



MARJORIE'S MESSAGE



Dear Supporters,

Welcome to the Spring edition of the Mewsletter. First of all, I'd like to express our sincere gratitude for your on-going support and donations over the holiday period. The kitties, as well as the rest of us, are most grateful to you for thinking of us and helping keep us happy and well-cared for!!

This winter has been a challenge and a roller-coaster ride - tons of snow, followed by unseasonably warm temperatures, followed by rain, then freezing - to create difficulties for everyone in getting around - many roads have been treacherous! It has been particularly hard for any felines that have been outdoors this season. We have had many good-hearted folks calling to inform us that they have taken in stray and abandoned cats who were very cold and hungry. It is truly sad that people do not have the common sense to keep their cats indoors in unpredictable weather. It is unconscionable for anyone to abandon a cat in weather such as we have recently endured. The Foundation has taken in some of these cats - suffering from frozen ears and tails - they have required a lot of medical care. Let's hope for an early Spring followed by a nice Summer.

Activities at the Foundation have kept us busy. Two of our wonderful volunteers, Margaret and Kathy, have been attending adoption days in various locations. Some photos from these events are placed later in this Mewsletter. We have been to the Morinville Veterinary Clinic, Hermitage Veterinary Hospital (twice) and PetValu in Terwillegar. Our first adoption days at PetValu St. Albert and at Petsmart Calgary Trail were well attended. Many thanks to these folks for assisting us with adoptions. In January, Kathy and Margaret attended the Cat show in Portland, OR. The story of their trip is contained in this Mewsletter. We'll keep you posted on future adoption events.

March 29 and 30 will see the Edmonton Cat Fanciers Club's Spring Cat Show at the Ramada on Kingsway in Edmonton. We hope this more central location will make it easier for many of you to come and see us at the show. There will be lots of Vendors in attendance plus beautiful show cats of many breeds and, best of all, there will be Foundation kitties for adoption – many in competition. We look forward to seeing you at the show and remember if you bring a cat food donation for the Foundation you'll receive one dollar off your admission price.

Mark the date - Saturday, April 26th - that's the date of our Annual Dinner

and Silent Auction fundraiser. This year we're having a theme dinner – it will be Oktoberfest in April! We'll be enjoying some great German food prepared by our wonderful Chef Michael. This is promising to be a fun event – still only \$35.00 per person – call Marjorie at 780 – 963 – 4933 to reserve your tickets. If you have a silent auction item to donate, call Marjorie at the above number to arrange for pick-up. We appreciate any donations. I hope to see you there – this annual event gives me the opportunity to meet and talk to so many of you in person.

I look forward to seeing or hearing from you this spring. You can always call me with any questions.

Marjorie Hervey





Mark your calendars for our

13th Annual Dinner & Silent Auction

"Oktoberfest in April" on April 26, 2014.



WHO WE ARE



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I am an Animal Rescuer

A RESCUER'S CREED

I shall be a believer of all that is good in man and of all that is deserving in animals.

I shall plead for their lives, campaign for their safety and uphold their right to a natural death.

I shall seek out the injured and the maimed, the unloved, and the abandoned and tend to them in their last days.

I shall not forget their place in the hierarchy of life, nor that we walk in each other's paths.

I shall bear witness to the wonder they bring to our lives and to the beauty they bestow upon our souls.

I shall renew their spirits when they are waning, bind their wounds when they bleed, cradle them when they whimper, and comfort them when they mourn.

I shall be near them in their hour of greatest need a companion and friend when the time has come.

I shall watch over them and console them and ask that the angels gather them in their arms.

From the creatures of the earth I shall learn the fruits of compassion & undying love, and I shall be called the beloved of God.

> In their company I shall indeed be blessed.

> > - by Susan M. Pearson

The Foundation is a registered non-profit Charitable Organization in Canada and Alberta: C.R.A. # 899091128 RR0001 Alberta Charitable Organization License # 310154.

The Foundation operates a no-kill facility euthanasia as an option only when the animal cannot enjoy a reasonable quality of life.





Our Mission

To care for cats in dire need and give our less fortunate feline friends a warm, loving and caring environment that allows them to live out their lives. To attempt to find loving homes for cats and kittens that come into our care. To promote responsible pet ownership through public education, early spaying and neutering programs and promoting other care programs.









With costs in excess of \$5000 every month the Foundation needs the continued support of the caring public to carry out our mission.

It takes 450lbs of dry cat food, 75 cases of canned food and 800lbs of litter EVERY MONTH to take care of the hundreds of stray, abandoned and unwanted cats and kittens that The Hervey Foundation for Cats takes in at their facility each year. Many of these animals find new homes but many fall into permanent care at our facility.



Financial donations may be made by mail, phone or paypal! Thank You!

Call Marjorie 780-963-4933

See page 2 for for our Kitty Wish List!

he Foundation was founded by f I Marjorie Hervey in 1998 to provide care and loving homes for the unwanted, un-cared for and abandoned cats that fall into our society. She used her family inheritance and more to start and establish The Foundation. Since that time over 3,000 cats and kittens have come into our care and most have found good, loving homes. The balance stay with us to live a quality life.

The Foundation's prime objective is to offer either a temporary or long-term place of protection for injured, unwanted, homeless and abused cats.

In line with this philosophy is the concept of HOMING - this means that we provide homes for these animals - either a new loving, caring home or permanent home at our facility for the cat to live a Quality Life for the remainder of it's life.

We provide a means of finding suitable loving and caring homes for these cats. In addition, we promote and educate the public on the proper treatment of cats all in keeping with the requirements of the Animal Protection Act.

Our primary concern is the cats under our care. Great precautions are taken to avoid introducing illness. For example, in the situation involving a typical member of the family our procedures would be as follows: Cats that come into our care are taken to an Accredited Veterinary Clinic where, at the cost of The Foundation, the animal would be examined and Feluk tested, spayed or neutered, microchipped, de-wormed, vaccinated with the 4 way combination vaccine and Feline Leukemia and Rabies (if old enough). Its ears would be checked for ear mites and treated. The cat is then transported to our facility. It is placed in isolation for observation for 4 to 5 days. If any symptoms develop that needs attention, then the cat is treated. Assuming all is well, the cat is placed up for adoption to find it a good home. The cats in our care are not caged but are free to enjoy an home atmosphere. If it clear that a new acquisition could not be adopted for some reason or another, it is made to feel at home, is given a name, and it becomes assimilated into our family.

The Foundation is unique throughout all of Western Canada. The reason is quite simple. No person has the patience and the devotion that Marjorie has for the cats.

HERVEY CATS AT THE NEW CULTURE CLUB SHOW IN PORTLAND, OR....

Once again, the Hervey Foundation was offered the opportunity to have some adoptable cats/kittens compete in The New Culture Club show in Portland, OR at the end of January 2014. Since Kathy and Margaret were attending the show with two of their own cats AND were driving to Portland, of course the Foundation accepted the offer. Three adult cats were selected and entered at no charge to the Foundation.

Duncan and Donovan (siblings) as well as Zinnia were all checked out (vaccinations up-to-date and info to cross the border in hand) and supplies organized for the trip. We decided to take 2 ½ days to get to Portland, so that we'd arrive mid-day, rather than in the dark. We successfully managed to get the 5 cats in and out of the hotels en route. Both hotels were "pet-friendly", but we didn't comment about numbers unless asked (and we weren't!!).

The rooms in both Cranbrook, BC and Pasco, WA were huge with ample space for extensive running and chasing. After a day of being cooped up in carriers, they were more than happy to exercise as much as they wanted. Donovan even investigated the very narrow ledge above the draperies – he got about half way along the ledge – realized there was nowhere to go at the end –then very carefully backed up paw over paw until he was able to jump down!

The three-day show began Friday afternoon and our Hervey cats were raring to go – all three had experienced shows

- the boys on exhibition - Zinnia in two shows as a kitten. We were not able to get Duncan (longhair blue spotted tabby and white) groomed to perfection, so we let him "sit out" in the show cage and look handsome and adoptable! Donovan (shorthair blue spotted tabby and white) was ready to wow the Judges and he did just that. In his very first ring, he received a First Place award - beginner's luck, we reckoned. Not so - he continued to place in most of the rings and obtained 4 more First Placements - he achieved 15 placements out of a possible 18 and finished the show as "highest scoring" Household Pet.



Duncan and Donovan with Donovan's awards

We were ecstatic and hoped the wins might encourage an adoption. Zinnia, although less enthusiastic about being a show cat, also achieved some wins. Alas, we did not have any adoptions – we brought everyone home with

A Stray's Plea

I'm homeless and helpless, unwanted, alone; I've no place to stay, I wander and roam, I've no one to care if I live or die, Nobody wants me as hard as I try, I'm abandoned and starving and nobody cares, I've met with nothing but cold hard stares,
My stomach is empty; I've nothing to eat;
I have no shelter from rain or sleet,
Why was I born and why am I here?
Without any love, without any cheer,
Won't someone please help me and please hear my plea?
Won't somebody care and take care of me?

HERVEY CATS AT THE NEW CULTURE CLUB SHOW IN PORTLAND, OR ... cont'd

us. However, we are most grateful to the Portland Club and Pamela Barrett for giving the Foundation the opportunity to show off some of our cats.

If you are looking for a wonderful pair of loveable cats, Duncan and Donovan are for you. Zinnia, a beautiful shorthair tortoiseshell, is also available.

They will be at the Edmonton Cat Fanciers' show March 29-30, 2014. Come out and have a look at the "kids"!

Kathy Byram and Margaret McDaid



Duncan relaxing in hotel



Duncan and Donovan chilling in the cage



Display

From the Book Shelf

I'm sure that many of you enjoy a "cat book" now and then. I've read a few recently and thought you might like a recommendation or two. Rita Mae Brown has published another in her Mrs. Murphy series The Litter of the Law (2013). Once again Mrs. Murphy and her cohorts are kept busy helping the "helpless" humans solve the inevitable mysteries surrounding deaths in the community.

A Street Cat Named Bob (2012) authored by Brit, James Bowen details his adventures as a down-and-out street drifter in London who encounters an injured cat. Not wanting to encumber himself with such a heavy burden, he vows to have the cat looked after then take him to a shelter. The reader knows that, of course, that's not going to happen. Follow the adventures of James and Bob as both of their lives are altered by the new relationship as second chances are presented.

The Dalai Lama's Cat (2012) is a charming tale (fiction) of how the life of a tiny runt-of-the-litter street cat is forever changed when the Dalai Lama's car stops and the kitten is purchased to save it from the boys who are about to consign it to the garbage! Thereafter known as HHC (His Holiness' Cat), her life is chronicled by author, David Michie, describing her life in the palace. Along the way, learn a bit about Buddhism.

Shirley Rousseau Murphy (author of the Joe Grey mysteries) is publishing a new book that she apparently had begun to write years ago. Cat, the Devil and Lee Fontana does not continue the escapades of Joe and Dulcie, but will be a good read, nonetheless. It should be available very soon.

Another heart-warming story is The Cat Who Mended a Family (2009) by Helen Brown. Set in New Zealand, it chronicles the tale of a family, who burdened by grief, doesn't feel it can support the adoption of a very small kitten. Cleo lives to a ripe old age and proves her worth to the family with her unconditional love and her amusing antics. Keep your hanky close by!

Due out very soon is The Dalai Lama's Cat and the Art of Purring (2014) which will continue the adventures of little HHC. Not to ignore the "dog people" in our midst, I'd like to recommend The Art of Racing in The Rain (2008) by Garth Stein. The cover features a dog in goggles and a streaming scarf (a la Snoopy) obviously racing somewhere. Set in Seattle and area, I found it charming and the auto racing references were spot on.

All of the above are available through The Edmonton Public Library or most bookstores.

> Enjoy! Kathy Byram



NEWS & INFORMATION

UPCOMING EVENTS

Watch for Upcoming **Adoption Days**



EDMONTON CAT FANCIERS CAT SHOW

March 29th — 30th, 2014 9:30am - 4:30pm Bring a donation of cat food for the Hervey Foundation and get \$1.00 off admission

Mark your calendars for our 13th Annual Fundraiser Dinner & Silent Auction. with the theme of "Oktoberfest in April" on April 26, 2014.

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Hi Marjorie, just wanted to update you on our beautiful kittie, Seor, that we adopted from you in 2005. Although he is a huge fluff ball, he still has kitten tendencies and

has us all trained. We can't walk by the bathroom without giving him a little water out of the tub tap. Thanks again for such a great service and our furriest family member!!!

As always thanks to Rosslyn Veterinary Clinic for their wonderful care of the Hervey Kitties and to Creative Color for all the wonderful work they do for the Foundation. And especially to YOU, our wonderful, generous supporters. Without you, the Hervey Foundation could not continue on with our lifesaving work for the kitties!!!

MORINVILLE CLINIC ADOPTION DAY



Denise - Clinic Manager



Margaret with Zinnia

HERMITAGE VET CLINIC **ADOPTION DAY**



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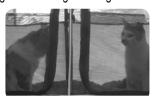


Duncan & Donovan at Hermitage

PETVALU TERWILLEGAR ADOPTION DAY



Margaret attending to Georgie & Zinnia



Duncan & Donovan

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Hamish

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The Foundation requires funds on an ongoing basis. Throughout the year we partner with selected groups to raise funds to help us help the kitties. Please assist us in any way you can. If you or someone you know can help us out with fund raising opportunities contact Marjorie @ 780-963-4933.

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HOW TO KEEP YOUR CAT HAPPY AND HEALTHY

Whether you are a new or "seasoned" pet parent, here are some tips and reminders for keeping your cat happy and healthy.

Health Care

All cats should, of course, be spayed/ neutered. vaccinated, dewormed and micro-chipped or tattooed for identification purposes. We also recommend FELV/FIV testing as a precaution. The Foundation believes that cats should be vaccinated yearly. Some veterinarians are recommending threeyear vaccination cycles. There are also some who have stated that if the cat is an "indoor only" feline, no further vaccines are needed following the initial sets. We do not agree, thus we recommend annual vaccinations.

One never knows what might happen to wit, the floods this past year in High River and Calgary. Many animals escaped and, if not vaccinated, were out and about without protection from disease. If the cat arrived at a shelter, it could be in peril. In addition to the annual vaccinations, your cat deserves to have a complete check-up every year. In this way, any developing diseases can be diagnosed and treated before they get out of hand. This is particularly true as your cat ages - they can develop the same diseases as humans and require treatment accordingly.

Pet Insurance can be a wise investment for payment of the veterinary bills. Also, some folks create a "pet" savings account to put aside money for unforeseen expenses.

Nutrition

At the Foundation, we believe that cats should always have fresh water (in clean dishes) available. Dry food should be available to them at all times (unless otherwise indicated) along with the water and canned food provided twice daily. Moisture from the canned food aids in ensuring that the cat obtains adequate fluid daily - many felines are not "good" drinkers. Cats are obligatory carnivores and need the canned food.

Providing treats (Temptations and others) can help create a bond between you and your cat - they can see it as a special time when you love them enough to share the goodies. Caution - treats should never replace the cat's regular diet.

Toys, Cat Trees and Exercise

Just as you would provide children with things to keep them busy and engaged, the same is true for your feline companions. One definitely needs a cat tree, scratching post or condo - it is essential for your cat's well being.

There are many wonderful designs and most builders can produce them in colours to suit your décor. There are contact numbers in the Sponsor section of this Mewsletter for a couple of local manufacturers. Depending on the style chosen it may serve as a scratcher, climbing post and sleeping spot all in one. Whatever type, the base must be solid and large enough to ensure that the post doesn't tip over when the cat jumps up or scratches the full length. A cat tree falling on the cat will definitely ensure that the cat won't use it again! Positioning of the structure in front of a large window or patio door will provide additional entertainment.

Interactive toys that encourage chasing and retrieving will stimulate play and exercise. There are many varieties of Turbo Scratchers and similar toys. Fur "mice" can provide lots of entertainment and mock hunting activity.

Laser toys with you playing too can give hours of fun. Keeping a radio or TV (cartoons) on while you're away can provide company for your buddy. Be cautious when using toys with sparkles or "tinsel type" pieces - do not leave them accessible if you're not around the bits can be ingested and create major problems. The same is true of "wands" with feathers, etc. Have fun, but be careful and let your cat enjoy!

The Great Outdoors

We do not believe cats should be freeroaming outdoors. The life span of an indoor-only cat is many years longer than that of an outdoor cat. The dangers for roaming cats are many - cars, dogs, other cats, angry neighbours, etc. Providing a perch by an open securely screened (check tightness) window often gives your cat plenty of entertainment. Taking your cat outdoors (in your yard) on a harness and leash can be fun for both of you. One caution - do not leave the cat unsupervised. A "run" can be constructed out from a basement window and allow the cat to come and go at will to a secure outdoor enclosure. Your cat will benefit from both the fresh air and the sunshine! And, as an added bonus, your precious feline friend will be safe from the hazards lurking outdoors, including extreme weather.

Litter Pan

The condition of your personal bathroom is, no doubt, very important to you. Your cat feels the same way. The litter pan(s) must be positioned in a secure quiet location away from high-traffic areas including the dog (!). Depending on the size of the home, you might wish to have more than one pan, on different levels. There are cats who prefer two pans - one for each aspect of elimination. The age of the cat/kitten factors into the decision. Young kittens require easy access to litter pans, as do aging cats that may need to use a pan more frequently. A rule of thumb is to provide at least one more litter pan than you think you need! Ensure that the pan is small enough for convenient access (kittens/older cats) or large and deep enough for big cats. You may need to experiment with various types of litter to determine which suits you and your cat best.

We hope that some of this information is helpful. If you have any questions, feel free to contact Marjorie at 780 - 963 - 4933 or email info@herveycats.com.

Marjorie Hervey

ADOPTING A HERVEY CAT

The adoption fee is \$175 and includes:

spay/neuter

- maximum vaccines
- deworming
- microchipping
- leukemia/FIV testing
- free checkup with vet
- free six week pet health insurance plan



Please contact Marjorie at 780 963 4933 or the Morinville Veterinary Clinic at 780 939 3133



Your new cat requires food, care and attention throughout it's life. The estimated annual costs of

\$250
\$150
\$70
\$100
\$570
\$20
\$35
\$30
\$25
\$25

Total initial cost\$135

Total first year cost: \$850

Adoption Fee \$175

- + Other Items \$135
- + Annual Care \$570



l am a FOREVER CAT

If you cannot promise forever, I am not your cat!

I am <u>NOT</u> an until you...

- ... "get bored" cat
- "find a boy/girlfriend" cat
- "think I'm too old" cat
- "have to move" cat
- "have a baby" cat

Lama FORFVER CAT



A Little Bit of Kitty Heaven on Earth

All donations appreciated!

GIFT CARDS for G & E Pharmacy, Canadian Tire, Walmart & Superstore help us buy much needed pet and cleaning supplies.

CLEANING SUPPLIES

ALWAYS IN NEED OF:

- Pinesol
- paper towels
- garbage bags
- bleach
- Tide detergent (no lemon scent)

CAT FOOD

- Baby food (pref. chicken with broth)
- · Friskies canned cat food
- IAMS Dry cat food

CAT SUPPLIES

- · Cat litter deodorizer
- · Jumbo litter pans

CAT ENJOYMENT

- Kitty toys
- Scratching posts
- Turbo scratchers
- Cat beds
- Kitty condos

Bring a donation of cat food to the

EDMONTON CAT FANCIERS CAT SHOW, March 29th — 30th,

for the Hervey Foundation for Cats and receive \$1.00 off the cost of admission.



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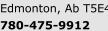
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We are grateful for anything you can give! Every dollar helps!

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donations difference!

Our main source of funds is YOU... your support helps us continue to care for cats!



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DONATE BY MAIL

The Hervey Foundation for Cats Box 12, Site 200, RR2 Stony Plain, AB T7Z 1X2

Our Mission is three-fold

Our 1st Mission is RESCUE

We give each cat immediate medical care. Each is spayed or neutered, fully vaccinated, dewormed, microchipped, tested for Feline Leukemia & FIV, and rehabilitated physically and psychologically. We find loving homes for those who can be adopted. The rest live out their lives in peace and dignity in our family.

Our 2nd Mission is REHOMING

finding good, loving and caring homes for those cats that are adoptable. Being a private Foundation our screening procedures are strict to ensure that our cats will receive the best care possible.

Our 3rd Mission is **EDUCATION**

We educate people to have compassion and respect for all animals We promote that an animal is a lifetime commitment — we advocate early spaying & neutering as a solution to the overpopulation of animals and recommend Micro-chipping of all animals for identification should they stray.



YESI I would like to join the "SHARE THE CARE" monthly donor program. Through this program you can help to feed, care and house these cats, through health or other issues are un-adoptable. These animals live in a home like environment at our facility.







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feeds a cat	

S20/month feeds and houses cat.

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\$30/month
feeds, houses & provides
health care for a cat

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13th Annual Dinner & Silent Auction



C.R.A. #899091128RR0001 Alberta Charity Organization #3101541 In accordance with regulations imposed by the Province of Alberta, we are required to inform you of the following: Estimated proceeds - \$5,000.00, Estimated costs - \$2,080.00, Government taxes, fees & other levies - \$520.00 Total estimated costs \$2,600.00, Estimated net proceeds - \$2,400.00