

Open your heart to our community's homeless cats

A 501(c)3 nonprofit organization. We are dedicated to the care of feral cats, and members of our group work on a volunteer basis to feed, water, and provide medical care for hundreds of feral cats in Knoxville and surrounding areas. We participate in a trap/neuter/return program in an effort to control the feral cat population. The TNR program is where feral cats are humanely trapped by volunteers, taken to a clinic to be spayed or neutered and vaccinated, and returned to their colony where they are most comfortable. We are not an adoption agency nor do we take in unwanted pets. *Our organization only holds* adoption fairs in order to find homes for socialized kittens born into feral colonies and to re-home stray pets that are *abandoned in our colonies!* We are funded solely from donations and fundraisers with 100% of money raised going directly to controlling and maintaining the feral cat population.

What we can do: mentor you with your TNR (trap-neuter-release) project by teaching you how to use the traps (including care of the cats while in the traps) and loaning you traps to get the cats to the vet or a low cost spay/neuter clinic.

What we cannot do: remove feral cats from your neighborhood, place of business, etc., trap and transport the cats for you; loan traps for you to take cats to any animal service for euthanasia.

Monthly Meetings

🐾 Feral Feline Friends meets the second Tuesday of every month 7:00 pm at Mr. Gatti's at 6913 Kingston Pike (just west of Papermill Road.) Please come so you can learn about how you can help the feral cats of our community.



Adoption Center at Petsmart Turkey Creek

DECEMBER ADOPTIONS :

Adopted:

Loki, Slinky, Pippen, Maddie, Sugar, Spice, Frio, Rory, TaterTot, Reuben, Lily, Sonny, BearCub, Champ, Sally, Savannah, Sadie, Einstein, Davinci, Gizmo, Bandana, Puck, Gigi, Rachel, AJ, Spec, Spiro, Syke, Grace, Ray, Bilbo, Olie, Singe, Tigger. 35! Wow!

We still have kittens and many adults in foster care needing homes and we still are in need of more foster families!

A big **THANKS** to the dedicated fosters and Petsmart volunteers who take such good care of our cats!

Please contact Deb at (865) 300-6873 or debmarsh@comcast.net if you would like to help in our adoption center.

Special thanks to Deb who keeps the adoption center staffed and so organized!!!

Did you see us in the Shopper News?



It's Fundraising Time: World's Finest Chocolate Candy Bars

Thanks to everyone that has sold or is still selling the World's Finest Chocolate Candy Bars. Please turn in your money or leftover bars to Deb Marsh or Kristen Gasnow Brown. This has been a great fundraiser and thank those that have sold many, many boxes. We may look into selling these again later this year.



More Fundraising.....Pancake Breakfast..... April 20, 2013

We will be having an All You Can Eat Pancake Breakfast fundraiser Saturday, April 20, 2013 from 8:00 am - 10:30 am. Tickets will be \$5 each and we need everyone to help with selling tickets and volunteering to help with the event.

Applebees staff will prepare the pancakes. Volunteers for the event will need to help with greeting and seating customers, waiting tables, cleaning tables and clean up, etc.

We did this fundraiser a few years ago and it was a great success.



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Thank You - Oak Ridge Vet Hospital

A special “Thank You” to Oak Ridge Vet Hospital for their donation of cat food and supplies.

We greatly appreciate their thoughtfulness.



Colony Corner: In Memory of Twin and Mr. High Pockets

In memory of two of our ferals that passed on this month.



Twin (left) was found by her caretaker one morning near her shelter. These siblings have been together for over 8 years at this managed colony. Sad that she will not be with her sibling...but thankful she lived as long as she did being cared for daily in her feral colony.



Mr. High Pockets was found hit by a car on a busy road. His colony is near fast food restaurants and we were told he had been crossing the road to get to KFC in the early morning hours. Although he had been feed daily by his caretakers.... he could not resist the KFC chicken leftovers put out by the workers. He was a beautiful boy and will be missed by the caretakers who loved him.

Happy Tails Adoption Story : Winkie (Aiai)

Winkie (Aiai) was rescued from a feral colony in Oliver Springs where they were being shot at by someone. So thankful this sweet boy was rescued and now has a forever loving home. Winkie (Aiai) is missing his eye and also has an ear tip. This shows that it does not matter if these cats have a physical ailment.....they will get adopted and loved by that special person who loves them unconditionally.

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Here are a couple of recent pictures of Winkie (Aiai) and one of Button (winkie's baby)

Winkie is clearly a daddy's boy. He will usually run downstairs to greet me when I come in from outside, then follow me upstairs to hang out and talk.

Sometime back he decided he needed to join me in the evenings when I go to shower. He will patiently wait until I am done, then he will start talking until I get down on the floor with at which point he gets up on my stomach to be loved. Occasionally, he will curl up and go to sleep if I stay long enough. He has integrated with the clan and is just one of the gang.

I may have told you that we fostered a couple of kittens In need a while back. When one found a home we decided to move the kitten into our sitting room so that I would not be alone. Even though Winkie is leery of visitors to the house and will retreat under our bed until they leave, he immediately went to see the kitten in her cage. When we let the cage door open they immediately bonded. Much to the surprise of the kitten, Winkie would hold her down an groom her. They have been inseparable since then. It took Oatmeal, Winkie's buddy, another day or two to warm to the kitten, the remainder a little longer.

Since the kitten had bonded with everyone, particularly with Winkie, we let Winkie adopt her. Continue your good work. Best wishes, Bill & Andrea



Winkie



Button

# Thank You Jessica

Jessica chose as her Girl Scout silver award project to collect supplies and monetary donations for FFF. She presented us with over \$100 in cash and gift cards and many, many bags of cat food! Also part of her project was to help care for the cats at Petsmart and to foster - she has fostered 3 of our kittens so far! THANK YOU JESSICA!!!!



**Playing with Sid and third foster kitten: Lilly**



**Drop box for donations on our front porch**



**Volunteering at PetSmart**



**My first two foster kittens: Bandana and Sid**



**Turning in my donations to Debbie Marsh from Feral Feline Friends of East Tennessee**



**Looking forward to more volunteer work in the future!!**



*Special Thanks for Donations to help care for the unwanted*

Gerald Perlman, Casey Dalton, Jim Hill, Karen Combs, Barry Mulryan, Ian Blackburn, Katherine Campbell, Christi Dalton, Robyn Knouff

A special "Thank You" to volunteer Tabatha Buckner for coordinating the calendar and greeting card sales. We hope to do calendar sales again this December.

*Support Feral Feline Friends of East Tennessee*

*In Honor/Memory of \_\_\_\_\_*

*Enclosed is my donation of: \_\_\$10 \_\_\$25 \_\_\$50 \_\_\$100 \_\_Other*

*Your donation will solely be used for the care of Knoxville's feral colonies, to include spaying/neutering, food, or other necessary care. Your donations are tax deductible under section 501c3 of the IRS code. Please let us know if your employer will match your gift.*

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