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Spring 2013

## SPOTLIGHT VOLUNTEER: JOYCE DEBOARD

**Joyce DeBoard** is a native Okie, a registered dietitian, and a cat enthusiast. She went to college at John Brown University in Northwest Arkansas and did her postgraduate work at OSU.

She lives with her cat family (Tiger, Sammy, Sugar, and StreetCats Cinder, Emily and Toby) in west Tulsa and works at St John's Hospital in Sapulpa, where she has been employed for 15 years. She was at Hillcrest Hospital before that for 18 years.

But don't give her any grief over dietary guidelines when it comes to My Furry Valentine and all the tasty treats we serve, as she has coordinated this for the last for the last six years! She does a superb job organizing sweet desserts and other items along with those volunteers working with her and running the kitchen so the rest of us can bask in our sugar rush.

Joyce has this to say about how she

got involved with StreetCats: "Live Long and Pros-purr" is a revised Star Trek quote that sums up two of my obsessions: cats and Trek. (The third is photography). My dearest friends today I met at Star Trek Conventions 30-plus years ago. Star Trek is also responsible for me being at StreetCats. One of these friends knew **Judy Loyd** (volunteer), who told her of StreetCats, then my friend told me. So now, friends, family, cats and StreetCats are my joy, support, and sanity (*not sure about the sanity part*)."

Joyce fosters cats for StreetCats, microchips our kitties waiting for homes, and keeps our facility well supplied with litter, which is transported from Bentonville and stored by volunteers **Chad and Nancy Cline**. She is also our special cat photographer for our website. She previously served on our board and currently volunteers every Wednesday afternoon, giving lots of love to all the cats still looking for homes.



**Joyce DeBoard is a past StreetCats board member and current volunteer. In addition to fostering and microchipping, she photographs cats for the website.**

## MONTEREAU RESIDENTS GET SPECIAL VISIT FROM A STAR

Star, a black and white tuxedo cat, was adopted from StreetCats in December 2009 by Sally and Pete Leininger.

Star is an affable cat and gets along with everyone, but she has little to do with the dog next door.

The Leiningers recently took Star to the Montereau Health Center for a visit with some residents who were celebrating Red Hat Day. Not to be outdone, Star donned a red hat also!

Star also visits The Abbey, Montereau's Alzheimer's and memory care community.



**StreetCat Star helped Montereau residents celebrate Red Hat Day.**

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## NO FLEAS, PLEASE!

By a StreetCats volunteer

Hopefully all of us remember the warnings about picking up hitchhikers. Did you know that some of the most dangerous hitchhikers are not human? Fleas are in that category! They are external parasites which can not only suck the blood out of our cats but also give them anemia, dermatitis and tapeworms.

Many cat owners believe that fleas are not a threat in their home because their cats are not allowed outdoors. However, inside-only cats are definitely vulnerable to fleas! Those of us who work in animal rescue frequently find ourselves around feral cats or strays who have not been treated for fleas. It is quite easy for us to carry a flea or two (or ten) home with us on our clothes, shoes or tote bags.

Fleas can hop on us at a nearby park or at a pet supply store where dogs (or even cats) are shopping with their owners. Bringing home used cat toys, cat beds or cat towers is another way fleas can enter our homes. And our veterinarian's waiting room can feature cats and dogs who are not flea-treated but more than willing to share their flea friends with our pets.

Fleas have no boundaries! Did you know they can jump 100 times their own height? A tall wooden fence may keep your neighbor's dog out of your yard, but it won't keep out that dog's fleas. After gardening or mowing, you bring those fleas inside with you. Your neighbor's cat who is allowed to run loose can lounge on your porch and share its fleas with your cat who is on the other side of the screen door.

Open windows are invitations for fleas to hop right on inside. Cats who are allowed into secured outdoor areas such as

screened-in patios can easily be exposed to fleas. Other animals such as squirrels can be culprits. Those of us who enjoy "country living" have raccoons and rabbits around, as well as other animals who offer free rides to fleas. Those fleas find their way inside our homes through tiny cracks in the doors, windows, crawl spaces and floorboards.

It is a myth that fleas only hang around when it is warm outside. The official flea season in Oklahoma does run from spring to late fall, but keep in mind that homes stay at a comfortable temperature inside year-round. Fleas can survive in a home throughout the winter if the temperature indoors is warm enough. Cold weather outside doesn't mean that fleas are not present. Fleas aren't like birds that fly south for the winter. This is why it is so important to apply flea control to your cat every month of the year. Don't take a five-month break just because the air conditioner isn't needed anymore!

How do you know if your cat already has fleas? Seeing your cat scratching or biting itself can raise suspicion that fleas have arrived. Look for fleas or dark specks (called flea dirt) on a light-colored cat's fur. On dark-colored cats, use a flea comb to separate the fur (fleas jump when their nap is interrupted). Use tweezers to crush and kill each flea.

Fleas are like snakes: For every one you notice, there are many more you don't see! Flea eggs can live in your carpet and rugs, in upholstered furniture, in your cat's bed, in your bed. If fleas have been detected, wash all bedding at a high temperature. Vacuum the floor as well as the furniture, and throw out the vacuum cleaner bag before you apply flea control.

There are a multitude of flea treatments available today, and they come in many forms (collars, pills, powders, shampoos, sprays, topical ointments). Let your veterinarian help you decide which flea control is safest and most effective for your cat. No fleas, please!

Let's do our best to keep those pesky critters from entering our homes and hitching a ride on our beloved kitties. But we have to go a few steps further by doing flea checks on a regular basis and faithfully giving that flea treatment to our cats year-round, even if they never set one paw outdoors!

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## IN MEMORIAM: CONNIE HUTCHINSON

Connie Hutchinson, StreetCats volunteer, died unexpectedly on Sunday, April 26. She had volunteered with StreetCats since June 2006, and she was a very important part of our organization, volunteering every Tuesday morning.

Connie was a board member and was the recording secretary, taking lots of meeting minutes. She was the liaison with Feline Specialties Veterinary Hospital for intake and medical issues of our StreetCats. She also was the backup for Linda Holland, helping with her duties when she was out of town.

An additional volunteer task that Connie really enjoyed was working with Paper Girl to design invitations for My Furry Valentine and managing logistics for large StreetCats mailings.

Connie adopted three StreetCats while volunteering. Clarence was her first StreetCat, and it is likely that he was at the Rainbow Bridge waiting for her.

Minky and Caleb were her other two. Minky has been re-homed to a StreetCats volunteer, but Caleb needs a new home. His birthday is Nov. 11, 2008, and he is a gorgeous front declawed Snowshoe mix. He is current on his vaccinations until 2014 and has been a very spoiled boy, living with Connie and her husband for the last three years. If you are interested in Caleb, please come meet him at



StreetCats.

Connie's very special husband, Odes, has been very supportive of her volunteering and has helped at many events, as well as doing projects at the Adoption Center to make the cats safer and more comfortable.

Our sympathies are with him and the family at this time.



### FOR CONNIE

*Connie's gone to Rainbow Bridge  
A trip that wasn't planned  
Always the faithful volunteer  
She's giving the kitties a hand*

*She knows how much we miss her  
And just how much we care  
For she was such a friend to all  
With lots of love to spare*

*And though we mourn her passing  
We know we're not alone  
For StreetCats is her legacy  
So that they might have a home*

*With heavy hearts we'll carry on  
For this was Connie's style  
And when our kitties find a home  
We know that she will smile*

*Judy Loyd  
StreetCats Volunteer  
4/28/13*

Connie was one of those people we could always call on when help was needed. As you can see in the beautiful poem written by volunteer Judy Loyd, she is sure that Connie is waiting at the Rainbow Bridge to help all the kitties who are ready to join her in Heaven.

## A WORD FROM OUR PRESIDENT, KATHY BALSIGER

This New Year has certainly started out well as far as adoptions. StreetCats has been consistently placing cats in Forever Homes in numbers to surpass previous records! In April alone, there were twelve adoptions! You will also read later in this newsletter about the success of our primary annual fundraiser, "My Furry Valentine." I am amazed at how many people gather each year at this event. Many have attended for years; but it seems we have new guests each time that are wowed by the festive event and enthusiasm of it all!

April also brought great sadness with the sudden loss of our beloved friend, volunteer and board member, Connie Hutchinson. She will be missed by all of us.

I leave you to your newsletter with lots of fun, news and information, and a thank you. Thank you all for supporting our organization with your time, talent, and financial support. And remember what I always say: Every cat needs a home and every home needs a cat ... or two, or three ...

Kathy Balsiger  
President, StreetCats Inc.

## STREETCATS SPONSORS

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## 2013 MY FURRY VALENTINE DONORS

Our annual fundraiser, My Furry Valentine, was a wonderful, successful event at the Tulsa Historical Society on Sunday, Feb. 10. We had almost 300 volunteers and attendees, along with very delicious foods and fabulous auction items.

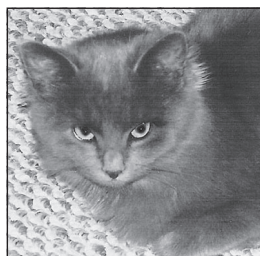
We raised \$13,000 for operating expenses with the help of so many volunteers, donated items or discounted services by those listed below for either food or auction items. When you frequent these generous businesses, please say thanks for supporting StreetCats. We also greatly appreciate all of you who attended and who had winning bids on the items — this really helps us go forward with our programs.

If you have never attended this great event, plan on it for Sunday, Feb. 9, 2014.

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## SPOTLIGHT KITTIES

**Layla**, a long-haired, front declawed female, is approximately 8 years old with a magnificent charcoal gray coat. A very regal lady, she is happy to lounge quietly from a high perch and watch the activities of the adoption center. She is a very gentle and quiet cat, but has shown a distinct interest in playtime when she feels safely removed from the antics of other cats. While rare in the shop, avid playing has been witnessed, and she will likely pursue more playful antics when she begins to feel safe and secure in her new forever home. Because she is very shy, and will need a patient friend and time to adjust to a new home, she will do best in a quiet home as the only cat, or possibly with one other cat. She is very loving and truly enjoys being petted; brushing is also an enjoyable pastime and might be needed daily to keep her exquisite mane free of tangles and mats. Layla is a beautiful girl, inside and out, and will make a wonderful companion!



**Diva** is a snazzy brown tabby/tortie mix, and is approximately 5 years old. She was returned to us because of her owners' lifestyle change, part of which included a dog that scared Diva terribly. She can be fearful, especially of the other cats in the shop, which makes it difficult for her to relax; she also has a touch of the tortoiseshell cat attitude (a.k.a.

"tortitude"). Because of these things, sometimes Diva comes across as an irritable cat. This couldn't be further from the truth! She loves humans, and longs to have a warm lap in which to lounge as she pleases. Often, she will follow the volunteers around the shop, hoping for a bit of quality lap time and a little extra affection. She loves to play, but doesn't often get a good opportunity at the adoption center, as the other cats jump in to play and frighten her. She simply needs a quiet and secure home with no dogs or other cats so she can finally relax, let go of some of her fears, and let her inner Diva shine!

## A STITCH IN TIME HELPS LIMIT FERAL POPULATION

"A Stitch in Time," our spay/neuter voucher program, is still helping sterilize a large number of un-owned cats in the Tulsa area with the help of you, your neighborhood associations, and the vets that perform the surgical procedures. Vouchers are still only \$20.00 and cover a spay or a neuter and a one-year rabies vaccination. That price is hard to beat!

The photo at right is a collage of the cats from a colony in West Tulsa. The two ladies who maintain and feed there took pictures of each cat that was sterilized using a StreetCats voucher. Eight of these cats were females, so just think what it would have been like if they had been allowed to have kittens — the population increases very quickly. Thank you, Mary Kuzmitsky and Kaela Amos, for taking responsibility to stop the growth of this colony before it exceeded these 13 cats.

Tulsans who have purchased and used multiple vouchers through our program are Marshall Coulter, Linda McBride, Mike Bradford, Linda Johnson, and Annick Rose, just to name a few. Currently, we have four remarkable veterinary practices working with us on a full-time basis: Best Friends Veterinary Hospital, Cedarwood Veterinary Clinic, Kindness Animal Hospital, and Riverbrook Animal Hospital. If you know of a vet or clinic that would like to hear about our program and partner with us to reduce the growth of the homeless feline population, please let us know. You can send an email to [cats@streetcatstulsa](mailto:cats@streetcatstulsa).



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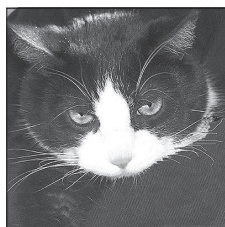
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 Julie Huggard in memory of
- Kathy Brehm  
 Judi Huitt in memory of the Landis' Mika Tika and of Sharyl's father  
 Jess and Sylvia Insall in memory of their dear kitty, Traci  
 Eva Kilbourne in memory of her dear kitty, Mademoiselle, lost recently and others in the past: Dog, Baby, Chuck, Chelsea, Pandora, and Sparkie-Bob-Norton.  
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 Marcia Macleod in memory of Muffin and Molly  
 Jana McBride in memory of her kitty, Sissy Boy  
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- Susan Morris  
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 Samantha Polen in memory of China, a very sweet cat of both Jan Woolverton, and Melanie and Thomas Abczynski  
 Samantha Polen in memory of Donna Swaffar's beloved kitty, Arman  
 Samantha Polen in memory of Kathy Fasano's kitties, Colby Jack and Annabelle  
 Samantha Polen in memory of Kat Fincel's beloved Frisco  
 Samantha Polen in memory of Ann Morrison's much loved dog, Rocko  
 The Polens in memory of Solomon Landis, the kitty that brought two families together as friends  
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 T. Robert Root in memory of Frita  
 Carlton Rowton in memory of
- Janice Rowton  
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 Linda Strummer in memory of Abbot and Hilda Roark  
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 Kelly Tootie in memory of Sherrie Thomas  
 Lisa Ann Wall in memory of Snacks  
 Pam West in memory of Barbara Rand  
 Pamela Williams in memory of all the furry feline blessings in my life – S.K, Cleo, Caesar and Grayson  
 Connie Wong in memory of Susan Morris at Christmas  
 Don and Sandi Woolverton in memory of Roy Chase  
 Gifts in memory of Connie Hutchinson: Carol Benway, Angela VanDyke, Jim and Linda Holland, The Habitat Tuesday Morning Miracle Workers

## HONORARIUMS

- Charlotte Ashworth in honor of Victor Detmer  
 Dee Anne Ayles in honor of Odie and Baxter (formerly Mikimoto)  
 Mike and Jan Bailey in appreciation of their StreetCat, Annie  
 Kathy Balsiger in honor of Mike Phillips birthday  
 Bette Barnes in honor of her StreetCat, Annabelle  
 Linda Brown in honor of Brady Keyes and Samantha Polen  
 Bobbie Brown in appreciation of Tonya Bull and Bobbitt and Schmeigle  
 Patricia Clark in honor of Sacajaweenie  
 Robin Claybourne in honor of Chance and Boomer  
 Barbara Cohen in honor of Ricochet  
 William and Mary Coleman in honor of Martha Williams at Christmas  
 Sarah Cox in appreciation of
- her StreetCat, Sweetie  
 Melvin and Pat Craft in honor of Church  
 Gary and Pat Crocker in honor of Rita Rowe at Christmas  
 Patricia M. Crowe in honor of Kimi's & Dusty's 8th birthday  
 Carolyn Dewberry in honor of Judy Fowlkes' birthday  
 Brian Donovan in honor of Estella Franken at Christmas  
 Christine Doshier in honor of Judy Fowlkes' birthday  
 Teresa Duke in honor of Heidi Duke, George and Leonardo  
 Laura Fleming in honor of Bill Fleming  
 JoAnn Flournoy in honor of Kathy Balsiger's birthday  
 David and Cindy Foster in honor of Marina Williford  
 Jana Gildon in honor of Itty Bitty Kenny, rescued by Kathy Holcomb Hawley  
 Barbara Grimm in honor of
- Judy Fowlkes' birthday  
 John Harper in honor of his sister, Jolie Kalbfleisch, at Christmas  
 Beverly Hill in appreciation of Stan and Delinda Hill's caring for 12 stray cats  
 Berta Holmes in honor of Kathy Balsiger's birthday  
 Robert and Andrea Horn in appreciation of Jandra Smithen and her adoption of Clancy Chester and her volunteer efforts at StreetCats  
 Tom and Sylvia Howard in honor of Richard Lamer and his dogs and cats for Christmas, 2012  
 Carolyn Hudson in honor of all feral cats that strive to survive  
 Jason Hulbert in honor of Judy Loyd's birthday  
 Jason Hulbert and Darrell Loyd in honor of Judy Loyd  
 Ronald Jones in honor of the
- kitties at Christmas  
 Jolie Kalbfleisch in honor of her brother, John Harper, on his birthday  
 Tucker and Cookie Lasater in honor of Piper Foster at Christmas  
 Peter and Sally Leininger in appreciation of their Street-Cat, Star  
 Kay Lorenzen in honor of Janet Persson's birthday  
 Lyle and Patti Madison in honor of Thanksgiving  
 Michelle Matthews in honor of the volunteers at Christmas  
 Jana McBride in appreciation of Kindness Animal Hospital, Dr. Hurst & Staff  
 Kathryn & Carl Melnick, Jr. in honor of Samantha Polen  
 Terri Messmore in honor of Sonya Rios  
 Sandy Morimer in honor of MacGyver and Tony  
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- Dr. Jennifer O'Cain in appreciation of all StreetCat volunteers  
 Connie Payne in appreciation of Boots  
 Dr. Frank and Robyn Porter in honor of Stan Hill's birthday  
 Robyn Porter in honor of Delinda Hill  
 Frances Potter in honor of Shawnee and Tiger  
 Danna Segura in honor of her cat, Kitty  
 Mary Smith in appreciation of her sister-in-law, Patty Hanna, for being the best kitty sitter ever!  
 Kenneth Soole in honor of Tommy's 22nd birthday  
 Hurst and Barbara Swiggart in honor of Snickerdoodle  
 Brad Turner in honor of Judy Loyd  
 Leslie Zieren in appreciation of Lily the cat (Sissy)

## WARM AND FUZZY STORIES FROM NEW HOMES

(Gentle) **Ben** is a handsome black and white gentleman who weighed 22 pounds when he first arrived at StreetCats. He had a tough time finding a forever home, but once he got into foster care with a great volunteer, he got on a diet that really worked for him, and he got down to 17 lbs. Now, thanks to help from his new owner, he has lost 1.5 pounds more. He is the perfect companion who likes to meet his owner at the door when she comes home from work. He also likes to cuddle every evening.



**Gabby**, a very vocal lady, has become the boss over her new household, which includes dogs. She likes to wake her owners up at 4:30 a.m. to remind them it is time for her breakfast. She will sit on their chests to get them up. Gabby also likes to cuddle up with the grandchildren while they nap. Her owners decided not to change her name, since it fits her so well.



**Callie**, a tortie, was very shy while she

was at StreetCats. Now that she has found her forever home, she follows her owner around the house and sleeps in the bed with her. She sometimes decides to be playful in the middle of the night and knocks things over. She also likes relaxing on the computer while her owner is trying to work.

**Maggie and Molly** are sisters who were fortunate to be adopted together. In their new home, they now have a “brother” kitty, a large dog “Mom,” and a feisty “sister” rabbit that keeps them active. They like to bask in the sun coming through the screen door in the mornings. They have adapted well to their new home and their new human and animal family.

## SHOP FOR THE ‘KITTY CAUSE’ AT OUR BOUTIQUE

StreetCats’ Gift Boutique is open the same hours as the Adoption Center and features many items for cat enthusiasts. It also keeps a very nice assortment of cat toys (also referred to as “exercise equipment”) and handmade catnip pillows filled with organic catnip that will make your kitties go wild — or mellow! There is usually a special going on also, like two books for the price of one or super sale items. Proceeds from the gift boutique support the organization directly, helping to cover rent, utilities and supplies. Stop in and shop! You will find that the pricing is below what you will find in other retail outlets on most items — particularly those wonderful Laurel Burch purses and jewelry. By purchasing, you will be helping the “Kitty Cause!” We also do gift certificates if you can’t decide what to get for a friend.

## AFFAIR OF THE HEART OF TULSA SET FOR JULY

Be sure to mark your calendars to come visit our booth at **An Affair of the Heart of Tulsa** from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. July 12 and 13 or from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday, July 14 at the QuikTrip Center. We are still in our same location of Section C, Booths 463 & 464. As always, we will have great merchandise to enhance you, your home and play time for your kitties. Plus we enjoy getting updates on your kitties and showing you the ones we have looking for homes. We will see you then!

## LUCKY KITTIES!

Adoptions and adopters 10/1/12 through 4/30/13

Ambrosia — G.	Frosty — K. Schulte	Miko — D. Sublette
Mansker	Gabby — J. Bills	Molly — C. Harrison
Annabelle — B. & B.	George — S. Yeates	Orchid — B. Henderson
Barnes	Ginger — E. Prater	Patch — T. Forrest
Bar — E. Meyer	Jumbo — N. Cummins	Ranger — D. Askins
Beauty — R. Rettke & D. Schell	Kat — B. Bell	Rue — D. Askins
Ben — L. Layton	Kathy — S. Stacy & K. Ambler	Sammie — K. Schiermeister
Boomer — L. Stone	Katy — A. & R. White	Simba — C. Campbell
Boots — A. Dearmond	Kit — R. Rettke & D. Schell	Simon — D. Kukal
Buffy — P. Clark	Lance — S. Slates	Snookums — B. Isentol
Callie — M. Rumley	Leonardo — S. Yeates	Snowflake — J. Harris
Carley — B. Baumer	Lilly — T. Oliver & B. Allen	Snowie — C. Kelley
Caspurr — F. Giovannelli	Lyla — R. Shanks	Spud — B. Pembleton
Chance — L. Stone	Maggie — C. Harrison	Sunny — L. McDaniel
Chloe — B. Henderson	Major Tom — J. & S. Smith	Timmy — R. Brahm
Christy — L. Wilson	Mandy — S. Gutekunst	Toby — J. DeBoard
Clementine — R. Guthrie	Marley — F. Dalton	Tyson — R. Browning
Deli — S. Fairchild	Max — C. Fleming	U.J. — D. McClellan
Frankie — G. Harris		Vanna — S. Kerbey

## OUR WISH LISTS

### Wish List for StreetCats:

Wal-Mart/Sam’s gift cards — any denomination  
Tall strong kitchen trash bags  
Paper towels  
Detergent pods or liquid laundry detergent  
Dryer sheets  
Clorox liquid bleach  
Clorox Clean-Up  
Windex (we have new

windows!)  
Cat food, canned & dry  
Bottled water (small bottles)  
Liquid PluMr  
Postage stamps  
Printer/copy paper  
932XL black ink cartridges

### Don’t forget the wish list for Meals on Wheels:

Scoopable litter  
Unopened bags of dry cat food  
Canned cat food



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## UNBROKEN RULE

*Precious fuzzy pointed ears  
A darling little nose  
Soft and silken whiskers  
Tiny face just like a rose*

*There's just no doubt about it  
Nothing's soft or quite as sweet  
As a brand new batch of kittens  
They simply can't be beat*

*But then a few months later  
One hardly knows they're there  
It's such a very busy world  
With little time to spare*

*And now they have no place to go  
For they've become "just cats"  
Something else to feed and clean  
The novelty's gone flat*

*So please don't let this happen  
For nowhere is it written  
That every female cat you see  
Must have a litter of kittens.*

Judy Loyd  
5/1/13