

ANGEL CAT PET ADOPTIONS SPRING NEWSLETTER 2013

It's SPRING again! The birds are singing, the flowers are blooming, the days are longer and spring is in the air! It's a wonderful time of year filled with new beginnings and fresh starts.

For some of us in animal rescue, Spring is also a time of apprehension, well knowing how many new litters of kittens will come our way and need our help. If only we could wave a magic wand so all the cats needing spay and neuter were taken care of, so many unwanted litters would not be born outside to feral mom cats, so many would not end up euthanized in shelters. So, instead, Angel Cat helps cats and their guardians on a case by case basis, helping anyone who asks for it to get their cat spayed or neutered.

We will be called on, I am sure, to take in litters of kittens this spring and we hope to be able to do so. Angel Cat has the philosophy that we keep the cats and kittens we take in until they find a furrever home, no matter how long that takes. That means, we have cats in our rescue who were kittens last year, the year before that and even three springs ago. Now they are wonderful adult cats, very social and loving, but past that cute kitten stage and often overlooked for adoption in favor of a darling kitten. We keep these cats up to date with their vaccinations, feed them quality food and love them while waiting for that special family to come along and choose one of them. Since we have about 25 cats at any given time in foster homes, the financial drain on us for the food and litter is enormous. Not allowing for going to the vet, just the food and litter cost is close to about \$800 every month. Add in some routine vet care, of even worse, one gets sick, these expenses add up very quickly.

We strive to keep our adoption donation at a reasonable \$75 per cat and often will adopt a bonded pair for that same donation. All Angel Cats are spayed/neutered, tested for leukemia/aids, have current vaccinations, are wormed, parasite and flea free and now microchipped.

Angel Cat depends on donations from all of you just to keep this effort going and we so appreciate each and every one of you for all you contribute. No amount is too small to matter. Moreover, if anyone of our wonderful family of friends and cat lovers knows of anyone who would love a cat that is not a tiny kitten anymore, but still young and playful, please visit our website, **www.angelcatpetadoptions.org** and take a look at our crew.

We show cats at Petco stores in Westminster and Santa Ana alternating Saturdays, and we encourage you to stop in, say hello and pet the cats. You will see Simon, his mommy Jasmine, Marnie, Sammy and little calico Esther almost always there with us. Many of you may remember Esther, who had her eye removed last summer. She is still searching for that special home – maybe that is you? She is only 9 months old now, funny, smart and very sweet. Sammy is only about 7 months old and the sweetest lap cat you will ever find. They can, along with all our other Angels, be seen on our website and on the back of this letter!





Esther

Sammy

Just after Christmas, during the cold snap, a big brown Siamese tabby mix with blue eyes showed up at one of our foster's yards, trying to get into her house every time she opened the door. When we took 3yr old Bruno to the vet to be neutered, it was discovered that he is FIV positive. We wrestled with what to do, and after much education on the subject, we now know that just being FIV positive isn't as bad as it sounds. Bruno is not symptomatic and we have learned that he needs to be kept as healthy as possible because he can't fight off disease as easily as a cat without FIV. It would be best for Bruno to live with another FIV positive kitty, or even be the only kitty in the home, but he is such a love, so sweet and not aggressive at all, we believe he will be just fine and live a long life.. The only way he could transmit FIV to another cat would be a deep bite wound. Dogs and humans cannot get it from him. Might one of you be interested in Bruno? He gets along well with all the cats in his foster home and is such a big handsome boy!

We wish you all a blessed Easter season with your furrkids and hope it is in your heart to help us take care of our foster Angel Cats. As a 501(c)(3) non-profit charity, all donations are tax deductible. The best gift ever, though, would be if our babies could all be adopted into loving homes so we can help the other cats and kittens out there waiting who desperately need our help. Always the prayer of an animal rescuer! XOXO

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