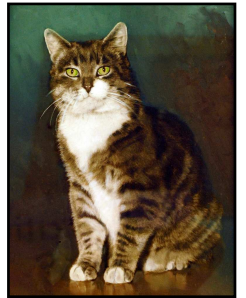


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The Cats Meow

The newsletter of Room 8 Memorial Cat Foundation



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Letter from the President

by Debbie Marks

So life goes on at Room 8, even though there are those times when some of our little friends have to move on. My thoughts today are on Samantha, Feifel, and the others who passed through Room 8 on their way over the Rainbow Bridge. We love and miss you, dear ones!

We have bid farewell to a few these last months, and have welcomed a few new ones in.

Check out our adoption cats! And take note, although Room 8 is not a kitten shelter, we do have some kittens and youngsters available! If there is room in your home and heart for a new kitten/cat or two, remember us! And if you are among the special few who could give a loving home to an older cat, someone who would gratefully snuggle on your lap and shed on your pillow, well, definitely remember us! Have we got the cat for you!

I have been stringing you along a bit, getting business out of the way before the **GREAT NEWS!**

Room 8 Memorial Cat Foundation won the Iams Mike Arms Hero Award for our devotion to and care of the cats we come into contact with and who live here! **This is a big deal! Nationwide!** I am sure you will soon find us on the web (check out Mike Arms/Iams Hero Award). From this, we are being featured on several blogs, from coast to coast. We plan on this being just the beginning!

I do want to talk more about the work we do with the feral colonies around Riverside, and ask for help. We have several people who need help feeding and caring for their colonies in the Riverside area.

If you can help, please email me, debbiemarks@charter.net, and I will be happy to connect you to anyone who is in need of volunteers, food, etc., or call the shelter, 951-681-9609, and leave me a message.

Here is one of the requests I have had:

"Volunteers needed to help feed feral/stray cats in Riverside, Colton and San Bernardino, CA

Riverside: 91 Fwy at McKinley

Colton: Washington/Mt. Vernon exit off of 215 Fwy

San Bernardino: Three locations near downtown San Bernardino (2nd Street exit off of 215 Fwy

You can pick your day to suit your schedule. Please join this group of volunteers that support and care for these homeless kittens.

Call Janet at 951-346-6132 (cell phone). "If there is no answer, please leave a message and I will promptly call you back."

Janet is retiring and moving out of state, so the need is urgent!

Mission Statement: to provide care, shelter and successful, loving adoptions of homeless domestic cats; to encourage kindness and responsible care for all animals; to educate the public on the importance of spaying/neutering their pets.

Gratitude List

We have so much to be grateful for!

We are grateful to all our wonderful volunteers:

Which includes but is not limited to: Gail Anderson Shelton's family; Jack, Evaun and others for those things they give—like their work on our new webpage! Have you checked it out yet? www.room8cats.org is great! And a tip of the fedora to Al Holden, our webmaster!

Then there are the wonderful shelter volunteers who clean and feed and give—people like Melissa and Val. We are so very thankful for you! (And forgive me, those whose names I have not remembered, you are just as appreciated!)

And a special shout out to Connie, our artist and leader of a group of volunteers who are here Monday through Friday.

There are the board members, who each give in their own way, over and over again. Thanks Margaret, (treasurer) Gail, (manager) Susan, Sandy, Kathy, and Jodi! Oh yeah, and I am grateful to myself...(sounds weird!)

I am so grateful for Mary and the Second Harvest Food bank which gives us food when they can, Jeanne and Mike Kataoka for their assistance with the newsletter, and Gary (you know who you are, and all the help you are giving the cats and kittens!)

To every donor, everyone who remembers us in prayer, we are grateful! And a big thank you to Helen Woodward Animal Center, Iams, and Mike Arms!

Here is your purr and head butt from the cats here at Room 8!

 **Happy Meowloween!**

Special Offer!

A gift to you for any donation of \$40 or more.

This white, wooden cabinet is suitable for use as a cat or small dog house, (yes, we love them too!) or a hide-away for a litter box.

Pick up and assembly are required. Dimensions are 19" w by 24" h by 21.5" d.



Room 8 Memorial Cat Foundation is a no-kill, nonprofit 501(c)(3) organization, Federal Tax ID # 23-7344513. All donations are tax-deductible. Please note we accept Paypal donations on our website, www.Room8Cats.org!!!

“Heart and soul” and answered prayers

Words bow under the weight of expressing our gratitude to and for Gail Anderson-Shelton, our shelter

manager.

It is actually she who won the third annual Iams Mike Arms Hero Award on behalf of Room 8. Gail is the heart and soul of Room 8, and because of her tireless devotion to our cats earned this award that will cover some year-end expenses that we weren't sure how we were going to pay. It will pay the taxes on our undeveloped land, and our insurance policy, just some of the normal expenses in the life of a non-profit.

Wish list



- ✔ Litter
- ✔ Towels and blankets
- ✔ Kitty beds and condos
- ✔ Kirkland (Costco) dry cat food, 25 lbs.
- ✔ Donations to cover maintenance and vet bills

Thank you, Gail!

Featured adoption cats

Ellie is only 2, and she is definitely a great cat! She would be so grateful to someone who could take her in! She came to us from a rescue group who were able to place her kittens, but she was deemed not as cute or adoptable as her babies. Yes, the worship of youth extends even into the animal kingdom... We are happy we were able to give her a home, but she would be happier with a family of her very own.



Sarge is about 6 years old. He was one of three cats Room 8 took on after receiving an emergency request from the Feral Cat Caretakers Coalition. The coalition needed to relocate 50 cats. Sargent is totally tame and very adoptable.



Gray Lady is 10 plus years old and a real love. She is really in need of a special home where she can love someone as her very own! She has a great personality!



Junior is about 4 years old and is **Sarge's** (see above) son. He also came to Room 8 through the Feral Cat Caretakers Coalition of LA. He too is a totally tame, very adoptable, sweet boy.



Tigger is one of our seniors at, around 10 years old. She is a great candidate for adoption with a nice and mellow personality.

Please contact (951) 681-9609 if you wish more information on adoption of any of the kitties at Room 8!

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