



“Our mission is to save abandoned, unwanted and helpless cats”

-The Furball Farm Team

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Newsweek Article

“Meet Furball Farm Cat Sanctuary, A Place Where Every Unwanted Cat Gets Love” was the title of a Newsweek article featuring Sami Milo. Tyler Marvets made a post on Reddit reading *“My mom runs an organization that only takes in unwanted cats. This is one of them! Meet Sami Milo”*.

Sami Milo is just one of dozens of "bad a** cats" that was days away from being euthanized because no one wanted to adopt him.



For Sami Milo, it may have been that he is missing an eye, as the photo shows. For other cats, who don't get along with humans, or who don't pass muster in some other way, the end of the road comes early.

That's why Julie Marvets started Furball Farm: to give those bad a** cats a home.

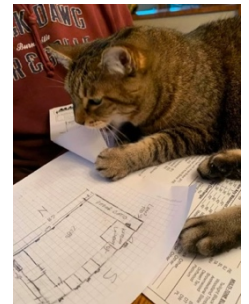
"We lovingly call them bad a** cats," Marvets told Newsweek. "I take pee cats. I take cats that hate humans. I take cats that poop on beds. And guess what we do? We clean that up all day long. And we love them."

But Marvets doesn't want the credit. "I don't want it to be about me," she said. "It's about Furball Farm and all the volunteers. We've got 35 volunteers. It's not me. I founded it. I'm blessed to be able to say this is my dream that's coming true. But that's the only thing you can say. Cause it ain't me."

Volunteers/Donators make everything possible

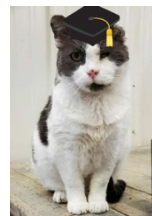
Project Furball 2020

Project Furball 2020 has begun! With truck load after truck load of dirt, we've completed the ground work. We are expecting that the foundation be completed the beginning of July.



Our team, hard at work planning every detail!

Tanks Tips



My name is Professor Tank and I'm a cat expert. Why you ask? Well, Because I'm a cat ... actually I'm a Furball and I'm very special; I'm very, very loved. 💕

We Furballs love the summer and enjoy basking in the sun, just like many of our humans! We also love all the sounds and scenery outdoors – birds chirping and critters scurrying about.

Here are some tips to help you make the most out of summer with your furballs while keeping them safe.

1. Get your cat micro-chipped – Cats like our humans experience Spring Fever. We wake up earlier, and have the desire to go outside more to release some of our energy. As a safety precaution, get your cat micro-chipped or fit them with an ID tagged-collar in case they sneak outside and potentially get lost. Also, if your Furball does go outdoors, make sure you treat them for

fleas and ticks.

2. Find your Furball a nice indoor, sunbathing spot – Not only does your cat love the sun, he/she will also become a more avid birdwatcher and critter observer during the summer months. It's a purrfectly great idea to give your Furball a window perch or cat tree to watch from.

3. Purchase a secure cat harness (if you're letting your Furball outdoors) – There is nothing wrong with letting your feline friend enjoy the direct sunlight in your garden, but ensure your Furball wears a properly fitted cat harness so he/she doesn't get loose. Make sure you provide enough slack in line so your Furball can enjoy the outdoors, but not too much leeway, to avoid going too far from home, or getting tangled on objects. You should always supervise your Furball when he/she is outdoors.

4. Make your garden pet-friendly – Besides having a cat harness and long line ready, it's important to make sure the products you use in your garden (including pesticides) are cat friendly, not only for your furball, but in case other Furballs wander into your yard. Always check the labels before purchasing. Make sure your plants aren't harmful for your Furball in the case they take a nibble.

5. Watch your Furball's diet – If your cat is not brushed on a regular basis, they may form hairballs, which could result in an urgent trip to the vet. Special hairball diets can help you manage hairball issues. Look for ingredients in the food such as pumpkin, which helps with gut motility and helps with hairball elimination.

6. Be prepared – Have a pet first-aid kit ready and know where your local vet is in case of an emergency. And most importantly, have a great summer with your Furball!

Till next time, meow!

Tank 

(Author: Betsy Philipp)

Adoptions

We've had great success over the past month in adopting about 15 of our cats to their forever homes. Here's a few of them...



Facebook Videos

As most of you probably know, we regularly post Facebook videos highlighting our cats in their daily lives at Furball Farm. We now add captions to all of our videos for our hearing-impaired visitors. Due to the way Facebook videos work, we must first upload the video to Facebook and after posted can then add the captions to the videos; there is usually a short delay of a few minutes before the captions show up.

Volunteers Needed

Furball Farm operates solely on the time, energy, and dedication of our generous volunteers. Volunteers are an integral part of our mission to save abandoned, unwanted and helpless cats.

We have flexible hours to fit your lifestyle and schedule; mornings, afternoons, evenings and weekends. You will have the ability to set your own hours on a weekly basis that fits in with your life.

We are in need of people who can:

- Clean litter boxes
- Feed and water the Furballs
- Laundry
- Socializing
- Sweep & mop
- Wash dishes

Visit our website to learn more

www.furballfarmpetsanctuary.com

Furball Farm couldn't survive without the help of our volunteers, please consider volunteering today