



Alley Cat Advocates Volunteer Gazette

March/April 2008

Dates to remember:

March:

5 New Vol Orientation
14-17 Big Fix
23-24 BF trap return
30 Trapper training

April:

3 New Vol Orientation
6 Rehab Training
13 Screeners Party
18-21 Big Fix
27-28 BF trap return
ACA Hotline: 634-8777
Big Fix #: 599-6833

Everyone loves kittens! *Despite our best efforts, we know kittens will come to the Big Fix this spring. Our goal is to give them the best chance at a healthy and happy life as possible. Most kittens are fixed and returned to the colony on the weekend of the Big Fix but others need a temporary home. For some, time is needed to recover from an illness like an upper respiratory infection, for others they need time to gain weight or grow old enough to be fixed. At ACA, the care of kittens falls under the category of rehabbing. Rehabbing also includes caring for sick adult cats that will get well and return to their colonies or caring for cats that cannot humanely be returned to their colonies until an "adoption agency" can be found. Rehab volunteers get training and can choose what level of care they can provide and do not have to commit to taking cats every Big Fix.*

- **Rehab Training is April 6 at 7 pm.** If you are interested or want more information, call the hotline.
- **The address of the ACA office was incorrect in the Jan/Feb Gazette.** It is **536** Eastern Pwky.
Mail still goes to 3044 Bardstown Rd #204 Louisville KY 40205
- **Trapper training is March 30 at 7 pm.** Know the thrill of getting a cat in a trap. **Disabled caretakers are waiting over 6 months to get cats fixed because we don't have enough trappers. PLEASE HELP!**
- **New Volunteer Orientation** is scheduled for Wednesday Thursday March 5th and April 3rd 7:00 pm at the office. Anyone who is interested in attending should call the hotline for reservations and directions. Many thanks to Lauren Kehr and Lyn Marshall who are taking the time conduct new volunteer orientation every 4-6 weeks.
- **The Telephone Screeners Thank you Party** is planned for Sunday April 13 at 5:30 pm. Screeners save the date! Jane Harper will contact you with details.
- **www.igive.com** is a website that has links to the on-line catalogs of brand name stores. ACA gets money by having the purchaser go through the *igive* website instead of directly to the store's website. Check it out and spread the news.
- **We have re-stocked ACA t-shirts** in all sizes: short (\$18) and long sleeve (\$20). Talk to Lauren at the BIG FIX or call the hotline!
- **We are still looking for people to help wrap spay packs.** It's easy and fun. Our next get-togethers are Sunday afternoon March 23rd and April 27th. (Sundays after Big Fixes). You don't have to commit to every month, coming one time helps. Talk to Lauren, Jane H, or Rita Kirchner at the BF or call the ACA hotline.
- **Office/data entry/clerical work is still needed** and now that we have an office it is easier than ever to help out. Call the hotline for information.
- **Don't forget to contribute to the pizza fund at the BF;** current donations are covering about 50% of the cost. Thanks to those volunteers who bring in bananas, cookies, doughnuts and other treats.

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Sometimes you have to do the best you can and treasure every life saved....But sometimes you get a chance to make a bigger difference!