



ANGEL CAT PET ADOPTIONS SPRING 2014 NEWSLETTER

Dear Angel Cat Parents and Friends,

It's the spring of a New Year and all of our rescue cats waiting for furrever homes are full of the hope and anticipation that Spring brings! Angel Cats had a flurry of adoptions last fall which is great because we had an influx of fall kittens we hadn't planned on! Some of them never even made it to our Petfinder.com page, they graced us with their kitten cuteness for only a month or so. Brothers Donny and Casey were adopted together, Ruth, Trooper and Rusty all found new families from adoption events at our Petco store in Westminster and that's just to name a few! Adopting a cat or kitten to its new family is the absolute best feeling in the world! Akin only to rescuing and saving the life of a cat or kitten that is scared, hungry and all alone in the world.

We have a couple of new foster cats, sadly they came to us because their moms/dads went to be in heaven and they were left behind. They are senior kitties themselves and are having trouble adjusting to life in foster homes with new kitty friends. They also have some small medical issues so we're not sure if they can find new homes, but we are happy to have them with us for the rest of their lives if they don't. We know everyone this letter reaches will be reminded to make a plan for those unexpected events that cause kitty to be homeless. On the other side of that coin, some very, very happy Angel pets were waiting at that Rainbow Bridge for these pet parents on that journey home and we know there was a very happy reunion between them.

Angel Cats would like you all to know that aside from our motto to SPAY AND NEUTER THE WORLD, we also support TNR. Trap, Neuter and Return is becoming more and more recognized as the humane way to control the feral or community cat population and we support two colonies now. The cats are spayed and neutered, have medical care when necessary, are fed and happy. They even have covered shelter to stay warm, they just won't let us pet them. The colony is not growing by litters and bounds and studies prove that the colony will eventually grow old and die off through normal attrition. When cats are rounded up and euthanized, new cats just come to take their place. That old regime does not work and is certainly not humane. Many city/county shelters are starting to implement and support TNR and that is a step in the right direction in our opinion.

If you are looking for a way to help our shelter, we have some suggestions on our website, www.angelcatpetadoptions.org. We are always in need of old towels, Costco cat food, litter, or you might consider sponsoring a foster cat. We appreciate any donation of any amount and because we are an all volunteer rescue/shelter, all money we receive goes only to the cats for food, litter, vet care, TNR spay/neutering, etc. All donations are always tax deductible. We are fortunate to have so many wonderful cat lovers who support our work, we surely could not do this without all of you. Just to get an idea, just food, litter and basic vet shots for the 30 or so foster cats we have in our care at any given time is about \$650.00 a month, though of course that can fluctuate. We work very hard to raise money too and we will be having a yard sale in June so if any of you have things to donate, please contact me at 714-369-4795 and I would be happy to pick up any items I can fit in

my car! In the past year or so, The Petco Foundation has stopped giving out general or spay/neuter grants and is only allowing rescue groups to apply for disaster grants. Sometimes I feel like slow adoption rates or sick cats needing help is certainly a disaster, and we are waiting for Petco Foundation to come up with some better grant opportunities. We sure miss the few thousand dollars a year we used to get in grant support.

We at Angel Cat Pet Adoptions wish you all a blessed Mother's and Father's Day for 2014 and hope that you and your fur babies stay healthy and happy this summer!

Sincerely and with Love for the Cats,

Robin Hill