



WHO WOULD THROW A KITTEN IN THE TRASH?

What kind of person would be so cruel that they would throw a live kitten in a dumpster like a piece of trash? It may sound unbelievable, but that's what happened recently in Palm Beach. A worker heard a meowing noise from a dumpster, looked inside and saw a little black fuzz ball terrified and hungry. Rather than turn a blind eye to the little kitten in trouble, the gentleman rescued him by taking him to Island Animal Hospital. The kitten was in excellent health, and Palm Beach Island Cats took him to volunteers where he had to be bottle feed. With proper and uninterrupted food, it wasn't long before he grew to a more substantial diet and continued to thrive with the attention. He has become a very loveable and adoptable kitten. He's had his healthy shots and has been neutered, and now all he lacks is a forever home with people to love. This kitten did not wander into a big dumpster under his own power - human action is how it happened.

From the day PBIC accepted him, he has received nothing but love and care and is turning into a playful and happy little guy. "Little Dumpster" is healthy now with proper nutrition and medical attention, and his personality is endearing. All he needs now is a home where he will be loved and can love in return.

To anyone that would throw a live creature in a dumpster like a piece of trash - your action would be unconscionable and is thoroughly repugnant. Animals are not trash, and to treat them that way when they are defenseless is inhumane and cruel! Shame on that kind of person . . .

PALM BEACH ISLAND CATS

SEPTEMBER 2010

NATIONAL FERAL CAT DAY

EVERYONE IS INVITED to party with PBIC on Saturday, October 16, to celebrate National Feral Cat Day in Palm Beach. The day is observed across the nation by groups working with feral and homeless cats in other communities. Supporters and friends are invited to gather in The Leopard Lounge at The Chesterfield Hotel. The party begins at 5:30 p.m., so join us for the evening.

There will be a celebrity bartender contest spotlighting Dr. Mary Ellen Scully and Dr. Brad Ochstein, lead veterinarians for PBIC. Tips at the cash bar determine who the favorite bartender is for the event; proceeds will benefit PBIC. Guests may expect bountiful appetizers, music and a lot of fun. Party-goers will want raffle tickets for a chance to win a great prize, and proceeds will help support the feral and homeless cat management program on the Island. Valet parking is available.

Don't stay home that evening and miss all the fun!!

CARETAKER SPOTLIGHT



NAMES WITHHELD BY REQUEST

PBIC has two caretakers that work tirelessly to benefit the cats in the colonies in their care (or anywhere else when there is a cat in need). "We love the cats and want them to be well fed and healthy, and we won't hesitate to trap them if there is a need. In fact, we like trapping because we know it will help them. We live in an area where a few residents actually hate the cats, so we don't want to antagonize them about what we do," they explained. This hard working duo does a wonderful job of seeing to the cat's welfare. Thank you both!!

UPCOMING EVENTS

√ October

Promotion of engraved bricks for the memory walk for the Park Avenue garden and Adoption Promotions at Palm Beach Publix

√ October 16th – National Feral Cat Day

√ December 18th –Event at The Zoo

Plans are in place for a fun time in Palm Beach this Season and some of it will be hosted by PBIC. Don't miss a thing – and check back often for details!

WANT TO HELP?

Want to help but don't have a lot of money to give? There are other donations that will be much appreciated and can help support the program. You can help us care for the cats by donating something in the list below, and remember, **Donations are Tax Deductible.**

Cat food – wet and dry

Paper towels

Trash bags

Plastic plates (black only)

Gift cards from Publix, PetsMart, Petco

Gasoline gift cards (field operations)

PET ALERT

Abandoned felines are being found on the Island because irresponsible pet owners are abandoning their four legged friend in a location where they hope their pets will be taken in and cared for. "It is disturbing because we're finding thoroughly tame and social cats in our traps, and it's even worse when we find the animals have not been sterilized," said the Field Director. If anyone sees a stray cat in the neighborhood, please call Island Cats . . .

512-4884

JOIN – SHOW YOUR SUPPORT

September 1 was the kick-off date for a membership drive for Palm Beach Island Cats. Becoming a member shows your support for the work that controls the population of homeless cats in Palm Beach as well as providing the food, water and medical care for these outdoor cats. Being a member will ensure YOU are one of the first to know what's happening with the program.

MEMBERSHIP LEVELS

Basic Membership \$25

membership card and reduced fee for neighborhood parties

Basic Level Two - \$100-\$199

membership card, reduced fee for neighborhood parties and a tote bag

Basic Level Three - \$200-\$349

membership card, reduced fee for neighborhood party and a coffee mug

Basic Level Four - \$350-499

membership card, reduced fee for neighborhood party and an umbrella

To join, mail your donation to P. O. Box 173, Palm Beach, FL 33480 – or send an email to pbislandcats@gmail.com with payment method. Your card will be mailed to you promptly.

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*Wanna guess why I'm called Pumpkin!
I'm a healthy little guy who needs a home
so please **want** me to play with and love.*

MEMORY WALK

It's not too late to donate a brick engraved with a message of your choosing to be used in a memory walk in a serene, green oasis soon to be constructed on Park Avenue. Bricks are \$100 each, and proceeds will help PBIC continue their work to control the feral and homeless cat population in Palm Beach and provide medical and surgical services to maintain healthy colonies. Call today for more information or to receive an order form.

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