

Spring Newsletter 2023

Dear Angel Cat Family,

Cat rescue has been very busy for us so far this spring! In spite of all our recent rain and Covid restrictions of the past couple of years, we have been finally able to begin holding adoption events again and have found wonderful homes for ALL of the kittens born at the end of summer! Thank you for all your donations that made their vetting possible! That's 13 little babies that will grow up in warm homes and not on the streets... Their moms are now spayed, and in that trapping process, we got 6 young men neutered too! With those and our other "regular" adoptions, we have rehomed 21 cats and kittens in the past few months.

One of the things we always do for our adoptable cats and kittens is to make sure they have a microchip. I was recently able to see first hand how important this is! I had a call a few weeks ago from a man in Garden Grove who had accidentally hit a cat in his driveway with his car. He asked us to come over and see what to do, so we went over right away. It seemed that kitty didn't have broken bones, but possible internal injuries, so I gathered him up and off we went to the Vet. On Sunday. The first thing the Vet did is scan for a microchip. Thankfully, this kitty's owner had registered the chip with current information and we were able to contact them right away. Kitty had "door-dashed" the evening before, spent the night outside and his parents were frantically looking for him in the neighborhood. I'm so happy they were reunited that very next day and that he was only dazed, no injuries at all. What could have been a terrible experience, turned out very well for this kitty named Banana. If he had not had a microchip, or one with out of date information, he might never have been reunited with his family. And a big shout out to Garden Grove Dog & Cat Hospital for being open on Sundays! As a reminder, please make sure your furry friend's microchip information is up to date. This can be done online and it's the best way to make sure if kitty is scanned, you can be reached.

On another note, I am sad to report that one of the most awesome cat rescue ladies and my rescue partner, Marilyn Wood, made her own trip to the Rainbow Bridge late this past December. She is responsible for the rescue of hundreds of cats and kittens over the years and I just know there was an immense welcoming committee waiting for her at those gates. Marilyn has been a partner to many rescue groups over the years, both she and I started with Second Chance Pet Adoptions some 20 years ago. She helped me start Angel Cats in 2008 and has been our Petfinder liaison, adoption application approver, foster mom to many, bottle feeder to the smallest days old babies and just overall one of the kindest and best humans I've ever known. She is sorely missed by many in the local cat rescue community. We will, of course, carry on in our mission to rescue, rehabilitate and rehome lost and abandoned cats and kittens in our Orange County Community. Just as Marilyn would expect.

Sometimes, I am asked "Why do we keep on rescuing when it is only a drop in the proverbial world bucket"? I know we can't rescue and find homes for all the cats and kittens deserving of them, but I do know that for the ones we are able to help, it surely makes a world of difference for THEM. We will never lose sight of that. There are many small local rescue groups just like Angel Cats here in Orange County and every one of us appreciate all of you who also care enough to donate to our cause. Please know that, as a 501c3 non-profit charity, we do not have any employees, not one of us gets paid, we all volunteer our time and pool our resources with your donations to help cats!

Wishing you all a marvelous Mother's Day and a fabulous Father's Day!

Love and blessings, Robertue