



Heartland News



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SPRINGTIME IS ALMOST HERE!

Happily Ever After

Wow! Our last newsletter featured two of the shelter kitties that had struggled with health issues. These two were strong little kitties and both survived the problems that they had. Pirate had an eye that needed to be removed. Having one eye was never a handicap for this guy. He could run and play fetch with anyone willing to throw a ball or mouse for him.

Charmin struggled with respiratory problems after her mother developed pneumonia while still nursing her babies. It was touch and go with Charmin, but her fighting spirit won out and she recovered.

Happily, both of these sweet kittens were adopted to loving forever homes. We love to report on happy endings for the shelter kids.



Pirate

A big investment in the Shelter.

2020 was the year we finally were able to upgrade the heating and air conditioning for the Shelter to provide a more comfortable environment for our kitties and volunteers alike. At a total cost of \$8,275, a more powerful and more efficient furnace and cooling unit, with significant new ductwork, will also allow us to expand our usable space and shelter more cats.

Johnson Plumbing and Heating Inc. our local contractor was very supportive, returning to tweak the system to provide even heating throughout. They also donated extra insulation where they found the original was inadequate, as their unsolicited contribution to the cats' welfare, for which we are highly appreciative.

Kitten season is soon upon us. Here are 5 kitten facts:

1. Felines are considered kittens until they are 1 year in age.
2. All kittens are born with blue eyes with their permanent eye color appearing around 4 weeks of age.
3. An unaltered female cat can become pregnant at 4 months of age so spay your kitten!
4. A kitten can be spayed or neutered when they reach 2 pounds in body weight, typically at 8 weeks of age.
5. Kittens instinctively know to use a litter box.



Charmin

No home is complete
without the pitter
patter of kitty feet.



**5 REASONS
TO ADOPT
TWO
KITTENS**
INSTEAD OF JUST ONE



1. One kitten can become lonely and bored.
2. Two kittens will help keep each other busy instead of bugging you.
3. Having two kittens is very entertaining!
4. You'll have fewer behavioral issues with two kittens.
5. You'll save TWO lives instead of one!

Support for Heartland Pet Welfare
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DONATION CARD

- Yes, I can volunteer
- \$10 a month Sponsor-a-pet
- \$20 Yearly membership
- \$50 Initial vet check/check-in for one kitty
- \$125 Cat food and litter
- \$200 Shelter supplies
- \$ _____ Other

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