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New "CARE Kid's" Program a Roaring Success



Students gather to listen and learn about all of the big cats of CARE

A wonderful group of youngsters visited CARE from Jacksboro Middle Schools Gifted/Talented program. These *CARE Kids* were armed with gadgets and gizmos for testing wildlife and chemical levels in both soil and water. Like sponges these bright minds absorbed as much information as they could in their three hours at CARE. They even had the treat of analyzing tiger feces for parasites and feeding Lacy her daily medication with a spoon.

This group tops the list for the Kids CARE Superhero fundraising for the 2007 school year, raising \$250 for the Big Cats. The kids raised money by selling

baked goods, including homemade peanut butter rice crispy treats, peanut butter fudge brownies, earthquake cakes, and much, much more. The treats were sold at both the school and at a local store all day on a Saturday. The kids that came to the CARE center were Koby Hood, Clint Lake, Reid Spiller, McCall Maddox, Cameron Cooper, Lindsay Hicks, Meghan Sewell, Darby Perry, Sierra Lemming, Caitlin Fudge, and Lindsay Hicks. They also do other service activities such as Meals on wheels, plays for the retirement home, boxes for the troops overseas, and a community wide play. Our hats go off to this amazing group of CARE Kids.



Lindsay Hicks feeds Lacy her daily Medication

New Website Keeps you in Touch with the Cats we all Love



CARE has created a beautiful new website especially designed with you in mind. There are thousands of photos and stories about the Big Cats of CARE. Kid's CARE is a site within the site for kids who want to

make a difference. Don't forget to go to the interactive gift shop link. My Garb designed the gift shop for CARE animal lovers to "wear" their support. A special thanks to web designer Danielle Agullard and webmaster Julian Cook. You both have done a tremendous job! Please let us know what you think.



Roscoe sleeps a lot easier now that he is Adopted!



Roscoe enjoys his bed in the Sparks Veterinary Center holding his favorite Scooby Doo toy

Roscoe spent his young life as a truck driver's pet. He was fed store bought milk and dry cat food. Without nutrients necessary for normal development Roscoe would have surely died. He spent many years fighting for his life. A miracle occurred when Roscoe was neutered. Many of his digestive and urinary issues he struggled with for years disappeared. The only apparent lasting effect of his earlier life is deafness. Roscoe is always happy to give anyone a loving purr when visiting CARE. His deafness has never affected his unique giving attitude despite his earlier neglect.

Roscoe was presented with another miracle in October. He was adopted by "Little Lotus Hearts" which was founded in 2005 by Dean Willard and his daughter, Emily, to provide services to people who have a deep love and respect for animals. Read more about Roscoe and other animals at www.littlelotusheart.com.

CARE Elects New Board of Directors

CARE elects new board members every three years. CARE's latest election for board of directors, held on October 6, doubled the previous number of positions. As we increase our workload, a larger force of leadership is necessary. The new director positions are as follows– Derek Krahn, President; Lisa Thompson, Vice-President; Annette Wiley, Secretary; Claude Maealiuaki, Director; Ray Cook, CPA, Treasurer; Dr. William McGee, CARE attending veterinarian. Note; our new directorial positions are all from our senior volunteer corps– combining many years of experience working with CARE's cats. They have a wealth of knowledge when it comes to caring for the cats, and all of their decisions will be made with a great amount of love and a desire to do what is best for the cats. We at CARE ask for your continued support and strength as our new board leads the way to a bright future for the cats. Congratulations to all of our new inductees!

Fall Birthdays

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| *Bonnie | 11-15-01 |
| *Clyde | 11-15-01 |
| *Levi | 11-15-01 |
| *Tawney | 11-12-99 |
| *Princess | 11-23-96 |
| *Solono | 12-03-01 |
| *Selina | 12-10-99 |
| *Jezzabell | 12-10-97 |
| *Elley | 12-10-97 |



Happy Birthday Bonnie and Clyde

"Wild at Heart" Retreats

Interested in spending time with some amazing animals? Come and see us for a "Wild at Heart" Retreat. Check our website www.bigcatcare.org



**Old Memories.....
Melita as a baby plays with her pumpkins**

Spotlight Adoption

Tess



Tess is a special needs Tiger. She was separated tragically from her siblings before she found safety at CARE. The loss of her 3 year relationship left Tess devastated. She had horrible ulcers which were very difficult to treat. She immediately lost over 100 pounds. She was heartbroken and extremely depressed. After an abundance of medication, love and special food, Tess made a slow rocky recovery. Years later, she still struggles with weight issues and she gets stressed very easily. Harmony is important to this dynamic cat. She can instantaneously switch gears from mellow and calm to energetic and playful. Tess will never trust enough to live with another cat, so two teenage tigers were placed in a new enclosure next to her over a year ago. After a stressful transition, she now enjoys stalking her playmates and neighbors, Fire and Melita.

Melinda Marty and Kimberly Suriano are CARE's fall interns. Please come visit new girls of CARE.

Second Sunday Tours are a Rockin' Success with Alan "Ayo from the Edge. For more information see events on www.bigcatcare.org

Casino Night: First Event for Fundraising Committee a Success

Big Thanks to the Darkside Lounge for all of their help with our latest fundraiser! CARE held a poker night event with a Texas Hold 'Em tournament and tons of raffle prizes. We were able to raise over \$1,100 in donations thanks to our sponsors who donated the raffle prizes, Darkside for helping produce the event, and all of the amazing people who attended the event and donated their hard earned money. Among the many prizes awarded that night, CARE gave away an autographed Fender guitar, gift certificates to local restaurants, a huge movie lovers prize pack, an autographed skateboard and a professional photo shoot! Special thanks to Bull, The Edge, Toni & Guy, Darkside Lounge, Quick, Ayo, Renee Benson, all of our sponsors, and all of the CARE volunteers!



CARE Featured on National Geographic Once Again

Prehistoric Predators aired a program on the saber-toothed tiger in October. It was wonderful to see the CARE volunteers and interns working along-side CARE friend, Dr. Frank Mendel. Many bite experiments were done with animatronic saber-tooth and hours of footage was shot of all our cats eating CARE's unique holistic diet. We expect more programming with this organization and we will keep you posted on air dates. Thank you everyone who made the program a success. The facility looked fantastic!





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