

Spring 2017

Quarterly Newsletter

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To the Cat House on the Kings 25th Anniversary Spring Open House!

Saturday, May 6th, 2017. 10 am - 2 pm

Admission Donation:

Cash (which really stretches as we are able to buy in bulk), hand sanitizer, dish soap, apple cider vinegar, bleach, pine cleaner, paper towels, home improvement gift cards, dry/canned cat food.

Donations and Volunteers Needed!

In just two short months we will be having our Spring Open House on Saturday, May 6th. It is now time to rack our brains, hit up family, friends and co-workers and try to come up with something unique for the silent auction that will be on everyone's "have to have it" list. Some of the popular items from past auctions have included sports memorabilia, designer purses, throw pillows, wine, yard art, jewelry, plants and of course, anything cat related. That is just a mere fraction of the possibilities for the silent auction. Of course, you can never go wrong with gift cards/certificates. And don't forget those donations are tax-deductible!

We also really need volunteers to help set up, clean up, assist with parking, etc. If you have donation questions or you would like to sign up to volunteer please contact Tammy Barker at tammy@cathouseonthekings.com



www.cathouseonthekings.com/contribute.php

16 CATS Abandoned at the Cat House on the Kings

The Cat House on the Kings staff members came to work before dawn on Thursday, February 9 and found 14 matching pink plastic tubs placed on the driveway just outside the range of our surveillance cameras. One

staff member arrived at 4am and there were no tubs, but by 5am when the rest of the staff arrived there they were! Fortunately, because the plastic



tubs were secured with zip ties (and had carefully-made air holes in each plastic tub), the kitties were all scared and a bit shell-shocked, but dry and safe. The first order of business was to get them all transported to the Kitten Quarters, so they could be released from their tubs, assessed, evaluated, vaccinated, and treated for fleas and worms. Each tub also contained a fleece blanket. Abandoning animals is a crime in California, but that isn't much of a deterrent to desperate people.

The 14 plastic tubs contained 16 cats (3 male, 11 female)

of which 14 were adults, ranging in age from six months to three years, and one female was accompanied by her two newborn kittens. None of the cats



had been spayed/neutered or microchipped. In fact, three of the females were pregnant! Other than being scared, they all appeared to be in good condition and hadn't been neglected or ill-treated. Several of the cats are polydactyls (extra toes), which suggests that some in-breeding had been going on. Although we have no way of knowing who dropped them off or why, our biggest disappointment is that they didn't contact us sooner for low-cost spay/neuter assistance. While you might be thinking "Thank goodness they abandoned them at The Cat House on the Kings rather than harming them," the sad reality is that we constantly struggle with the challenge of dealing with and paying for middle-of-the-night pet abandonment. Not only is it extra work for our staff, it also means a sudden spike in our expenses for which we haven't planned and budgeted, and it means that we often find ourselves with no room when responsible people contact us to help them find homes for the kittens who just showed up in their garage or under their deck.

Your faithful and generous donations help us care for animals who have been abandoned on our doorstep. Your donations help us say yes to kittens like Holly, who was shot in the head with a pellet, and kittens like Trinket who came to us with a badlymangled leg which required amputation. And adorable tuxedo kittens like Humphrey who is facing surgery to fix his clavicle (caused by an injury when he was younger.) Finally, and most importantly, your generosity enables us to continue our work on educating the public about the importance of spaying and neutering and helps fund our low-cost spay/neuter program. These cats may have been abandoned by whoever was caring for them, but they will NOT be abandoned by us. Can you help us out today with a much-needed donation?

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Poker for Paws Is A Winner!

The Cat House on the Kings first ever Poker for Paws Poker Tournament had a wonderful turnout with 34 players and a couple of dozen spectators coming out to raise funds for The Cat House on the Kings. The evening was not only a celebration of The Cat

House's 25 years of service to the community, but was also to celebrate Lynea's birthday on February 19th.

The first place winner received a golfing package for 4 donated by Fort Washington Golf & Country Club valued at \$500. Second place winner took home a Savor Shaver package that includes an overnight stay at the Shaver Lake Village Hotel and Cabins and dinner at the Shaver Lake Pub 'N Grub worth over \$200. There was a wonderful buffet for the players and guests as well as many raffle prizes. One lucky couple won an amazing cat tree built and donated by Mike





Ouinonez. One of Mike's custom cat trees will also be raffled off at our spring open house fundraiser. A huge thank you goes out to Kyle, Sue and Nori from Club One for making this a winning fundraiser! Club One will be producing a video of the evening that we will of course, share with you when it is available.



Rare sighting of Lynea out on a Saturday night



The Winners Table

Morti the Torti

On a recent frigid winter afternoon, The Cat House on the Kings received a call from a student at the local high school. She had discovered a tiny kitten lying motionless outside in the cold. At first, she thought the kitten was dead, but when she scooped her up, she wiggled and meowed. The student looked around and saw no signs of a mom cat or other kittens. When the kitten arrived at The Cat House on the Kings, she was cold, shivering, possibly anemic and too weak to even eat. But Lynea Lattanzio, founder and executive director of The Cat House on the Kings, was determined to fight for this little ball of fluff's life.

Lynea spent much of the evening with the kitten on a heating pad, keeping her warm and gently coaxing formula into her. By morning, little Morti, (short for Morticia ~ because we think Morti the Torti is a cute name) was starting to perk up and respond. She was more alert and moving around. Morti is approximately 8 weeks old. "She has an amazing "tortitude" said Kitten Quarters Supervisor Karla Cortez. "She's as feisty and fun as she is furry and fuzzy. You can tell she's going to grow up to have a great torti personality." (As we go to press, an adopter has already been approved for Morti!)

Even though kitten season hasn't started yet for much of the country, kitten season is already starting in Central California where The Cat House on the Kings is located. "We've already taken in bottle babies as well as nursing moms with kittens," said



Harvie Schreiber who coordinates fundraising for the rescue. "With kittens, comes a need for donations to provide vet care, food/formula, and to run our rescue operation." http://www.cathouseonthekings.com/contribute.php (Checks can be mailed to CHOTK, 7120 S. Kings River Road, Parlier, CA 93648) Or you can order from our wish list...

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The cats give their seal of approval

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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

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http://www.amazon.com/gp/registry/registry.html?type=wishlist&id=2H9UU3LYHWISQ Brooms-Commercial, Canned Kitten & Adult Cat Food

Always Needed:

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Litter Robot offers Cat House supporters a \$25 discount and a portion of each sale is donated to us! Send a message to CatHousePromo@mail.com for a coupon code. Then visit NoMoreScooping.com.

Holly Needs A Home

Now that Holly has completely recovered from her horrendous ordeal of being shot in the head and losing one eye, she is ready for a furever home. Holly can be a bit of a diva and might do best as an only cat. She loves attention and is a purr machine. Julie S. of N.C. has generously offered to pay Holly's adoption fee. Day after day Holly patiently waits in the Kitten Quarters office for her special someone to walk through the doors. You might be that special someone. Apply online now for Holly. She is waiting.



http://www.cathouseonthekings.com/adoption/





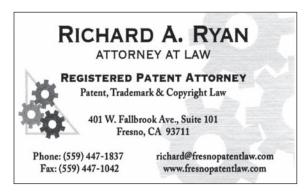
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The kitties are ever so grateful!













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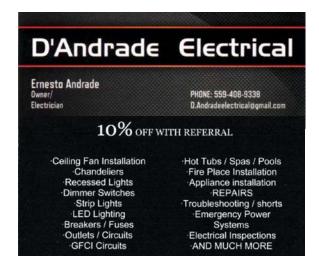
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The Cat House on the Kings is a private, non-profit, no cage, no-kill sanctuary, rescue and adoption center for cats run solely on donations and out-of-pocket funding by our founder, Lynea Lattanzio. The Cat House is open to visitors daily (except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

HOURS: 8:00am-11:00am; 1:00pm-4:00pm
We are located near Reedley, CA southeast of Fresno, CA







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.

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Words From Lynea

After 25 years of rescue this is what I know for sure:

From this day on,
when I look back on the past,
I smile and say to myself
"I never thought I could do it...
But I did...
I overcame all the people
who tried to bring me down"...

-Author anonymous



Did You Know.....

The Cat House on the Kings is a 501c(3) nonprofit charity Cat Rescue and Sanctuary. We're located in Central California on 12 acres along the Kings River with secure, predatorproof fencing. We employ 45 people who work under founder/director Lynea Lattanzio & Assistant Director Tammy Barker (We also have a lot of volunteers). We receive no government funding and rely 100% on charitable donations from people like YOU (hint! hint!) We go through approximately 1,350 pounds of dry food per week. All of our cats are spayed/neutered, vaccinated, and tested for FIV/FELV and microchipped. In 2016 we rescued 1766 cats and 30 dogs!

In just the past year, we helped spay and neuter thousands and thousands of community cats in Central California.

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GUIDESTAR

VISITORS FROM NEAR AND FAR

The Cat House on the Kings is a favorite destination spot for cat lovers. We get many local visitors as well as guests from across the United States and around the world. We like to acknowledge those who make

that extra long journey to visit us.



Above: Faye Malkington, a filmmaker from Wellington, New Zealand

Top Right: Heather Wimbly and Anthony Garris of

Thomasville, North Carolina





Mother and daughter, Klara and Marsela Bousoua, traveled all the way from the Czech Republic to visit The Cat House

Senior Adoptions are Extra Special

Lovely Lulu came to The Cat House after her adopter passed away. Lulu is a sweet senior lady with a gentle spirit who only wants to be the center of attention. Lulu got her wish when another sweet senior lady adopted her. Please consider senior cats when adopting as they make wonderful and faithful companions.



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Spring Kitten Quilt Raffle!

Ashley Cash crafted this beautiful Spring-themed quilt from 100% cotton quilt shop quality fabric. The quilt measures 54" X 54" and is covered with adorable kitty faces. Ashley's rescue cat, Geronimo, closely supervised construction. The drawing will be held May 6, 2017, at our Spring Open House. Raffle tickets are only \$1 each! (For each 20 tickets you purchase, you get one free!) You need not be present to win. Shipping is free to U.S. addresses, but any international winner will need to help cover shipping costs. To enter the raffle: send a check or money order payable in U.S. funds to The Cat House on the Kings and marked "RAFFLE TICKETS" in the memo section. Mailing address: The Cat House on the Kings, 7120 S. Kings River Rd., Parlier, CA 93648. (Please include a phone number in case you win!) To use a credit card, call our (California) office at (559) 638-0030. (\$20 min.) Your ticket numbers will be recorded for the drawing, but we are saving on postage and not mailing ticket stubs. Sorry, we are not permitted to accept raffle ticket payments online. Raffle questions? Send an email to info@cathouseonthekings.com

