

Cat Stats

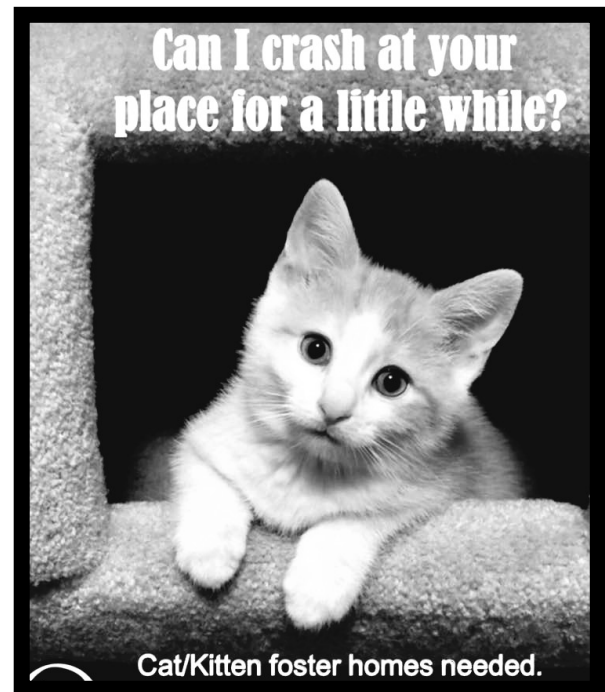
Rescues/Surrenders – Through the first half of the year, we have taken in 137 cats and kittens-- 11% more than last year. Of that number, only 2 were returned kindred kitties, 15 were transferred from other rescues, 60 were surrendered pets, 54 were unowned cats, and 6 were born to a rescued pregnant mom.

Adoptions – We've rehomed 98 cats this year through June: 29 adults, 21 teens and 48 kittens which is 18% more than 2021—yay!! The number of cats we are able to rehome is directly correlated to the number of cats/kittens we are able to foster throughout the year.

Spay/Neuter – Through June, we've spayed/neutered 134 cats—85 of them were Kindred Kitties. Of this total 23.3% were neighborhood kitties that we were able to have fixed through a TNR (Trap-Neuter-Release) Program and the remainder were owned cats that were altered with our help. And, as in the past, when we were unable to directly assist, we successfully referred individuals to other alternative programs to ensure that we maximized the spay/neuter of as many cats as possible in support of our mission.

Fostering - At the end of June, we were caring for 74 cats and kittens. Please spread the word that Kindred Kitties contin-

ues to need committed foster homes for rescued kitties, particularly for adult and special-needs cats. If you, or anyone you know, is interested, they can learn more by calling 262.605.0533 or by checking out our website at <https://www.kindredkitties.org/programs/foster-programs/>



New Foster Volunteers

A big welcome to our new foster moms: Belinda Lawrence, Becky Knebel, Mary Lindqvist, and Jessica Hodges!!



Kindred Kitties in the Community...

"We are the Champions, My Friends!"

Kindred Kitties' team, *Practical Cats*, took first place in the Kenosha Literacy Council's Feud on the Farm event. The competition was fierce, but the team of (left to right) Cathy McDowell, Kristin Agner, Mary Kessenich, Brad Winter, Danielle Hautzinger, and Dan Hautzinger prevailed. Special thanks to Don Cress for sponsoring the Kindred Kitties team.

We look forward to seeing the *Practical Cats* defend their title, and Kindred Kitties' honor, in 2023.



MANY THANKS!

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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 April through June 2022.

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In Memory of...

Burton McLain by Dawn & Bruce McLain
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In Honor of...

Sharon Redford's Kitties Snickers & Doodles
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Elizabeth Anderson, Letitia Dabbs,
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SAVE THE DATE!



CATURDAY NIGHT FEVER

SATURDAY, MARCH 4, 2023

**ALL DISCO!
ALL NIGHT!**

The Kindred Kitties Board of Directors

Pam Diedrich - President
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Champ

We received a call regarding a small kitten that someone found in their yard. The caller said they waited and watched for the mother to come back, but she hadn't returned. One of our volunteers went to the home to get the kitten. We were told it was a small kitten,



but what we found turned out to be a TINY kitten. The kitten was just born that day! The little one was kept warm until she could be brought to Barb, our phenomenal bottle feeder. This was the smallest bottle baby she'd had at 1.8 ounces!

There were concerns for the kitten because of her age/size, but she was scrappy for one so small so there was also hope.

The bottle baby ate well for her foster mom and gained 0.3 ounces over the next couple days. The kitten continued to eat well and thrive. She was a little fighter and Barb named her Champ. Here's Champ at 2.9 ounces sleeping with her toy.



Champ continued to grow and opened her eyes at 17 days old. She's a beautiful girl who likes to sit on her foster Mom's lap and look up at her with those sweet eyes.

Champ isn't ready for adoption, but when she is, some lucky adopter will be getting quite a cat. Here's Champ at four weeks old.



The Cat's Glass

If you haven't seen the beautiful hand painted glassware made by our talented volunteer, Mary Kessenich, you have really missed out! Mary paints cats (and dogs) on various types of glassware—wine glasses, footed mugs, and coffee cups. She can even paint custom images from photos. Not only that, she donates 100% of the proceeds to Kindred Kitties!



In addition to her glassware, Mary also makes amazing textile items! She has pot holders, microwave bowl/plate holders, dish towels, and beautiful wallets in cat and dog patterned

fabrics. She also makes cat shaped pillows, and catnip cat toys. New this year are beautiful cat face shaped placemats that are purrfect for the cat lover's table!



Mary is holding a two day event in Kenosha where her work will be sold. Come out and find something special for yourself, or the animal lovers in your life. It's never too early to get a start on your holiday shopping!

**Saturday & Sunday
September 17 & 18, 2022
10:00 AM - 3:00 PM (rain or shine)
1551 45th Avenue, Kenosha**

Can't make it? Her work can also be purchased at the following area craft fairs:

- October 1 - Elkhorn Holiday Craft Bash
Elkhorn, WI
- November 5 - Case High School Craft Fair
Racine, WI
- November 19 - Shoreland High School Craft Fair, Kenosha, WI
- December 3 - Holiday Gifting & Art Fair
Gateway Technical College,
Kenosha, WI

Hike to Lower the Spike Recap

This year's spay/neuter awareness hike through Bristol Woods was a great success. The new location was absolutely beautiful and we hope Bristol Woods will be our permanent location for the hike. Special Thanks to Jane Broughton-Schaefer and her cat, Gregory, who raised over \$1200 for spay/neuter services! We would also like to acknowledge the friends of Kindred Kitties who sponsored the event: StudioNorth - Mark M. Mohr, The Cat's Glass, The Adoption Center Kitties, Diesel Hammelev, Gregory's Last Crusade, The Hammelev Family, The Kirchen Family, The Sorensen Family, and several Anonymous Donors. We are grateful to our four legged supporters and their guardians: Missy, Bert, Ernie, Candy, Sweetie, Minion, Twila, Ginger, Junie, Carolina, Nathaniel, Emily, Jimmy the Cat, Louisa, Miss Charlotte, Guinevere, Clarence, Emily, Charlie, Greta, Henry, Fitz, Polar, Ellie, Abby, Lilly, Molly Bubbles, Rodger, Rosie, Cole, Caretaker, Reggie, Yanni, Max & Nellie. We would also like to thank the businesses who came out and supported Kindred Kitties at the event: Harris Pet Hospital, Pinot's Palette, and Racine Veterinary Hospital. Finally, an extra special thanks to Dr. Alison Keen-Reed for continuing to educate us at the event about the importance of spay/neuter.



Special Pet Awareness Dates

August 8 - International Cat Day

August 10—National Spoil Your Dog Day

August 15 - National Check the Chip Day

August 17 - Black Cat Appreciation Day

August 22 - National Take Your Cat to the Vet Day

August 26 - National Dog Day

September 28 - World Rabies Day



Kindred Kitties Needs Your Help!

We're in need of items for the silent auction at the 2022 Gala, *Meowsic at the Museum*, to raise funds for the Kindred Kitties Building Fund.

SILENT AUCTION ITEM EXAMPLES

Some examples of popular items include:

Themed Gift Baskets

New Items that can be auctioned on their own such as toys, tools, jewelry, artwork, etc.

Gift Cards

Wine & Liquor

Holiday Gift Items

Services such as pet sitting, plumbing, hair or spa services, electrical work, etc.

Experiences such as theatre tickets, use of a cabin, etc.

Anything you can think of - we'll be happy to have it. All we ask is that items are **new and unused**.

ITEM DROP-OFF

Silent Auction items can be dropped off at **6520-54th Avenue, Kenosha** according to the following schedule:

Thursday, Sept. 8, 5:30 PM - 7:00 PM

Friday, Sept. 9, 5:30 PM - 7:00 PM

Saturday, Sept. 10, 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM

Sunday, Sept. 11, 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM

*If you're unable to drop off on these days/times, please email events@kindredkitties.org, or call 262.605.0533 and leave a message, so we can make other arrangements with you.

Thank you for your support!



Meowsic at the Museum 2022 Gala

Saturday, October 8, 2022
5:30 PM - 10:00 PM
Kenosha Public Museum
5500 1st Avenue, Kenosha

We are very excited to once again hold our Meowsic at the Museum Gala for the Kindred Kitties Building Fund. This year's event promises to be a memorable one.

The evening begins at 5:30 PM with cocktails and hors d'oeuvres, the silent auction, and music by *Ann Lobotske*, principal harpist with the Milwaukee Ballet.

An elegant family style meal prepared by Lake Life Catering of Lake Geneva will be served at 6:15 PM. The menu for the evening features: Classic Chicken Piccata, Boneless Short Ribs with Red Wine and Bacon Demi Glace, Roasted Corn with Basil Butter and Pistachio Dust, and Yukon Gold Mashed Potatoes with Goat Cheese and Parmesan. Musical entertainment for the dinner hour is being finalized.

Guests will have dessert and coffee in the atrium while enjoying a night of lively entertainment provided by *Stu the Piano Guy*. Museum exhibits will also be open to our guests.

Cocktail attire is suggested.

Tickets must be purchased in advance and go on sale Monday, August 22, online at

[https://one.bidpal.net/meowsic/ticketing
\(details:ticketing-summary\)](https://one.bidpal.net/meowsic/ticketing(details:ticketing-summary))

Ticket sales end September 15.

Tickets are sold individually, in multiples, or by tables of eight or ten. (The ticket price includes bar offerings of beer, wine, and soda).

Ticket Pricing

Single Tickets: \$90

Multiple Tickets: \$87.50 each

Table of Eight: \$680

Table of Ten: \$825

Tickets will not be sold at the door and are non-refundable.

Questions about the event can be sent to events@kindredkitties.org, or call 262.605.0533

We hope to see you
at the Gala!

