

President's Message

Written on August 1, 2018



Jeffyne and "Velvet"

My goodness, time flies. It is time once again to check in and let all of you know what is happening at **RESQCATS**!

We are well into our twenty-first season! That is hard to believe! **RESQCATS** surpassed 2900 total adoptions in July. It is my hope that we will reach a total of 3000 adoptions by the end of year!

The 2018 kitten season got off to a slower start than usual, but once the kittens began to arrive, so did all of the health issues. It has truly been one of the most challenging years in our history. I cannot remember having as many sick and extraordinary medical cases all at once.

June was the most demanding time when an upper respiratory infection hit many of the moms and kittens. "Velvet" required a three night stay in the emergency hospital and even when he returned to **RESQCATS**, his mom, Kiaora, and his siblings required several hours a day to be cared for. There were oral meds, eye ointment and vaporizer treatments to do four times a day. Velvet's hospital stay alone was over \$1800! Fortunately, his five siblings did not require hospitalization, but they did need intensive care. Even with supportive care, it took several weeks for them to recover.

I became quite attached to Velvet. When you spend as much time as he needed to get well, you just cannot help but let one steal your heart...and Velvet certainly did! I will always have a special place in my heart for him.

I am happy to report that all in the family are completely healthy now! But I might add, that there was a week that I was medicating twenty three cats twice a day. I am grateful to volunteers who stepped up to put in the extra time to help care for them. Thank you Julie, Kat, Susan and Angela!

Velvet and his sister, "Capri," were adopted together. To me, there is nothing better than when siblings, or better yet, a mom and baby are adopted together.

"Reed" is a kitten that was found by a gardener when he was weed-whacking! He and his siblings were only a few days old. The gardener rescued them and all six went immediately into foster care with our neo-natal expert, Deanna Koens. Reed did well for the first three to four weeks. When he was transferred to another bottle-feeder, problems began to surface. Reed occasionally threw up, but when it became more often than not, we needed to do more than stand by and hope for the best. He has had many diagnostic tests with numerous specialists and several medications to help with acid reflux and nausea. At this time, it is thought that Reed may have a vitamin deficiency, hernia or a genetic malformation in his esophagus. He will be monitored by his new adopter, who just happens to be a veterinarian! RESQCATS medical expenses to get him to this point has been over \$4000. He is a lucky kitten to have been fostered by Susan Leroy, whose meticulous care is the reason he is with us today!

Our story of the season is about a young mom named Mari and her two kittens, "Bud" and "Flower" whose emergency caesarean to save them was over \$2400. (Be sure and read their story in this newsletter.)

Not everyone realizes what it takes to bring these moms and babies to the point of adoption. Perhaps that is my fault in that I do not always communicate to you about the time, effort and expense that so many of the cats and kittens require. I work hard at staying hopeful and positive and in all honesty, I am protective of my volunteers, followers, adopters and donors in not presenting hard-hitting and sad news. I like happy stories and sometimes tend to carry the burden of

## BELIEVE IN MIRACLES THE STORY OF MARI

It was on a Wednesday...May 2 to be exact when the phone rang about a cat in distress at a nursery in Carpinteria. She had given birth to two when an employee discovered her. I'm uncertain if he would have contacted us except for the fact that one of the kittens had already died and the mother did not seem interested in the second one.

I moved into high gear and contacted Susan Leroy, one of my long-time volunteers and a dear friend, who always seems to be ready to act accordingly

in an emergency. She arrived at the nursery in less than thirty minutes. By the time she arrived, a second kitten had died. but three more had been born. She scooped and the mom remaining babies and rushed them to **RESOCATS**.

Our concern was that the mom was not nursing her babies and nourishment is critical in the first few minutes of life. Could something be wrong? Why she was not What nursing? could we do? So we loaded up mom His advice, "Let's give her time to deliver the babies, but if she has not had them in twenty-four hours, she will need to have emergency surgery." I took Mari back to **RESQCATS**. Sadly, her three born kittens died within hours despite all efforts to bottle feed them. I don't think they ever really had a chance. It was one of the saddest days in the history of **RESOCATS**.

I checked on Mari several times during day and through the night, but no babies arrived. The

following morning, I was on the phone as soon as the vet clinic opened to let them know that Mari had not delivered. I needed advice on what to do. The vet wanted to help, but he was concerned that Mari would need a lot of medical support and an overnight stay at the hospital. This particular clinic keeps regular business hours during the day time only. The doctor prepared also me in his usual gentle way that the remaining kittens inside Mari may need to be aborted.



Beautiful "Mari"

and the kittens and rushed to the veterinarian hoping for answers....and a plan! On the way to the clinic, I thought, "I know the staff is going to want a name for the mom...what should I call her?" It took only seconds for me to come up with the name "Mari." After all, she was living at nursery that harvests MARIjuana!

It took less than a minute for the vet to determine that the mother cat was not producing milk. He said that the only chance for her three kittens was to bottle feed them. Mari was rushed to the back of the clinic for a quick ultrasound to determine if she had a uterine infection or anything that might require emergency surgery. It was then, that the vet discovered that Mari still had unborn kittens inside. His concern was that the first five were deceased and there could be something terribly wrong with Mari's uterus, such as an infection. I swallowed hard and committed to doing what would be best for Mari.

Sometimes tough decisions have to be made for the cats and kittens that come through **RESQCATS**. Coming from less than ideal circumstances, I am faced with some real dilemmas. While I understand the concept of organizations aborting kittens because there are too many, it is not something that I believe in or could do. Fortunately, I have the luxury of being a private non-profit organization where I can say, "I am sorry, but we are full and I cannot take on anymore." Most county shelters are required to take in all animals that are presented to

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them. And when they have no room? You and I both know the answer to that.

My only alternative was to take Mari to Advanced Veterinary Specialists (AVS) to have emergency surgery performed. Believe me when I say that the staff recognizes me. I make regular emergency stops there! I know the cardiologist, oncologist, internal medicine vet, orthopedic surgeon and many of the vet techs and staff by name! I often tease that my frequent visits should entitle me to valet parking...or at least a parking spot at the front door!

Mari was seen by a doctor who has extensive shelter experience. Her intuition told her that Mari's first five kittens had died because of exposure...a cool morning, a scared mother surrounded by noise and freeway traffic adjacent to the nursery. Mari was a kitten herself, no more than ten months old when she gave birth...a kitten having kittens with the odds stacked against her...and her babies.



Mari's kittens and one of the AVS surgeons who delivered them.

The vet explained how critical those first minutes of life are to newborns. "They need to be fed, kept warm and safe." They were not given that chance under the circumstances at the nursery. But, she offered, "If I see that the unborn kittens are viable, do you want me to save them?" Tears welled up in my eyes as I felt hope return to my thoughts. I looked her straight in the eye and said, "Absolutely!"

Surgery on Mari was done later that day. It took two surgeons to perform the needed procedure. Mari had two unborn kittens inside her uterus. One surgeon performed a caesarean (c-section) while the other removed the kittens from the birth sac and breathed life into a little girl and her brother. It was truly a miracle...or two!



Little "Bud" and "Flower" in the care of Deanna Koens

The tiny newborns were rushed to Santa Maria where our neo-natal expert, Deanna Koens, was ready to accept them. The siblings would require intensive care with bottle-feedings every two to three hours. But that is what Deanna does...and she is the best at it!

It is a twenty-four hour, seven day a week job and takes dedication, compassion and naps wherever they fit in!

I am happy to say that all went well. Deanna and I went back and forth as to what to name the kittens from the marijuana nursery and finally settled on "Flower" and "Bud." The names just seemed to fit!

While Deanna was busy all day and all night feeding Flower and Bud, I spent time with Mari. In fact, I did more than spend time with her...I fell in love with her. She was only ten months old, but she struck me as a wise old soul that had returned in a young body. It was just the way she looked at me that touched my heart. Her eyes were like gems; clear and bright. Her grateful gaze was unflinching as if she knew I was there to help her. She trusted me. She touched a part of my being in a way that I just cannot explain...she symbolized purity, love and compassion.

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What I did not realize until several days later was the impact that saving her two kittens meant to the doctors and staff at AVS. One can imagine the challenges that an emergency hospital faces on a daily basis...it is not unlike rescue, but you are also dealing with owners of sick pets and all the circumstances that come with it. Doctors and staff witness distressed animals, grieving owners, people who cannot afford the needed treatment to try and save a pet's life. Veterinarians are asked to do the impossible sometimes. It's a tough job and I don't think any of the vets or rescuers ever fully understand what we sign up for. We are always searching for the good during the most challenging and sad times.



There's no way we could separate these two!

That particular week had been especially hard for the staff working at AVS. Everyone was tired and some felt defeated by so much that just didn't go the way we all want it to go when our animals are sick. But the life that Flower and Bud brought to the staff and doctors late that Friday night was just what was needed. Two kittens saved. Two miracles that will always be remembered by so many of us for all they symbolize...compassion, love and the precious gift of life.

P.S. Mari was adopted by a previous adopter, Jessica Douglas, and I am grateful to Jessica for giving Mari a chance. Having lived at the nursery all her life, she was on the timid side, but Jessica was determined to make it work. And she did! Mari also has a feline friend that she adores.

As you might suspect, I would not even consider separating Flower and Bud. Brother and sister went home together with Arianna and Cyrus Sharifi. They even wrote me a thank you note for all the toys and extras that I sent home...and professed their love for the kittens. I was so touched, the notes sit on my desk in full view!



Bud and Flower at nine weeks old!



Bud and Flower with their new adopters, Cyrus and Arianna!

### And now... A Few Words from Mr. Jeffyne... *The Story of* **RESQCATS**...*Part Three*

The Middle Years, 1997 - 2010

### Part 3 of a series on the history and evolution of RESQCATS from 1995 to the present.

In the last two issues of the **RESQCATS** Newsletter, "Mr. Jeffyne" has shared with you how the organization began...initially as Jeffyne's dream... and then how that dream became a reality as we selected the location for the facility, purchased our property, re-built the cattery and received our state and federal non-profit status. All of this happened by the end of 1997 which gave the organization the ability to start raising funds so Jeffyne could begin her real passion...rescuing, caring for and adopting out abandoned cats and kittens. (You can read Part 1 and Part 2 of the **RESQCATS** story in the Winter 2017 and Spring 2018 newsletters posted on the **RESQCATS** web site: *www.resqcats.org*).

By the beginning of 1998, all the essential components of a rescue organization were in place. We had a building with a freshly-poured concrete floor; new, precisely-installed tongue and groove siding; and a somewhat waterproof roof. I say "somewhat" because the roof, constructed of green corrugated fiberglass did keep the cats and kittens in and protect them from the elements...falling leaves, roaming predators and natural sunlight. But this first roof iteration did little to provide shelter from Santa Barbara's infrequent, but often heavy, rainstorms. We have subsequently replaced the roof twice; the last time in January of this year through a very generous volunteer's grant. This new roof is constructed of a white opaque material which showcases the cats and kittens in all their natural colors. It was installed by a professional roofer and is probably going to last as long as **RESQCATS** remains in operation.

In **RESQCATS**' early days, almost everything we used to build out the original cattery was recycled materials from our remodeled house. The doors to each of the 4 foot by 8 foot enclosures were our old hollow-core bedroom doors. The bases of the overhead cat trails were the planks that were salvaged from our old deck. Even the "turn-around" corners of the cat-trails were the pallets that our floor tile was delivered on. Nothing went to waste. And to prove that point, you can see many of those items still in use in the cattery today.

In the beginning, every nickel that came into the organization was used for the cats and kittens...their food, their litter and their medical care. We could not afford to spend any of those precious funds on



Mitch with "Whisper," "Adonis" and "Fantazy"

repairs or maintenance supplies; so if I couldn't find what we needed in my workshop, I'd go searching for it at a Saturday morning garage sale. In fact, during those first years the building had no electricity. Old Mr. Goodspeed's green house was wired for power but the organization did not have the funds for an electrician to reconnect it to the circuit box. As a result, Jeffyne could only work during daylight hours. (Occasionally, I think she probably longs for those pre-electricity days!)

Some of you early visitors to **RESQCATS** may remember that the building had a very large open area right in the center. There were a couple of cat enclosures, lots of free-standing kitty condos and a seating area where volunteers and prospective adopters could relax and play with the cats. We started with just two enclosures and I would build more as they were needed. As I mentioned in Part 2, that request for an additional kitty space sometimes came on a Friday afternoon when Jeffyne would learn that a mother cat and her newborn litter would *CONTINUED ON PAGE 8* 

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# **FACES OF 2018**

Here is the centerfold of the adorable feline faces you always look forward to! Photos are courtesy of our awesome photographer, Daryl Metzger.

*Page 6:* Twilite, Catalina, Reese, Gracie, Kit-Kat, Jean Harlow, Spanky

**Page 7:** Katmandu, Gracie, Davie, O'Henry, Trinity, Gallagher, Chanel, MooKitty, Ash, Moo-Moo









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be arriving the following morning!

Jeffyne used to worry about whether RESQCATS would be successful. She would wait for the phone to ring hoping that it would be a qualified adopter. In those days, long before the advent of Facebook and other social media, RESQCATS needed to advertise available kittens in the "Pet of the Week" section of the Santa Barbara newspapers. Her greatest fear was that the cats weren't going to be adopted and she started asking herself, "What do I do with the unadoptables?" Of course, she answered that question as quickly as she'd ask it, "THEY'LL STAY!" Because unlike many shelters and rescue organizations that advertise themselves as no-kill facilities, **RESOCATS** really is a no-kill organization! So if a cat's not adoptable for any reason...it's too old, it's not sociable, it has special needs...for any reason...that cat gets to live out the rest of it's natural life at RESQCATS.

The naming of the cats and kittens was a privilege that Jeffyne and I initially kept for ourselves. On our infrequent breaks from rescue, we would take road trips up the coast. It was on these over-nighters that we would brainstorm names for future litters. We'd start with a idea for the entire litter and then name each of the individuals using that theme. For example, we might start with flowers as the theme of the litter and name the kittens Lily, Tulip and Rose. If we chose gem stones as the litter's name, then the kittens might be called Pearl and Opal and Sapphire. The names were usually triggered from something we saw or heard along the way, so silliness was not out of the realm of possibility. When our imaginations really went wild, we might be naming cats after brands of cereals like Cheerios and Trix; or kinds of sofas like Devet, Sealy, Futon or Coach Potato! We even came up with a special group name for all black cats....that litter was called Formal Night and the boys were named Bow Tie and Tux, and the girl was Belle of the Ball. Sometimes we came up with so many great ideas from one category that Jeffyne couldn't write them down fast enough on her yellow pad! But then she'd have enough good ideas to name two or three litters during the year.

As the organization continued to grow, Jeffyne began to leave the opportunity of naming the cats and kittens to the imagination of our wonderful volunteers. There's always something very special when someone who knows the cats and kittens gets to name them. Of course, all of the names that the cats got at **RESQCATS** were just temporary anyway as most of the adopters renamed their kitten's after they take them home and get to know them better.

Watch for the final part of the history of **RESQCATS** coming to you in the Holiday Edition of the **RESQCATS** Newsletter...due out just after Thanksgiving.

# In memory...

In memory of **Gretchen Schneider**, our wonderful friend and true animal lover and rescuer. *Rosalie Bowman* 

In memory of my special canine, "**Ginger**," who lived an amazing life for 17-1/2 years. She enjoyed walks, her treats AND her cats until her last day on earth... She was a very special girl who will always live in my heart.

Carol Hunt

In memory of "**Dawn**" and "**Tribune**." Dave and Sheila Buchanan

A gift to the cats in memory of our collie, "**Ariel**," who loved cats! She was the show dog and ambassador to all the dogs that entered her life and yard! Dave and Sheila Buchanan

"Angels are never on this earth for very long." In loving memory of **Mari's and Catalina's babies.** 

The love for **"Olivia"** by the Chavez family will be in their hearts forever. Especially for you, **Ryanna**. 7/13/2016-5/9/2018

With love, *Jeffyne* 

- ACA

In memory of our "**Razzle Dazzle!**" *Keith and Chris Flannery* 

In memory of "**Patches**," a sweet feral cat who lived in Mel and Hal Kyle's master bedroom (mostly in the box springs!) for six years after her adventures of riding in the neighbor's car engine, hiding in a drainage pipe and being rescued by three very handsome firefighters... and she never tried to escape from Mel and Hal! *Julie Kaplan* 

In memory of "**Haiku.**" Lee Wardlaw

In honor and memory of a beautiful, compassionate lady...**Bev Dorfman** Steve Dorfman

With fond, fun-loving memories of "**Mackie**," who lived to be eighteen years old! Cindy and David Coleman

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## In special memory of my good friend in Yachats.Oregon. Gretchen Schneider

We were kindred spirits from the moment we met many years ago. She spent years rescuing cats and kittens in the Los Angeles area before moving to Yachats. She did so much good in the world and will always have a special place in my heart.

Gretchen did not want a celebration of life ceremony, but left instructions that her friends each celebrate in their own way.

Staying true to her wishes, I named a kitten Gretchen, after her. Then, I named four others after the wonderful ladies she introduced me to who remain friends to this day... Rosalie, Mandee, Alice and Barb.



Alice

# Gretchen

# In celebration...

Happy 11th birthday to "Cha-Cha" Kaplan!

Happy Birthday, **Mel Kyle**! *Love, Julie Kaplan* 

In honor of **Susie Browne**! Susan Browne

In honor of **Samantha Chu** for graduation... wishing success in all you set out to achieve! *Kay and Howard Segal* 



In honor and celebration of my friend, **Karen Krulevitch**, and for her happy birthday! *Karen Dorfman* 

Rosalie



Happy 15th birthday to "**Zuki**" and once again, *Marian Jean* is celebrating her birthday with a donation of \$10 for every year...\$150 will truly make a difference in honor of this special mulit-toed girl!



Barb

### Some special thank yous...

A very special thank you to Eliane Martin who supplies



ounce of every the Kitten Milk Replacement needed to feed all those newborn kittens without moms. Eliane sends five pound bags of KMR as our bottle feeder, Deanna Koens (and her daughterin-law, Tiffany) as needed. Eliane, just think of all those lives you touch and change. From the bottom of my heart, thank you!

I am grateful beyond words to the "Lucky Fund" for the generous \$5000 grant that came at a time when RESQCATS faced so many sick kittens at once. When I opened my mail I could thought "Angels are here on this earth and sent this to my mailbox!" Thank you for making an immeasurable difference!

To the "**angel**" that dropped in and left a much needed and appreciated \$500 donation. It is not her first time to show up during a time when we need support the most...she always takes me by surprise...and I am in awe of her generosity! Thank you, Nadine!

A very special thank you to **Colleen Root** for the antibiotics and eye meds needed to treat when an upper respiratory infection affected many of the cats and kittens in our care. Imagine my surprise when I went to pick up the second round of meds...and Colleen had paid for them. How do I thank you in a big enough way for such thoughtfulness, compassion and generosity!

The words "thank you" do not adequately express my gratitude to the **"anonymous donor"** who was behind our Matching Funds drive in June. She challenged **RESQCATS** to raise \$2000 during our greatest time of need when emergency expenses were in the thousands of dollars. Then she matched the first \$2000 that **RESQCATS** raised. So that \$2000 became \$4000! She is an angel on earth. With gratitude that words just cannot articulate! I also want to tell each one of you who participated in the drive how much you are appreciated. You all truly made a difference.

**Pam Vincent!** Thank you for ten years of being there for me when I need to talk and for the generous support you have offered for the last decade! You have touched countless lives and the difference you have made cannot be measured. All the animals are lucky to have you caring for them with ...and so am I!

The thank you **RESQCATS** received from Mari's adopters, Cyrus and Arianna! A wonderful surprise that I just had to share!



"Dear Ms. Jeffyne,

Thank you for the great kittens. They are very sweet and our family loves them.

Love, Arianna"

"Dear Mrs. Jeffyne,

Hi! I love the kittens. Thank you for all the toys, the carrier and all the stuff. They are very cute and I love them.

Sincerely, Cyrus"



There are other ways to give **finite** and make a difference at RESQCATS!

Sign up on AmazonSmile and choose **RESQCATS** as your charity of choice. We will receive a percentage of everything you purchase. Amazon shares their donation quarterly and in 2016, their charitable contribution paid for 125 vaccines!

Also, check out **RESQCATS'** Wish List on AmazonSmile if you want to give directly. I recently updated our list to include probiotics, lysine supplements, dose syringes, Bach Rescue Remedy, feather teasers and much more.

Thank you for choosing **RESQCATS**.

# *"Cat Tails: Heart-Warming Stories about the Cats and Kittens of RESQCATS" has sold hundreds of copies!*

It a winner of the a Certificate of Excellence from the Cat Writers' Association. A book you won't want to miss and 100% of the proceeds go directly to **RESQCATS**!

#### Here are just a few of the reviews:

What an inspiring book!. The author's devotion and passion for animals is incredible. The reading is easy, beautifully written and is truly a hard-to-put-down book. Jeffyne's story about her years in developing and operating her cat shelter oasis is mixed with educational, funny, heart-warming and sad moments too. She lets you 'in' her life as well as the kittens and cats so you feel like you know them all individually.

Knowing the author personally, I couldn't wait to get my hands on this book and Jeffyne did not disappoint. This book proved that she has made a difference in many people's lives not to mention cats who have no voice and are helpless.

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You will love this book. I laughed, cried and celebrated each success story with joy. It is an inspiring and uplifting book about the power of love, unwavering commitment, miracles and the absolute joy of having cats. The book is a beautiful illustration of the bond we share with our animals.

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This book is so appropriately titled, it truly is a "'heart-warming" account of the author's unwavering and tireless devotion to cats. Through the author's expressive and honest writing style, it is possible to envision every cat and become entrenched in each cat's journey and gain a greater understanding of the many lessons to be learned from rescuing animals. This book can be enjoyed by ALL (not just cat lovers) as it is entertaining: funny, happy and thought provoking.

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What a great book!

This is such a wonderful book written from the heart.

I especially loved learning about all the reasons and experiences that led Jeffyne into the animal rescue world. Thoughtful, funny, and sweet, this book should be on everyone's shelf. It inspired me. Find your passion, and follow it!

Love this book! The stories are sweet, funny, happy & sad. There is promise and hope and learning in each chapter. The book is a small glimpse inside the workings of an amazing rescue organization. The love, caring, and devotion is inspiring. I highly recommend this book, a thoroughly enjoyable read!



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## 100% of the proceeds from the sale of the book go directly to RESQCATS, Inc.

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the toughest challenges on my own shoulders. I am learning that it is just as important to be open and communicate about what it takes to save lives, care for the sick, and socialize the frightened. Only then, can one truly appreciate rescue, the work we do and feel good about supporting our cause.

The average cost per cat or kitten at **RESQCATS** is over \$400. The minimum adoption donation of \$100 does not come near covering a kitten that is healthy when it arrives, by the time you add in food, litter, vet exam, fecal exam, Felv/FIV tests, worming meds, vaccines, spay or neuter surgery and micro-chips. Then there are the "Velvets, Reeds and Maris" that need extraordinary medical care to save them. And that is what **RESQCATS** does. We save them!

Speaking of saving cats! **RESQCATS** often rescues pregnant moms and their unborn kittens from euthanasia from a high-kill shelter in San Bernadino. We work with an organization called Kitty Devore who pulls them when a rescue steps up to help. My view is that if I am asked to help, and I can...I do! For example, Sally arrived at **RESQCATS** on the day she was scheduled to be put to death. She gave birth to six kittens just two days later! The story was the same for Crystal, Chanel and Ellie...all gave birth to kittens in the safety and comfort of **RESQCATS**.

In addition, **RESQCATS** continues to reach out into the community to help other organizations with funding for spays and neuters, which is the core mission of all rescues.

We offer assistance to families who need help with mother cats that need to have medical attention and be spayed. Many people may not understand the importance of spay surgery or cannot afford it. We cover the expenses so that there is no charge to the owners, but I am comforted knowing the mother cats are spayed. In return, **RESQCATS** brings the kittens into our care so that we can properly provide for them, too.

There is not a day that goes by that I am not grateful to all of you who support our cause. **RESQCATS** can offer the best to these felines due to your generosity.

You can send your tax-deductible donation to **RESQCATS** today as we still have a long way to go this season.

Please consider ordering my book, *Cat Tails: Heart-Warming Stories about the Cats and Kittens of RESQCATS.* 100% of the proceeds go to the cats and kittens in our care.

With gratitude,

Jeffyne Telson President of **RESQCATS**, Inc.

"Saving one cat will not change the world, but for that one cat... the world will change forever."

