



Heartland News

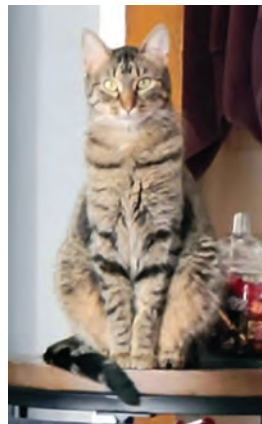


October 2022

HAPPY HALLOWEEN FROM HEARTLAND

Happy Endings

We don't know the history of most of the cats and kittens that come to us. Many have struggled to survive after being abandoned and many need medical attention to get them healthy enough for adoption. We love every one of them and work hard to make them as comfortable and content while we have them. Here are a few "after" pictures. These are pictures taken after being adopted. It is very rewarding to hear back from families showing these happy kitties in their new home. If you are one of the lucky families that have adopted one of our "kids" please share with us on Facebook or by sending notes and pictures. We love to hear from you. That's why we are here..to find loving homes for the homeless.



Journey

In June we received a call regarding a small black kitten found alone. The kind people that found her were trying to feed her, but she was not responding. She definitely needed medical attention. We agreed to take the kitten, and after seeing her we questioned if she would survive. We named her "Journey" for the road that she had ahead of her.

She was approximately four or five weeks old, and she had serious issues with her eyes. We took her to our Vet and immediately she was put on medicine to treat both eyes, both internally and externally. She had so much infection in her eyes that she couldn't open them to see, but she found her litter box and made herself at home in a small cage at the shelter.

She was not interested in bottle feeding, but she enjoyed the dry and wet food when we fed her. She was eventually moved to a larger "condo" at the shelter, and we were amazed at how she could maneuver around her new space. As her eyes improved she was able to run and play. It was difficult to tell how much she could see or how much she "sensed" and used her other senses to guide her.

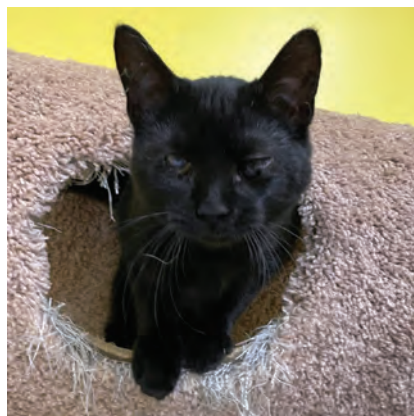
Today she is four months old and continues to delight us. She plays with other cats and chase toys. Her eyes are cloudy and we do not know how much she can see, but she definitely has some sight, and she behaves like any energetic kitten as she chases and runs with the other kitties.

Journey has brought so much joy to the volunteers at the shelter. She can climb the cat tree when playing and chasing and zooms through the tunnels like the other kitties. We know her "person" will visit one day and fall in love with this little miracle and want to adopt her.

To take a sick helpless kitten and nurse her back to health is why we do what we do. She had the spirit to survive, and we are grateful to be able to help her on her journey of life!

If you are interested in adopting Journey, or one of our other kitties, please contact us at 815-273-0556, hours by appointment.

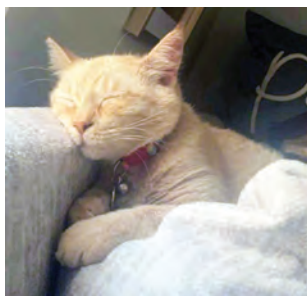
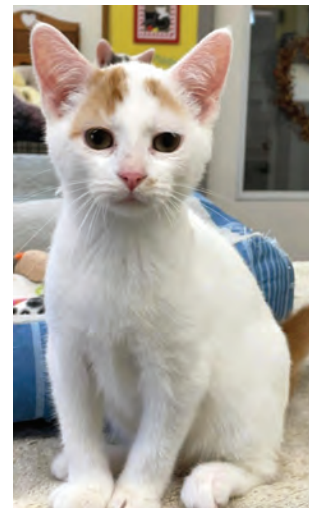
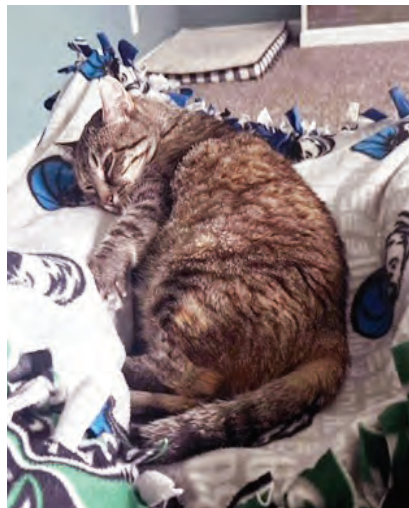
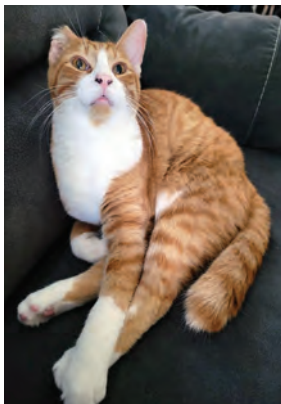
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Before

After

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REMEMBER HALLOWEEN CAN BE A TERRIFYING TIME FOR CATS!

EACH YEAR, MANY ANIMALS ESPECIALLY BLACK CATS, DUE TO A VARIETY OF SUPERSTITIONS, ARE ABDUCTED, INJURED AND EVEN KILLED BY CRUEL PEOPLE WHO USE AND ABUSE THEM FOR "PRANKS" OR SACRIFICES.



DON'T TAKE THE RISK, ALWAYS KEEP CATS AND DOGS INDOORS BEFORE AND DURING HALLOWEEN.

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