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Making a difference in Warren County, one cat at a time

Welcome to August's *The Scratching Post!*

Once a month, we'll drop by your inbox to share our latest news, introduce you to just a few of our precious adoptables and share helpful TNR hints so that YOU can make a difference, right where you are.

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Library staff soak up kitten snuggles and

'Caturday' is coming!

Don't miss our all-new event, Caturdays at Norwalk Easter Public Library! The first Caturday will be 10 a.m.-noon Sat., Aug. 20. More sessions are planned Sept. 17, Oct. 22, Nov. 12 and Dec. 10.

We'll be there with some of our sweetest adoptables and info about Whiskers TNR. We'd also be thrilled to accept donations that day. Kitty toys for our adoption goodie bags and litter

info about Whiskers during a recent in-service. That day was so fun and informative that we decided to make it a regular event!

(especially the clumping or pine pellet kind) are our biggest needs. Or, check out our [Chewy wish list](#).

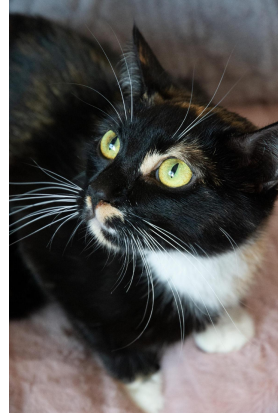
Sweet mamas still waiting ...



Abby

Sweet Abby has had quite the year! First, she survived the tornado that hit Norwalk. Then, when her people were forced to find a new home after the storm, she raised her last litter of kittens in a Whiskers foster home. But none of that fazed her lovable nature! "Abby would do well in any home," says her foster mom. "Abby is so sweet. She loves attention on her own terms, but it doesn't take much time for her to warm up to someone." Abby's favorite things include her cat fountain, being petted and sunning herself. Is your home where she can finally put her paws up?

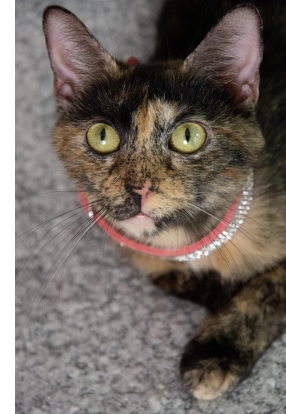
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Minerva

Minerva was a stray, and little more than a kitten herself, when she had her babies outdoors. When they were all brought to a Whiskers foster home, Minerva didn't know it was the start of a better life. "She was very scared and probably very confused," recalls her foster mom. But this beautiful girl is being won over with Churu and scratches behind the ears. "She's learning that people can be a source of not just food, but love and cuddles. I'm hopeful that she, too, can experience the joys of being a well-loved kitten." Is your home where Minerva will have her chance?

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Princess

When Princess (our "cover cat" above) arrived at Whiskers, her existence was anything but royal. She was trying so hard to be a good mama, but mastitis left her with sores on her tummy and kittens struggling to thrive. But now the whole family is healthy. "Princess is an absolute sweetheart that wants nothing more than to snuggle up with anyone," says her foster dad. Her future family will be treated to Princess's power snuggles and kitten-like sense of play. "She does love her little catnip mouse toys. When she is feeling extra playful, she will even play fetch!"

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A Happy Tail: Freddie

In May of 2021, Sheryl noticed a stray cat limping across her



A big thank you to Sheryl, Freddie's adopter, for sharing Freddie's story as this month's "Happy Tail" adoption success story. And an even bigger thank you for giving this special-needs boy a wonderful forever home!



backyard and reached out to Whiskers for help. His back right leg was so severely injured that it needed amputated, but he recovered and became available for adoption.

"However, no one was interested in this sweet boy," Sheryl recalled. "I felt it was due to him having only three legs."

Sheryl hadn't intended to adopt a fourth cat but couldn't get Freddie off her mind. Last August, she officially made him a part of her family. "We can't imagine not having him," she reflected. "I know Freddie is grateful to have a home. He shows his love every day rubbing against us."

What a transformation from Freddie's days as a severely injured feral cat! Sheryl reports he loves Christmas and his siblings, and he recently even discovered his purr.

"Freddie proves that even a feral kitten with special needs can adjust to home life with love, security and patience. ... All special needs kitties deserve love and will love you back."

Don't miss a minute!

Adoption events, the fall garage sale. ... We have plenty up our sleeves for the rest of this year. Watch [our website](#) and [Facebook page](#) for when we're ready to let the cat out of the bag!



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