



Backdoor Friends Purebred Cat Rescue strives to find homeless purebreds loving homes, initially in foster care. Cats are tested for FIV/FelV, vaccinated and spayed/neutered (if age permitted). Our adoption process places cats and kittens into caring, permanent homes where their personalities have been matched with prospective adoptive families.

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So now, almost eight months later the cats have settled into their new homes. Benny is slowly adjusting to new siblings and continues to be ‘top cat’ in my household. This breed is small in stature and has short curly, perm-like fur. They love to burrow and appreciate a warm lap. Benny lives up to the phrase ‘curling up with a good book and a cat’.

Bella is now called ‘Ava’ and is continuing to settle into her new home. Over the months, she has left the safety of her bed and now settles into many parts of her new home.



Bella, now named Ava
Photo by Anne Klein

She is now the proud owner of a furry tail and most of the fur on her tummy has grown back. She still suffers from bald patches on her neck which may be due to seasonal allergies. My sister and her veterinarian are working on this problem.

Sophie, is now named a more sophisticated ‘Sophia’. She lives alone with her new dad and has several windows to watch backyard animals and high perches to rest upon. A recent quote from her owner said “Sophia lives here and allows me to live with her”. She is lapping up the attention and consistent meal times.

Isn’t it funny how a routine written evaluation for a hotel guest resulted in my acquiring the cat of my dreams!



GARAGE SALE

Our September garage sale made \$908.96!

Valentino, pictured right, secured the income.



Photo by Nancy McVicar.

HEAVENLY ACRES PET CEMETERY

by
Anne Klein

You can imagine my surprise when I opened a letter last July notifying me that the Heavenly Acres Pet Cemetery was closing. The letter was offering me a final opportunity to exhume any pet remains that I had in the cemetery. It further outlined the nine dates and times I had to remove the remains and a Waiver and Release Liability and Exhumation Agreement that I had to sign and return.

I had three cats buried at Heavenly Acres; one in 1989 and two in 1994. They were all buried under beautiful pine trees in a section of the cemetery known as The Pines.

I started calling services that might help me exhume the remains. The companies I called had questions. How deep were the caskets? What were they made of and how large? Of course I did not know the answers so I tried calling the attorney noted on the letter for help. I was given the number of another attorney who represented the owners of the cemetery who was able to give me limited information. I called a general handyman service and explained my dilemma to the representative. She did not have anyone available for digging up gravesites but she gave me the name of another pet cemetery that might help. A call to United Memorial Gardens put me in touch with a lovely woman who gave me the name of a gentleman who was helping other pet owners dig up their pet’s remains at Heavenly Acres. One final call and I had secured help with getting my animals out of the cemetery before the gates were closed to pet owners.

One week before the scheduled removal, my husband and I made a trip to the cemetery to flag the burial sites

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