

THE HARD-TO-ADOPTS

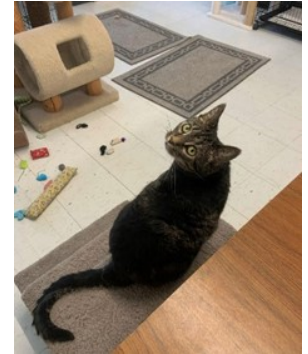
A couple of our Adoption Center kitties have been with us for quite a while. They consider the Center their home, and the volunteers their family. So, now those cats we consider "adoptable" turn into "hard-to-adopts" the moment *strangers* walk in the front door of their *home*. **That's the "HARD" part ... getting people to give them a chance!** A potential adopter needs to be someone who understands that these cats have all the ingredients for a great relationship...they just need to be put together with a lot of patience and understanding. Any volunteer can tell you just how wonderful the cats are once they get to know you!!!

Fiona You might see Fiona as an anti-social cat, or maybe even intimidating. But, we consider her a "cautious cat." She can be aloof at times, but once she's comfortable with you, she enjoys pets (on her terms, of course). She is a beautiful, independent two-year old. She enjoys play-hunting and chasing through the Adoption Center with



Hannah, who has become her friend. She can be quite affectionate one-on-one with a person. She is content lounging around and loves window-watching. She needs someone who understands her need to play and can give her dedicated time every day. Fiona would do best in a household with no dogs or kids.

Mama Pepper You might see Mama Pepper as a scaredy cat, or maybe even unfriendly. But we consider her a "nervous cat." She has a more delicate disposition and is a bit more high-strung, so is very shy at first. But once she gets to know you, she becomes confident, talkative, and affectionate! She loves to play and enjoys being up on the cat trees. She is a kitty that needs someone with a great deal of patience to allow her time to come out of her shell and adapt to a new environment. If she is given the appropriate time and space, a wonderful, sweet companion will be the reward! Pepper would do best as an only cat in a quiet household with no dogs or kids.



STATISTICS

Rescues/Surrenders – In the first quarter, we rescued 45 cats and kittens. Of that number, 30 were surrendered pets, 9 were unowned cats, and 6 were born to rescued pregnant cats.

Adoptions – We also re-homed 45 kitties (9 adults, 16 teens and 20 kittens)—even with our adoption rate last year!

Spay/Neuter – We facilitated 47 spay/neuters in the first quarter and are pleased to say that 30% were TNR (trap-neuter-release). We are so pleased to be able assist individuals who are working in their neighborhoods to manage the outdoor cat population.

Foster Care – Even though adoptions were flat year over year, we do have more cats in foster than we had last year – particularly adult cats. PLEASE spread the word that Kindred Kitties continues to be in need of committed foster homes. If anyone you know is interested, please have

them inquire by calling 262/605-0533 or checking out the fostering information on our website.

Volunteers – And it is worth repeating again and again that we are so appreciative of the efforts of our volunteers. There are more hours than we can possibly count being invested by those volunteers who keep our Adoption Center clean and monitor the well-being of the cats that reside there, by those who foster and love our kitties on a daily basis, by those who coordinate getting cats into foster homes, or to the vet, or making sure they are up to date on vaccines and properly medicated, and by those who work so hard to plan and execute events that generate the funds to keep Kindred Kitties going both in the short- and long-term. It is the dedication of volunteers at every level of our organization that truly makes Kindred Kitties what it is!

Thank you volunteers for all that you have done and continue to do for all the kindred kitties!!

Your support means everything to us -- both your time and money! We make every effort to acknowledge all who contribute to Kindred Kitties in a variety of ways. If you were not acknowledged below, please know that it is totally unintentional. Every one of you makes a difference! The following donations were received January through March, 2022.

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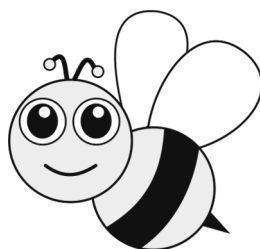
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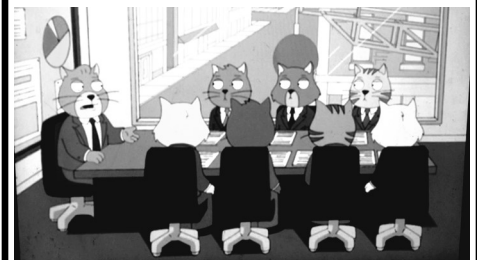
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THE KITTENS ARE COMING!

While kittens are born throughout the year, springtime brings the most to our doors. You may come across a litter in your yard, or under your porch, or even on a walk. What should you do? The following information (along with other cat care material) can be found on the Kindred Kitties website, kindredkitties.org.

Pregnant Strays and Young Kittens

It is important to note that we are unable to provide medical advice nor can we provide you with all of the information you need to care for a pregnant or nursing stray and young kittens. The following information is meant to serve as basic guidelines. If you believe a cat or kitten is sick, please take it to a vet immediately for an exam or treatment. If you are unable to do this, please take the kitty to your local humane society so that it can get the medical attention it needs.

Pregnant Strays

If you believe the stray kitty is pregnant, you can take her to the vet for an exam to be certain. Depending on how far along in her pregnancy she is, you may have the option of ending the pregnancy (a spay/abort procedure). If this is not an option, you will need to provide a safe, warm place for her to have her kittens. A box or laundry basket lined with towels will work. For more information on a cat's gestation period or the birthing process, please look online, as there are many great resources out there. The mother cat should be fed high quality kitten food during the pregnancy and through the duration of nursing the kittens. Kittens should not be separated from the mother and siblings until they are fully weaned—generally 8 weeks old as this provides important nutrition and social skills for the kittens.

Nursing Strays

NEVER bring a female cat inside or otherwise relocate her if she has been recently nursing. This could result in the death of her entire lit-

ter. The cat may be nursing if she has less hair around her nipples or swollen mammary area. If this is the case, try to locate the kittens and bring them all inside—but never separate them.

Feral Cat with Kittens

If you believe you have found a feral cat with kittens, assess the situation carefully before intervening in any way unless the kittens appear to be in imminent danger. The kittens have the absolute best chance of survival if they are able to stay with their mother during the first four weeks of life. If possible, wait until the kittens are 4-6 weeks old to remove them from the mother. Kittens taken from the mother later in life, between 8-12 weeks, are often much more difficult to socialize. Don't forget to trap and spay the mother kitty once the kittens have been removed. Continue to feed her daily to keep her in the area and get her spayed as soon as possible. Kitties can become pregnant again WHILE they are nursing their current litter.

Abandoned Kittens

If you come across what you believe is an abandoned litter of kittens, time is of the essence. Depending on their age and how long they have been without their mama, they may not have much time to lose. If the kittens appear to be well-fed, healthy, warm, and are not screaming for food, their mom may not be far away. She may be out looking for food or temporarily scared off due to your presence. Please do not disturb the kittens and keep an eye from a distance for a couple hours to see if mama returns to care for them. If the mother is still around, keep them together if at all possible as it will increase the kittens' chance of survival. If the kittens are screaming for food, cold/dirty, or look like mama has not been there to feed them, do not delay, these kittens need to be warmed up and fed. DO NOT FEED KITTENS COWS MILK. Please see [Kitten Rescue's online resource](#) for more information about Raising Orphaned Kittens.



Jelly Bean & Peeps

If you follow Kindred Kitties on Facebook you may be familiar with part of these little kitties' story.

The kittens had been found by a kind and observant couple who were out walking in Twin Lakes. The couple heard the kittens crying and when they went to investigate they found these two tiny ones—the only survivors in their nest. The babies were dirty, had eye infections and were very hungry. Their rescuers made sure the kitties were comfortable, safe and warm in a nice box and got them some kitten formula.

JELLY BEAN



PEEPS



On Easter Sunday, one of Kindred Kitties' wonderful fosters took the kittens into her home. She named them Jelly Bean and Peeps. After checking their teeth, she estimated the kitties were four weeks old and very small for their age with Jelly Bean weighing 8.4 oz., and Peeps 9.3 oz. The rescuers had found them just in time!

After a flea bath, eye care at the vet, lots of bottles and, tender loving care, Jelly Bean and Peeps now - just a few weeks later - weigh one pound!

Although they won't be available for adoption for a while. Here are Peeps and Jelly Bean today. Don't they look great?!



LOVE



Special Pet Awareness Dates

May 1-7...National Pet Week

May 3...National Specially-Abled Pets Day

June is Adopt a Shelter Cat Month

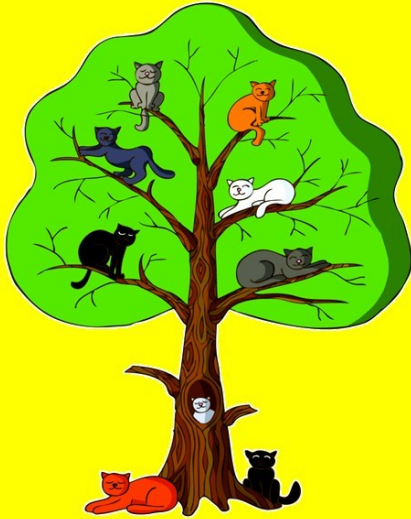
June 4...Hug Your Cat Day

June 24...Cat World Domination Day





EVENT INFORMATION



HIKE TO LOWER THE SPIKE



*The Kindred Kitties 2022
Spay/Neuter Awareness Event*

Sunday, May 22, 2022

9:00 am Registration & T-shirt Pick-up

10:00 am Walk

Bristol Woods Park - 9800 160th Avenue, Bristol, WI

For more details and registration information, click on the Events tab on the Kindred Kitties website, kindredkitties.org. Questions? Email: events@kindredkitties.org

It's not too late to sign-up for the Hike!

Early Registration (through May 6) is \$25 for ages 9 years + and a T-shirt is guaranteed. Registration May 7 - 22 is \$30 for ages 9 years + and a T-shirt can not be guaranteed. Sign-up online at shorturl.at/gnBJ3, paper registration forms are available at kindredkitties.org.

Join Us for an
Evening with the
Kingfish!



Kenosha Kingfish vs Lakeshore Chinooks
Saturday, June 25
Gates open at 5:05 pm, Game time is 6:05 pm
\$17 Includes Game Ticket, Kingfish Hat, and
Fireworks after the Game!

To order tickets online, checkout the Events
tab at kindredkitties.org.

Meowsic at the Museum



Saturday, October 8, 2022

5:30 pm - 9:30 pm

Kenosha Public Museum

Check
kindredkitties.org
For updates

Save the Date!!!



Hope to See You There!