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Feline fundraiser helps homeless kitties

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This little kitten was discovered to have curled up feet by its foster parent. She took it to Community Concern for Cats' clinic where its back feet were splinted. Now, after time has passed, it is back to normal and able to walk. Photo provided

Lamorinda residents concerned about homeless cats and cat overpopulation have a chance this month to support the rescue work of their neighbors.

For 31 years in Lafayette, Moraga and Orinda Community Concern for Cats, an all-volunteer cat rescue organization, has been caring for abandoned, injured and sick felines that people find on their property or on their street. CC4C also helps to find homes through its adoption site at Pet Food Express in Lafayette.

The Giving Tree is CC4C's end-of-the-year fundraiser, which runs through Dec. 24. Donations support CC4C's new veterinary clinic where they do neuter/spay and other surgical procedures, including emergency ones, vaccinations, microchipping, leukemia/FIV tests, and well-kitty checks.

"Our new clinic is allowing us to help many more cats and realize some cost savings," says Candace Olsen, area supervisor.

CC4C president Gemma Osendorf hopes people will come in to Rescued Treasures, the organization's thrift shop in the San Miguel Shopping Center, and select a special kitty ornament, which will hang on their window tree. The shop is located at 1270 Newell Ave., Walnut Creek. Hours are Monday through Saturday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Sundays, from noon to 4 p.m. For information, call (925) 937-3201.

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