

December 2023



Happy Holidays from the Roadrunner Cat Coalition at UTSA! We wish you and your loved ones (with and without paws) a wonderful Christmas and New Year!

The RRCC had a busy and exciting 2023! Here are some of our highlights of the year.

We have several adorable feline residents at our Southwest Arts Campus! And we have wonderful caretakers for them. The kitties have their own homemade shelters which are thoughtfully painted and decorated. We have very happy kitties at SWA! Sadly, this year we lost one of our the SWA kitties, Que. Thankfully he lived a long and happy life, but he will be missed. Two of our newest residents, Mason and Maverick, are two of the cutest brothers you will ever see! They were both neutered this year and are happily settled in at SWA! Two other kitties from SWA, Jack and Maggie, found their forever homes with UTSA employees! We love it when our kitties get a warm, loving home. We wish a happy life to Jack (now Rio) and Maggie (now Lady Jane Grey), and thank you to their adopters! And look for Mason & Maverick, Whiskers, and Patches on our holiday card – they have SWSA after their names!

A new kitty appeared at our Main Downtown Campus this year. Once she was taken to be spayed, we discovered she had already been spayed and had a microchip! Turns out she had gone missing from her home, and her family was so happy to hear she had been found. They traveled from Austin to pick up their kitty. We are so glad Mochi is back with her family! Microchips saved the day! Thanks to Priscilla, one of our UTSA guards, and the SW Arts folks for making this happen!

We had a few new kitties appear on the Main Campus, including Nicky at Chaparral Village and Bonny near the Bauerle Garage. Both kitties had clearly been pets. We don't know how they ended up alone on campus, but thankfully, our members caught them and they were both adopted by a UTSA faculty member who has adopted many previous kitties, including those who were in hospice care. Thank you, Kelly, for always being there for our kitties.

In October, another new, very tame kitty appeared on campus by the Business Building. We named him Bootsie, and he quickly became a campus favorite. He must have had a home at one time. He would follow anyone who gave him some attention. He never really settled in and somehow moved to the Arts Building on campus. We even received calls from students saying he was following them to class! We were able to catch him, and the original student who contacted us about him decided to adopt him. We are so happy for Bootsie!

Unfortunately, we lost a few main campus kitties this year. CJ passed away in January, in Kelly's care. CJ was our oldest campus resident and lived to be about 16! She had been on campus since

she was a kitten. We loved her so much. We also lost our beloved Foxy, who lived near Tigger and Chloe near the Business Building. He was such a special boy and we will never forget him! Another long-time resident, Midnight, stopped coming to her feeding spot. We don't know if she'll return, but we are always on the lookout for our sweet girl, and she knows where the food is!

THANK YOU all for your support of our campus kitties. We could not be as successful as we are if not for all of you and your generous donations - we are always so happy and relieved that we have funds available for veterinary care and food! If you would like to donate cat food, we have a wish list on Amazon ("UTSACats, Roadrunner Cat Coalition").

Please contact Karen Williams, Kathy Pope, or Deby Bailey if you have any questions, or if you or any of your colleagues would like to help. Also, please forward this newsletter to your cat-friendly colleagues & friends who might not be on our list! And remember, if you or anyone you know needs the love of a cat, keep us in mind. We often have members who are fostering kitties of different sizes and varieties. We usually post these furry friends on our Facebook page, so follow us on FB or contact us.

Thanks! The UTSA Roadrunner Cat Coalition & the UTSA Roadrunner Kitties (past, present, over the Rainbow Bridge, and everywhere else). Please forward this newsletter and our card to anyone you think would enjoy the antics of our kitties!

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