



Meowing Messenger

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ADOPTION UPDATES

Every year we look forward to hearing Gloria's birthday message and she just turned 19!

I wanted to reach out to let you know Ms. G is still here, and doing pretty well. Her purrs are as loud as ever! She's a bit more frail overall and has some digestive issues (meds are very helpful, though), but for 19, she's really doing remarkably well.



We enjoy every day with her! Things Gloria loves: her food, naps on the blankie with the heating pad, Kevin's lap, not her sister Smokie, and not the word "no." She's the purrfect kitty for us and she knows it. As you'll note from the picture, "La G" has her very own leopard print catbed which complements her strikingly beautiful looks, even as she sleeps.

Our best to all. We just want you to know that G sends a nod and her inimitable, emphatic salutations from Gainesville.

Margie, Kevin, Smokie and the Divine Ms. G

This handsome Russian Blue kitty is Ivan. He was adopted as a kitten in November of 2005. His mom Jessica recently emailed to say he's a happy boy and will be celebrating his 12th birthday this summer.



These former residents of the Cats Angels Adoption Center found forever homes. Email pictures to catsangels@catsangels.com and let us know how your kitty is doing. You may be a "Happy Tail".



For several years we have been telling you the story of TuTu who was surrendered back to Cats Angels as a young adult with a severe UTI, bacterial ear infection and unable to walk without pain. She had double knee surgery and made a long but full recovery. She is now in a loving forever home and this is what her new family has to say: I can't believe that we celebrated TuTu's one year adoption day on May 18. She has become a very happy and contented cat. This adoption has been a win-win. Paula and John



I adopted Spike in August 2016 and promised I would send pictures of him. I am slow, but he isn't! He is the shiny black Manx with a white moon between his back legs. His new family calls him Moonshine. He has gained more weight than I would have ever expected, and he has a cute little Primordial Pouch. His "Manx Syndrome" is not giving him any problems. Thank you for keeping my baby safe till I could come get him and give him a home! Suzie



Lucky Cat Bodie

I'm one lucky cat for two reasons. I was living outdoors and trying to get along with a lot of other cats when Cats Angels took me in. I arrived at the cattery and found there were lots of cats there too. I was a bit scared but the other cats were either friendly or left me alone. So that was lucky.

The second bit of luck was that I got adopted by a nice human who had just lost a cat she loved. She came into the cattery to look for a companion. I did my best to look friendly and eager for a fur-ever home. She took me home and that was the luckiest ever.

I live in a nice house with another Cats Angels cat, a small but fierce tabby named Sugar. I was scared of her at first as she clearly wanted me to know whose house it was. Over time she's mellowed a bit toward me and I've learned to stand up for my rights. We have our own spaces and since she doesn't usually play with toys, they're all mine. My favorite space is on the couch next to my human. She's very good at petting and fussing over me. I do leave when she moves to the chair to watch TV. I prefer to nap on the bed until she's done. I hope all the other cats at Cats Angels are lucky enough to find nice fur-ever homes.

Life Lessons from Lydia

Hello to all my Peeps

I am going to be serious for a moment and talk about something very important.....making plans for your pet in the event of your death. Now I know sometimes we can feel as if we are going to live forever...I know I do. But in reality even if you don't have 9 lives the time will come when we will all slip our earthly bonds. Make sure your family knows what you want them to do in the way of caring for your furkids. In some cases owners even set aside a small amount of money in their wills to be used for the care of their pets. Designate someone who will step in when the time comes. This may be a family member, and old friend, or local animal rescue. Here in northeast Florida we are lucky enough to have a wonderful group, Community Hospice of Northeast Florida. They provide top of the line care for loved ones facing a terminal illness. But they also help making arrangements for the patients who have pets. Who takes the pets you may ask. If there is nobody in the family who can take the pet a small group of volunteers foster the pets till a suitable home can be found. This may take 2 weeks, or 2 months, or maybe more. This group is in desperate need of fosters to help them with their mission of compassion.



We cannot give enough purrs to **Black Knight Financial Services** for their donation. Through the Jeans Day program employees who wish to wear jeans to work make a contribution to a designated charity, and Cats Angels was chosen as one of the charities. Meeooooooow



Many companies have various ways employees can donate to a chosen charity and Jeans Day is a popular one. If you know of a company who participates in these charity events, please mention Cats Angels.

You can contact Chris Whitney cwhitney@communityhospice.com for more info or call 1-904-407-5204

Now just one more thing before nap #13 for the day, and that is teeth. We have a great Cheshire Cat program to help our human volunteers take care of all the kitty's teeth. Myself, I just had to have some dental work done, and we all know dental work does not come cheap.

So my pledge to you is this.....the next time you are thinking of buying an expensive cup of coffee or perhaps ordering desserts after dining out skip it. That is right, skip it. Then take the money you would have spent and send it to Cats Angels or put it in our collection containers you see around town. Two dollars here, four dollars there, it all adds up.

Ciao for now my lovelies, the ZZZZZZZZZZZs are calling Meooooooooooooowwwwww

SPAY AND NEUTER THE RESPONSIBLE SOLUTION



Cat Tips:

Why Does Cat Urine Smell So Terrible?

radation process. As the urine sits in a puddle or stain on the ground, microscopic bacteria are beginning to break it down – and the longer it sits, the smellier it will become! The bacteria consumes the urea and produces ammonia as a byproduct, which is adding an even worse tinge especially if this happens outside the litterbox. The longer the urine spot goes unnoticed, the more ammonia is produced, and the worse it will smell. As the spot is further undetected, it literally rots as more bacteria grows on it and will release mercaptans which are air particles found in skunk spray. Other situations that can cause an abnormally awful smelling urine is if your cat is elderly, eating foods like strong fish, a kidney related illness or urinary tract infection. If you do notice that your cat's urine is much more pungent than it usually is, please check it out with your vet and make sure they are healthy.

Cat urine smells so strong because in general, it is much more concentrated than other creatures' urine. When cats pee, their kidneys squeeze out every last bit of moisture and not a lot of it remains when they actually urinate releasing a high concentration of urea. Not only is their urine extremely concentrated with urea, but when the pee exits their body, it begins the degradation process. As the urine sits in a puddle or stain on the ground, microscopic bacteria are beginning to break it down – and the longer it sits, the smellier it will become! The bacteria consumes the urea and produces ammonia as a byproduct, which is adding an even worse tinge especially if this happens outside the litterbox. The longer the urine spot goes unnoticed, the more ammonia is produced, and the worse it will smell. As the spot is further undetected, it literally rots as more bacteria grows on it and will release mercaptans which are air particles found in skunk spray. Other situations that can cause an abnormally awful smelling urine is if your cat is elderly, eating foods like strong fish, a kidney related illness or urinary tract infection.

2018 Purrfect Cats of Cats Angels Photo Contest

We all share those great pictures of our Cats Angels kitties on our phones and other devices, so why not show them to our photo contest judges.



The winning photo will become the cover for the 2018 Cats Angels calendar and the 4 runner-ups will be featured on the inside pages. The 2017 Purrfect Cats of Cats Angels calendar was a sellout! The contest will be judged by photographers from the Island Art Association and the photos can be submitted through August 30. Contest photos must be of a cat that is from Cats Angels. Rules and entry forms can be picked up at the Cats Angels Thrift Store or downloaded from our website www.catsangels.com

Hurricane season is here are you and your pets ready?

Prepare your pets and yourself for any disaster. You can get information on pet friendly motels at the website www.1clickpethotels.com

By preparing the items on the pet check list, a little planning now will save a lot of time later. **Cats Angels has used portable folding crates available for sale at our Thrift Store.**



Emergency Check ✓ List for Pets:

- Have your pet micro chipped and/or ID Tags with name of pet and owner phone number
- Pet Carriers, Collars/Leashes
- Current Vaccination Records for boarding or shelters
- Dry Food in air-tight container, Can Food and Dishes
- Water, Medications and Cleaning Supplies

Cats Angels, Inc. SPCA MISSION STATEMENT

Cats Angels, Inc. SPCA (Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals) believes that animals, as living creatures, have value beyond economic measurement, and are entitled to legal, moral and ethical consideration and protection.

Cats Angels, Inc. SPCA will act as an advocate on behalf of animals and as an enforcer of their rights;

Cats Angels, Inc. SPCA will provide for the well-being of animals who are abandoned, injured, subjected to unfair or cruel treatment, or otherwise in need;

Cats Angels, Inc. SPCA will continue its work of ending the animal overpopulation crisis by providing a community-wide low-cost sterilization, vaccination, and adoption program;

Cats Angels, Inc. SPCA will cultivate respect and awareness for the right and needs of animals through an educational program

ISLE OF EIGHT FLAGS SHRIMP FESTIVAL PARADE

Cats Angels took the 2nd Place Award Non-Profits category in the 2017 Shrimp Festival Parade with a great float featuring Halo, Cats Angels volunteers and the 'correct' eight flags! Timmy and Lesia Waldrip led our volunteers with decorating and Timmy was especially focused on the authenticity of the flags displayed on our float. After doing his research which included a few history lessons, he found that not everyone on the Isle of Eight Flags are flying the same ones! Congratulations to our talented and creative volunteers.



CATS ANGELS THRIFT STORE

709 S. 8th Street, Fernandina Beach
Open Monday through Friday - 11 AM to 5 PM
Saturday 10 AM - 5 PM

HUGE selection of used books, Furniture, Appliances,
Home Decorations & Pet Boutique

Visit our second location in Trailer Park Collectibles
at 702 Centre Street - Open Daily





SHED LIGHT ON PET OVERPOPULATION

International Homeless Animals Day Walk and Candlelight Vigil

Join us on Saturday August 19 as we commemorate International Homeless Animals Day. Our 2 mile walk begins at 6:30 PM from the gazebo at Central Park on Atlantic Avenue in Fernandina Beach and concludes with a candlelight vigil. Leashed, spayed and neutered animals are welcome.

FOR MORE INFORMATION:
contact@isaronline.org or www.isaronline.org



The Nassau County Animal Expo was held in March and pictures are worth a thousand words.
Thank you Joey Voorhees for capturing the moments.



*Renew your membership with Cats Angels,
become a new member or give a gift
membership to a special person.*

Cats Angels New Member, Renewal or Gift Membership

It's the time to renew your membership in Cats Angels, Inc. SPCA, become a new member of Cats Angels or give a gift membership to an animal loving individual. With a \$25 donation, you will continue to receive our newsletter reporting our activities, achievements and upcoming events. You can take pride in helping and belonging to an organization that has had a positive impact on the lives of thousands of cats and has prevented the births of many more unwanted thousands that would face an uncertain future.

For any membership (personal or gift) of \$300 or more, your name, the name of your friend or pet will be inscribed on a plaque and placed on the Wall of Purr-Affection as part of the beautiful mural at the entrance to our Thrift Store/Adoption Center. Please make checks payable to Cats Angels, Inc. SPCA and mail to P.O. Box 16072 Fernandina Beach, FL 32035 in the enclosed envelope.

**YOUR DONATIONS HELP CATS ANGELS
SAVE LIVES**



YES, I want to help Cats Angels.

Name _____

Address _____

City, State, Zip _____

Donation Amount \$ _____ If \$300 or more, name you would like on your plaque _____

Additional Ways to Help

Your tax deductible donations are urgently needed and always greatly appreciated.

A donation of:

\$10 purchases a rabies shot

\$25 buys a feline leukemia/FIV combo test

\$30 will neuter one boy kitty

\$60 pays for one spay that will prevent thousands of unwanted births

Your generosity combined with the many members of Cats Angels has allowed us to help spay or neuter over 16,000 cats and kittens since June 2001. Through your unwavering commitment to our organization, we can continue to help many felines that otherwise would be left to continue to breed and remain homeless.



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Four Seasons Bistro

Cats Angels Charity Night is back at Four Seasons Bistro on A1A/200 just off Amelia Island. They have great food in a newly expanded relaxed atmosphere. Four Seasons Bistro gives 10% of sales back to selected charities in Nassau County. Cats Angels Nights are the 2nd Thursday of every month - ***be sure to tell your server you are there to support Cats Angels for us to receive credit.***

Visit www.fourseasons'bistro.biz for menu info and reservations can be made through opentable.com

CURRENT RESIDENT OR

Every Sip Helps
Save a Stray



Our Morning Mews Breakfast Blend is a smooth light-bodied coffee freshly roasted and packaged in Florida. Roasts include Breakfast Blend - regular and decaf, Roastmaster's Blend and Frisky Feline French Roast. Purchase a 12oz. bag for \$10 at our Thrift Store. Call (904) 321-2267 or email to catsangels@catsangels.com for shipping details.

Garage Sale leftovers?

We accept clean, working items except clothing, computers or old TV's during business hours at Cats Angels Thrift Store.

Donations always appreciated

Adopt from Cats Angels

Cats Angels Adoption Center/Thrift Store located at 709 S. 8th Street in Fernandina Beach on Amelia Island is open Monday through Friday 11 AM - 5 PM and Saturday 10 AM - 5 PM.

Visit Petfinder.com or our website catsangels.com to see their pictures and read about Cats Angels kitties waiting for their forever homes.

www.catsangels.com



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Halo says, "Aluminum cans
help homeless cats!"

A collection bin is in the parking lot at our Thrift Store
709 South 8th Street,
Fernandina Beach, FL.



EVERY DOLLAR YOU DONATE IS VERY IMPORTANT
Cats Angels receives no government funding.

All of our revenue is raised by private donations, grants and fundraising. The Nassau County Animal Expo and our "Rescue Me" Fall Fundraiser help bring in much needed money to carry on our Spay/Neuter, TNR and Adoption Programs. These monies help us give the best care possible to all the cats, especially our Adoption Center kitties.