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Autumn Open House Fundraiser is November 1st

-The Raffle Prize is a Diamond Bracelet!-

Our fall fundraiser is fast approaching and we are seeking donations for our silent auction. The twice-yearly auctions are our biggest fundraisers and are always immensely popular. We know you will not let us down. Please ask your family, friends, boss or co-workers for donations. It might be anything from gift cards/certificates to wine or event tickets. Do you make something you would like to donate? If someone will pay money to have it, we can auction it! You can call Tammy at (559) 999-8238 if you have a donation or a question regarding donation suitability. You may also email her at tammy@cathouseontheKings.com.

The raffle prize for this Open House is a diamond tennis bracelet with a combined weight of 3.10 carats and an appraised value of \$3,876!! Raffle tickets are only \$1 and for every 20 tickets you purchase, you get one ticket free. To enter the raffle; send a check or money order payable in U.S. funds to The Cat House on the Kings, 7120 S. Kings River Rd, Parlier, CA 93648. Please mark "Raffle" in the memo line and include your phone number in case you win.

If you wish to use a credit card you may call the Cat House office Monday through Friday at (559) 638-0030 (\$20 min) We apologize for the inconvenience but we are not permitted to accept raffle ticket payments online. You do not need to be present to win; we will ship the prize anywhere in the world! If you have any questions email info@cathouseontheKings.com



Get Your Cat House Calendars!



The Cat House on the Kings is excited to announce that our very own 2015 calendars will soon be ready and waiting for you to purchase. We have had many requests for a Cat House on the Kings calendar and we aim to please. The calendars will cost \$20 for one and \$15 for each additional calendar. (shipping included) International orders will cost \$5 more per calendar. The Cat House on the Kings 2015 calendars would make an excellent gift for the cat lover in your life! Online ordering will be available soon at www.cathouseontheKings.com



Download this free app to your phone so you can play the Animal Rescue Rush game and help save animals in real life!

Visitors From Near..... and Far

The summer months brought its usual flurry of visitors to The Cat House on the Kings. We not only get visitors from other states, we draw them from around the globe. This year we had several visitors from the United Kingdom, as well as Germany, Australia, Scotland and the Netherlands.



Jason and Nicola of the United Kingdom were thrilled to be able to include a visit to The Cats House on Kings in their vacation plans.



The Blanchard family of Colorado was headed for Disneyland when their son, who follows us on Facebook, said he would much rather go to The Cat House on the Kings. The family detoured to The Cat House for a day before heading out for Disneyland.



Katrin and Tina came all the way from Germany to visit The Cat House on the Kings and to meet Lynea in person!

in memory of.....

Augustson, Leslie..... In memory of Luke Augustson
 Bennett, Mary Jane.....In memory of Patches
 Botanical Avenue.....In memory of Rosie Fullerton
 Brewster, Charlotte.....In memory of Bell
 Bruce, Tracy..... In memory of Maverick
 Daniels, Beverly..... In memory of Eunice Satterberg
 David, Beverly..... In memory of Sadie Malone
 Dixon, Gary & Gina .. In memory of Velma Netherland
 Dudnikov, Karen .In memory of Britney & Max's Daddy
 Engle, Eric..... In memory of Sweeps
 Fletcher, Dean & Judy In memory of Velma Netherland
 Garabedian, Gil & Rena..... In memory of
 Velma Pauline Netherland
 Goddard, Marcia.....In memory of Nana Jean
 Graham, Gaylord, Gus & BerniceIn memory of
 Frank Mosier
 Gress, NouraIn memory of Simba & Sparky
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 Grilione, Karen E. In memory of Velma Netherland

Halfner, Susanne.....In memory of Grayson
 Harms, Corrine.....In memory of Bonkers
 Harper, Tracy..... In memory of Leo
 Hauser, Karen.....In memory of Callie
 Hine, Anni In memory of Ms. Izzy
 Hutson, Christi In memory of Antogne
 Jamieson, Kristina A..... In memory of
 Lillie, Bud, Duke, Annie And Maddie
 Jepsen, Kimberly & David ..In memory of Pepper & Tinker
 Lund, Gerald & Bonnie In memory of Dean Nabors
 Marsoobian, Margaret..... In memory of Angel
 Maruyama, William..... In memory of Sammy
 Noel, Melissa..... In memory of Kathy Lasswell
 Pitts, Lynne In memory of Phoenix
 Rife, LeslyIn memory of Ashley Gorman
 Shiroma, Donna In memory of Ann-Kenni (Annie)
 Soukup, Deborah & Steven .. In memory of Calvin Soukup
 Storer, EvelynIn memory of Penny
 Switzer, Linda L.....In memory of Jack Cat

Talley, KathleenIn memory of Donna
 Usaa..... In Memory Morris & Rose Kraft
 Voya Foundation, Victoria Jones ...In memory of Sassy
 Watson, CindyIn memory of Brothers Roo & Brody
 Wicks, Raymond L. ... In memory of Ashley Parks Gorman
 Wiesmann, Grace E.In memory of Rosie
 Zarasua, Marilyn In memory of Minnie Me

in honor of...

Worthington National Bank In honor of Havoc Owens
 Cown, Mary L. & Michael E. ...In honor of Asia & Tigger
 Li, J.....In honor of Sandra & Andy Dimarco.
 Frank & Leslie..... In honor of Our Beloved Cat BIG
 Long, Germaine.....In honor of Robert Nerris

Beth Caffrey

Donor & Media Relations/
Volunteer Coordinator

The Cat House on the Kings would like to introduce a new member of our staff, Beth Caffrey. We are truly fortunate to have someone with Beth's talents and experience working for us.

Beth grew up on an Indiana mint farm where she first started working with animals. The foundation for her life's path was set after going to work for a loving veterinary clinic that also out helped the local humane society. Beth lived for a time in Hollywood where she worked in the film and music industry. She then moved to the Central Valley to raise her three children. Beth relies on the support and teamwork of her family to juggle all the work required in the world of animal rescue.

Beth has admired The Cat House on the Kings since she first learned about our organization while working for an animal control shelter. She is thrilled to share all of the hard work that everyone does here to make the Central Valley (and the world) a better place for all animals. Her goal is to network The Cat House on the Kings mission, through media, public speaking/presentations, education, social media outreach, volunteers, donor support, adoption promotion, and by any other means possible! Beth had this to say; "It has always been all about children and animals for me. They give us all that is truly meaningful in life, so we should give back more in return! I feel that after being in the animal welfare profession for more than 15 years, this is the place that I can do the most good." Welcome aboard, Beth!



Sew Doggy Style!

Three years ago, Erika Lindquist of Fresno created the "National Craft For Your Local Shelters Day." Each year volunteers gather to make a variety of pet related items. This year brought a record number of volunteers. They made 78 rope toys, 66 "Adopt Me" bandanas, 30 painted pet bowls and 13 crate beds. These items will be distributed among several shelters and The Cat House on the Kings is deeply honored to once again be included on the list of recipients. www.sewdoggystyle.com



Show Your Support with Bravelets

A young woman created Bravelets bracelets when her mother was diagnosed with breast cancer. She wanted to create a symbol of hope, strength and courage to help carry one through the toughest of times. She chose the triangle as the symbol as it is the strongest geometric shape. Ten dollars of each purchase is donated directly to The Cat House on the Kings.



<https://bravelets.com/bravepage/a-brave-rescue-the-cat-house-on-the-kings>

The Dedication wall helps raise much needed funds. You may make a donation for a plaque in memory of a lost loved one (In Memory of...), to honor someone (In Honor of...), or just to show your support of the cat House (The Miller Family Supports...) The plaques are black metal with gold lettering and are hung in the entryway of the Cat House.

For more information or to place an order, call:
Marilynn Miller (559) 645-1080

Sizes and Prices

- 3" x 12" \$100.00
- 7" x 12" \$180.00
- 10.5" x 12" \$250.00

Birthday Girls!

For her 12th birthday, *Alisha Sweeting* of Huntington Beach asked for a trip to The Cat House on the Kings. She wanted nothing more than to tour The Cat House and visit with the kitties. Instead of buying her presents, she asked her friends to donate to The Cat House. Alisha arrived bearing gifts in the form of two cat beds that the office cats promptly took over, food, litter and \$60 cash. For such a young girl to have such a mature soul is truly inspiring. Thank you Alisha, for your kindness and thoughtfulness.



Alisha Sweeting

Allison O'Keefe also dreamed of a trip to The Cat House on the Kings for her 40th birthday. The problem? They live in Alberta, Canada. No problem for her husband Rob! He made the arrangements, loaded everyone into the car and drove to The Cat House. Like Alisha, Allison asked for donations in lieu of birthday presents and presented The Cat House with a \$400 donation. They spent the night at a nearby hotel and returned the next day to get another dose of cats before heading back to Canada. We certainly enjoyed their visit!



O'Keefes of Canada

Thank You GNC Pets!

The Cat House on the Kings would like to thank GNC Pets for their generous donation of 10 boxes of Kitten Milk Replacement and cat treats. GNC has created a new line of premium vitamins and supplements for dogs and cats called GNC Pets.

Follow the link to check out GNC Pets large selection of products for every stage of our pet's lives, from milk replacement for kittens and puppies, to hip and joint health for seniors. <http://www.gnc.com/Pets/Cats/family.jsp?categoryId=12946238&cp=41316406.1077279>



Webmaster Ivor's Trapping Tip

I wanted to share a trick I've discovered for trapping those extra wily cats who eat up to the trip plate and then back out of the trap when the usual alternatives (e.g. getting them very hungry, tying the trap open or a drop trap) have either failed or are not practical for some reason. I routinely line the bottom of traps with corrugated cardboard so that the cat has something a bit more comfortable than the wire bottom on which to rest between trapping and surgery. The trick is to build up the floor of the trap with more layers of corrugated cardboard until the floor either side of the trip plate is level with the top of the trip plate when the trap is set. Then a layer of newspaper along the length of the trap will lay flat hiding the trip plate underneath. When the cat approaches the back of the trap, it ends up stepping down onto the trip plate through the newspaper instead of having to step up, which it has already realized is something to be avoided.



PVC Pipe Pet Fence Topper

This is a unique idea to help keep your pets in your yard and other animals out of it. While some pets can be a challenge to keep in the yard, this fence topper has been shown to be very effective. As the animal tries to jump over the fence, its usual method is to pull themselves up and over. The rolling PVC pipe will prevent most animals from going over and they fall back into the yard. It can be installed on just about every kind of fence. This is an easy and inexpensive way to keep our pets safe.

You Will Need:

- PVC pipe (1/2" and 3")
- Wire cable
- L-brackets
- Eye bolts and nuts

Attach the L-brackets on either side of the fence. You may need to reinforce it at key areas along the fence line, depending on the size of the fence. Run the wire through the small 1/2" PVC pipe. Thread the 1/2" PVC pipe through the 3" PVC pipe. Attach the wire to the end of the fence with the eyebolts.



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Letter From The Editor Homer Has A Home

It has been a very long summer of rescues. Lots of fur babies needing help. One rescue that stands out above the rest is the rescue of little Homer.

Rescuing Homer turned out to be more of a moment of opportunity. He was born in the bushes of a Walmart shopping center to a mother who is his exact duplicate. (This particular mom cat has thus far eluded my attempts to trap & fix) The tiny ginger Manx kitten was perched in bushes the day I stopped by to feed as I normally did. Knowing full well I was likely to get bitten, I also knew this opportunity was a rare one that could not be passed up. I seized the presented opportunity and the kitten. The kitten did in fact deliver a nice deep bite, but I hung on and deposited the kitten in my back seat.



Cindy and newly named Bumper

After arriving at The Cat House on the Kings, I was stunned to learn that Homer had been born without eyes. I was amazed he had survived as long as he had. The area is relatively safe, for a cat that can see. He would have been extremely vulnerable once he began to venture beyond the safety of the thick brush.

We had the sweet boy at our home for a week before Tammy Barker offered to put him into one of her foster homes with other kittens his age. Homer has now been adopted and I am so happy for him. He will have some canine friends and a new big kitty brother, named Binky.

- Jackie Dale

Here is an excerpt of an email new mom Cindy of Salinas, CA sent to me:

"Homer has already stolen my heart! He is the sweetest little bundle of joy. He spent our first snuggle time purring up a storm, head bumping, climbing all over me and showering me with kisses. So far I couldn't be happier with my new little man. Just like my last blind cat, Sammy, he doesn't let anything get in his way and proves that being blind is not a disability! I look forward to watching him grow and spending many happy years together."

2014 Shelter Challenge

The current Animal Rescue Site/Greater-Good.org current 2014 Shelter Challenge continues until September 21st. We would really appreciate it if you could take a moment each day to vote for us. You can help The Cat House on the Kings become a winner! Please vote everyday! Thank You.
(<http://www.shelterchallenge.com>)



Here a Peachick, There a Peachick, Everywhere a Peachick!

The Cat House on the Kings had a bumper crop of peahens laying their eggs on top of the various buildings and kennels. In order to help increase the dwindling flock of peacocks, the new babies and their mothers were successfully relocated into a vacant kennel. As you can see from the photo (look behind the peachicks) this action was necessary to protect the peachicks from the resident cats. We wish to thank everyone who purchased the many thousands of mealworms for the hungry peachicks.



Freekibble.com
*Play Meow
Trivia Everyday*

EVERY Kitty Counts!

Just by the end of August, The Cat House on the Kings has already taken in over 900 kittens and cats, because saving lives is at the top of our priority list. We've also had record numbers of puppies dumped on our doorstep. Sadly, many of these animals have come to us injured, neglected, malnourished, and in need of extra care ... kittens like Ash (who was burned) and Turbo (born with twisted legs.)

Every animal costs us money for vet care, food, litter and vaccines. **THIS IS WHERE YOU COME IN!** Our bank account is dwindling and what we really need right now are cash donations from our kitty-loving fans, friends and supporters. Just as every kitten counts (and deserves a life in a loving home), every dollar counts ~ and adds up. Our goal for our **EVERY KITTEN COUNTS AND EVERY DOLLAR COUNTS** fundraiser is simple ~ we're looking to raise \$15,000 to help cover some of our costs.

We continue to work tirelessly in our area to spay and neuter as many community animals as we can. Because of this outreach, people have come to know us as a voice for animals, and they come to us for help. As you might expect, it's hard to say no when to do so means certain death for so many of our Valley's neglected animals. Because we care, we probably say yes more than we should ... and now we're hoping that you can help us cover the worthy costs associated with our compassion.

CAN YOU HELP?

CAN YOU DONATE?

CAN YOU SHARE THIS NEED WITH YOUR FRIENDS?

TO DONATE:

visit www.cathouseontheKings.com/contribute.php

or send us a check at:

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Every Step You Take...

Download the apps below and you can earn money for The Cat House on the Kings every time you walk. Wooftrax is an app that donates to your designated charity, which would be us, every time you log in and then walk your dog. Resqwalk works in a similar fashion except without the dog. The more steps you take, the more money we make. Be sure to tell your friends and family. More people, more steps, more money for The Cat House.
<http://www.wooftrax.com/> & <http://www.resqwalk.com/>



Adoptable Kitten

Dale Evans is ready for her furever home. This kitten was near death when she was rescued, the victim of a vicious human. She was not expected to survive the night. She recovered fully and she now needs a loving home.



Submit your application to adopt this cutie!

CONTACT INFO/SPONSOR A CAT*

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The Cat House on the Kings is a private, non-profit, no cage, no-kill sanctuary, rescue and adoption center for cats run solely on donations and out-of-pocket funding by our founder, Lynea Lattanzio. The Cat House is open to visitors daily by appointment only (except major holidays)

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You can contribute to the Cat House on the Kings every time you shop at Save Mart, Food Maxx, Smart Foods or Lucky grocery stores. With just a swipe of the S.H.A.R.E.S. card, you painlessly donate to the Cat House on the Kings. Our last quarterly check was for \$2,326! Pick up a card at The Cat House office, the Petco Adoption Center or send us a SASE and we will mail you a card.

Wish List:

Bleach, Paper Towels, Pine Cleaner, Recyclables, Postage Stamps, Postcard Stamps and Gift Cards (Amazon, Home Depot, Costco, etc.)
 The above items can be dropped off at the Blackstone/Ashlan Petco in Fresno, or at the Cat House

Amazon Wish List:

<http://www.amazon.com/gp/registry/registry.html?type=wishlist&id=2H9UU3LYHWISQ>

Brooms-Commercial, Canned Kitten & Adult Cat Food

Always Needed: Volunteers, Foster Homes