



# C.A.T. Mews

Cat Association of Topeka • A Nonprofit, No Kill Shelter

## An Introduction to Feline Diabetes

You were just told your pet has diabetes.

The initial shock and fear you feel when the vet tells you that your pet has diabetes can be overwhelming. Yet diabetes is a **treatable** condition and your pet can live a normal, happy, healthy life. Diabetes is not a death sentence for your pet!

You are likely wondering, "How long will my pet live?" Every pet is different, but very often your pet can live a normal life span. If you own an older cat, no doubt you've wondered if it's "better" to put it to sleep. This is a very complicated issue and depends on the overall health of your pet. But age alone should not be the deciding factor in determining whether to treat your diabetic pet or whether to euthanize it. Many older pets have been diagnosed with diabetes, and with commitment and loving care have lived many more years. Our cat was diagnosed at age 14, and for years was still very healthy and dominating the household. We've heard of many diabetic cats that are quite elderly (18 years old or more) who are in very good health.

**You Can Get Through This.** Caring for a diabetic pet takes a very strong commitment from both the caregiver and the vet. You must provide a very high level of care for your pet on a daily basis. Gone are the days of putting out food and water, giving a quick pat on the head, and hurrying out the door. Every day you will have to give your pet medication, feed a proper diet,

and watch his behavior. Don't get the impression that you are now a prisoner....you aren't, but you will have to pay much closer attention to your pet's needs and behavior, and you will have to make arrangements for someone to care for your pet if you leave for an extended period of time. Your hard work and commitment will be reflected in your pet's continuing good health, and hopefully you will be able to enjoy the love and companionship of your pet for many more years.

With a disease like diabetes, it is very important that you have a good working relationship with your vet. Your vet does not have to be an "expert" but he or she should be experienced in treating diabetic patients. If your vet does not know something or is not sure how to treat your pet, he should consult with a specialist or refer you to a specialist. Communication is absolutely essential. You will have a lot of questions about your pet, about diabetes, and about various treatment options. You must be able to ask the vet questions and get thorough, understandable answers.

At times, diabetes can be a very frustrating disease. The veterinary community is always expanding its knowledge about diseases and treatment options, and diabetes is no exception. Although there are standard treatment options for diabetes, diabetic animals can be difficult to treat and every animal responds differently to any given treatment plan. One thing that

most vets or owners of diabetic pets will tell you is "every pet is different".

Educating yourself about diabetes is one of the best things you can do for you and your pet. There is a lot to learn about the various aspects of diabetes and its treatment, and all of this information can be intimidating. It is important to learn the very basics early on, but then you can take things a little slower and do more reading. Even after you've been doing this for many months or even years, there is always more to learn. Don't be afraid to ask questions. If you don't understand something, no matter how simple you think it is, you must ask. Knowing the correct answer could save your pet's life. There are many resources available at [felinediabetes.com](http://felinediabetes.com) and in both human and pet health care books. With a basic understanding of diabetes, you will be better able to care for your pet and better able to communicate effectively and participate in the decision making process with the vet.

**How much is this going to cost?** Cost is something owners think of when their pet is diagnosed with diabetes. The initial "sticker shock" can be overwhelming and the financial requirements of caring for a diabetic pet can be substantial. Unfortunately, none of us has unlimited resources, and reality is that money is a factor. If

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# Feline Diabetes cont'd

money is limited, many vets will work with you to limit expenses and will allow you to make payments on your bill. Please discuss this option with your vet.

**- The First Few Weeks -** It is not unusual to spend \$200-300 for the initial diagnosis and hospitalization, even if you caught the diabetes early. If you were not aware of your pet's condition and he is in critical condition, the costs can be significantly more.

In the first few weeks or months, when you and the vet are trying to get your pet's diabetes regulated, the expenses may still be high. You will have to take you pet to the vet for a few check-ups during the early stages of diabetes. These check-ups are essential to determine how your pet is doing and to make any necessary changes to the medications.

In some pets, the diabetes is quickly brought under control (regulated). Other pets are not so lucky, and they require more frequent visits to the vet and adjustments to their medication.

**- Typical Maintenance Expenses -** After the diabetes is reasonably well regulated, the costs decrease dramatically. Supplies typically cost around \$30 to 40 per month. This includes syringes, insulin, and a prescription diet.

Many people monitor their pet's urine glucose, and the test strips are relatively inexpensive (less than \$10 for 50 test strips). Others use blood glucose testing at home. Information about both is provided in the education section of the site.

A blood glucose curve done in the vet's office may cost about \$100-150. You and your vet will determine how often these tests are needed. After the diabetes is fairly well regulated, a blood glucose curve may be needed only every 6 months, or only when you suspect that your pet's diabetes is no longer under

control. If your pet is more difficult to regulate, more frequent blood testing may be required. Home blood glucose monitoring is an option that can significantly decrease your expenses. There are many valid reasons why care-givers choose to do home blood glucose monitoring. A primary reason is that it may provide the most reliable and immediate information on your pet's blood glucose levels. Another reason is the cost savings. If you choose to do home blood glucose monitoring, it requires the support of your vet because the vet will help you interpret the results. The blood glucose meters and test strips vary in price, but rebates are often available. Some are as little as \$30 for the meter (after rebate) and the test strips are about \$35 for a box of 50 strips. The strips last for several months.

Another expense associated with diabetes is for vet visits for other suspected health problems. In a way, this is a strange benefit of diabetes. You become very aware of your pet's behavior and are usually able to detect any changes or problems very early. Also, the routine 6 month or annual check-up provides another opportunity to catch any new problems at an early stage.

**Your Emotions Will Be Raw.** Caring for a diabetic pet can be frustrating and emotionally stressful for everyone involved. At first, you wonder how much you are upsetting or hurting your pet by giving pills or injections, feeding a new diet, and doing all the other things you will have to do. The changes are difficult at first, and your pet may be upset or not acting as lovingly as usual. But these new activities are life-saving necessities and they soon become part of daily life, both for you and your pet. With all the extra attention and care that you give your pet, you will probably find that the bond between you and your pet

becomes even stronger.

There may be times when your pet's diabetes is uncontrolled, or when other illnesses arise. The extra effort and commitment you give to your pet makes these set-backs even more heart-breaking and stressful. Every health crisis can be an emotional drain. Exhaustion, frustration, anger, sadness, fear, and guilt are all normal feelings that are part of caring for an animal with a chronic health condition. Don't ignore these feelings, but don't dwell on them either. Be sure to take some time for yourself and rely on your friends and family for emotional support. The bad times usually pass quickly and you learn to cherish the little things even more. And don't forget to celebrate the progress that you make, even if it is just a small step forward. I believe that animals are very perceptive of our emotions, and the healing power of love should not be underestimated. Never lose sight of the joy that your pet brings to your life.

**Will people think I'm crazy?** Friends, relatives, and co-workers may make insensitive comments that you are crazy to care for a chronically ill pet. Although it is difficult, try to ignore the unsupportive people - they do not understand the special bond of love that you share with your pet. Their inability to have compassion for an animal means that they will never experience the pure and unconditional love that can be shared between a human and a companion animal. Only another pet lover will understand your choice to give such dedicated care to your pet. Your good friends will understand your choice and be supportive, and one of them may even be suitable to be a back-up caretaker. Try to find a group of other pet-lovers who will be supportive of your decisions. There are many internet mailing lists and web sites for care-givers of pets with chronic illnesses. The

people there will understand and be supportive of your choices.

**Your social life doesn't have to end!** Caring for a diabetic pet will place restrictions on your ability to spend time away from home. Your pet must be given insulin or other medications, fed properly, and observed every day. With some advance planning, diabetic dogs can often accompany you on weekend trips or extended vacations. Unfortunately, most cats don't travel well, so they usually require special arrangements. Before spending any extended period of time away from home, you must make arrangements with a well trained care-giver to take over the care of your pet. This is not a job for a neighborhood child or someone you don't completely trust. The care-giver must be able to properly administer medications, ensure feeding, observe your pet's behavior, and be able to call the vet or take your pet to the vet in case of emergency. A close friend or family member may be suited to this serious job. Another commonly used option is to check with the technicians at your veterinarian's office - they are well trained, and often available to do in-home care for a reasonable fee. Boarding you pet at a competent boarding facility, or the vet's office is another option.

**The Bottom Line.** By making the decision to care for a pet with diabetes you are taking on a huge, but very rewarding challenge. There is a lot to learn and do, so be patient with yourself. Whatever decisions you make for the care of your pet, a decision based on love and the welfare of your pet is the best decision for everyone.

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## What's going on at C.A.T.?

### *Fall Fuzzy Friends Adoption Day!*

The adoption fees are falling at C.A.T. for one day only! Come meet your new fuzzy friend and adopt them for just \$25 on Saturday, Dec. 10th! Stop by the shelter 1-2 weeks ahead to see our available cats and pre-apply!



## Memory Makers' Paws for the Cause

Carol Myers of Memory Makers Photography takes some wonderful pet portraits! You might remember seeing some of her work at last year's Hair Ball when a free portrait sitting was auctioned.

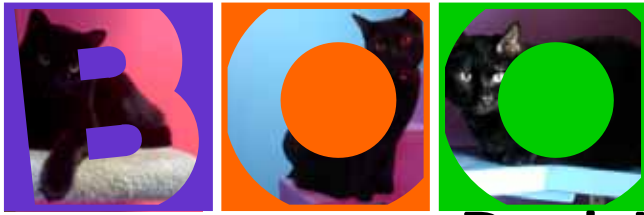
This year she is doing something really special for C.A.T. If you have her take pet portraits for you 10% of the sale goes to C.A.T.!

Carol loves to do pet photography, trying to

make the sessions fun and create great memories of special moments. To see more of her work, you can browse her galleries at her website: [memorymakerstopeka.com](http://memorymakerstopeka.com). You can even explore portrait ideas. We also have a darling picture on display at the shelter to show off her work. Check it out and see what fun you can have getting memorable pictures of your pets!



# Black Cat



Spooky fun!

Bash!



Our annual dinner and auction was fun and a great success! We had a lot of people put time and hard work into planning the event and they did a fantastic job!



St. David's Episcopal Church graciously hosted our event in their gathering hall. The tables were festive in

Halloween-like colors and decorated with cute haunted house candle holders and adorable stuffed black scary cats!

Aboud's Catering served the yummy dinner and dessert. There were many compliments on how tasty everything was.

The PetCo Foundation and Hill's Pet Nutrition, Inc. sponsored our event, along with Kelley Construction, Paul Post, Companion Animal Clinic, and many other friends. Hill's provided

lots of cool stuff for the goody bags that were handed out to everyone!

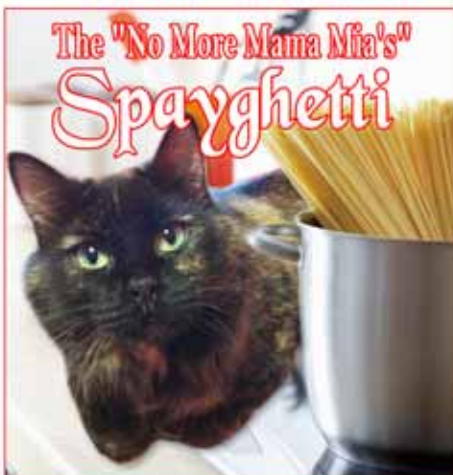
Many people donated wonderful items or put together cute gift baskets for our auctions. Everyone seemed to have fun browsing through the big selection and bidding on their favorite items. Everything was bid on!

Our secret auction had some beautiful items as well, including a big cat tree and a lovely tiled mosaic garden bench! Other fun stuff included a BOOtique with cute stuff for sale like decorated pumpkins and cat bead bracelets. There was also a raffle of five giant goody bags for

lucky winners!

The biggest fun was being able to chat with so many cat lovers and supporters of our work! We hope everyone had a great time. Our final tally was close to \$13,000 raised for the cats! That will help many friendly felines throughout the next year!

We are especially thankful to our board of directors, staff, and our volunteers for helping to make the night such a success. They really put in a lot of work to make it a wonderful evening. We are very fortunate to have so many dedicated to helping the cats!



# Save the Date!

## C.A.T.'s Annual Spayghetti!

Saturday, Feb. 25th from 6-8pm  
at St. David's Episcopal Church

# HAPPY TAILS

## Abby (Bumble Bee)

Hello,

Just wanted to drop you a line to let you know how little Bumble bee (Abby) is doing. She is sooo sweet and loving and is fitting into our family just perfectly. She has made herself right at home and especially loves to play on our three tower cat house. She is full of energy and loves the kids to play with her. We slowly introduced her to our other kitty and they are getting along

fine. We thought you would like to know that she is doing well and very happy in her new home. We already love her so much!

Thanks again for everything you are doing for these little kitties. It is such a great place you have for them while they are waiting for their forever homes!

Take care,  
Brittany and bumble bee (Abby)



## Olivia (Misty)

Misty, aka Olivia, has made herself at home. Her favorite toy is a wad of paper. She is so sweet except when she bites toes early in the morning. We have had a lot of fun getting to know each other

over the past two weeks. Thanks to everyone at the Cat Association. You are the best!

Lisa J. Martin



## The cats love their Kuranda beds!

Last fall we let our cat-loving friends know about Kuranda cat beds. This company makes wonderful, sturdy beds for dogs and cats, and they offer special pricing for shelters and those who want to

donate to their local shelter. Our wishes came true quickly and the cats love them!

This year we've received six single beds, one double bed, two 4-level towers, and one 6-level tower. We put them together,

which was simple and easy, especially with Astra's help. The cats lounge and play on them, and sometimes play tag on them. They are a hit! Thank you to all who donated and made the cats happy!



# Beautiful Garden Stepping Stones

If you are looking for a beautiful way to decorate your garden or memorialize a pet, Karen White of K-Dub Designs can create something wonderful for you! She designs custom pet portrait mosaic stepping stones based on photos, putting together some stunning pieces!

She recently gifted C.A.T. with a memorial stepping stone honoring some of our shelter angels. Each stone is hand made and can be decorated with a border, the pet's name or a heart. A small hook can even be placed to hang the pet's name tag on.

The tile she uses is given to her by a local tile store. They are either left over from a job or from sample boards. She recycles them into beautiful creations! The process takes about 4-6 weeks, and she does it all herself. And they are sealed so they are ready for outdoor use.

Karen has also done other mosaics for signs, table tops and other unique items. The stepping stones can be ordered right from her website and are shipped when done. She also has gift certificates available.

Her website has a large gallery of her



creations to showcase what can be done, [dogsteppingstones.com](http://dogsteppingstones.com). Yes, the name includes 'dog,' but she can do portraits of

many types of pets! We love our stepping stone and will be placing it with love and gratitude in our memorial garden!

# November is Adopt A Senior Pet Month!

Older cats still have lots of love to give! They may be slower and less playful, but they can give lots of cuddles and purrs.

We have several items in the shop that can help senior cats be comfortable and happy. There are lots of beds and pads to choose from, including heated pet beds. Hill's Pet Nutrition® has introduced a new food called Age Defying for 11+ cats. Some of our

senior cats seem to really like it. And we also carry Zuke's Hip Action Glucosamine & Chondroitin treats. They can help cats with arthritis, and are tasty treats, too!

Why not pamper your older friend? Or come visit us and make a new friend? Adoption fees for senior cats are half price! We have lots of cats deserving pampering!



## Summer Fix Sensational!

Our 2011 campaign to contribute to our spay/neuter fund was a huge success! We are excited by the tremendous response we have received by everyone to help with this key program. We will be able to help many more cats get fixed and prevent unwanted litters with this huge boost.



Our featured “Fixer Upper” kitty, April, has benefited greatly by everyone’s kindness. She has since been spayed, and her nonfunctional back leg was removed. Her foster family continued to work with her to strengthen the other back leg and improve her mobility. She’s a happy kitten, and very playful. She has even more reason to be happy because her foster family was so smitten with her, they adopted her! What a happy ending for this endearing kitty!

We will also be able to help other “fixer uppers,” like Big Wig and Gina. They are both sweet cats, but they have terrible skin allergies. It’s taking some time and tests to find the best way to treat them. We continue to make sure they are comfortable, but we hope that one day they will be completely healthy and ready for a good home.

We are very grateful for all the support that has been given to our spay/neuter efforts. There are many cats in need in the community



and a lot of work to do. These donations will help us get a lot of it done and let us continue to help cats throughout the next year. Thank you!

## Dine Out Fun and Yum!

In July we celebrated eight years at our current shelter with a few dine-out nights at local restaurants. Several of our cat friends enjoyed nights out at Jersey Mike’s, Old Chicago and Red Robin.

Our “Crazy 8’s” Anniversary fun helped to raise some money for the shelter cats. Each restaurant was kind enough to donate a portion of the sales to the shelter. Several C.A.T. supporters were

spotted at the venues, some of them sporting C.A.T. shirts. And we’ve heard lots of comments on favorite appetizers or dishes that were tried!

We are grateful to those businesses for helping to support our efforts to care for our cats, and hope to do it again some time. We hope everyone who ate out had fun. The cats were disappointed that no one brought them any leftovers, but they all benefitted!



# America's First Cat Museum

There are a handful of cat museums, but they are in places like Japan and England. This past June, the Feline Historical Museum in Alliance, Ohio, celebrated its grand opening, and opened its doors to visitors.

The nonprofit Cat Fanciers' Association Foundation moved its corporate offices to the upper floor of the remodeled building. They are opening the one-room museum and library with the goal being to educate people. The emphasis is on the artwork and history of cats, and the displays include some prized items.

There is a special exhibit about "Cosey," the winner of the first cat show in New York City. There are also

sculptures and paintings, ceramic cats, cats in advertising, cats as toys, and other cat collectibles.

The library contains hundreds of cat books and magazines. It is a non-lending library, but they can be seen on-site, and the catalog is available online at their website.

It came about when the Cat Fanciers' Association wanted to relocate to the Midwest. They eventually chose Alliance because the community was so welcoming.

The CFA Foundation was formed in 1990 to educate the public and to collect, preserve and exhibit works related to the cat. Many of the members have collected cat



[felinehistoricalfoundation.org](http://felinehistoricalfoundation.org)

memorabilia, and they hope to obtain more pieces from the public and maintain them as a permanent collection. They are especially interested in original paintings and artwork, and antique cat-related items.

The museum is in a part of town that is seeing a resurgence with a focus on the arts. They chose an old bank building and renovated it, and other businesses will soon be

opening nearby.

As yet, the museum has not set hours, but there is no cost for visiting. They have thousands of items which will be shown in rotating exhibits, and future plans are to hold cat-related seminars and events.

You can learn more about the museum at their website. Or take a trip there some time. It's just 871 miles, or 16 hours, from C.A.T.!

## WISH LIST EMAIL ALERTS

**Occasionally, we have shortages of our supplies, especially those used most often like large trash bags and liquid dishwasher soap.**

**If you frequently donate supplies, why not join our confidential Email Alert list? When we run low, we'll email an SOS to any who wish to help. Just email us at [wishlist@topekacat.org](mailto:wishlist@topekacat.org).**

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- **Special Diet Foods: Hill's® Science Diet® Adult, Senior and Light dry; Prescription Diet® dry w/d®, k/d®, i/d®, c/d®, m/d®, z/d®; and canned k/d®**
- **Center-pull paper towel refills for dispenser (from Sam's)**
- **Plastic shopping bags from Sam's Club**
- **Invitation size envelopes**

# Pets? There's an app for that!

If you're using smart phones or tablet computers like the iPad, you've probably downloaded some applications. There are a lot out there from fun games to useful information utilities. And many of them are free! There are also lots of apps related to pets. We've picked out a few that some of us have used or have been recommended to us.



**petsMD Mobile Symptom Checker**  
Whether you are at home or out and about, this useful app can help you look up information on your dog or cat's health. It

includes a symptom checker if your pet is experiencing health problems so you can make the right decisions when consulting with your veterinarian.



**Pet Names +**  
Having problems deciding on a name for your new pet friend? Pet Names + has a neat list tool for all kinds of pets. You can browse by pet type, alphabetically, or by popularity. And for a little fun there's a cute animal sound board!

**PetFinder.com:**  
**Adopt Pets**  
Looking for a new friend? Download the



PetFinder.com app to search through available pets at your local shelter. You can even see what cats are currently available at C.A.T., view photos, and get descriptions!



**Touch Pets Cats**  
How about starting with a virtual cat? Kids can have fun and learn how to care for a cat responsibly before

getting a real cat? Or maybe you'd just like a cat you can take with you anywhere. Choose your cat, care for and feed it, play with your cat, decorate its house, and connect with other friends online and meet their cats!



**Cat Chorus**  
For just a bit of silly fun, we like Cat Chorus, cute singing kitties that 'meow' a song. You can even play your own songs!

We've also heard about games for iPad that your cat can play, and a phone app for a dog whistle! Whatever your interest, there's sure to be an app for it!

## Missing Meows

*It is never easy to say goodbye. These special shelter cats were dearly loved and will be missed by us all.*



~ Koko ~



~ Benny ~

# Paw Prints on the Heart

We are thankful for these gifts to C.A.T. We wish to recognize the following contributions and honor those being remembered in this special way. *All names are current as of May 20, 2011. Please contact us with any corrections.*

## Memorials

### Layton Vorhees

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### Lori Tevolt

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### Betty Ayers

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### Jeannie Blanck-Griffith, for

all she does for CAT

Pat Urban

### Dana Hampton - Birthday

Nancy Hampton

Jeannie Blanck-Griffith

### Pat Urban – Birthday

Jeannie Blanck-Griffith

## Pet Tributes

### "Buddy"

Lawrence Kassin

### "Miss Kitty"

Loren & Maleea Gitthens

### "Cat"

Richard Pearce

### "Sassy Pants" Evans

Jeannie Blanck-Griffith

### "Jooney" & "Bubba" Clum

Connie Clum

### "Pearl"

Deb Kirmer

### "Mickey"

Virginia Burket

### "Bennie," "Bedelia," &

"Fickle" Barnes

Jeannie Blanck-Griffith

### "Rosie" Martin

Linda & Randall Martin  
James & Carol Blass

### "Precious Honey"

Mary Alice Parmley

### "Petra" Sakellaris

Mr. & Mrs. James Sakellaris

### "Depot" & "Henry" Johnson

Jeannie Blanck-Griffith

### "Trevor" Harlow

Richard Harlow

### "Cooper" – She was one of a kind!

Nancy Crenshaw-Miller

### Happy Birthday "Gus" &

"Bailey"

Dana Hampton

### "Cleo" Craig

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Jo Ann Myers

### "Chloe" Campbell

Pat Urban

### "Simba" Cavanaugh

Jeannie Blanck-Griffith

# UPCOMING EVENTS & VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

## Photo Ooops!



### November

#### **ADOPT A SENIOR PET MONTH!**

- 24 THANKSGIVING DAY! *C.A.T. will be closed for the holiday.*  
25 BLACK FRIDAY! *C.A.T. will be closed for the day.*

### December

- 3 PetCo Booth: C.A.T. will be at PetCo 12-3. *Hope we see you there!*  
10 Fall Fuzzy Friends Adoption Day! *Adopt a new fuzzy friend for just \$25 on this special adoption day! See inside for details!*  
24 CHRISTMAS EVE - *Cat will be closed for the holiday.*  
25 CHRISTMAS DAY - *Have a safe and fun holiday!*  
31 NEW YEAR'S EVE - *C.A.T. will be open normal hours. Happy New Year!*

### January

- 7 PetCo Booth: C.A.T. will be at PetCo 12-3. *Come chat with us!*



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