



MEOW CAT RESCUE & ADOPTION

CELEBRATING 24 YEARS OF RESCUE

TIGER TINSEL



Ms. TT—A Purrfect Cup of T

Tiger Tinsel came to us as a 3-month-old kitten back in 2013 after being found abandoned along a river in Orting. She and her new MEOW “sister”, Stella, were adopted quickly, but

were returned to us in 2019 because of allergies in the home. Though they were bonded as kittens, we quickly found out that Tiger and Stella no longer really cared very much for one another.

Stella soon went to a new home, but Tiger Tinsel had some health and behavioral problems that needed to be addressed. Being overweight, she would require a healthy diet. More problematic, though, was her behavior. She loved attention but would bite and swat suddenly when people were least expecting it. With the help of Feline Behaviorist Dr. Cori Gross, the staff, and volunteers at MEOW, Tiger was making some progress while residing in the Fall Suite at the shelter. In March 2020, when the shelter had to close to the public and volunteers due to COVID-19, we turned to our wonderful foster network to care for the resident cats. Tiger Tinsel went to live with Christine, a wonderful and experienced foster, who worked diligently on her behavioral issues for the next several months.

As we continued to hope for a home for her, Tiger Tinsel's behavior continued to improve. Early in December of 2020, this special cat met a special person who offered her the forever home she needed and deserved. Tiger still has trouble controlling herself sometimes, but she is accepted and loved for who she is.

JUNE BUG

WHAT'S NOT TO LOVE?



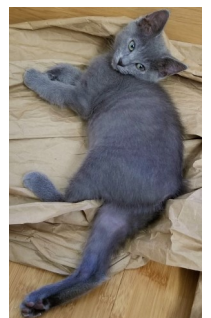
Looking Good, Bug

June Bug and her siblings were roly-poly kittens with round tummies and fuzzy bodies – the epitome of adorable. These babies, healthy and happy, were placed in a foster home where they were bottle fed

until they were ready for their forever homes. Like all kittens, they played with abandon, explored every nook and cranny of their world, loved to snuggle, and always found the cutest position possible to sleep in.

Three years after her adoption, June Bug was returned due to inappropriate urination. She is a Manx cat, meaning she has no tail. As she grew, two spinal malformations related to Manx syndrome became evident and caused her to become incontinent. She developed a pouch of spinal fluid, a condition called spina bifida. After a neurological workup and an MRI, June Bug was treated with steroids, and then had a neurosurgical procedure to reduce the pressure on her spine, but unfortunately, there was no change in her incontinence.

June Bug has an indomitable spirit, an irresistible personality, and looks so adorable in her onesie outfits which keep her diaper in place. A few months ago, this lucky little girl stole the heart of MEOW's volunteer vet Dr. Jackie, not to mention the eye of Sweeney, her crazy fun Smooth Fox Terrier. June Bug joined our Ninth Life Division and has gone home to be cared for by Jackie and husband Sean, and to spend her days with Sweeney, and cat brothers Peter and Cotton.



Baby June Bug

GLACIER THANKFUL FOR THE TRAP



**Glacier
Safe & Warm**

Peggy had all but given up. Her 8-year-old indoor cat, Glacier, had slipped outside ten days before, finding himself in a c o m p l e t e l y unfamiliar space. In addition to resident birds,

squirrels, rabbits, and raccoons, there had been visits by coyotes, and even a bobcat, in the backyard. Peggy, unable to search due to a recently broken leg, had posted a message on a neighborhood communication site, but she hardly dared to be hopeful.

The new neighbors with the adjoining backyard had caught a glimpse of a white cat hiding under their shed. Not knowing what to do, Peggy phoned MEOW for help.

When an indoor cat gets out, he will usually hunker down within a few hundred yards of home. He might get into a very small space and remain hidden during daylight hours, possibly staying there for days before venturing out at night. He may not respond to the sound of a familiar voice or even the sight of family. The most effective way to retrieve an escapee is the use of a humane trap. MEOW has traps available to loan and experts with tips to make the process as easy as possible.

Peggy's call was quickly answered by MEOW volunteer Andee, an experienced trapper who lives nearby. Once the trap was baited with fishy-smelling canned food, the neighbors watched it carefully. It doesn't always happen so quickly, but within four hours, Glacier, thin and thankful, was snuggling on Peggy's lap, flanked by his 15-year-old brother, Polar, and their doggy sister, Ginger.

Traps work. Time is of the essence.



FINE WINES & FELINES 2021 WHISKER ME AWAY! MEOW LUAU 2.0

Please mark your calendar for not one, but two dates! We'll be kicking off our Fine Wines & Felines annual auction this year with extended online bidding beginning Saturday, August 7th at 8 am. Due to continued pandemic considerations, our auction will be virtual once again. The event will culminate one week later, on Saturday, August 14 at 7pm, with our livestream program! In addition, we'll once again be hosting a virtual pre-event Happy Hour that evening, beginning at 6 pm. For your bidding pleasure, we will be offering a myriad of great items such as dining gift cards, home goods, hand crafted decor, themed baskets, pet comfort and care items, one-of-a-kind experiences and so much other fun stuff. Registration to bid is free. To enhance the livestream experience, and because you enjoyed it so much last year, we will once again be offering dinner, drink and dessert options. Watch your email inbox and our website for more details in the coming months.

If you'd like to donate an item for the auction, email us at auction@meowcatrescue.org with your idea. Don't have any ideas? Visit our website, <https://auction.meowcatrescue.org/donate/> for ideas, a link to our amazon auction wish list, and the online donation form.



"In Honolulu, I saw cats, individual cats, groups of cats, platoons of cats, companies of cats, regiments of cats, armies of cats, multitudes of cats, millions of cats, and all of them sleek, fat, lazy and sound asleep."

—Mark Twain

REFLECTING ON THE PAST YEAR READY FOR THE NEXT PHASE



This past year has been full of changes and challenges for MEOW. When we initially closed our doors to volunteers and the public in March of 2020, we, like everyone, had no idea what to expect. In June, we began contactless adoptions and have been happy to find homes for more than 226 cats and kittens over the past 10 months. Although unable to allow our volunteers to work in the shelter, we kept our staff fully employed overseeing the cats in our care and working with our amazing foster families. We learned that our foster families are amazing ambassadors for the kitties and we are planning to continue to offer potential adopters the chance to meet kitties remotely in their foster

homes, where they are most comfortable. We are also planning on hosting several kitten adoption days in the next few months, allowing people to submit their application online and then make an appointment to visit, meet and adopt on specific days at the shelter. As kittens generally adapt well to change, and get adopted quickly, we believe this is a great first step in ramping up our adoption efforts in a way that is safest for everyone. We hope that as our community moves out of the pandemic, we will once again be able to open our doors fully to volunteers and the public. Until then, we will continue to evolve our rescue and adoption processes as we learn what works best for the cats, our staff, our volunteers and our community.

Along with big changes in how we operate, we've had several staffing changes in the past year. Our Shelter Manager, Marnie, decided that this spring was a good time to retire. Although we are very sad to lose her, we are thrilled for her and wish her some very well deserved relaxation. Plus, she'll be staying involved with us, which makes us so happy. We said goodbye to our Volunteer Coordinator, Kiersten, earlier this year as she left to pursue other opportunities. Even when a team member leaves in order to grow, saying goodbye is so tough. Annie, our Assistant Shelter Manager, shifted gears a bit late last year and is now fully utilizing her skills and talents as our Medical Care Coordinator, focusing her efforts on working with our vet partners to provide the very best care for our cats. Late last year, we welcomed Emily, who brings experience in cat care and a passion for rescue, to our MEOW team as our new Assistant Shelter Manager.

Although we don't know what lies ahead, we're very excited about the future.

With respect and compassion for all animal life, MEOW promotes lifelong relationships between people and companion animals, providing shelter and care for each precious life until adopted into a forever home.

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Wed., Thurs., Fri. 3-7pm
Sat., Sun. 12-5pm
Closed: Mon., Tues. and
major holidays

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TRIBUTES GALORE

We are so excited to be able to share so many tributes made to those we love and those we've lost. Thank you so much to the generous donors over the past several months who gave in honor or memory of someone special. We apologize for editing some of the tributes. We wanted to make sure we could list them all and that wasn't possible without some editing.

all nine lives are precious™

TO HONOR & REMEMBER

In memory of Christopher Dean Hartman,
who adopted from MEOW
Alexandra Behr

In honor of Dan Neal, former MEOW volunteer and adopter of Toby & Petey Pan
Angela Neal

In memory of our dear Leo the Forest Cat.
The last year of his life was possible
because we could treat his
cardiomyopathy. We hope our gift helps
other cats have the extra chance Leo did.
Laura, Tim & Sophie

For MEOW Cat Rescue's enduring love and
compassion for each fur baby
Dale Robinson

In honor and memory
of my rescued cats, past and present
De Calvert

For all the pets throughout my entire life that
have given me so much.
Diane Staub

In memory of Zizi, adopted from MEOW.
Gail Gilbertson

We adopted Grace the Cat from MEOW.
She was greatly loved and went to Rainbow
Bridge last June at 20 years old!
Jane Stevens

For all the lives saved because of the
wonderful caring people of MEOW
Lillian Mikelsen

In honor of Julie TeSelle
Jennifer Steele

In memory of my beloved & so missed dogs
Patches, Rocky, Kaiser & Pepper, & kitties
Muffy, Mariah, Megan & Sugar Plum.
Gayle Nelson

In honor of Marnie - who introduced the
Fowlers to Pussywillow many moons ago
Susan Zehnder

In loving memory of my sweetest Copycat
Norma Hobbs

For Biggy, Isis, Poncho, & Cisco
Susan Richins

In memory of Myra Carson
June Carson

In honor of Ginny McDonald
Kathleen Platzer

In memory of Pam Bridgen's Mom,
Dorothy (Dot) Beresford.
She loved and cared for many kitties
Kathy Andeway

It was with great sorrow that we said good-
bye to Emerson after he was diagnosed with
lymphoma. He was a great pet and he will
be in our hearts forever.
Julia Richman

For the Spring kitten crop
Patricia Fullerton

In memory of Mister & Haley
Marie Alvarado

In memory of Rachel, Chandler and Zebo.
All cats adopted from MEOW!
Julie Pearson

In honor of Lewie and Lola,
MEOW Cat Rescue alums!
Nancy Heath

In honor of Hayman and Katherine Look, for
their loving care for needy and healthy cats,
and for those human friends needing help.
Marjorie Ostle

In honor of Sarah and Will Brewer
Judith and Robert Fisher

In memory of Cassia
Linda Juliano

In honor of Anton Feichtmeir
Kurt Feichtmeir

For all the "Amigos"
Rip Jones and Paula Copley

In loving memory of Helen F. Hinkeldey and
my beloved fur babies Chloe and Kellie. May
we all meet again, on the other side of the
Rainbow Bridge. I miss them so.
Karen Hinkeldey

In honor of Katy Rosenlund, MEOW Volun-
teer. She is missing her weekend kitty fix.
Joy Ramshur

In memory of Max and Bo
Kathy Young

In honor of my sweet boys, Charlie & Stanley!
Thanks MEOW for bringing them into my life
Deborah Thompson

Honoring Neko
The Hurst family critters

In honor of Amy, Darren & Mom (Xmas '20)
Kristy Lieberman

On behalf of Andee and Marc Castillo
Chris Merrill

In honor of Makana, Kirby, and Pumpkin
Haidee Bristol-Horne

In honor of Elise and Brad Holt, very special
friends and great animal lovers
Karen Stone

In memory of my beloved wife Eunice who
cared about all animals. May flights of
angels sing her to her rest
Richard Grubb

In honor of Gayle Nelson
Greg and Laurie Nelson

In honor of Geri Karabin
Jen Semsak

For the spring kittens! And in memory of Mr.
Little Guy. Thanks for your caring efforts.
Roger Kriekenbeck

In honor of my mother, Lucy Chang, who
loved cats and believed every cat deserved a
loving home
Alexandra Chang-Graham

In memory of Gloria Clevers
Jan and Jerry Wiley

In honor of a very special person,
Agnes McConnell
Jeffery Hunter

In memory of Emme and Nicky
Connie Keith-Kerns

In memory of Sabrina & Muffin,
dearly missed
Dawnell Lamb

In honor of Specter and Omen,
well trained by Casey and Celia
~ OC and Spike

To honor Ed Gray, the love of our lives.
Chris, Tootsie Toe White & Rosa Parks

in honor of Lindsay, Rob and Alec Walbrun
Barbara Mank and Anton Kirchhof

In honor of Dr. Jacqueline Hulce, who cele-
brated her birthday on December 30th.
Martha Gallahue

In loving memory of Isis Light.
Since your adoption from MEOW, you have
given me 18 years of pure joy. I will always
love you, my little Christmas angel.
Sarah Light

To remember ferals Mona & Decker, and
Jasper & Sam who passed from cancer
Hazel Rice

For Zelda & Chui, beloved Mother & Son
Kay O'Connell

In memory of Kerry & Kegger,
Joni & Paul's wonderful kitties
Ann Reid

For Fritzzy and for everyone
at MEOW Cat Rescue
Amanda Sebert

In honor of Ann Russell of Lacey
Andrew Jones

In honor of Nyx and Iris
Nicholas Sharpe

Eunice was a kind & generous person, a
champion of all animals. She will be
missed. Rest in peace my dear friend.
Karen Baker

In memory of Sweet Boy Whitney, Willow
Willsmore Finkle, Emma Wang, Foster
Provonsha, Tuck Silva, Jonny Cat Harris,
Pickles St. Vincent, & Katara Martlin
Dale Matherly

For best buddies Kegger & Kerry, missing
you both so much.
Joni & Paul Cervenka

In honor of Rick Smith & Bonne VeVea
Maarten van Dantzich

In memory of my friend Virginia Newland
Glena Davila

To honor my brother Jerry
because he loves all animals
Anita Thompson

In memory of Layla, our loving
companion of 11 years
Ben Ridgway

TO HONOR & REMEMBER

For our adopted cats Lizzie, Alec,
Annie & Fozzie Bear
Barbara Pearson

In honor of Marilyn Bowen's service to the
UW Dept. of Housing & Food Services
Cheryl Ewaldsen

In memory of Potsie and Sammy
Amy Laurent

In celebration of Kaleigh Flynn's birthday
Chris Rozanski

A Christmas gift to honor Bonne VeVea
The Groves family

In honor of Andee's 9th Life Program and in
memory of Millie
Mary Hope and Andy Parypa

In memory of Anatoli, Bunty, and Ingo.
We miss you guys every day
Mary Hutton

In honor of Bianca, a good learner.
Sally Paul

In honor and celebration for our
three wonderful kitties,
Sebastian, Rebecca, and Tulip
Joe and Marlex Memmel

In honor of everyone at MEOW. Thank you
for all you do for the furry ones.
Patricia Miller

In honor of Cali, a rescue feral,
on her 16th birthday
Margaret Ann Dewit

In memory of my sister Leda Ann and all the
cats she loved in her lifetime
Sheila Deitrich

In honor of Mary Charlton and family
Joan Marsh

In memory of Jim Harnett and our Raita
Karyn Angulo

In memory of Annie, adopted from MEOW in
February 2008. Silver Maine Coon of our
hearts - we love you
Jean Stewart

For Abby, Nicky, & Kitty
Cindy Buffa

In honor of D'Neka Patten
Dad and Mama J

In loving memory of Jingles who had the
most beautiful and kindest soul. All he met
was a friend. Oh what will I ever do without
you sweetest one?
Althea Dani

In honor of Sharna Alt
Mark and Emma Schoening

In memory of Barbara Conroy D'Arcangelo
Diane D'Arcangelo

In honor of Eileen McElroy
Joe McElroy

In memory of our cat Shadow,
who we lost in 2016
Supriya Kelkar

In memory of my beloved friend, Madge
Rieke. Thank you for providing her much hap-
piness and contentment while sharing her
home with furry friends from MEOW.
Molly Norris

Memories: Louie, loved by Barrie and Michael
Berry; Sadie, loved by Sherri Martin; George
Burns, loved by Michael & Sabrina Suttles;
Sammy, loved by Elizabeth Dubreuil; and
Charlie, loved by Emily Kane
City Kitty

In appreciation of Marilyn & Steve H. and in
memory of Ferris, who danced on too soon.
Jo Anne Pyle and Brooks Bennett

For Charlotte, Vinny, Ozzy & Joey
Halina Reynolds

For Arnie and Albie, such cool cats!
Carmen Almodovar

In loving memory of the nearly 17 years we
had with Beauty (foster fail in '04). Super lap
cat, undercover snuggler & in charge of the
household Complaints Department. The hole
in my heart will not be filled until we meet
again. Sweet dreams my Sleek Black Beauty.
Ruth Laitila

In honor of Emma Jane
Sally Barns

In honor of Bonne's husband Rick

In memory of Madge Rieke
Michelle Sletten

In loving memory of our precious cat Callie,
adopted from the Wenatchee Valley Humane
Society and loved for over 19 years
Marlys Barrett

In honor of Santa Rick
Alice Chapman

In memory of Josie the Wonder Cat ('06-'17)
Rod Crawford

To help all the kitties at MEOW.
Love from Josie Z (age 5)

In loving memory of darling Bijoux
Carolyn Adams

In memory of Rick E Smith,
a beautiful poet and kind man
Debra Rulifson

Binky loved traveling in the motorhome and
toured the west. She loved exploring new
places via her harness walks, tasting all differ-
ent types of grass. Her emotional support
helped my husband through two rounds of
cancer treatment and cardiac bypass surgery.
In our hearts forever. 11/5/2003-1/28/2021
Ruth Laitila

In Memory of Kanji Ong
loved by Tim, Lisa, Miles and Judah
The Littens

In loving memory of our sweet boys Solstice
and Equinox born 2/10/2002. Adopted from
MEOW April 2002. Forever in our hearts
Victoria and Jim Bethel

In memory of my hospice dogs for 2020,
Elsa, Dibble, Snoopy & Suzi
Judith Anderson

In honor of Barb & Jack Avery
Noreen Allen

In memory of my sweet, silly Boo who
passed away from throat cancer last April.
I miss you every day
Marti MacPhee

In memory of Ernie. Adopted from MEOW in
2004. We miss you buddy
Darren & Jeanne Lucchini

In honor of our special boy Hudson! He
brings so much love and joy to our lives.
Thank you for all you do, MEOW!
Matt & Juliet Schubert

In memory of Madge Rieke
Jay & Marianne Wilkins

Giving thanks to Bonne & the MEOW team
for making the world a better place.
Carolyn Turnia

In honor and memory of my dear friend,
Agnes McConnell, an uber lover
of all things cats!
Jennifer Chambers

In memory of Kato Tomato Potato Elato
can't WAIT - oh Boy. Miss you!
Carol Buchmiller

In memory of Marli Schmidt's lovely cat
Annie, who crossed the bridge, and Bobcat
Jackie Kure

To honor our 12 year old MEOW cat Nelle
Frederick and Joan Hutto

In memory of Cisco, Gypsy, and Ebony.
The loves of our lives
Robert and Gloria Benson

In honor of Randy & Ringo, feral kittens
captured by MEOW, now 14,
who could not be more loving or loved
Patty and Roy Anderson

For cats Courtney & Atchoo
Jann Tompkins

In fond memory of Phyllis and Dick Hall
Susie Poth

In memory of Laura Fixman
Andrew Fixman

In honor of Chester (Redford, alum of
MEOW) and Mittens (RV camp rescue)
Nancy Jackson

In memory of Herbie and Sammy
Amy Laurent

Toby was always up for affection, looked
after his sisters (2 additional rescues) and
was a delight for nearly 17 years. He now
visits in dreams and we'll love him forever.
Russ Hertenberger & Teri Johnson

In honor of my cats, who have been my
emotional lifesaver during this crazy year.
Susan Oberto

GIVEBIG – IN HONOR OF ALL MOMS MAY 4TH & MAY 5TH



Sweet Mama Zoie

Moms hold an incredibly special place in our hearts, whether they are human moms with two-legged or four-legged children, or furry moms. This year during giveBIG, we'd like to celebrate Mother's Day and honor these amazing mothers. When you donate a gift of \$250 (or more) in honor of a Mom, her kitty (or your kitty) will earn a small photo square in our 2022 calendar, while they last. We'll also send the human moms being honored a special email to let them know that you were thinking of them.

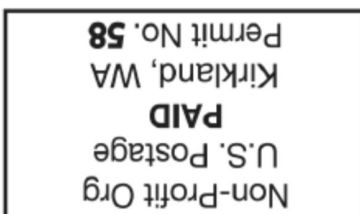
Early giving starts April 20th. Then there will be two full days of what we hope is bigGIVING on Tuesday May 4th and Wednesday May 5th. Please watch your email inbox and our website to learn more or donate

now at <https://www.givebigwa.org/meow-cat-rescue-adoption>

Last year you, our amazing supporters, donated just over \$67,000 to help the precious ones we serve at MEOW! Are you interested in providing matching funds to inspire other donors? Email joni@meowcatrescue.org or call the shelter 425-822-6369, for more information. Your gift will go even farther and help MEOW even more during giveBIG 2021. Thank you and here's to Moms!



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