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## Dale and Brennan...From Rags to Riches

FosterCat receives pleas for help just about every day. Some are by word of mouth and others are pleas for help on our answering machine. Regardless of the situation, we try to get back to everyone as soon as possible. On one such day, we received a plea for help from a tenant in an apartment building in Butler, PA. She informed us that her neighbor had been evicted and that there were two male cats that needed to be rescued as soon as possible.

She relayed that the apartment smelled of urine and the cats needed help! Upon inspection, it was

determined that there was absolutely no cat food available and no litterbox. We knew that we had to remove these cats from their current situation immediately. The tenant did not really want to give up the cats at first and stated that he planned to take the cats with him and live in his car. What we found was

Dale

that the man was feeding the cats canned spaghetti and bread because he had absolutely no money for cat food and litter. Neither of the male cats were neutered and because there was no litterbox, the cats were urinating and defecating in various spots.

Our wonderful foster coordinator Kim, immediately went to pick up both cats and after determining that they were extremely friendly, named them Dale (black) and Brennan (orange tabby). Kim then took them to Animal Friends for vaccinations, neutering, testing, deworming, etc.

Dale and Brennan were taken to our competent foster parent Jessica for observation followed by an assessment by our fabulous foster parents Aaron and Erika. They then went to a new foster home with a little girl named Vivienne. Both cats passed all the behavior tests with flying colors. Both cats were now ready to get their "forever" home.

When cats are accepted into our program, it is customary to place their pics on our webpage,

Visit our Facebook page and website www.fostercat.org for upcoming events and our Annual Catnip Bingo! along with Facebook and Instagram. This is the best way to get the cats the exposure they need to get adopted.

They were only listed a week before I was able to get a wonderful application for both of them to be placed together. Connor C. submitted an adoption questionnaire, and after speaking with him, it was determined that this was the perfect home for both of these sweet cats. Connor's previous cat had recently passed away and he missed the companionship of having a cat. He was on board with fostering and then eventually adopting both cats. Connor states "Thank you guys so much for the opportunity to give both Dale and Brennan a

home! We love them so much! We have been loving on these little guys all week and we are so enamored with them. They are very affectionate and loving. Both cats have been cuddling with us all over the place and they love playing and running around."

Sometimes in life things just work out as if they were intended to end

up this way. Over the course of a month, two helpless cats who had no home and no food, ended up hitting the lottery. One thing is for certain; they will never have to eat spaghetti again. If this isn't a rags to riches story, I don't know what is!



## SAVE THE DATE Hearts & Paws Pet Fair

Come join FosterCat, Inc. at the Hearts & Paws Pet Fair on Saturday, June 17th. Hours are 9:30 AM to 3:00 PM and location is Christ Methodist Church at 44 Highland Road, Bethel Park, 15102. This is Hearts & Paws' 17th annual Pet Fair with over 50 vendor booths, food trucks, adoption opportunities, raffles and more! FosterCat's table will be located in the indoor exhibit hall. No registration needed...just come meet your fellow cat lovers and have some fun!



Saving Lives . . . one cat at a time.

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## **Mission Statement**

Our mission is to develop and sustain an organization to provide temporary foster care for cats and kittens in private homes until permanent homes can be found.

FosterCat, Inc. is a registered 501(c)(3) non-profit corporation.

## **Happy Tails!**

It's a pleasure for Happy Tails to share our adopters' photos and comments with *The LitterScoop* readers.

We offer these simple suggestions to improve the quality of

- Try to have a light, neutral colored background when possible. This works best for most kitties, but a dark background for light colored kitties also works well.
- Avoid having humans in the frame. After all, we are trying to highlight the adopted kitties.
- Make sure your photo is focused sharply.

We understand that you are photographing cats, who are mainly still only while they are sleeping! Thank you for taking the time to share your joy with your new family member in their furever home. Please send your photos and updates to bsnowymarie@comcast.net, and watch for your kitty's photo in future Happy Tails.

We've been together with Maribel for six months and all of us couldn't be happier! She's so affectionate, yet has a bit of mischievousness about her; a perfect combination! M.J.K.



cat is awesome! My dog Jaxson is so calm when I get home now. It's like the cat being here completely calms him. Mirabel is just what we needed. I don't think just any cat would have worked in this situation. I don't know how to thank you folks enough, and in all honesty don't think that I can. I can't even put into words how life changing this is for

I just want you to know that this

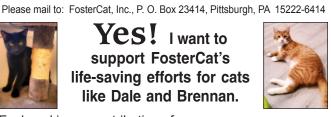
us. More so for Jaxson.



Thanks again FosterCat! You saved a cat and a dog!



Yes! I want to support FosterCat's life-saving efforts for cats like Dale and Brennan.



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It's been a fun year of love and joy with Darby. She cuddles with me and follows me around. She is loved by my parents and is called grand kitty. She loves to look out the window for birds and people walking by. We had our first visit to Santa paws this year and Darby was a hit with him.

We play daily and words can't express how she is loved. L.S.

We have changed Sasha's name to Magnus. It is a Norwegian name meaning mighty. We thought he looked regal and it was fitting for him. He LOVES toys! He has guickly learned where the toy box is and has been pulling new toys out multiple times a day. There are some he pulls out that have been in the bottom of the bin for years.

