

# StreetCats Spring 2022



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# StreetCats Celebrates 25th Anniversary

by Kathy Balsiger

StreetCats started May 1, 1997. Jodi Lorimor, Sara Sparks, and I saw a need for another cat rescue group in Tulsa as we were volunteering for Friends of Felines at the time. Too many kitties were finding their way to the Tulsa City Animal Shelter and were being euthanized because of lack of space. We decided to help people who

had to rehome their cat or find homes for adoptable cats on the street. Our first fundraiser was an Ice Cream Social at Jodi's house and we had a "name the cat" contest for our first StreetCat, who became Licorice, a small black male I found abandoned on airport property. We rented space from a Jenks Veterinarian and showed our cats at the Flea

Market and PetSmart. We came up with the fundraiser name Furry Valentine around the year 2000. The event has been held at Harweldon, among others, but the longest run and most memorable have been at the Historical Society until 2018. We also 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary





Above are some of the cats who've benefitted from StreetCats over the past few years.

rented a space in the Farm Shopping Center where we could house our cats and show them, but we moved into our present location in 2007. There are so many good memories with the many volunteers who have worked at StreetCats. There are three things I'm most proud of: 1) we have always been all

volunteers, 2) run by donations only, and 3) our Stitch In Time Program. There have been thousands of cats for whom we have issued spay/neuter vouchers over the years at low cost. We pay the remainder of the veterinary bill for spaying, neutering and giving rabies vaccines when vouchers are used for homeless cats. Unfortunately, since COVID started we have also not

done An Affair of the Heart, a twice per year event that we always participated in, but everything we would be selling at that event we do sell in our boutique area at StreetCats. We don't have all the numbers, but we found homes for 1,635 cats between 2004 and 2021. This is just an outline of what we've accomplished over the years and the years have just flown by with many happy endings.



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### **Kendra Scott Fundraiser**

StreetCats appreciates the Kendra Scott store in Woodland Hills Mall for sponsoring a fundraiser for us both in-store and on-line on February 12. Their jewelry is very popular and we received a portion of all the sales from 4-6 p.m. when people mentioned StreetCats at the time of their purchase. Kathy Balsiger and Linda Holland enjoyed talking to people when they came into the store and briefly telling people about StreetCats.

Thanks to the Kendra Scott store and to all those who mentioned us when they made their purchases.



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# A Word from our President

StreetCats is celebrating its 25th Anniversary this year, I have written an article highlighting some of the history of StreetCats. I am the only Board member left that was on the original Board in 1997, but 2022 has been a very interesting year so far for StreetCats. All the crazy weather Tulsa has had in February and March has resulted in a lot of shop closings. We also put in a new floor in the cat area which ended up being more complicated than we first thought and resulted in taking longer, thus more days closed. Thank you to our Board members and spouses plus volunteers for making this happen. And, without all your generous donations this couldn't have happened at all. Enjoy our Spring newsletter!!!

Kathy Balsiger, StreetCats President

#### The Betty White Challenge Donations

StreetCats thanks everyone who made donations to us for the Betty White Challenge in January 2022. Some said Happy Birthday to Betty, some were in Betty's memory and some were in honor of Betty. The donations totaled about \$1,900 so we appreciate everyone's thoughtfulness in thinking of us and thinking of Betty.

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#### VOLUNTEER SPOTLIGHT - Vicki Anderson

Are you the person who called me? Are you the person who assigns vouchers? Did I talk to you? These are questions we get in StreetCats so here is her face and info about her to answer these questions. Vicki Anderson is the volunteer who takes and replies to all phone calls on our message line about purchasing vouchers, taking in cats, and more. Vicki has been a volunteer for about 10 years and while taking care of the phone line is a very busy task, she also volunteers in StreetCats weekly on Thursday mornings and one Sunday morning a month, writes newsletter articles, and edits this newsletter. For someone who didn't know she was a cat lover until many years ago when her young daughter convinced her to adopt a cat and she ended up with two, she's come a long way!

After the loss of the original kitties, she found StreetCats for her kitty fix and finally she and her husband, who wanted a lap cat, rescued a senior cat before he passed away. That cat is Anya and she is now 16 years old.

Anya is a very affectionate cat and she spends every evening on Vicki's lap while she crochets animals and watches TV. Vicki also quilts, line dances at the Broken Arrow Senior Center, and is social chairman for her gated community.

Vicki enjoys making sure the StreetCats' cats have a good place to transition from their old home to a new one and helping our

customers. "It's not easy coming into StreetCats for some cats who have never been around other cats, but we try to give them love and protection while we find them a new home." She especially gets joy from working with other like-minded people who have a commitment to the cats' well-being and seeing the cats get adopted to good homes. Additionally, working with



people who purchase StreetCat spay/neuter/vaccination vouchers and the veterinary clinics that help with our program is very important for the very many homeless cats on the streets. In 2021 she issued out about 650 vouchers, but some years it is 1000+.

We are glad to have Vicki as one of our many talented and dedicated volunteers



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# **Warm and Fuzzy Stories**

Tot, whose name has been changed to Mango, is a handsome long-haired red tabby. He is one of four kitties that was born in a garage. Cameron Cooke adopted Mango and she says he is the best cat in the world and everyone who meets him thinks so, too. He is a very smart cat as well; when his family leaves the house he gets in the window as if to tell them



Tot, now Mango

"Goodbye." He is really playful and loves playing with the children in his new family. He also enjoys playing with the neighbor kids when they come over. EVEN if the kids are just playing with dolls, he hangs around with them. When Cameron's Mom and Grandmother visit the house, he jumps on their laps. Mango can be very vocal and he also likes helping Cameron by hanging out on her desk when she's working from home during zoom meetings. Cameron was having problems sleeping at first because Mango liked to get in her face at night after she had gone to bed. It sounds like Mango and his new family are a purr-fect match.

**Spud**, who has been re-named **Levi**, is a gorgeous brown tabby. Levi is one of Mango's brothers. Levi was adopted by Scott and Sonja Haas. Sonja says that Levi



Spud, now Levi

has a lot of energy. He is very easy to play with; he likes strings, catnip, and all sorts of things. Like his brother, Mango, Levi is also very talkative. Levi is also a little on the clumsy side. He can just be lying around on the couch and he gets so relaxed that he falls off. Sonja says that Levi is a lot of fun, but he has a "sister" kitty that can be fickle and doesn't like to play. Maybe Levi can win over his sister kitty with his charm eventually.



Lucy

Lucy is a very pretty brown tabby with white; she was adopted by Michelle Connell. Lucy was rescued in Kansas and brought to Tulsa. Michelle says that Lucy expects to get her wet cat food every morning and will wake up Michelle if Lucy thinks she is sleeping too long. Lucy likes to make a game out of figuring out where Michelle is going to sit and then trying to get in that spot before Michelle can sit down. Lucy loves her toy mice. Michelle hides the mice so that Lucy can find them and bring them back to get a treat. Lucy will purr with satisfaction when she's carrying the mice back to Michelle. Lucy is a very clever girl.



Angel

**Angel** is a beautiful black and white kitty that has unique facial marks. Angel was returned to StreetCats due to her previous owner's health issues. Angel was adopted by Kallene Brewer. Kallene says that they mostly call her Cat, like the cat in the movie Breakfast at Tiffany's. Angel likes to wake her up at 4 am to eat. Kallene says Angel is exactly the cat she wanted. Angel is a little bit of a lazy cat that loves sitting at the window chattering at birds on the patio. The first time Angel chattered at the birds her family was "freaked out." Apparently, she is quite a loud chatterer and Kallene described it like a bark. Angel is a very easy-going cat that is enjoying her new home.



# **Great Summertime Places to Shop**

A really great place to start your shopping is our Boutique and Adoption Center. We are located at 6520 East 60th Street behind Charlie's Chicken and we are open 10:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday. For kitties, we have lots of toys and other items your kitty may need. For humans, we have so much variety of items for sale, that we're not going to begin to list them. We're pretty sure you will find an item or items you'll not be able to resist

for yourself, family or friends. Therefore, we recommend you drop by and check out our wonderful merchandise. All sales go to feeding and taking care of our cats that are waiting for their fur-ever homes.

Remember to also shop at our booth located in Jade on Main in Broken Arrow at 1639 S. Main St. They are open 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday, noon to 5 p.m. Sunday.

When you come into our Boutique to shop be sure to play with and pet our adorable babies. Maybe you will fall in love with one and adopt it into your home.

We gladly accept donations of cat related items. If you have any questions about our merchandise or donations e-mail Linda Duckworth: linda8238@gmail.com.

Looking forward to seeing you!

Linda Duckworth, Merchandise Manager

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#### Adoptions 10/1/2021 THRU 3/31/2022

(Listed by StreetCats name and then new name if known)

Ace – R Berschauer Angel – K Brewer Belle – L Ree Cedric – E Marshall & V Ruiz Curly Fry (Curly) – H Hunt Dani Lynn - J Sparks Delta – E Willibey Ellie – R Trekell Gracie – T Khan Gray – M Johnson Hannah (Mamie) – D Coldwell Katie – E Haskins Kelvin Klein (Kato) – J&J Rogers Little Girl – A Clement Lola – C&A Simer Lucy – M Connell

Percy – S Altom
Princess – M Tran
River (Chester) – T Coleman
Sammie – C&A Simer
Sammy – R Thun
Sassy (Phoebe) – B Bennett
Scooter – H Hicks
Seraphina – W&W Sprung
Spud (Levi) – S Large Haas

Stormy – K Martin Susie – K Burr Threeway – J Sparks Tot (Mango) – C Cooke Zeke – A Soderfelt Zeus – T Fisher Zola (Zoe) – A Soderfelt

### **StreetCats Sponsors**

We value every donation received; however, we are unable to recognize all donors in this newsletter. Everyone has our grateful thanks for your support that keeps our organization going helping wonderful kitties find "purrfect" homes for the rest of their lives. Listed below are those who made monetary or in-kind donations valued at \$100 or more and received between 10/1/2021 and 3/31/2022.

Come in soon to get your purrs of thanks from our kitties for thinking of them.

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#### **Important Tips for Outside Kittens**

- Do not leave food for the mother near where she has the kittens. That draws wildlife and other cats to the site which threaten the lives of the kittens. She has put them safely away from any food sources on purpose.
- If you are fairly certain that the kittens have been abandoned, put a border of flour around the kittens and leave the area (mom may be watching you watch for her) for several hours and then come back and look for prints in the flour.
- Keep in mind that if you take away the kittens without the momma cat, that she will soon be pregnant again and there will just be more kittens. If the kittens are healthy, leave them with their mom and contact StreetCats for a voucher so that you can get the mother spayed quickly before she is pregnant again.
- Remember, for tiny kittens... MOTHER KNOWS BEST! She feeds them and keeps them warm and safe. Their best chance for survival is to stay with mom!
- Know that there are not enough resources in Tulsa to bottle feed and care for all of the kittens that will be born to unowned cats. They stand a better chance with their mothers.

D Yeates

 For older kittens, if they are not friendly, they can be Trapped-Neutered-Vaccinated- and <u>Returned</u> so that their momma can teach them how to survive as community cats.



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#### LOOKING FOR HOMES: Tyga and Mel



Hi. My name is *Tyga* (*Tiger*) and I just celebrated my first birthday! I'm a handsome brown tabby with white and some interesting markings. My siblings and I were rescued by a nice man who found homes for several of us before bringing my brother and me to StreetCats. My brother recently found his new home so now it's my turn! I was pretty shy when I first came to StreetCats but I've recently started exploring here and discovered some really fun toys, some great volunteers who give great pets and even some nice cats. Perhaps you could come visit and play with me.





I'm *Mel*. I'm a 3 ½ year old petite medium haired brown tabby with a little bit of white on my chest and tummy. My person had some health issues and could not take care of me. I was eventually fostered by a nice lady who then brought me to StreetCats. I've not been around other cats (or dogs) so this has been an adjustment for me but I think I'm doing a little better every day. I've found some interesting toys, some with feathers and some with balls that roll in circles! And I do like to be petted and brushed. I might like a quieter home with someone who will be patient while I adjust to another change. If you think that might be with you, please come by and see me.





My name is Beamer and I'm thirteen years old. I live at StreetCats and if you can't have a forever home in someone's house, I tell you, this is the next best thing. There are so many nice people who come here to take care of me and the other cats. We have windows and cat trees, hidey hole houses, soft blankets, and lots of toys. I am like the host cat for the shop so when new cats come in, I personally welcome them as quickly as possible with a friendly sniff and tell them not to be scared.

I have been adopted out before, but I have irritable bowel syndrome, so I have to eat special food and medicine so my tummy doesn't get upset and give me diarrhea. However, I'd rather have a more varied diet so I am always cruising for leftovers from the other cats' dishes. I know I will pay for it later but I can't help myself. The volunteers try to help me by removing the food, but I am very sneaky and persistent in finding it.

I'm a real lover and I let anyone pick me up to cuddle me. I return their love by sucking on their shirt if they let me. They say I was probably weaned too early, but I just think I'm leaving my love on them.

It was a crazy month of February around here. We were closed two different times because of snow and ice. Then they installed new flooring during one week and it took longer because they had to put several coats of something under the linoleum so it would lay smooth. Luckily, we had a lot of adoptions and there weren't many of us during that time, so they gave us a spa holiday at Feline Specialties. I really like the new floors. They are soft and cushy to my paws, which is nice since I'm declawed.

I hope you'll come see me some time. And if you do, I'll introduce you to my friends, both feline and human.

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#### **Memorial Donations**

Donations made in memory of loved ones received between 10/1/2021 and 3/31/2022.

We are very sorry for all these losses and our kitties send purrs of comfort.

Anderson, Theresa & William in memory of Nancy Grace & Lucy Duck, beloved pets

Anonymous in memory of Pretty Boy; in memory of Nibbler

Archer, Angela in memory of Mittens

Arnold, Shari S in memory of Paul Moser, family friend, and a match by State Farm

Atkinson, Pat in memory of sweet Abby Tabby who she had for 21 years

Avery-Rychel, Sharon in memory of her husband Philip

Baker, Edith & Larry in memory of Buford Pusser and in memory of Ann Franklin & Sneaky for John White

Balsiger, Kathy in memory of volunteer Ashley
Castleberry's father and in memory of volunteer
Linda Holland's, brother Chuck Tollefsen

Belcher, Marilyn & Larry in memory of volunteer Linda Holland's brother Chuck Tollefsen

Brown, Linda in memory of Daniela beautiful so loved adopted from StreetCats 2002-2021

Brumbaugh, Cynthia & Larry in memory of Marley

Bull, Tonya and Larry Denson in memory of Dexter for Bobbie Brown

Burleson, Kendall in memory of Truman for her brother Shaun Jones

Churchill, Alma in memory of Abby

Cohen, Rick & Barbara in memory of Truman for Shaun Jones, in memory of Bert for Connie & Joe Newell, and in memory of Chuck Tollefsen for his sister Linda Holland, volunteer

Collins, Dean & Terri in memory of Eileen Moulder for Gray Moulder

Cosa, Jose & Sheree in memory of CB who died in 2014 Craft, Pat & Melvin in memory of Church

Dixon, Vicki G in memory of Joann Teague

Doyle, Dorris in memory of Mr. Bentley

Eubank, Shari in memory of Hagrid for Martha Williams

Fletcher, Randy & Karla in memory of Albert, beloved cat of Mike Ransom & Gaye Brown

Franken, Pat & Estella in memory of Catherine Evans, a cat lover, and in memory of Peggy Bell for the StreetCats spay/neuter/vaccinate voucher program for homeless cats

Greer, Jean in memory of Judy & Lady

Griffith, Jerry in memory of Buddy & BJ

Hall, Marie in memory of Scrap Lady

Hardison, Tracy & Michael in memory of Tom DeVoy

Henson, Aeryn in memory of Richard Morrison

Holland, Linda in memory of Bert for Connie & Joe Newell and in memory of my brother, Chuck Tollefsen

Horwitz, Dan L & Nancy in memory of Tom, an adopted StreetCat

Huitt, Judi in memory of Butter

Jones, Kim in memory of Truman for her brother Shaun

Jones, Shaun in memory of Truman and in memory of Maxwell (1992-2003)

Keller, S. Kay in memory of my pet Richie

Lee, Janice in memory of Shirley Pittman, mother of Melissa Shotten

Luce, Judith A in memory of John R Thomas

Ludiker, Stephen & Vickie in memory of Von Reed for Carol Thomas

Mathews, Michelle in memory of my cat Max

McLean, Marianne & John in memory of Savannah

Melnick, Carl & Kathryn in memory of Teddy, our wonderful kitty boy

Mildren, Bill in memory of Marie Mildren

Newell, Connie & Joe in memory of Bert, our 18 yr. old sweet "Pantherman"

Nolan, Lee in memory of Scooter

Nyquist, Tracy in memory of Salty Eugene who passed away 3/3/22 for John & Emmy Eager

Owen, Kathleen & Kenneth in memory of Siegmund

Pigman, Elaine in memory of Shirley Pittman, mother of Melissa Shotten

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Ramseur, Allan & Alice in memory of our long time friend Pat Haley Dent who inspired us with love of feral and stray animals

Ray, Dianne in memory of Cali

Ritterhouse, Tempa in memory of Terry Wilson & Babykins

Roberts, Barbara L in memory of Groucho

Segura, Danna in memory of my close friend Mark McCombs

Semple, Tori in memory of John R Thomas, my friend

Smith, Carol & Richard in memory of Tazz & Sami, two feral cats we had for only three years

Smith, Tami & Scott in memory of Merlin

Smithen, Jandra in memory of Bert for Connie & Joe Newell

Sparks, Lacresia in memory of friend and neighbor Myrna George

Tapp, Barbie in memory of Winnie, the mulch kitty

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Wilson, Liz & Steve in memory of Dirk, Ruff, & Evan

Yelton, Patty in memory of Tuffy, Fluffy, & Tiny









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#### **Appreciations and Honors**

Donations given in appreciation of or in honor of someone or a pet and received between 10/1/2021 and 3/31/2022

- K Adwon in honor of Feline Specialties who always provided professional, kind, and compassionate care for our cats
- B Brown in honor of Tonya Bull for being a great pet mom
- A Churchill in honor of London, Pam Terhune's kitty
- B Close in honor of Cheryl Lenhart
- S Collins in appreciation of Dale Cat Collins for Christmas
- C Cox in appreciation of K Huber & Belle for Christmas Emigs in honor of Shaun, Merry Christmas
- CA Fleming in appreciation of Max adopted from StreetCats
- M Fowler in honor of StreetCats for a Merry Christmas & a Happy New Year
- Fuhrman Family for Kathy Balsiger, Happy Birthday we love you!
- K Gray in honor of Andrea Spears
- J Hawkins in appreciation of Kim Hawkins for fostering "littles"
- VA & G Hopkins in honor of Andrea Kidwell for her birthday
- K Huber in honor of Carol Cox and her kitty Priscilla
- K Hulsey in honor of Robin & Randy Claybourne and Merry Christmas
- M & P Hunter in honor of Linda Johnson & Allie for Christmas
- MP Hunter in honor of Audrey Alcorn
- MA Jennings in honor of Sonnig who was lost and then found for Cassi
- L Johnson in appreciation of Kathy Balsiger
- F Jost in honor of her family & the love of animals they have rescued
- J&J Kalbfleisch in honor of Mary Larey for Christmas
- S King in appreciation and thanks for the wonderful work StreetCats does

- B Kisner in honor of all my babies past and present
- M Larey in honor of Jolie Kalbfleisch
- S LeHew in appreciation of StreetCats
- G Lorimor in honor of Rummi, Smokey & Bandit
- G Martin in honor of Gray and Little Baby Girl
- L Mayo in honor of Lynda Theilen, Merry Christmas
- L Molencupp in appreciation of CoCo & Bella
- P Moser in appreciation of her new cat Bandi for Patti Moser
- L Moyer in honor of Diva
- D & B Murphy in appreciation of StreetCats, Happy Spring!
- C Nipper in appreciation of StreetCats
- A O'Banion in honor of Merlin & Gracie
- J Persson in honor of Kay Lorenzen's birthday
- T Polson in honor of Chena (kitty) who died in 2018 for Julio Batista
- R Poudrier in honor of Morgan Bell for Christmas
- J Smithen in honor of Felicity & Charity
- A Soderfelt in honor of Zeke & Zoe
- S Stockwell thanks for being helpful
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- P Torrance in appreciation of StreetCats
- J Travis in honor of L Morrison for Christmas
- S Turner in honor of Judy Loyd for Christmas
- M Walters in honor of Dewey
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10 oz. bottles of water for volunteers

Tall strong kitchen size trash bags – Prefer Glad, Hefty, or Sam's Club

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I see you standing near the door a shadow in the night and I know just who you are I hardly need the light

I know you're hungry, I can tell there's food there in the bowl although my heart is telling me you need something for your soul

you see, I know you very well there've been many in the past and each time I gave my solemn word that it would be the last

for I surely need a roof perhaps a plumber too the list is truly endless of things both old and new

but you look so thin and lonely standing at my door I'm sure no one will notice if I take in just one more

Judy Loyd, April 2022



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