



# Mewsletter

For the friends of the Independent Cat Society, a no-kill cat shelter

Summer 2014 #142

## Cats and Books - A Purrfect Combination

### Annual Used Book Sale!

July 18, 9am-5pm  
 July 19, 9am - 3pm  
 798 Wabash  
 Chesterton, IN



It's true, cats and books go together as well as lemonade on a hot summer's day! With a kitty curled up in your lap, you can relax and let your stories take you to new and exciting places. In fact, did you know that a cat's purr has been shown to have therapeutic and calming properties? There's even a book or two just on that subject, such as *The Secret Life of Your Cat*, by Vicky Halls. This book provides a revealing look at cat behavior, biological adaptations, and other things that make cats such mysterious and remarkable creatures.

If you'd like some great pictures and a little humor to go along with your non-fiction, you might like *The Itty Bitty Kitty Committee: The Ultimate Guide to All Things Kitten*, by Laurie Cinotto. This insightful book is an easy read for both young and old alike, and contains great information along with amusing anecdotes about those rambunctious, adorable kittens.

Perhaps you'd like to dive into an engaging story? Then look up the works of Meg Grandfield DeMakas, author of the children's "Tabbie Tales" series that includes *Captain Jeb*, *Pirate Cat*, and *Jeb Joins the Circus*. In fact, **Dr. DeMakas will be with us live and in person** to sign books at our Book Sale, from 11am to 12pm July 18 and 19. You don't want to miss this special opportunity!

You can find all of these books and more at many booksellers, including Amazon. Did you know that if you point your browser to <http://smile.amazon.com>, Amazon will give a percentage of your purchase directly to ICS? It's a win for everyone!

ICS loves to share stories and informational books like these with the community. So, this summer, please visit us for our Annual Book Sale on **July 18 and 19!** Donations of used books, magazines, movies, and video games are graciously accepted on July 17. You can find us from 9am to 5pm Friday and 9am to 3pm Saturday at the American Legion Hall, **798 Wabash in Chesterton**. Not only will there be some amazing reads to greet you and a book signing, but there will also be some fabulous food, live music, raffles and a few kitties who might like to share some of those stories with you!



A candid shot of some of our adoptable cats getting a chance to explore last year's Book Sale

## Visit us at the Valparaiso Farmer's Market!



Have you seen the ICS booth at the Valparaiso Farmer's Market? If not, come by and see us every Saturday from 8am to noon. We will be selling our "world-famous" cat toys along with a variety of handmade crafts and other goodies, and we will also be featuring some of our beautiful cats and kittens.

Be sure to see us before July 19 to get your coupon for a free book at our Book Sale!

The Valparaiso Farmer's Market is held in downtown Valparaiso at Central Park Plaza from June through October every Tuesday and Saturday. For more information, visit <http://www.valparaisoevents.com>.

**Adoptable Cats, Upcoming Events, and more inside!**





# Newsletter

Published for the friends of the  
**Independent Cat Society, Inc.**  
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The **Independent Cat Society, Inc.**, founded in 1977, is a non-profit, no-kill cat shelter on US Rt 6 at the Porter/LaPorte County Line Road in Westville, Indiana.

Our mission is to rescue, shelter, adopt, and promote the spaying and neutering of cats in our Northwest Indiana and Chicagoland community.

**Adoption hours:**  
 Saturday, 10:00 am - 4:00 pm  
 Sunday, 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm  
 Others by appointment.  
 Please call (219) 785-4936.

**About our Adoption Fees**  
 Include: Spay/neuter, vet exam, feline leukemia and FIV test; age-appropriate vaccinations; parasite treatment; tattoo ID/microchip; 30 Day No-Cost Pet Insurance; Hills Science Diet coupon; and free post-adoption participating vet visit.

Please check our website or shelter for monthly adoption specials!

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# Calendar of Events

## July

**Bark in the Park**  
**July 12, 9am - 3pm**  
 Downtown Chesterton, IN

**Annual Book Sale**  
**July 18, 9am - 5pm, July 19, 9am - 3pm**  
 Donations and setup July 17 - bring your books, games, magazines, and movies  
 Spend some time learning and having fun with ICS!  
 American Legion Hall, 798 Wabash, Chesterton, IN

## August

**Purrfectly Pampered Day**  
**August 2, 10am - 4pm**  
 Enjoy a day of pampering, goodies, and more in support of the kitties  
 American Legion Hall, 798 Wabash, Chesterton, IN

**Paws for Homeless Animals Day**  
**August 23, 11am - 5pm**  
 Festival Park, 111 E. Old Ridge Road, Hobart, IN

## September

**Popcorn Festival**  
**September 6, 9am - 4pm**  
 Visit our booth for a lovely array of must-have goodies  
 Downtown Valparaiso, IN

## October

**Pumpkin Festival**  
**October 3-5, 10am - 3pm**  
 Prairie Meadow Park, US 421 & US 6, Westville, IN

**Aunt Kitty's Trash and Treasure Sale**  
**October 4, 10am - 4pm**  
**October 5, 10am - 3pm**  
 Drop off items on Friday, October 3 from 12pm - 5pm  
 (no clothing or large furniture items please)

**Black Cat Boogie**  
**October 25, 5pm - 9pm**  
 Join us for great food, great friends, silent auction, and celebration!  
 Old Town Banquet Center, 711 Calumet Ave., Valparaiso, IN



# President's Message

*Until one has loved an animal, a part of one's soul remains unawakened.*

- Anatole France

In our spring newsletter, we featured a very special cat named Guillermo, who won our 2014 Sweetheart Contest. His team worked hard to make his campaign very successful, bringing in over \$800 to benefit the cats of ICS. And Guillermo was always ready to put on the charm for his fans, always managing to appear dignified and calm no matter what was going on around him.

Anyone who got to know Guillermo knew how loving and gentle he was, despite his "tough-guy" appearance. Guillermo came to ICS as a stray who had seen his share of difficult days - one eye was injured, and he sported a few prominent scars on his nose. As he healed up, including going through surgery to remove the injured eye, Guillermo quickly became a favorite among our volunteers.

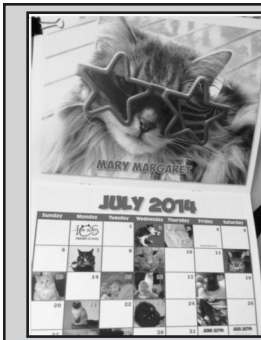
Unfortunately, not long after the 2014 Sweetheart Contest ended, it was discovered that Guillermo had a large tumor in his chest. Despite our best efforts, we were not able to save him, and he passed over the Rainbow Bridge, leaving us far too soon. Our volunteers who knew him best, especially his Room Moms Beth and Becca, miss him dearly. Guillermo was a special guy, and far more than just a Sweetheart. He was a survivor and a scrapper, but always a gentle giant with a beautiful, soulful gaze.

Rest in peace, Guillermo, our dear little Sweetheart. We know that you are playing happily and in perfect health on the Rainbow Bridge, and we will see you again someday.

Sincerely,  
Staci Trekles,  
ICS Board President



*Guillermo - we will miss you.*



## Is your pet a star?

Then commemorate him or her in our 2015 calendar! See Page 5 for a clip-and-mail form to turn your pet into a superstar!

- Month space: \$50
- 1 day square: \$10
- Business card sponsorship square: \$35

Send your info and questions to [kandiekittycat@yahoo.com](mailto:kandiekittycat@yahoo.com)

# Wish List

**Please note:** We do not use litter pan liners, newspapers, or pine cleaners like Pine Sol. Thank you!

### Office Supplies

- Stamps
- Various Colored **2-pocket folders** with Business Card Slots
- Letter-Size Manila File Folders

### Cleaning Supplies

- Bleach
- Laundry Soap (prefer unscented)
- Dryer Sheets
- Liquid Hand Soap
- Dish Soap
- Paper Plates
- Paper Towels
- 30-gallon Trash Bags
- Tall Kitchen Garbage Bags
- Spic and Span Cleaner
- Shaklee Basic G Concentrate

### Medical Supplies

- Microwaveable Heating Discs
- Science Diet AD, ID
- Wellness Grain-Free Food

### Building and Grounds

- 20 x 25 x 5 Aire Bear Furnace filters
- Water Softener Pellets
- 16 x 20 x 1 Fiberglass Furnace Filters
- Replacement Filters for Hunter Air Purifier Model #30930
- Carpenters, plumbers, painters

### Other

- Dry Cat Food, kitten and adult, Prefer *Hills Science Diet* but use other brands for donations to those in need
- Ground flavors of Fancy Feast and grain-free foods
- Kuranda Plastic Cleanable Cat Trees
- Scoopable and Clay Litters
- Gift Cards to Lowe's, Menard's, Home Depot, etc.
- Safeguard SG-36D Humane Traps
- Turbo-Tracks Replacement Scratchers
- Extra Large Litter Scoops
- Small Blankets, Rugs, Towels

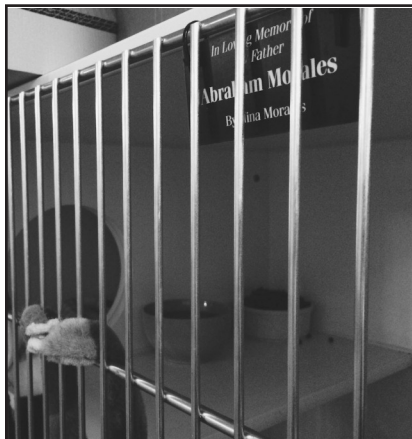
### Special Services

- Artists and craftspersons for events

The cats thank you! Ask us for a receipt for tax-deductible donations.



# Establishing Your Personal Legacy



*Legacies have helped ICS establish many programs and have supported many of our cats in need. Our hall cages are just one example of how bequests can be used to make a better shelter for our animals.*

Crafting an estate plan that meets the needs of your family and fulfills your philanthropic goals is an important but often overlooked aspect of your overall financial plan. Evidenced to this is that between 2010 and 2013, 55% of all Americans died without a will, leaving their assets to be directed by the laws of the state in which they resided. Effective estate planning can not only provide for the financial security of your loved ones, but it can secure your personal legacy of generosity at the Independent Cat Society.

Almost every year, ICS receives gifts from the estates of people who loved cats and believed in our mission. These donors had the forethought to include ICS as a charitable beneficiary in their will. These planned gifts, as they are commonly called, often represent the largest charitable gift someone can make to an organization. Whether it is to provide veterinary care, food or upgrades to our facility, planned gifts allow donors to continue making a difference at ICS after their passing.

The most common way donors choose to support ICS through their estate plan is to visit with their attorney and ask that ICS be included as a charitable beneficiary, for either a specific sum of money or specific percentage of assets. An example of appropriate language to share with your attorney would read as follows:

*I give to the Independent Cat Society, a non-profit corporation located in Westville, Indiana, \_\_\_\_\_ (fill in a percentage of your estate, a certain sum of dollars or a description of particular property), to be used as its Board of Directors determines to be its area of greatest need.*

There are numerous ways in which smart planned giving can also be of benefit not only to ICS, but to your family and loved ones as well. For example, tax-deferred assets such as IRA funds and 401(K) accounts are often chosen for charitable allocations through beneficiary designations. The reason is that if these tax-deferred assets are passed to an heir, the funds are subject to ordinary income tax, generating a potential tax liability for the heir. When tax-deferred funds are allocated to a non-profit 501(c)(3) organization, they pass to the organization on a tax-free basis, maintaining their full impact to fulfill the donor's wishes.

While the subject of estate planning is too expansive to cover in a brief article, we encourage you to seek out qualified and trusted counsel when considering your own plans, as every situation is unique. It is our best hope as you begin to think about your estate plan – or perhaps revisit it to update – that you also think about creating a legacy of support at the Independent Cat Society.

## Low-Cost Spay/Neuter Options

**ICS Vouchers** are available at the ICS shelter on Saturdays from 10 AM-4PM and Sundays from 1-4 PM. (Others hours may be available by appointment only). There are two different levels of Voucher. *Payment by cash/money order only.*

- **Basic Level:** includes spay or neuter, first distemper vaccine, rabies vaccines, worming, ear mite treatment, and identification tattoo/microchip
- **Comprehensive Level:** includes everything in the Basic level plus flea treatment, FELV and FIV testing, and the first Feline leukemia vaccine.

After purchasing a voucher, call one of the veterinary clinics listed below to schedule an appointment. ICS Spay/Neuter vouchers are only accepted at the following veterinary clinics:

- **McAfee Animal Hospital:** 219-462-5901 651 Eastport Centre Dr. Valparaiso, IN 46383  
Basic - \$65  
Comprehensive - \$90
- **Westchester Animal Clinic** 219-926-1194 55E US Highway 20 Porter, IN 46304-1397  
Basic level only - \$65

ICS has also recently been awarded generous grants which can help with the cost of spay and neuter procedures. Please contact us by phone, by email, or on Facebook for more information.

**Dr. Anderson's Feline Reduction Center** has a clinic on Saturdays in Beverly Shores. The cost for the surgery is \$50. The Rabies and

distemper vaccines incur an extra charge, while ear cleaning, a pain shot, and a shot of penicillin are included. The scheduling number is 219-861-9006. Call and leave a message that you want to schedule your cat for a particular Saturday and clinic staff will call you back with drop-off/pick-up details.

### Other local options:

- **Neuter Scooter**  
www.neuterscooter.com
- **Pet Neutering and Adoption**  
www.petneutering.com  
(DeMotte, Indiana)
- **The Estelle Marcus Animal Clinic:**  
www.hscalumet.org or  
(219) 924-7140  
(Munster, Indiana)



### Chicago options:

- **NAWS:** www.nawsus.org or (708) 478-5102 (Mokena, Illinois)
- **PAWS Chicago:** The Lurie Spay/Neuter Clinic or mobile unit, www.pawschicago.org or (773) 521-7729 (Chicago, Illinois)
- **Anti-Cruelty Society:** www.anticruelty.org or (312) 644-8338 (Chicago, Illinois)

*For help with spaying neutering of free-roaming cats, please email us at: [icstrn@comcast.net](mailto:icstrn@comcast.net)*

# 2015 ICS Calendar - Clip and Mail!



**Independent Cat Society  
Westville, Indiana**

We have 12 large month pictures and 365 days.

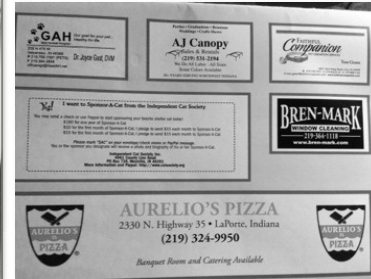
Large Month = \$50

(1) Day Square = \$10

The 2015 calendar will be available for purchase after October 2014.

We appreciate your support of our fundraisers and hope everyone can celebrate the unconditional love of their pets! All animals are welcome!

Does Your Pet have what it takes to be a "STAR" ?



Or support Independent Cat Society by placing your business ad on the back of our Calendar!

Business Card square = \$35

With your business ad you will also receive a free day square on our calendar to show off your pet! What a great way to show your support! We appreciate your corporate support!

It's back!! We had such success with our fundraiser for the 2014 Calendar that we are taking on 2015!! In order to accommodate the vast amount of entries please email your entry and payment information to [kandiekittykat@yahoo.com](mailto:kandiekittykat@yahoo.com) or mail to the address provided on the order form. Remember we only have 12 large month pictures to fill and they are on a first come, first serve basis! They will fill up quickly! We also have 365 days to celebrate! All photos can be submitted: emailed photos, scans of old photos or let us help you and mail your hardcopies. We will make sure they are mailed back! Any questions can be directed to our volunteer: Candy (219)484-1203

### Independent Cat Society 2015 Fundraiser Calendar Picture Order Form

Make checks payable to Independent Cat Society

\$10 for Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Alternate date: \_\_\_\_\_ **Payment Method**  
 \$50 for Month: \_\_\_\_\_ Alternate month: \_\_\_\_\_ Check Cash Paypal  
 \$10 to I want to **Sponsor an ICS Cat in the 2015 Fundraising Calendar!!**

**Name of Owner** \_\_\_\_\_ **Pets Name(s)** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Address** \_\_\_\_\_ **City** \_\_\_\_\_ **St** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Phone** \_\_\_\_\_ **Email** \_\_\_\_\_  
**In memory of** \_\_\_\_\_ **(Only applies if honoring)**

Mail Order Form and payment to: ICS 2014 Calendar, 1909 Samuelson Rd. Portage, In 46368  
 Photo(s) can be submitted to: [kandiekittykat@yahoo.com](mailto:kandiekittykat@yahoo.com) with subject line: **ICS 2015 Calendar** or mailed with payment



# Memorials & Tributes... May - June 2014

**In loving memory of "Big Josie," the beloved cat of Tracie Rans-Kidd,** from Debbie Ross

**In loving memory of our dear friend and loved one, "Lynnie" Billings Proper,** from George and Vivian Biggs, Karen Coombs, Karen Lee Maney, Kathy McKinney, Daniel O'Meara, Eleanor Puczyzet, and Roger Schlobin

**In memory of Colene Wingo-Layman,** from Tammy & Kirk Ward, and William & Vera Ward

**In memory of Noel Kindt,** from Patricia Kindt and the Chicagoland Chapter Era

**In memory of Fats and Kilo,** from Russell and Candace Sahn

**In memory of Gigi,** from Mary Novak

**In loving memory of Dr. Judy Ann Serwatka,** from her friends and family members: Conrad Serwatka, John & Kathleen Ardsel, ARISE Incorporated, Brian & Sherry Bartlett, Dave & Roz Besterman, Betty Brown, Olga Cobb, Leslie & Mary Lou Gomora, Raymond & Lynda Grivetti, Ron & Rosemary Kohut, Jim & Pat Malast, Phillip & Carol Miller, Nick & Cheryl Moore, Janice Lee Schaeffer, Pat Rees, Pat Romanchek, Anastasia Trekles, and Alberta Wayte

**In memory of Tater Tot, who was loved with all my heart,** from Sandra Mason

**In honor of Sparkle's kittens,** from Kathryn & Thomas Hanson

If we have inadvertently omitted anyone, please write, email, or call us so we can include them in the next newsletter.



## Sponsor Spotlight

We would like to thank all of our wonderful and generous contributors, including the following individuals and groups for their recent outstanding gifts to ICS.

Chesteron High School teachers and students  
Daniel and Lynn Grenough  
Rani Kriplani  
Carol Laprade

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## Corporate Sponsorships

We would like to take a moment to recognize our valuable corporate sponsors. We hope that you will support their businesses as they have supported ICS. For an updated list of all of our contributors and supporters, please visit <http://www.catsociety.org>

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**Shelter Wishlist**  
**SilverCrow Creations**  
**Sims Metal Management**  
**Smoochie Pooch Pet Salon and Boutique**  
**St. Christopher's Episcopal Church**  
**Unity Foundation of LaPorte County**  
**The United Way of LaPorte County**  
**Vale Park Animal Hospital**  
**Walt Disney Corporation**  
**Westchester Animal Clinic**  
**Westville High School**  
**Westville Farm Supply, Inc.**





# Sponsor-A-Cat!

*from your Spokescat, Corky*

Hi, I'm Corky, the ICS Sponsor Spokescat! I'm lucky to have a sponsor who sends a yearly donation to help pay for food, litter, and medical care. In return, we send our sponsors a fetching photo of the cat of their choice and the story of his or her life before coming to the shelter.

For a long time, my goal has been to get every cat at the shelter a sponsor. Well, as hard as I tried, that hasn't quite happened yet, but in May we had over 200 cats with one or more sponsors! Now that winter is finally over, I've had some time to think about ways more people could learn about Sponsor-A-Cat. One day, I got an idea while reading my favorite book, *I Know Why the Caged Cat Meows...* or wait, that's the *Caged Bird Sings*, isn't it? Of course! It's by Maya Angelou, that wonderful author who recently passed. I'm sure she is telling some great stories to some of my friends up by the Rainbow Bridge right about now. I will have to ask my room mom to pick up one of her books at the July Book Sale!

Anyhow, my idea was simple – bring your friends, relatives, neighbors, children, and grandchildren with you to the shelter! It's wonderful, especially for the kids, to meet and pet the cats. You might even grow fond of one and want to sponsor him or her, especially if you cannot bring that kitty home with you. And if you can't choose but still want to sponsor, we'll help you decide! Just talk to us, or fill out the coupon at the bottom of this page and send it in. My friends and I, like the ones who still need sponsors below, sure look forward to seeing you soon during our adoption hours of 10 to 4 on Saturdays or 1 to 4 on Sundays!



Corky, your Spokescat



## Romeo

O that you could be the glove upon the hand that you might pet this handsome fellow! Romeo will capture your heart the moment you see him. He loves to play and be around people, and would love to be able to find his forever home. He might even read Shakespeare with you!



## Freddy

Freddy is one of the sweetest young tabbies we've ever seen. He will quickly become your best friend, and he's handsome as well. Come visit him in our room Boppers and you will be very glad you did. This guy is a true gem!



## Jack

is a beautiful long-haired black gentleman who was declawed before coming to us, when his owner could not keep him any longer. He prefers not to be around other cats too much, and would love a place that he can call his own. Wouldn't you like that home to be yours?



## Ginger

is lovely, young, and full of spirit. She loves to play and be the center of attention, and will give anyone the companionship they're looking for. If you want a beautiful, fun-loving, loyal friend to the end, Ginger is your gal!



## Lance

No doubt about it – this young guy will be your very best friend till the end. He is playful, sweet, and handsome as they come. You'd be hard-pressed to find a cooler cat around. Come visit him and see what we mean!



## Rabbit

is not just any long-haired gray tabby. He's missing his tail! His bobbed look makes him quite unique, but no less handsome. Rabbit is a young fellow who would love nothing better than a warm lap and someone to play with. Might you be the one he's waiting for?

**Yes!**

## I want to Sponsor-A-Cat from the Independent Cat Society

I have enclosed a check for:

\_\_\_\_\_ \$180 for one year of Sponsor-A-Cat

\_\_\_\_\_ \$15 for the first month of Sponsor-A-Cat. I pledge to send \$15 each month to Sponsor-A-Cat

\_\_\_\_\_ I pledge to send the amount that fits my budget and feels "right" to Sponsor-A-Cat each month

*Please mark "SAC" on your envelope and check memo.* The sponsor will receive a photo and biography of his or her Sponsor-A-Cat.

Name of sponsor \_\_\_\_\_ Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone \_\_\_\_\_

Month of sponsor's birthday \_\_\_\_\_ email address \_\_\_\_\_

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## Upcoming Events

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## Can you help the Independent Cat Society cats?



### Become a Member!

#### Annual Dues:

- \$1000 Corporation
- \$500 Life
- \$100 Gold Star
- \$50 Family
- \$25 Individual
- \$10 Student
- \$10 Senior

### Donate or Volunteer!

- I am donating \$\_\_\_\_\_ for the care of the cats and kittens.
- I am donating \$\_\_\_\_\_ to the building fund.
- I am donating \$\_\_\_\_\_ to the TNR/Assisted Spay & Neuter Fund.
- I will help groom cats at the shelter.
- I will help give cats their medications.
- I will help at fundraising events.
- I will be a foster parent.
- I will donate my cat-themed artwork or crafts for fundraising events.
- I will bake for fundraising events.
- I will make adoption follow-up telephone calls.
- I will help cats get good homes by becoming an adoption counselor.
- I will help take care of the grounds and maintain the shelter.
- I will distribute flyers for fundraisers.

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

This is a new address.  Do not send a "thank you" note. Phone \_\_\_\_\_ email \_\_\_\_\_

Clip and send to:

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