



The LITTER SCOOP

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This Little "Boots" Is Not Made for Walking!

Does anyone remember the sixties? I know I am showing my age, but there was a song from 1966 by Nancy Sinatra that somehow sticks in my mind. The song is entitled "These Boots are Made for Walkin". When I first heard about a cat named "Boots," that particular song came to mind.

It seems Boots was one of ten or more cats living and hiding out in a "burned out" abandoned house in Washington, Pennsylvania. (See the photo of the house where all ten cats were living so you can get an idea!) This house was on the main drag of a busy, dangerous highway. Many of the cats living there had been hit on the road trying to cross to find food.

A woman named Amy T. heard about these stray cats and decided to try to trap and rescue all ten cats. From what she could observe, all of them were in bad shape with fleas and various injuries and most had skin problems. With great determination and dedication, nine of those cats were trapped and vetted. All but one were friendly enough to be placed into new, loving homes. The tenth cat was feral, but Amy decided to get him completely vetted and relocated him to a safe place along with food, heated water dish and heated shelter. Boots was one of these rescued cats that we accepted into our foster program.



At first Boots was pretty shy, but after a short period of time, he adjusted to his new life in a foster home and our

foster parent Khushboo decided she loved him too much to ever part with him.

Since Khushboo had never owned a cat and was extremely busy studying for her PhD, she reached out to our foster parent Kim for advice. Kim was happy to oblige and brought a starter kit to acclimate Boots to his new life. Today, as you can see by his picture, Boots is living the good life indoors and he has never looked back! Just like the lyrics of this song, Boots has had enough of neglect and scrounging for food and is doing his best to forgive and forget.

Khushboo states "FosterCat was always there when I needed them for advice and they helped me and Boots make the smooth transition."

One can't help but wonder how many other cats are living outside in abandoned houses or buildings? How many of them will survive?

As for Boots, Khushboo sends updates periodically and she says that she can never imagine being without him. No more walking papers for this little Boots!



Happy Tails!

Hearing from our adopters is one of the joys of finding "Furrever Homes" for these wonderful kitties. Simply attach your photos to a brief email and send them on to us at bsnowymarie@comcast.net. Please enjoy the following!

We can't remember ever not having Ash with us. He and his feline brother, Fuzz, are inseparable. He loves his human brother, too, particularly his Legos and stuffed animals. Funniest of all, Ash loves water and has even accidentally jumped into a full bathtub a few times.



K.L.



Here is an update on Fern. He's grown up to be quite handsome.

S.S.



Haggis, formerly Sprout, is spoiled and very well loved! His favorite place to sleep is on my neck. Seriously, he is the best cat and we're so happy!

A.T.



Thank you so much for letting us adopt Calimoe. She has brought so much joy to our family. She has adjusted quite well to her new "furrever" home! C.P.

Bessie is wonderful. She is now known as Coco Chanel and ignores the dog. She has the run of the house and is very affectionate. She helps me in my home office. D.B.



Here's Squeaky, formerly Mandy, enjoying "kitty tv" on our enclosed porch. She especially loves the Nature channel with birds & butterflies! She's a real sweetie and we just love her. Thanks for all the work you do! M.M.

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Myla made herself at home from day one, and she and Milo are best friends. You rarely see them apart! A.L.



Morgan is the shy kitten. Bella is a tomboy and very adventurous! We love them so much! A.H.

Georgia is very happy in her new home and is definitely a cuddle bug! Dino and Georgia are cuddle buddies now. M.G.



I absolutely adore Diane! She's the sweetest kitten ever! L.W.



Minerva is doing really well. She is a sweet kitty and has definitely made herself at home. She already has her favorite spots where I know I can find her.



Tootsie is such an easy-going kitty and keeps us all entertained with her antics! We love having them as part of our family! J.S.



The process to adopt with FosterCat was really simple, safe, and fast. You can tell they really care about these cats, as they shared a lot of very good information on caring for them. I originally wanted to adopt Theo, but ended up adopting his sister Lilah as well. It was an excellent experience working with FosterCat, and now my home feels like it's full of life again. J.S.

Happy is doing very well here and is making good friends with my rabbit. Handsome Happy boy loves to be warm and under the covers. E.F.



It's been about a year since we got Theo and just wanted to send a thank you for bringing him into our lives. He's made this past year so much better; we've loved having him. Thanks for doing what you do! N.R.

Mira is such a doll and has quickly taken over as Queen of the House! We share many morning cuddles and she promptly meets me after every shower to make sure I hold her before I start my day. Mira has also become best friends with our other adoption, Milo. They are the purrfect duo! They make me look forward to my mornings. Thank you for your wonderful foster/rescue programs! C.L.



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