Pat McNeilly, StreetCats Volunteer, formerly of Michigan (so she knows winter!)

who started feeding a poor, lost kitty that showed up in their yard in the spring. As winter approaches, they realize they have a • cat who continues to come for food. Unlike the hummingbirds who conveniently leave for the winter, if you've been feeding a cat, you have an animal dependent on you. But besides food, this kitty will need shelter from the cold, wind, snow or sleet. Don't worry - building a winter shelter for outdoor cats can be both simple and inexpensive.

There are many ways to build a shelter. Here are some ideas for an easy, quick, and inexpensive shelter.

- Styrofoam bins. These can be found at various stores like Target, Walmart, etc. • or come as large cooler.
- Rubbermaid™ plastic storage bins with removable lids. It's important the brand is RubbermaidTM; otherwise, the plastic walls may crack in cold temperatures.

All good shelter designs consist of these qualities:

• Strong insulation – needed to trap body heat. Use STRAW, not hay or blankets, towels, etc. Blankets draw body heat out of the cat and wet cats can freeze to the blanket in freezing temperatures.

- It seems every year I hear from someone Minimal air space a smaller interior area means that less heat is needed to keep the cats warm.
 - Smaller shelters can be heated by only one or two cats. Larger shelters with only one or two cats inside will remain cold. Two smaller shelters are better than one large one.

Make the door as small as possible.

- Cats need an opening of only about 5.5 or 6 inches in diameter, or the width of their whiskers.
- A small door discourages larger, bolder animals, such as raccoons, from enter-
- A smaller opening keeps in more heat.
- If there is a need for an escape door, do not cut holes directly across from each other, as this creates a draft.

Don't place the shelter directly on the cold ground.

- Use two 2/4s or patio bricks to raise it off the ground and place straw underneath.
- Rain won't splash up through an abovethe-ground door.
- Snow is less likely to trap the cats by blocking an above-the-ground door.
- If dogs are a threat, place your shelter behind a fence where the dogs can't get in.
 - Have the entrance face a wall so only cats can get in and out.
 - All shelters and feeding stations should be out of sight, no matter how friendly the area may appear. Place between bushes or behind a shed.

TO ASSEMBLE:

• If you found a thick styrofoam box you can use that alone but turn the box upside down so the bottom becomes the top. Place the lid as the floor and secure with waterproof tape, wrapping it around to seal the edges.



Here is a picture I found online but I would cut the doorway on the side of the tote as noted in this article.

- A thinner walled styrofoam box should be placed into a RubbermaidTM plastic storage bin. You can stuff the sides around the styrofoam with straw. You can also just use another smaller plastic bin in place of the styrofoam. If using a thinner styrofoam contained inside a bin, note to keep it right side up so you can remove the lids to replace straw periodi-
- Start by cutting a 6" diameter hole in the tote to act as an entrance. I prefer placing the entrance on the wide side, off center near the end. This prevents wind blowing in on the cat. Place STRAW in the bottom of the tote.
- Insert your styrofoam cooler or smaller plastic bin into the tote and cut a matching 6" diameter hole to match the tote. Stuff STRAW inside the styrofoam cooler and tuck more between the cooler and tote for extra insulation.
- Add your Styrofoam lid and secure in place with a few pieces of duct tape.
- Place more STRAW on top of cooler then put tote lid on tightly.
- That's all there is to it. In Michigan, I lined the cooler with Mylar. That's probably not necessary in locations with milder winters.

The main thing to remember is to build something that will keep the cat dry. If water gets into the shelter it is not going to keep the cat comfortable and warm. Stuff with a lot of straw. Cats love to burrow down into it.

NEVER put food or water inside the shelter.

Place patio bricks on top to keep the shelter steady in the wind.

Good luck and bless you for building a feral/stray shelter.





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Spotlight cats: Mary, Tiger and Simpson



Mary

Hi! I'm Mary. As you can see, I am a very pretty black and white tuxedo female, about 8 years old. I still behave in a very youthful way, but have all the wisdom that comes with age – a perfect combination! I was rescued as a kitten and lived in a home since then, but my human friend married and a dog became part of our family; I was really scared of the

dog, and my human friends were concerned I would get hurt because of the dog's aggressive behavior towards me. I'm not opposed to living with a dog at all, but only if it is friendly towards cats! I love to play (maybe you saw the video of me playing with Tiger's tail – it was on StreetCats Facebook page on October 16!) and I love interacting with people. I'm not completely thrilled about being held, but I truly enjoy visiting with my human friends, following them around, and getting petted and loved on by them. Come spend some time with me at StreetCats - to know me is to love me!



Tiger and Simpson

My name is Tiger and this is my brother, Simpson. We make up the sweetest duo you could ever hope to take home! We must be adopted together, as my brother Simpson heavily relies on me. He is a very handsome blue tabby who is very shy, and I've helped him through this since he was a tiny kitten a little over a year ago. He's very sweet and gentle, but needs the security of having his wonderful big brother around. I'm a brown tabby and a bit shy myself at first; after I am comfortable that you are a kind-hearted person, I will be extremely friendly and loving. One of the other Street-Cats kitties, Mary, mentioned the October 16 video post on the StreetCats Facebook page; it shows her relentlessly playing with my tail while I tried to take a nap. I was kind enough to let her enjoy her little game because I have such an easy-going personality! If you meet us, you are sure to fall in love immediately - two is MUCH better than one! Come meet us and see for yourself!

Warm and fuzzy stories from adopted kitties

Eli is a handsome blue and white kitty who was adopted by Steven Dunn. I spoke with Steven's mom, Judy, and she said that Steven was the official adopter, but Eli is her baby now. Everyone, including the grandkids, truly love Eli. Judy said Eli makes her feel good when she feels down; he will jump on her and rub his head on her neck. Steven works at night, so Eli sleeps on the bed with Judy while he's away. When Steven comes home Eli follows him around and rubs his head on him also. When Eli hears the word "snacks" he goes immediately to a certain place to wait for his treat. Judy says she is like a pet grandma to Eli. What a wonderful family Eli has!

Mama is a sweet calico lady who adjusted immediately to being in her new home. Whenever Michael, her adopter, opens any drawer or cabinet Mama has to jump into it, even if she has to maneuver her way around him to get there. The pantry is one of her favorite places to get into when she can. Mama also loves to soaking up the weather during nice days when the window is open and she can sit at the window screen. There are two times of the day when Mama becomes a vocal calico - when Michael is getting ready in the morning and she wants



Mama

her canned food breakfast and again when he comes home from work and she greets him.

Torti Mae, a sweet tortoiseshell girl, loves to mess up and then crawl underneath the Navajo rugs at her new home. Her owner says she is a sweet little kitty who loves her feather wand toy. Torti Mae also delights in climbing onto the



Torti Mae

towel shelf, knocking some towels off into the floor, and then rearranging the remaining

towels on the shelf into a suitable bed to take a nap.

Adam is a cute brown and white tabby who has an interesting story. When Adam arrived at StreetCats he was front declawed. Some of the volunteers thought that Adam did not walk like a cat normally does and wondered if there was a problem with his front feet. Adam had another surgery on his feet and it was discovered that he had small, hard fragments in his toes from his initial surgery that was done improperly. Poor Adam must have been uncomfortable walking around with those in his feet. After the fragments were removed Adam

seemed like a much happier fellow. Adam spent 730 days with StreetCats when he was returned after his first adoption. He then was adopted by Karen Jepson 2 years later and now also has a kitty "brother" named Bowtie. Karen says that Adam is doing great and it



Adam

didn't take long before he and Bowtie warmed up to each other. He is a very affectionate and laid back cat

who doesn't seem to mind even when Bowtie wants to play with his swishing tail. Karen says he is a lap cat and a good boy. He also has the funny habit of pawing at the door of the refrigerator even though he knows he doesn't get to eat people food. StreetCats' volunteers are so happy that Adam finally found his forever home.

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My Furry Valentine 20th Anniversary of Street Cats!



On a beautiful November day, are you watching your favorite football team, cooking chili, and thinking about cats and Valentine's Day? It may seem a little strange to those who don't know us, but the volunteers of StreetCats are doing just that! We are excited to be in the planning stages for our biggest fundraising event of the year, My Furry Valentine! Mark your calendars for Sunday, Feb. 12th at the beautiful Tulsa

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Historical Society: year is of special importance as we will be celebrating the 20th anniversary of StreetCats! We have many devoted supporters who wouldn't dream of missing My Furry Valentine and we are so grateful for your undying devotion! If you haven't attended in the past, we invite you to join us for the fun! The event features a top-notch silent auction of 100+ items along with delicious appetizers, scrumptious desserts, a fun wine pull, and a new and wonderful raffle item - be sure to read

the article telling all about it in this newsletter! All proceeds go directly to Street-Cats to help us support kitties in the Tulsa area. Look for event invitations in your mailbox in January, but you don't need to receive an invitation to come to the event! We hope you will bring your friends, family and your own Cupid to celebrate Valentine's Day, StreetCats style! The more we profit at our event, the more we are able to make a difference in the lives of cats across the Tulsa area.

We are a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization, so all donations are tax-deductible. Please be sure to fill out a StreetCats donation form for any items donated; these forms are available in StreetCats or we'll email you one. We would appreciate as much information on the item's description and value as you are able to provide: this information helps us tremendously with auction item setup. And when you donate, we will be sure to send you a tax-deductible-gift letter.

Your donations make a huge difference for us by reducing event expenses, which allows more funding to be spent fulfilling our mission. Here's how to help:

Silent Auction

Silent auction item donations should be new items and can be brought to StreetCats during business hours of 10:30 a.m.-5 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday between Nov. 22 and Jan. 31. Donations can be goods, services or gift cards to be auctioned off indi-

vidually or used to complete a spectacular gift basket. We are always grateful for new and different items, which make for an exciting auction. Please consider asking businesses to make a donation to us — it never hurts to ask! We would also be happy to contact them directly if you prefer. It just wouldn't be right to have our auction without fabulous feline items, but we also realize our supporters are very diverse so please consider donations of non-cat items, items that

of non-cat items, items that are not gender-specific, or ones more valued by men.

Please also know that while we try to use all donations, we may not be able to use everything donated in the auction in order to offer a variety of auction items without undue repetition. Some years we may have event!

pecially books and spa/ bath products), some items may be received too late to include in this year's auction, or we may have a lack of auction item space. You are welcome to donate a completed basket, but please don't feel

you must have a finished product. Contributions of various and even random items are great additions to our basket-making process. This comprises the majority of our donations, and we are well-equipped to utilize this type of contribution.

Do you want to donate but are uncertain what item to choose? We have added a new

way to make donations easy – a wish list on Amazon! As we get closer to the event, we always need a few items here and there to finish an auction grouping or gift basket; this will allow us to show you specific items that will help us complete these auction items. To access this list:

Go to www.amazon.com

Click "lists" at the top right of your screen.

Click "find a list or registry" from the options that drop down.

Search for us using our email address in the search bar, cats@ streetcatstulsa.org. This search will locate our "My Furry Valentine 2017 Wish List."

StreetCats shipping information is included in the Wish List; you will be able to ship your donation directly to StreetCats – how easy is that! Please include your name and mailing address on the online order form so we are able to send your tax-deductible gift letter.

This wish list will likely have needed items listed starting in January; if you find the list empty, please check back again – items will be added to the list as we see a need so it may be brimming with options the very next day!

As an added bonus, if you make any

of your Amazon purchases through Amazon Smile (www.smile.amazon.com) and select "StreetCats Inc." as your charitable organization of choice, Amazon will donate a portion of the purchase price to us. It is a win-win situation!



Please note that once we receive your donation, it becomes the property of Street-Cats to use as we see fit. If you want your donations returned should they not be used for the 2017 event, please note this on your donation form when bringing your items to StreetCats. We promise your donations will always be used to further our cause, even if they end up not being used in the

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silent auction. We may sell donated items in our gift boutique, in our booth at Jade On Main in Broken Arrow, or in one of our craft-show booths such as An Affair of the Heart of Tulsa. Other items might occasionally be donated to other local animal agencies that can put them to good use. Please be assured your donation always makes a positive impact. If you are interested in donating an auction item but need suggestions or assistance, we would be happy to help.

Wine Pull

ing many more bottles of wine available

than in previous years, we still sold out

early. We are aiming to

have even more bottles of

wine so that everyone who

wants to participate is able

to do so. We will again

be taking your donations

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The ever-popular \$10 Wine Pull is always a very crowded spot! Despite hav-

we encourage you to donate bottles of any value over this minimum. After all, who doesn't love the surprise of getting a \$40 bottle of wine for just \$10? Again, your donations are tax-deductible, and for tax purposes you will need to fill out a donation form with bottle names, vintage and values listed when you bring in your wine donations, which we are accepting now.

Desserts and Appetizers

Dessert and hors d'oeuvres donations from local restaurants or special bakers are a wonderful part of My Furry Valentine. Sweet treats have always been popular at this event, but we've also heard your requests for more savory offerings to enjoy, and we are striving to have more available each If you year. have contacts or connections with restaurants bakeries. replease quest their

support, or if you prefer, we will be happy to contact the business for you. Donations of gift cards from restaurants are a wonderful help, as we can use them to purchase appetizers, hors d'oeuvres, or desserts for the event or include them in Auction Items.

If you are interested in helping us find donations of food, gift cards or potential auction items, we welcome your help! Donation request letters for auction items, food and wine explaining our organization and this wonderful fundraiser are available at StreetCats for you to hand out to prospective donors or can be emailed to you upon request.

Event contacts

Auction Items and Amazon Wish List: Angela DeWalt, dewalt.angela@gmail.com, 918-706-5949 calls or texts.

Food donations and general questions/info: Please call our message line at 918-298-0104 and leave your name and number and the reason for your call, and a volunteer will call you back or send an email to cats@ streetcatstulsa.org. (Please don't send questions through our Facebook page.)

We are so grateful to have such wonderful supporters, and we look forward to seeing you and visiting with you at My Furry Valentine 2017!

A word from our President

In May 2017 StreetCats will be in existence for 20 years - WOW! We have made some wonderful and positive changes for our rescued kitties over the years. We could not have accomplished any of these without our former and present volunteers and donors. I work with an absolutely dedicated Board that makes many difficult decisions in running a rescue group. We are all in agreement to help make the lives of our rescue kitties better in every way by putting in endless hours of volunteering. I've been with this organization since Day 1 and have seen our progress first hand. Please check out our new website (www.streetcatstulsa.org) and see all we have to offer and our special kitties waiting for "furrever" homes of their own. Thank you so much for all your support and have safe and wonderful holidays.

> Kathy Balsiger StreetCats President

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in different sizes and materials, rhinestone collars for the divas in your home, Zoom Groom for kitty massage & more.

For Humans: Assortments of towels, our always popular socks, mugs with great sayings, car charms, car magnets, measuring spoons, note pads, assortment of greeting cards & more. Laurel Burch purses, scarves, umbrellas, cosmetic bags, coin purses are always very popular, and we still have the best prices, so buy early so you don't miss out on that special item.

All proceeds go to the StreetCat kitties so they appreciate you very much and we look forward to seeing you very soon.



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Appreciation and Honors

Donations given in appreciation or honor of someone between May 1, 2016 and October 15, 2016

Paula & Donald Allen, Jr. in honor of Pixie

Mary Brooks, Barbara Chapman, & Victor Ray Neal in honor of John Terral's birthday Kathy Bryan in honor of Emily & Dashiell

Mary Coleman and family in honor of Martha Williams' birthday

Wanda Carol Cox in honor of Kathy Huber's birthday

Anne Cradduck in honor of Tom Marshall's birthday

Pat & Melvin Craft in appreciation of Church

Patricia Crowe in honor of Kimi & Dusty

Mary Dale birthday honor

Tom & Sharon Duncan in honor of Kitty Boy aka Bart who was adopted 10/8/2001 & is still hanging in there

Jonathon Hall in honor of Jandra Smithen's birthday and being a great person

Kathy Huber in honor of Carol Cox's birthday and her cat Grayson

Andrea Kidwell in honor of Balanced Bodies for their Monday Community Yoga Class

Mr. & Mrs. C.P. Leininger in honor of Star, a former StreetCat

Kathy Lopez for every cat she has rescued that were throwaways; rescued as strays Callie, Spooky & Tyronie

Robyn Porter in honor of Stan Hill's birthday

Jeff & Carol Reese in appreciation of StreetCats and all they do from Lizzie Rose adopted in 2001, now 18 years old and still going strong

Jandra Smithen in honor of Clancy Chester on his 4 year adoption anniversary

Julian Talmon in honor of his 8th birthday

John & Diane Terral in honor of John's birthday

Janet L. Thomas in honor of John R. Thomas' birthday

Ruth Ann White in appreciation of Katy adopted from StreetCats

Christmas Tree Raffle

Once again we are very fortunate to have a cat themed Christmas tree and beautiful tree skirt donated to us to raffle off in support of StreetCats. Raffle tickets will be \$5 each or five tickets for \$20 and the tree will be on display in November (both in StreetCats and at An Affair of the Heart of Tulsa show) and December until it is raffled off on December 17 at StreetCats.

The tree is an artificial (but looks real) Balsam Hill Vermont White Spruce with clear or multi-color lighting options via a remote control. All of the cat themed ornaments are hand-made and artist originals. Some are vintage originals such The Cat & The Fiddle Ball circa 1950 while others are new like a cat painted on a turkey feather inside a glass ball. Very unique items have been used to create all the ornaments so we'll have an explanation sheet available with the tree and you will be amazed. The cat tree topper is a Cat Angel dressed in a gold gown with wings. The value of the tree is well over \$1000 because there are so many originals.

Additionally there is a beautiful 48" x 48" tree skirt (see the

picture) made by Judy Ayres of Ayrlooms in Indianapolis which is valued at about \$200. The trees on the skirt are made by piecing the cat fabric together and the edge is trimmed with cats on one side and solid red on the reverse.

Be sure to come in and admire this beautiful tree and buy your raffle tickets in our boutique or at the Heart of Tulsa show (11/18-20) where last year's lucky winner purchased her winning ticket.



Memorials

Donations made in memory of loved ones between May 1, 2016 and October 15, 2016

Kathy Balsiger in memory of Scooter for Vickie Sanborn, Dude for Patti Roberson, and Guru for JoAnn Flournoy

Don & Carol Beard in memory of Judy Larson

Cynthia & Larry Brumbaugh in memory of Nita Magee

Gerald & Erma Buckner in memory of Mitty

Angna Byrne in memory of Mandy who lived a wonderful life for 18 years

Sheila Chenoweth in memory of Joyce DeBoard's Emily

Patricia McCune Clark in memory of Bastet

Rick and Barbara Cohen in memory of Ricochet, our very special girl

Gary & Pat Croker in memory of Punkin, formerly Simba when adopted from Street-Cats 17 years ago for Anne Johnson who he spent his last years with

Cindy and John Croft in memory of Sylvester, an FIV kitty

Lindsey Dickenson, Linda Holland, Samantha Polen in memory of Barbara Roberts' Sophie

Florence & Conrad Dohman in memory of Jo Dahl for Mr. & Mrs. Kim Branson Margo Ham in memory of Buttons on the anniversary of her death 5/11/15

Cheryl Lenhart in memory of Bryan Close's Keiko, a wonderful Himalayan

McPike Family in memory of Josmine

Maurine Miller in memory of Dooney who went to kitty heaven in April 2016 at age 15 David Morse in memory of Patricia Morse

Norma Ransom in memory of her beloved kitty Wendy

Corliss Rice in memory of her brother-in-law, William Phelps for his daughter Aimee Litch

Barbara Roberts in memory of her Sophie who loved her for 11 years

Barbara Roberts in memory of Rita Woodall's Charlotte

Diane Smith in memory of Will Hammack, husband of Inga Scholz

Mary Ann Smith in memory of Ruth Ann Field

Jandra Smithen in memory of her sweet tiger tabby Heffti

Rita Snellgrove in memory of Kirby at age 17 (he came to them as a stray 15 years ago)

Alon Soderfelt in memory of Allard Soderfelt's kitty, Halloween

Janet Thomas in memory of Lyle for John R. Thomas

Jean Thomason in memory of Glenn Greer for Jean Greer

Marie Walters in memory of Sudz

Kay Webb in memory of Betty Howard

Doris Westfield in memory of Erich Westfield

Scott & Dee Williams in memory of Maurine Williams

Laurie Woodruff in memory of Xiola & Ping

Sandi & Don Woolverton in memory of Mary Ann Kollar, mother of Dan Kollar and in memory of Art Edelhoff, lover of all animals

Lucky kitties adopted 5/1/16 through 10/15/16

Kiki – V. Davis

Mama - M. Tart

Adam – K. Jepson Angela – K. Bachmann Antonio – K. Bachmann Cass – S. Juett Charlie – C. McDonnel Cuz (Mindy) – A. Carter

Dolly — J. Bryant Eli — S. Dunn Ike — J. Thomas Jetson — L. Terry Mamie – J. Thomas Marilyn – B&N Dalpe Marlo/Marley – A. Fisher Marty – H. Mantin Milo – D. Brough Mr. Moon – L. Blackston Pete – T. Wilson Polly – G. Grove Purrcie – A. Embry Sammy – J. Dillashaw Scarlett – A. Ede Thor – B. Ipock Tiger – K. Keeter Tiger Lily – L. Hayes Truman – S. Jones Twinkle – K. Fite Wally – J&M Bailey

To date for 2016 we have had 51 net adoptions (some cats were adopted, returned, and re-adopted). These kitties were in StreetCats' possession an average of 61 days before finding "forever" homes with the exception of Truman who was with us for 712 days and Adam for 730 days and we are so happy they have wonderful homes now.

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StreetCats Sponsors

Please be assured that we value every donation received; however, we are unable to recognize all donors in this newsletter. Listed below are Sponsors who made monetary or in-kind gifts valued at \$100 or more between 5/1/16 and 10/15/16 and are not listed under Appreciations and Honors or Memorial donations. Thank you to everyone for thinking of our kitties and donating to us.

Purrs of thanks are waiting for you when you come into StreetCats

Nancy Ahmed Patti Alred Glen & Carolyn Anders Altar'd State-Woodland Hills Mall Kyle Ary

Henrietta Berroteran Marcel Binstock MaryAnne Blackburn Janet & David Chambers Jere Chieppo

Richard & Kay Davis Eisenhower International School -

B. McCrary's class J. Cheree Fisher, D.O. Cassie Fowler Patricia Friend Dana Fulton Ron Gilbert Sherri Griggs

Max & Susannah Hamilton Connie Haves & Winona Lawson

Don Jepson Cindy King

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Cheryl Neely ONEOK Foundation Betty A. Papen Nancy Phillips Floyd Plummer Joseph Promowicz J. W. Raper Jeff & Carol Reese James Ryan Lisa Snowden

St. Dunstan's Episcopal Church

Donna Swaffar Jimmy Swindler Sandra Trent Dorothy Webber Williams Companies WPX Energy Donna Wright Sarah Zerbe

2017 MFV Raffle Item Encourages Community Involvement – Help Make It!

A new and unique opportunity this year provides StreetCats Inc. with a fabulous quilt for our raffle at My Furry Valentine 2017. Three local businesses and entrepreneurships have collaborated to provide this wonderful donation and the venue to allow it to happen: Owl & Drum, Retro Den, and The Alliday Show. The Neighborhood Quilt Project, organized and sponsored by Owl &Drum, will be a part of The Alliday Show at Retro Den, 12th & Harvard, on December 9th and 10th, 2016.

On Saturday, December 10th from 11am-5pm, admission to The Alliday Show will be free! Those attending are invited to help sew a portion of the community quilt to benefit StreetCats, Inc. Absolutely no sewing experience is necessary and everyone is encouraged to participate. Throughout the day, attendees will be invited to sew strips of selected fabric together to build a quilt as a community. These quilt pieces will later be designed into a wonderful quilt and completed by the professionals at Owl & Drum. The final result will be a beautiful quilt that will be donated to StreetCats for use as our raffle item at our fundraiser, My Furry Valentine. The finished quilt will be displayed in StreetCats during January and at My Furry Valentine (2/12/17); we will announce its arrival at the boutique on Facebook, so stay tuned for this announcement. As usual, raffle tickets will be available for purchase at StreetCats in January, as well as at My Furry Valentine so you will have lots of opportunity to buy chances to win this fabulous quilt! Raffle tickets will be \$5 for one ticket, or \$20 for five tickets. Of course you do not have to be present at My Furry Valentine to win - but we hope you will be!

We invite all of our StreetCats supporters to visit The Alliday Show so they can be a part of creating this wonderful quilt! Please also join us in extending our thanks to:

Owl & Drum (www.owlanddrum. com), the organizer and sponsor of this donation, is Tulsa's "one-stop shop" for modern fabrics, quilting and sewing supplies, sewing classes and unique gifts.

The Alliday Show (www.thealliday-show.com) is an all-handmade arts and crafts show; in its 7th year, it features 15 of the finest makers that Oklahoma has to offer.

Retro Den (www.retrodentulsa.com) buys, sells, and trades vintage home goods and furniture. You can also find locally crafted furniture and homewares, as well as air-plants and regionally grown succulents.

STREETCATS WISH LIST

For StreetCats:

Wal-Mart/Sam's Gift cards; any denomination

Tall strong Kitchen size trash bags; prefer Glad or Hefty

Clay litter
we don't use much scoopa

(we don't use much scoopable)

Laundry detergent pods or

liquid laundry soap Clorox liquid bleach

Clorox Clean-Up

Paner Towels

Paper Towels

Fancy Feast small cans in both gravy and pate textures

Friskies canned food in both gravy and pate textures

Puppy Pads

Bottled water - small bottles

Printer/copy paper

Postage stamps

Small paper plates

Blue Fabulosa w/Bleach Alternative

(floor cleaner)

Liquid-Plumr

Bags or boxes of dry cat food for voucher customers

Meals on Wheels Wish List

Scoopable Litter
Unopened bags or boxes
of dry cat food
Canned cat food

Volunteer Opportunity!

Once again **Barnes & Noble** in Southroads Shopping Center has given us the opportunity to wrap B&N purchases for donations to StreetCats and we really enjoy volunteering with them and meeting great people. At this time we have these openings:

Wed., 12/14 10 a.m.– 2 p.m. Fri., 12/16 2-6 p.m. Tues., 12/20 10 a.m.-2 p.m. and 2-6 p.m.

If you'd like to help please call Linda Holland at 918-492-8887. Look forward to you coming by to see us 12/14 through 12/20.



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Gift boutique and adoption center located on the east side of South Sheridan at 60th Street.

Hours are from 10:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday.

StreetCats, Inc. is a 501(c)(3) tax-deductible nonprofit organization.

My Christmas List

I know it's almost Christmas I've seen your twinkling lights As I sit outside your window sill This cold December night

For though you may not know it All calls love Christmas too In fact we even make a list In hopes it might come true

I would so love a corner Someplace that's warm and dry A scrap of blanket would be nice To nap on by and by

And if it is no trouble A special little dish With dry food or perhaps some canned -My favorite's tuna fish

But most of all please look my way And know that I'm alone For the only thing I truly want Is my forever home

> Judy Loyd October 2016