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

Welcome to October'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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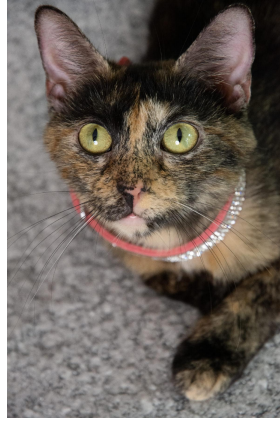
*It's **spooky** how long we've been
waiting for adoption!*



Phillip

Handsome, charming, brave. ... No wonder Phillip the kitten is named after a dashing Disney prince! "He's so much fun. He really does act like a prince," says his foster mom. In fact, when she looked up the Disney version's personality, he was described as "able to subtly persuade people to do as he wants," which "epitomizes our kitten, Phillip." That goes for cuddling him until he falls asleep in your hands or playing with him with his favorite toy, a ball that rolls in a track. Phillip's future people can expect to become his adoring subjects. "He's quickly become the foster family favorite."

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Princess

When Princess first arrived at Whiskers TNR, her existence was anything but royal. She was trying so hard to be a good mama (including to handsome Phillip pictured at left) but severe mastitis left her with a sore tummy and kittens struggling to thrive. But now the whole family is healthy and ready for forever homes. "Princess is an absolute sweetheart that wants nothing more than to snuggle up with anyone," says her foster dad. She'll even play fetch and is absolutely beautiful. (Check out her closeup as the "cover cat" above!) Do you have room in your kingdom for sweet Princess?

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Ellis

Ellis was just a baby trying to survive outside a business where he wasn't welcome. Thankfully, a Whiskers volunteer stepped in and now he's safe and loved as he awaits adoption! "Ellis is a cautious boy but beyond sweet once he has assessed the situation. He is curious and fun and so cute!" gushes his foster mom. He would thrive in a slower paced home where he can "get settled in and receive lots of love." In return, his future family will be treated to heart-melting head nudges – and the satisfaction of knowing they've given this one-time "unwanted" kitten the life he so deserves.

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Special thanks to Missy O'Dell for sharing Randall's story as this month's "Happy Tail" adoption success story.

The bond between her son and Randall couldn't be

A Happy Tail: Randall

When Missy was looking to adopt a kitten after her cat passed away, she knew just where to turn: Whiskers TNR of Warren County!

"Corissa works so hard for these cats," she said, referring to Corissa Arndt, the nonprofit's founder. "Her dedication is something I really admire."

Missy and her family fell in love with Randall, a little orange fluffball who needed a home. And, as it turned out, they needed him, too. Missy's son who has high-functioning autism and

sweeter, and we're so thankful that Randall has found such a wonderful forever home!



Randall have formed an extraordinary bond.

"Randall is there unconditionally for support no matter what kind of a mood you might be in," Missy explained. "My son could have a bad day at school, or something is bothering him, but when he sees Randall sleeping on the couch my son will crouch down to pet him under his chin."

Those chin pets, belly rubs, playing fetch "especially at 3 a.m. -- haha!" and running when he hears the freezer door in hopes of ice cream have become Randall's favorite things. He's "cute, adorable and funny," says Missy's son.

Looking back now at Randall's adoption, Missy describes it as "truly meant to be."



Get a jump start on your holiday baking or shopping and help Whiskers at the same time! Our Hayward Gourmet fundraiser is just around the corner with the yummiest popcorn, fudge, taffy and cotton candy.

If you're interested in selling/delivering these goodies, email corissa@whiskerstnr.org. The selling window closes Oct. 22 with pickup Nov. 19 at the Whiskers building. Check out our [website](#) or [Facebook page](#) for more info.



It takes a village to keep Whiskers TNR humming. In the case of our fall fundraiser garage sale, that means volunteers, people who donated items and, of course, shoppers!

There's still time to stop by until 4 p.m. today, Oct. 1. Or, tax-deductible donations are always appreciated by mail (see address below) or [online](#). Every cent helps cats and kittens in need. *Thank you!*

Book it to Norwalk's library for feline fun

We love when we're able to partner with Norwalk Easter Public Library, and in October, it's double the fun!

First, join us there 3 to 6 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 20, for a large vendor event. We'll be giving away Styrofoam containers as long as supplies last, plus instructions for how to transform them into winter shelters for your outdoor feline friends.

Then, 10 a.m. to noon Saturday, Oct. 22, it's another Saturday! This month's

festivities will include a meet-and-greet for all volunteers from noon to 2 p.m. and a Halloween pet photo shoot from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Bring in your furry friend to say cheese and get access to the pics online afterward! Watch our [website](#) or [Facebook page](#) for details!



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