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'Boo," a high-energy 8-week-old kitten rescued from the middle of a busy street by a Lafayette woman who brought her to the pet store. A kind store staffer has been fostering her.

Free kitten and cat adoptions will take place the weekend of May 30-31 at the following Community Concern for Cats adoption sites: PetFood Express Lafayette and Pleasant Hill and Petco Walnut Creek. Hours are Saturday from noon to 5 p.m. and Sunday from noon to 4 p.m. This adoption event is the Fifth Annual Maddie's(r) Pet Adoption Days, sponsored by Maddie's Fund. CC4C hopes to place dozens of its rescued kittens and cats in the arms of qualified adopters for free, and has over 200 pictured on its website, plus many kittens too young for adoption that are now being nurtured in their foster care program. Last year on Maddie's(r) Pet Adoption Days, 170 of CC4C's cats found good homes.

CC4C is a 29-year old all-volunteer cat rescue organization that works directly with the community in Contra Costa County, helping homeless cats. "We rescue from the streets and rely on the people in the community to be our foster caretakers," explains Gemma Osendorf Boyd, CC4C president. CC4C provides whatever the cat

needs - vaccinations, all medical care, medicines and socialization; fosters provide food and a loving environment. Together they help frightened rescued cats grow into happy, healthy kitty companions. If you see a cat on the CC4C website (communityconcernforcats.org) that you are interested in meeting, please call the contact person named in the posting to ask where the cat will be on view.



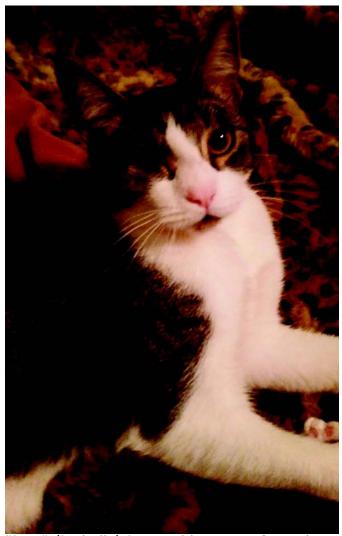
"Pumpkin" is a 7-year-old female longhair orange tabby with big jade-green eyes. She had to be surrendered by her heartbroken adopter, who developed a severe allergy. Pumpkin is very affectionate and people-oriented. She should be the only cat in the home.



"Fanny" is a very sweet 10-month-old black and white tuxedo who was rescued after being caught in an auto fan belt. She had to have her left front leg removed but does very well. She can climb, run, tackle other kitties, and still have a good time like there's no tomorrow! She's about 6-7 months old. Fanny will only be shown on Saturday.



"Tia" has been homeless since a wee kitten when she was rescued from near-death. She is now a 10-month-old little spitfire even though she is a small kitten-like cat. She is lots of fun and very sweet, but takes her time with new people.



"Izzy" (Isabella) is a real lover ... of people and of food. She loves cuddling close to your chest no matter what cat is already there. She also knows when food is being dispensed as she is by your feet and moves with your every step. Izzy is active and loves the company of other cats. She doesn't let her missing eye slow her down.

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