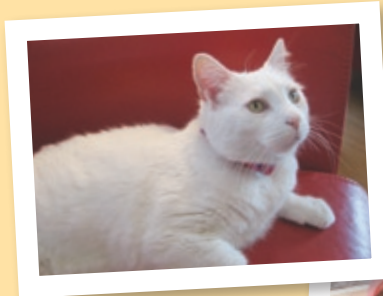


FEATURED CATS

About a year ago, Ladykin and Crackerjack were orphaned when their beloved person passed away. There were no family members willing or able to take them in. Kindly neighbors knew of the situation, stepped in to care for them temporarily, and then asked us for help in fostering and finding them a new forever home.

Ladykin is a beautiful pure white cat, about 11 years old, and Crackerjack is her handsome pure black son, about 10 years old. While in our volunteer's foster home, we learned that both mother and son are outgoing, affectionate, playful, and easygoing. We also learned that Ladykin does not enjoy the company of any cats other than her "baby boy" Crackerjack. We were very fortunate to know a lovely woman named Helena Heartt who had recently lost her feline



LADYKIN (ABOVE) AND CRACKERJACK (RIGHT)



companion, Watson. She was happy to invite Ladykin and Crackerjack into her home.

In January, we were saddened to learn of Helena's passing. Once again there were no family members available to take them, so again Ladykin and Crackerjack were orphaned. A good friend of Helena's took them to her home, hoping Ladykin would be tolerant of her own two cats. Sadly, this hasn't been the case. We are

grateful that Ladykin and Crackerjack have been safe, loved, and cared for, but it's not fair to the resident cats, who have constant anxiety about new cats in their home.

We are looking for a permanent home where Ladykin and Crackerjack will be safe and secure for the rest of their lives. Other than not sharing space with other cats, Ladykin

and Crackerjack have no special needs or medical issues. Their litter box and house manners are excellent.

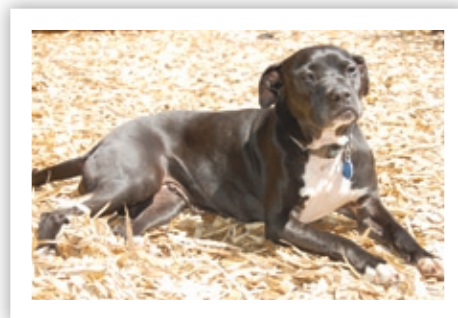
To learn more about Ladykin and Crackerjack, call 503-402-8692 or email arcf@pdx-petadoption.org. You can see a video of them at our website, www.pdx-petadoption.org.

Sweet and Gentle Cora: My Forever Family Found Me!

Our regular readers will remember Cora's story from our last issue, but here's a quick review:

Cora is a petite pitty girl who was rescued from a hoarder. She spent the first eight years of her life confined to a filthy crate and she had many physical scars, including filed teeth, which indicated she had been used for fighting. Cora came to Family Dogs New Life Shelter in Portland, where she was placed in a foster home experienced with dogs that have suffered trauma and aren't well socialized.

Cora quickly learned to enjoy the fabulous things that life has to offer: kind people, good food, fresh air, exercise, and many, many wonderful smells. It took almost six months of patient foster care and training, but one day Shannon and Mark read about Cora and wanted to meet her. They had experience with "confused pooches" and an easygoing Catahoula named Marlow. It seemed like Cora's new family had found her at last! Shannon tells us:



Cora's new dad and I want to thank all the people who played a part in bringing her to where she is today: those who rescued her and the other dogs from

that hellhole, the doctors and staff who gave her the medical attention she needed, the shelter workers who fed and cared for her, all the well wishers who have followed her progress, and especially her amazing foster parents who opened their hearts and home to show her what a loving family is. We're so happy to have this little girl—who is quite a character!—in our family. She will get all the love and affection she deserves.

— Shannon and Mark Ward

P.S. We still call her Cora Bean!

From the President's Desk

Summer has finally come to Portland—the second week in September! There isn't much we like about these very hot days, except that even fertile cats won't have the energy to chase each other around, so kitten production should slow down about two months from now. Shelters and rescues everywhere are still overflowing with unwanted kittens and cats, and summer is the slowest season for adoptions. Families are busy with summer vacations and travel, just when we want them to think about adopting new pets.

Each spring, we name our first rescued litter of kittens with A names. This year they were called Adam, Ariel, Anthony, Andrew, and Angela. The second litter gets B names, and so on through the summer. Just yesterday we rescued two kittens that had been left in a shopping cart in the parking lot of the Wilsonville Fred Meyer store. They are the S kittens, as yet unnamed. That gives a general idea of how much kitten food, litter, medicine, and veterinary care is required to run this operation. As usual, we had several litters with ringworm (skin fungus), some with respiratory infections, and many with various forms of kitty digestive upsets, which can be frustrating, time consuming, and expensive to diagnose and treat. Sadly, this year we lost one litter to panleukopenia (distemper), and one precious little kitten to Feline Infectious Peritonitis (FIP).

We've been very lucky to find some wonderful temporary kitten foster homes this season. To Anne, Lori, Gerry, Ruth, Janice, Val, Monica, Melissa, Joyce, Nancy, Vanessa, Leah, and Alden: thank you for sharing your homes and for the many hours you have spent caring for our little ones. Feeding, cleaning, medicating, cleaning some more, medicating again, driving back and forth to vet appointments, and then cleaning up again—it takes time and dedication. We couldn't do it without you.

In addition to the kitten rescues, we received over 150 calls and emails in the last three months asking for help, advice, financial assistance, or all of the above. Occasionally we get a call like the one from Lorraine "Pete" Redifer, who wanted to donate the remaining inventory of her dog coat business after her retirement. We'll use these beautiful handmade jackets to raise funds for our work. Baxter, seen here in his OSU jacket, was our first customer!

One of the calls for help came from a small business owner who had been feeding a stray cat at her back door in a very high-traffic location. Necco the cat had kittens, and the plan was to trap and neuter the little family and find new homes for them. Then Necco

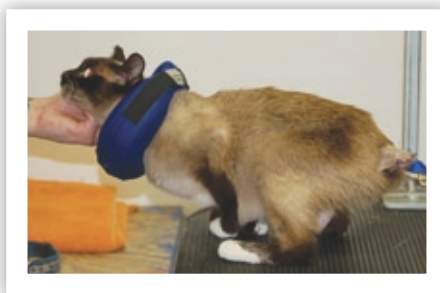
showed up one morning with a badly injured tail. She needed help right away, including a vet visit and surgery. We provided traps, captured Necco, and took her to our friends at Tigard Animal Hospital. She was spayed and her broken tail was amputated. In the meantime, her kittens had been captured and were waiting for her return. Necco is recovering well, and she and her kittens will soon be placed in new homes.



THE B KITTENS



BAXTER



NECCO

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We also received a call from a senior citizen who asked us for help grooming her two very longhaired cats. The cats were getting hard to handle for daily brushing and had become badly matted. Mrs. Patterson had budgeted a small amount for this project, but didn't have enough to cover the vaccines required for a grooming visit to a vet clinic. She also had a third shorthaired cat in her household, so we arranged for all three cats to have exams, vaccines, and parasite treatments updated and the two longhairs got "lion cuts" to keep them cool and comfortable all summer.

Our arrangement for providing care to the pets of Portland's homeless population has undergone some changes. We will be working with PAW Team, an organization whose mission is to provide veterinary care to the pets of people who are homeless or in extreme poverty. We're still working out the details, but the plan is for PAW Team to provide the basic services, like exams, vaccines, spay/neuter, etc., and our resources will be used only for those pets requiring services that can't be provided at the PAW Team clinics.

We've found a few other ways to stretch our funds, including purchasing microchips and viral testing kits directly from the distributor. Every dollar saved goes toward helping the next homeless or hurt animal who finds its way to us.

This has definitely been a slow quarter for adoptions, but we did place 26 cats and kittens in new homes. We also had a few of our adopted cats returned to us, and that's always difficult since our foster homes for adult cats are always too full already. If you're thinking of adopting or fostering a cat, now would be a great time! Visit our website to see the cats we have available, or give us a call—we'll tell you all about them.

On behalf of all the kittens (A through S and beyond!), and the other lost, injured, and abandoned pets in our care, please accept our gratitude for your continuing support.

— Carma Crimins
PRESIDENT

Since ARCF does not currently have a dog foster program, we are working with other local dog rescue groups who share our goals and philosophies of animal welfare and rescue.

MY WAY HOME DOG RESCUE

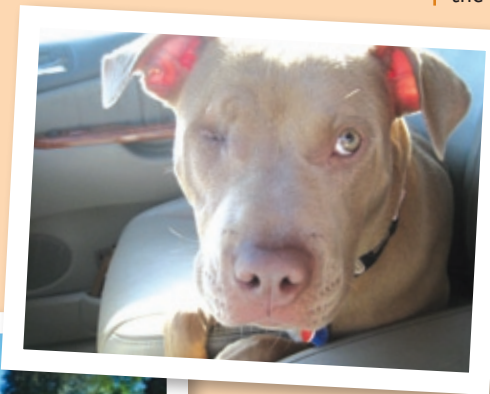
Last month we told you about Cora and the wonderful family who provided the foster care needed to help her transition to a normal life in her new home. Cheryl Yoshioka is the mom of that foster family and, along with a few other dedicated rescuers, she's founded a new group in the Portland area called My Way Home Dog Rescue. Their mission is to rescue dogs from overcrowded shelters, foster them in the homes of volunteers, and provide careful screening to assure that the dogs are placed in the most suitable forever homes.

Cheryl and the other volunteers are in the process of incorporating the group and have applied for registered charitable organization status. The founding members of this group have many years of experience rescuing, fostering, nurturing, transporting, and placing dogs of all kinds, including some with serious issues resulting from unknown events in their history.

My Way Home had their first official adoption in August: a 7-year-old Miniature Pinscher named Napster, who was rescued from a high-kill shelter.

Another of their rescued dogs has a special story we'd like to share with you.

Kelly Martin was walking her dog Bella in her North Portland neighborhood when another pit bull came running up to them. Kelly saw that Janey had injuries to her paws and her eye, and although Kelly encouraged her to go back to her home, Janey insisted on staying near Kelly and Bella, and followed them home.



JANEY

Kelly knew that Janey needed medical attention right away, and a safe place to stay while a search was made for her family. She was turned away from the private shelters, but

when Kelly took her to Multnomah County Animal Services, the staff there immediately gave Janey the care she needed, which included removal of her damaged right eye, spay surgery, vaccinations, and treatment of her wounds. They also conducted a temperament assessment so that Janey could be moved to a foster home as quickly as possible. Shelter workers made contact with My Way Home,

and Janey was soon recovering from her trauma in an experienced foster home.

Kelly contacted neighbors trying to track down Janey's family, and was told that she had been seen running loose through the neighborhood for several days. One neighbor described a group of kids who had been tormenting Janey by throwing bottles at her feet and poking her with a stick, which may have caused the eye injury.

None of this seemed to bother Janey much at all; she has a sunny disposition and is teaching herself how to navigate the world with impaired depth perception. She softly touches objects to determine their distance from her. Janey is a good listener, easy to train, eager to please, and would make an excellent therapy dog.

Janey is between one and two years old, weighs 56 lb., and is spayed, vaccinated, and microchipped. If you are interested in meeting this beautiful, smart, funny, resilient girl, contact

Cheryl at cayoshioka@aol.com or 503-974-4944.

My Way Home Dog Rescue is looking for more foster homes that can provide a safe and nurturing environment. Rescued dogs need time to adjust to family life and learn the good habits necessary to help them fit into a new home. In addition, foster homes are invaluable in providing insight into each dog's personality traits, which is essential in making a good match between the dog and potential adopters.

RESOURCES:

My Way Home Dog Rescue:
www.mywayhomedogrescue.org/

Multnomah County Animal Services:
www.co.multnomah.or.us/dbcs/pets/



BUSTER AND FIONA

Fiona

Fiona came to us with her two brothers, Felix and Filbert. They were taken to the Multnomah County Animal Shelter by the manager of a mobile home park where they had been born to a feral momcat. The kittens were not completely feral but not social enough to be happy at the shelter. To make things worse, they came down with URI (upper respiratory infection), which is always a problem when there are multiple cats living closely together. The shelter asked for our help in placing this little family. Once in our foster home, they began to feel more secure, recovered from their colds, and started having a pretty good time with their fellow foster kittens.

Anna and Joel were looking for a little friend for their two-year-old tuxedo cat, Buster. They came to meet Fiona and it was love at first sight. The only question was how Buster and Fiona would take to each other. Anna gave us this update:

Just want you to know we are sooo in love with Fiona! She has adapted well to our home and is in serious love with Buster. Thank you so much for being such a wonderful care giver to these animals and making it such an easy process for us to find a perfect addition to our family.

Warm Regards,

— Anna and Joel



FIONA

Did you know that ARCF can accept donations of unwanted vehicles? If you're tired of looking at the clunker in your driveway, give us a call and we'll help you make it disappear. We'll arrange for Speed's Towing to pick up your vehicle and sell it at auction. They'll send us the net proceeds and we'll send you a receipt. 503-402-8692 or arcf@pdx-petadoption.org.

Moe

Not long after Marie Livingston's family moved into a new home in SW Portland, she looked out to see a very old and tired looking cat making his way up her driveway. He was making "meow" motions with his mouth, but nothing was coming out. She offered water and food to the stranger, and he ate and ate and ate. Marie knew of a cat-friendly home in the neighborhood so she knocked on the door and asked for help finding the cat's owner. As it happened, the resident of that home was Kathie Nelson, director of the Oregon Spay/Neuter Fund (OSNF), who knows her way around the cat rescue world. That was Moe's first lucky break.

The process was started to reunite Moe with his family, and in the meantime Kathie arranged for Moe to be examined at Tigard Animal Hospital. It was soon determined that Moe had been neutered, was in desperate need of dental work, and possessed a curious and charming personality. OSNF offered to pay the costs of Moe's immediate care, including a senior blood panel. The results showed Moe to be hyperthyroid, but otherwise his organs were in good condition and would tolerate the anesthesia required for his dental work. Moe's second lucky break!

As word got around the rescue network, Carrie Fagerstrom stepped up, eager to foster Moe while the search continued, and to adopt him if his family was not found. But the dental work was going to be a budget buster for Carrie. At this point, ARCF stepped forward to offer our financial support so Moe could get his painful teeth removed and move on to his new life. Moe's third lucky break was definitely the charm.

A month later, we haven't heard from anyone looking for Moe, and he's made himself part of the family at Carrie's house, so that is where he will stay. She reports:

I am so lucky. This is one great cat! I think he's looking a little better, too, so hopefully with regular medication and plenty of good food, he'll be around for quite some time. What's really amazing is how he just sort of walked in and 'owned' the place...in a very benevolent way. There has not been a single hiss between him and my other cats and I think that's just amazing! I knew he was a special guy just from looking at his picture, and I'm so glad I threw caution to the wind and trusted my heart with him.

— Carrie Fagerstrom



MARIE LIVINGSTON AND MOE

SUCCESS STORIES

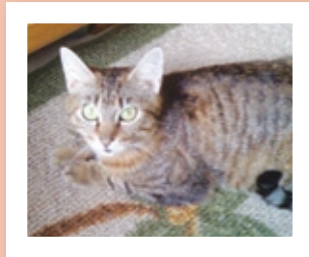
Cricket (formerly Geraldine)

Cricket and her little family were the source of our first kitten rescue call of the year, and ended up being the most challenging.

Back in March, we received a call from a business owner who had found a litter of newborn kittens under the shipping dock of his facility. The kittens were just a day old, and were placed with a volunteer who specializes in bottle feeding newborns. Mike, the business owner, borrowed a trap and that night captured the momcat who had been nearby and returned to feed her babies. We were so relieved to reunite them and let the momcat get back to her job of feeding and caring for her babies.

On her first vet exam, we were disheartened to find that Cricket tested positive for Feline Leukemia Virus (FeLV). But it was a weak positive result, and in such cases it's possible for the cat to fight off the virus and revert to negative status. Our volunteer took home Cricket and her babies and kept them separate from the rest of her household, and we planned to test Cricket again in 60 days.

Then a further sad development: at about six weeks, the kittens suddenly became sick and we found they were infected with the panleukopenia virus (also called distemper). It was clear that the kittens were too young to survive such a lethal virus and our vets recommended humane euthanasia. It was devastating for all



concerned, especially for Cricket, who had been such a good mom, and for our foster volunteer.

Cricket was patient during her isolation while we waited for the 60 days to pass before her retest. In the meantime, we had met Megan, who had a cat named Rumpole and had recently lost a cat named Bart. Megan and Rumpole were looking for a new family member. Megan knew Cricket's sad story and her uncertain status, but she came to meet her and fell in love instantly. We all counted down the days until Cricket's test—and you can imagine the great joy all around when we got the results: negative! Just to be sure, our vet recommended another type of test for confirmation and that one also came back negative. At last, Cricket would have a normal life with a loving mom and no more solitary confinement. Megan gave us this update:

I am so happy to report that Cricket is doing wonderfully! She and Rumpole are getting along, and there hasn't been much growling or hissing. She still skitters under my bed sometimes, but doesn't stay there long. She is a sweet, wonderful little addition to my house, I'm so lucky to have her. Thank you for bringing her into our lives!

— Megan Challinor & Rumpole

Smokey Joe

Smokey showed up on the front porch of an ARCF foster home, very hungry and very scared. He didn't want anyone to approach him, but kept coming back for food. Our volunteers trapped him and took him to the Feral Cat Coalition of Oregon to be neutered, then returned him to their porch. He continued to show up every day for meals, and after a couple months, Smokey Joe decided it would be alright for someone to touch him.

From that moment on, Smokey never looked back. He became our "gentle giant" and everyone's best friend. We began to look for a permanent home for him, and were very happy to hear from Tara and Tim, who were missing feline company in their household since the loss of their cat, Paws. We recently heard from Tara:



**SMOKEY JOE AND HIS NEW DAD,
TIM JOERRES**

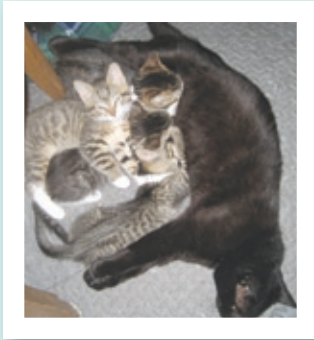
Thank you for giving me the opportunity to adopt Smokey Joe. He has brought us so much happiness. He is my beautiful boy and little (big) savior—not just for me, but for my brother. Scotty is diabetic and recently spent the night at our house. The next morning, Smokey Joe was acting strange, crying and jumping on my head to wake me up. I got up and he led me straight to my brother's bedroom door. I found my brother Scotty sitting on the floor, in a daze from low blood sugar. Smokey went to Scotty and rubbed all over him, looking at me as if to say, "Do something!" I quickly gave Scotty some orange juice and he was soon back to normal and so was Smokey Joe. That's why I call him my little (big) savior.

Thank you again for letting us adopt Smokey Joe.

— Tara Freeland

Lorenzo

Lorenzo was taken to Multnomah County Animal Services as an unwanted stray. He was charming and engaging, and he adored being petted and stroked. Problem is, he loved it a bit too much; when the petting came to an end before he was ready, Lorenzo was a little too aggressive about asking for more. Our friends at the shelter asked if we could take Lorenzo and work on refining his manners. Our foster home included a litter of tabby kittens who got so excited to see Lorenzo that we decided to introduce them to each other. They jumped all over him and although he seemed a bit bewildered, Lorenzo was a good sport and became a wonderful babysitter.

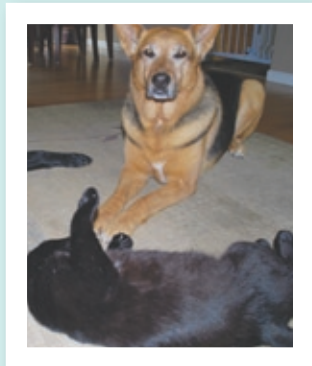


UNCLE LORENZO'S KITTEN DAYCARE

He "nursed" and cleaned them, played with them, and smacked them down when they misbehaved.

The kittens were soon adopted. Then one day we heard from Rema and Eric Gossman, who were looking for a confident cat who could live happily with their three rescued dogs. They came to meet Lorenzo, and it was an instant mutual attraction.

The only question was how Lorenzo would feel about



LORENZO BEGINS TRAINING JOSIE, ONE OF HIS THREE DOGS

leaving his kittens and moving in with three dogs. Rema sent us this report:

Just a little Lorenzo update: He's lying across my lap and partially on my keyboard as I type. His motor is going. But one false move and he'll be attacking a part of me that he doesn't want moving! That's just how he rolls—and we adjust.

As for the dogs, he likes them. He definitely let them know who's calling the shots around here. This morning he boxed our rat terrier in the face repeatedly. She did not provoke him. She stood motionless, as though she were stunned. I guess he just didn't like the look on her face! She's scared of Lorenzo at times, but still willing to share my lap with him.

Thanks so much for opening up your rescue to Lorenzo. He's a gem, and he's giving us lots of laughs.

— The Gossmans

Thomas and Kathrine Grinnell sent us a generous donation in memory of Robert, their handsome tuxedo gentleman adopted from ARCF in 1996. The Grinnells included this note:

Some people say they don't have a pet because it is too heart-breaking when they die. But those people miss the smiles and laughter brought by being with loving animals. Dear Robert, you loved to drink out of the tub. The water trickled onto your face and you had a look of bliss while standing under the water stream. That same look appeared as you were kneading the mohair blanket. Your choice of bedding was Tom's discarded clothing worn that day. Four paws in the air, total contentment. Thank you, ARCF, for giving us 16 years with Robert, our feline.



ANNA

Yvonne LeGrice was devoted to her cat Anna for almost 13 years. Anna suffered from many maladies but never lost her sweet disposition. She slept beside Yvonne every night, and sat on her desk as she worked every day.

Joe Macca was lucky enough to be chosen by Tooth Alex Michelangelo, an extraordinary orange and white cat who appeared on his doorstep in 1997. Tooth was taken by a sudden illness and will be deeply missed by Joe and by his feline siblings, Edith Nicole Aurora and Sebastian-Jobriath D'Allesando.



TOOTH

Deanna and Chad Petterson lost Sweetie, their beloved cat and head of household. Sweetie was honored by a donation from her friends Jocelyn and Bill Cox.



ROMEO

Melissa Freels is missing her Romeo, a gorgeous cat with a big personality who loved everyone he met and had an opinion on every subject. He was rescued as a stray, and shared her life for 12 years.

Jackie Fischer lost her tabby cat Lucy, at the venerable feline age of 21 years. Jackie adopted her at age 12 and they had nine wonderful years together. Lucy was in charge of the home and always let Jackie know when something was out of order.



LUCY

IN MEMORIAM

We received a message from Edgar Tomlin, who was visiting in SE Portland and noticed a stray orange cat that seemed to be suffering. Working with our friends at Multnomah County Animal Shelter, we were able to trap the cat that night and take him to the shelter. We named him Theodore. Sadly, he turned out to be very ill and impossible to medicate because he couldn't be handled and was too sick to eat on his own. All his rescuers agreed that the kindest option for Theodore was humane euthanasia. We honor his life as a street cat and wish for his next life to include a soft bed, delectable food, and an adoring family.

In June we rescued a very sick and starving four-week-old kitten. She was so weak she could barely hold up her head, and her little body didn't even register a temperature at her first vet exam. But she found the strength to eat, and with some loving care, she made an amazing recovery. About a month later, Calliope was adopted by Tom and Gail Gregson, along with Carson, a kitten from another rescued litter who had bonded with her. About a week later, we were heartbroken to find out that Calliope had been diagnosed with Feline Infectious Peritonitis (FIP). This is a horrible disease which has no treatment, no cure, and is always deadly. It is usually passed from mother to kitten. Calliope was euthanized to prevent her further suffering. In her short life, she made many friends, feline and human, captivating one and all. We hope her next life will be a long and happy one.



CALLIOPE

We were very sorry to learn of the death of Marion Blum, one of the founders of ARCF when it was established in 1975. She was born in Kansas City in 1914, and came to Oregon as a young adult. Marion retired from Far West Federal Savings after 30 years, where she was the first woman to be named Vice President. Although she had not recently been active with ARCF, she has always been dedicated to our mission, and her support will be deeply missed. Marion Blum died July 30, 2011 at the age of 97.

We also note the passing of Mary Lou Pollock, who adopted cats from ARCF in 2002 and had supported us ever since. Mary Lou was born in Pennsylvania and trained as a nurse before she moved to Portland. She worked for many years at Good Samaritan Hospital and volunteered at the Hollywood Senior Center after her retirement.

More sad news came to us from Lisa Kienle, who told us of the sudden death of her husband Ken Morton. Lisa and Ken have always loved and cared for stray and homeless animals, including the cats they adopted from ARCF. We could not have wished for a better home for any rescued animal.

And our longtime volunteer treasurer, foster home, and board member Chrisi Badrick recently lost her father, Randy Mills. He was a compassionate friend to all animals, a trait that Chrisi definitely inherited. We are grateful to have her in our group, and share the sadness of her loss.

All of us at ARCF offer condolences to families and friends on the loss of your loved ones, and wish you to know that the donations made in their memories will help us carry on the work that was so important to them.

ANIMAL PLACEMENTS

June-July-August 2011: We placed 26 cats in loving, responsible homes. Major expenses were:

Veterinary Fees: \$26,334.60*
Advertising/Outreach: \$0
Food, Special Meds: \$1,481.09**
Newsletter: \$1,389.00

* These expenses include veterinary care for the pets of Portland's homeless. We also had expenses for injured and sick pets and emergency vet visits.

** Most volunteers pay for food and litter for the animals they care for as their contribution to the cause.

AnimalTalk

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THINGS WE LIKE

Handmade Cat Toys and Beds from The Cat Farm

You crafty people are probably always busy making wonderful things for your pets, but here at ARCF World HQ, we have no crafty skills whatsoever. So our favorite place to shop for adorable handmade cat goodies is Etsy, an online marketplace where anyone who makes things by hand can offer their goods to the rest of us.

We spotted these charming fleecy cat toys offered by an Etsy seller named The Cat Farm. In addition to these fabulous little party hats, we found fleecy mice, feather fliers, catnip balls, and some very cushy cat beds. We especially like this one, which includes a zippered, washable cover of pre-shrunk cotton fabrics with coordinated piping, over a polyfill-stuffed, muslin covered cushion. The perfect divan for your feline diva--and you don't need to



hide it in the closet when company comes. Toys from about \$6, beds \$45 and up. Go to www.etsy.com and search for seller TheCatFarm.



STAM Dog Treats

Here's a product made locally, from high quality ingredients, using no grains, gluten, dairy, eggs, soy, yeast, whey, or artificial preservatives. Highly digestible chickpea flour is used instead of grains. Available flavors include: sardine & carrot (dog yummy!), peanut butter & blueberry (double dog yummy!), 'salad' & chia seed (for grass eaters), charcoal & cranberry (helps prevent carsickness), and pumpkin & cloves (natural laxative and de-wormer).

Each bag has a different dog photo on its label, chosen from photos submitted by customers at their website. And if you order a gift box, you can include a photo of the lucky recipient to be used on the labels for his or her own treats, how much fun is that? To make it an even sweeter deal, this company donates 10% of profits to no-kill animal sanctuaries. STAM is named for Stella and Sam, the dogs who inspired their owners to start the company. From about \$6 for treats, from \$20 for gift boxes. Available at www.stamtreats.com and local retailers.



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