



## Au Revoir, Patty!

Our long-time president, Patty Davies, has decided to retire. Patty has been president of ARCF for 20 years and has helped innumerable animals during that time. But everyone is allowed to retire, and we wish her well in her new endeavors. For those of you who may not know Patty personally, here's a short article from an interview we did with her just a few months ago....

Patty is a woman who will do whatever it takes to rescue a cat, including being in the middle of a drug bust. "Most people don't know what it's like to have a large man jump out in front of you at night, with a gun, yelling, 'Freeze!'" Patty had no idea there was a drug bust going on; she was there to rescue two cats who had been abandoned. "It took me awhile to explain what I was doing there," she says, "but after some fast talking, the police finally believed me." Did she get the kitties? "I wouldn't have left without them!" she says.

Patty had no intention of running an animal rescue group. "One day at the vet's I picked up this newsletter. It looked like a good group, so I sent them some money. That was my first mistake," she says, laughing. Next thing she knew, she was taking in foster kitties for the group. "And then somehow I became the president. I still don't know how that happened!"

It has been tiring but gratifying work. "I've rescued so many cats who were in god-awful situations. And I placed them in not just good homes, but great homes." It's hard to estimate how many cats she's helped in 20 years, but she has placed around 4,000 cats in new homes.

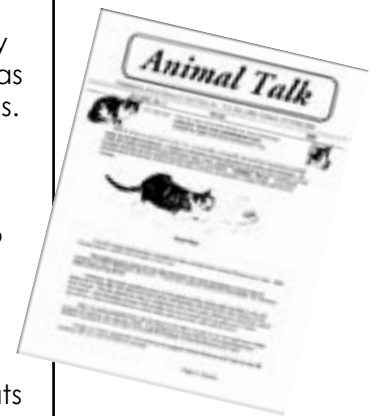
She has many stories to tell. "One day I went to this shabby apartment building in North Portland to rescue two cats who had been abandoned. This man was sleeping at the top of the steps. He wouldn't get out of my way, so somehow I stepped over him with my cat carriers and all. I got the two cats in their carriers, and as I was going back down, I accidentally nudged the man on the steps. He went rolling all the way to the bottom of the stairs – turned out he wasn't sleeping, he was dead!"

"And I get the weirdest calls sometimes. Like one man wanted to talk to 'Eve.' I said there's no 'Eve' here, and he said, 'It said in your newsletter to call Eve on weekends.' He misread it — it says to call 'eves and weekends only.'" Another woman she was interviewing over the phone told Patty she lived with her boyfriend and sister. "I said, 'That's quite a ménage-a-trois,' and she said, 'Ménage-a-what? Is that a breed of cat?'"

In her new "spare" time, Patty plans to read some British mysteries, do some gardening, and spend time with her husband, Gordon, and their eight cats. Will she still answer her phone? "I'll be getting calls for awhile yet. My number is plastered all over this town after 20 years of doing rescue work. But now I can just say, 'Oh yes, Animal Rescue and Care has a new number, let me get it for you.'" But will she still dispense cat advice? "Oh yes," she says, "I've always had a big mouth, I can't help myself!"

(Editor's note: the new ARCF phone number is 503-284-8768.)

## WE HAVE A NEW LOOK!



*We decided it was time to update the look of our newsletter and our web site. As you can see, the newsletter has gone to a four-color format (which cost only \$80 more than black-and-white printing), and we've added some new columns and other information to both. Let us know what you think! (See contact details on back page.)*

## The Kitty Corner

In August 2005, Patty announced to us that she was leaving ARCF at the end of 2005. I was shocked and horrified. What would happen to ARCF? How would we ever get along without her? A few days later, I calmed down. It would be OK. One of our most dedicated volunteers, whom I'll call PB, would take over. PB has been with ARCF for 15 years and was already doing a lot of the intake and adopting out. She could handle the job, no problem.

OK, one problem — PB didn't want to be president. PB already works a full-time job and then gives about 80 more hours a week to ARCF. PB would like to have a life (the audacity!). PB would like to see her friends and family once in a while, go to a movie, get an ice cream cone, ride the Matterhorn, hang out with Gus Van Sant, go to exotic places like Tetherball, Indiana (home of the world's biggest tetherball). (OK, no it isn't, I totally made that up.) So we all had to admit that, yes, PB already does enough. At this point my memory is a little fuzzy, but as I recall, everyone in the room quickly said, "Not me!" "Not me!" "Not me!" -- only I didn't say it fast enough.

Like I said, this is based on my faulty memory...others may have different versions of this story.

So. Here I am. Typing this to you on a rainy Saturday in February. What is there to say? It's a new dawn, a new era for ARCF. The five of us left on the board (who shall remain nameless except in that little informational box on page 5) are going to keep ARCF alive and well. We'll try some new things. We'll keep some old things. We will succeed at some things, fail at others. But we're here for the long haul. Watch us dig in and grow, and please — join us for the ride!

--Jackie Fischer, president

## "SPECIAL NEEDS" CAT OF THE MONTH



### Setti

Setti is a three-year-old Manx who is intelligent, playful, and loves lots of lap time. Unfortunately, she has a slight spinal deformity that inhibits her from jumping on anything higher than a low sofa or stool. Her gait is also askew, which gives her a "drunken sailor" walk. But she can run just as fast as her other feline friends, using her two back legs as one, "hopping" like a rabbit.

Setti has excellent litter box habits. However, since she has no tail, she will sometimes have a few little leftover pieces stuck on her backside, and might need a little help removing them. But this is a rare thing and it is NOT a behavioral problem.

Please do not overlook this beauty with such a good soul. We find her "flaws" to be very endearing and she has such a great personality and does the best she can every day. In return for giving her a chance to have a real home of her own, she will shower you with gratitude and love.

Setti would do well with older children and other mild-mannered cats ("mild-mannered" is the key here). She is spayed, up to date on her shots, and ready for just the right home. If you are interested in her, phone Pam at 503-284-8768 or email her at [pameliab@spiritone.com](mailto:pameliab@spiritone.com).

### Dog Rescue

Unfortunately, we have to suspend our dog adoptions for awhile. We've lost our dog coordinator, and it has been very difficult to find good foster homes for dogs. We hope we'll be able to resume it soon. Fortunately, there are many dog rescue groups in the Portland area, and we will continue to help through our associations with them. We will still cover dog issues in the newsletter, and we'll be glad to help answer dog-related questions. If you know of a dog who needs rescuing, call the Oregon Humane Society at 503-285-7722. And just to dispel any myths out there: OHS has a 96% adoption rate for dogs and 80% for cats.



## ASK THE VET

### What your vet looks for ...

When you bring in a new cat with an unknown history for its initial appointment, your vet should check the cat for several diseases and parasites:

## Infectious Diseases

**Feline Leukemia Virus (FeLV)** -- this is a retrovirus, which means it can live for many months and even years in cells before it causes disease. So cats can harbor the disease without any sign of illness, pass the disease on to other cats, and only become symptomatic when they are stressed. When the disease is active, it suppresses their natural immunity to illness and so can present in many ways, including cancer. Most cats will become immune after exposure; of those who don't clear the virus, about 85% will die within three years. Routine testing of a cat with a blood sample for the viral antigen is usually sufficient. For cats who have been recently exposed, a test should be done after 90 days. The virus is not very hardy outside of the body and is easily killed by most household disinfectants. If an unknown cat is brought into a house with leukemia-negative cats, it should be tested. A negative cat should ideally still be kept separated for at least 90 days and until at least 6 months of age, then tested again to be sure that it wasn't incubating the disease from an exposure immediately before it came to you. FeLV is passed through direct contact (usually a bite wound), but it can be passed by grooming or sharing food bowls, so a positive cat can be housed in the same room with other cats if it's kept physically separated from them. When an FeLV-positive cat leaves the household, you need only wait a few days before exposing other cats to the environment.

**Feline Immunodeficiency virus (FIV)** -- this is another retrovirus, similar to the human immunodeficiency virus HIV. Humans cannot become infected or sick with FIV. FIV is less common in our area (the Pacific Northwest) than FeLV, and it's also a little more difficult to diagnose. The test is a blood test for the cat's antibody to the disease, not the disease itself. This means that a cat who has been exposed and cleared the virus can test positive. It also means that cats who have been vaccinated will test positive; we have no way to distinguish natural exposure from vaccination, which can be a problem for cats with no known history. This is one reason vaccinating cats for FIV is controversial. One recommendation is to vaccinate only cats who are microchipped, so they can be traced back and identified as vaccinated for FIV. We may not test a kitten until 6 months of age due to maternal antibody-

ies which, if present, could give a false positive result. FIV is primarily transmitted through a deep bite wound, so cats who get along well in a home may not need to be separated, but known positive foster cats should still be separated since fights could easily occur.

**Upper Respiratory Infections (URIs)** -- these may be viral or bacterial. We generally don't try to distinguish between them with testing, and most will pass without long-term complications. Feline herpes virus and calicivirus are the major causes of URIs, and bacterial infections can also be a primary or secondary problem. Antibiotics are not helpful against a viral disease, but we may use them to help treat or prevent the bacterial problem. The usual signs are runny eyes and nose, sneezing, coughing, mouth ulcers, and/or loss of appetite. Stress can be a trigger for the viral part to recur, so do your best to keep any new cats isolated for at least one to two weeks before introducing them to the other cats in a house, and only then if they are not visibly sick.

## Internal Parasites

**Tapeworms** -- if you've been around outdoor (and even indoor) cats long enough, you've probably seen the little "rice grain" pieces around the cat's anus that mean tapeworms are present. These are individual segments from a much longer worm living in the cat's gastrointestinal tract. Cats are usually infested when they ingest fleas, which carry the tapeworm eggs. So you can't just treat for the tapeworms, you need to get rid of the fleas (using a product such as Advantage or Revolution) to prevent reinfection.

**Roundworms, hookworms, & whipworms** -- these are other GI parasites that can be identified with a fecal floatation test and can be treated with one or a combination of medications. These additional worms can infect other cats via contaminated litter boxes and/or soil. We also look for other intestinal infections such as giardia and coccidia (both are a type of bacteria), if a cat has diarrhea and worms are not the cause.

## External Parasites

**Fleas, mites, & ringworm** -- we will do a skin search for evidence of fleas, and will also look in the ears and get a "smear" sample for ear mites. We also take skin scrapings in areas of hair loss to look for evidence of mites or ringworm. Most of these problems can be transmitted to other cats, and in some cases can be transmitted to humans. So we will counsel you on how to treat the problem cat, and help prevent it from spreading to others in the house.

-- Pamela Tate, DVM  
Laurelhurst Veterinary Hospital



## SUCCESS STORIES

### Lexi and Sadie

After our beloved cat Critter, who had lived with us for 18 years, passed away, the house felt empty. At first we weren't sure whether or not we should get another cat. Then we started thinking of all the cats who needed homes, and remembering how much joy Critter had brought into our lives, and we made our decision.

Looking through the available cats at the ARCF website, we were touched by Sadie and Lexi's story. Sadie, lost and pregnant, was given temporary sanctuary by a nice woman. After her kittens were born and adopted, she was taken into foster care by Amanda and Mike. Lexi, underweight, covered in fleas, and only 4 weeks old, was found on a car engine in a parking lot. Amanda and Mike took her in, too. Soon Sadie adopted Lexi, and has been taking good care of her ever since.

Sadie and Lexi moved in with us less than a week ago. They spent the first 24 hours hiding under the furniture, but soon adjusted. They are now playing, sitting in our laps, and sleeping on our bed. They both love chasing the light from a laser pen and chasing each other down the hall. Their purrs bring big smiles to our faces, and their antics make us laugh. What sweet, beautiful kitties they are. Many thanks to ARCF for the wonderful work they do, and to Amanda and Mike in particular for giving these cats a second chance. Thank you for letting us bring Sadie and Lexi into our home.

-- Adrienne Cleveland



*Lexi and Sadie*



*Sachi*



*Sadie*



*Katie*

### Sachi, Sadie, and Katie

We got a call from a woman named Donna in San Diego who told us this story: her friend Peggy had passed away suddenly from a heart attack (at age 50!), leaving her three cats with no home (Sachi, Sadie, and Katie). Right after Peggy died, her college-age son gave the three cats to one of his friends. This home turned out to be a very bad home (not the son's fault — he was crazy with grief about his mom dying and had so many decisions to make, since he was her only child and there was no dad in the picture), and the three kitties ended up being locked in a bedroom with very little human interaction for almost a year.

When Donna found out about the cats' situation, she immediately decided to adopt them herself (even though she already had four cats) and was going to fly up to Portland to pick them up. Donna needed someone to take the cats to a local vet so they could be cleared for flying that evening, so she called us. The cats went to a volunteer's house and then to the vet and finally onto the plane with Donna.

The poor cats looked horrible — skinny, dull fur, dull eyes, all the hair missing from their ears (from overgrooming), and Sadie and Sachi had licked all the hair off of the back half of their bodies. Donna and the kitties got to San Diego safely, and Donna went to work, giving them lots of space to run around, plus good quality food, and LOTS of human attention.

We don't have any pictures of what they looked like before, but here is what they look like now. They are fully adjusted to life in San Diego and love their new home and new parents. Thanks to Donna, cat person extraordinaire, they are happy and healthy!!

## AND ONE MORE SUCCESS STORY ...

### Violet

Violet first came to us as a shy kitten. She was paired with Milo, an outgoing, self-confident boy who needed a buddy and together they placed easily in what we thought would be a good home but, we eventually discovered that they were living the lives of untended outdoor cats with food, but little human love or attention. We got their "non"-caretaker to let us take them back. Being who he was, Milo fit in immediately, but Violet was terrified of everything and did not adjust to a home full of outgoing and confident cats. She had also developed stress related vomiting, so Violet was moved to a quieter home where she never ventured voluntarily out of her "safe room," although she loved having people visit her. Eventually her foster mom decided to actually close her out of the cat room and force her to get to know the rest of the house.

She was so afraid of other cats that she was reluctantly placed as a single cat and seemed to be doing well, but that didn't work out either and Violet came back again, to a new mix of foster cats, including everybody's pal and caretaker, Ollie, who just wouldn't take no for an answer. He was relentlessly friendly. Eventually, she just got tired of running away, and found out that, MAYBE, other cats weren't all bad. But Ollie was placed. Next came Monkey, a bossy girl who is an obsessive licker. Luckily, Violet liked being washed ... frequently. Then came a whole series of kittens who couldn't be convinced that Violet didn't love them. The thing about Violet is that she takes a long time to make up her mind, but once she does, she won't go back.

After more than a year someone with lots of cat experience came to meet another cat, Handsome. During the meeting, it became clear that Handsome would not be the right cat for them or their own shy boy Ned. And there was Violet, quietly edging closer to our prospective parent. She quickly won him over, and the choice was made. Violet was off to a quiet new home with two parents and only ONE other cat.

Violet has finally found the right home. She has stopped throwing up, has her own "perfect" chair with lots of birds and squirrels to watch. Ned is happy having another cat who won't overwhelm him, and their parents are happy having a peaceful natured, cuddly lap cat in the house.

Some cats overwhelm you, and others amuse or charm you, but there are some that just curl up quietly and make a nest in your heart. Violet is one of those.

-- KC Davenport



## CALL FOR VOLUNTEERS

- We are in need of a photographer (amateurs welcome!) to take digital pictures of the various cats in our foster homes for our website. All you need is a car and a digital camera.
- We need people to check addresses of potential adopters.
- Be a foster home or "emergency" foster home. (An emergency home will have the animal for two weeks maximum.)
- Stuff envelopes (for the newsletter).

If you would like to volunteer, please call Pam at 503-284-8768.

## ANIMAL PLACEMENT

In November, December, and January, we placed 72 cats in new homes.

Our major expenses for those three months were:

Veterinary fees: \$22,187\*

Advertising to find new homes: \$787

Food, special meds: \$201\*\*

Newsletter "Animal Talk": \$578

\*These expenses also include veterinary care for the dogs of Portland's homeless and a few emergency care visits. We also had expenses for several severely injured pets and very sick ones. All are doing well.

\*\*Most volunteers pay for food and litter for the animals they care for themselves as their contribution to the cause.

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# The Healthy Cat:

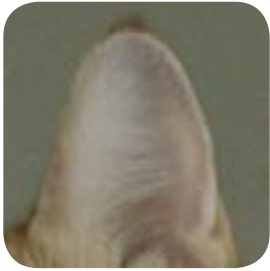
## 8 Things You Should Check On Your Cat

Very often, merely looking at a cat will tell you quite a lot about its overall health. It is important to know the things one should observe when looking for a new cat. Please remember when adopting a new cat, that even a cat with less than excellent health may be a wonderful pet once it gets the proper medical treatment. Here are some things to look for when trying to assess a cat's health.



### 1. Behavior

The level of activity may vary from one cat to another. Some perfectly healthy cats are very calm and do not easily respond to external stimuli. Still, kittens are in most cases particularly active and curious – an indifferent kitten that does not move around much might be ill. After keeping a cat for some time and coming to know its nature, you can identify with relative ease any significant change in the way the cat behaves.



### 2. Posture

Cats are the masters of balance. A healthy cat's gait is steady and fluid. A cat showing signs of losing balance could be suffering from various health problems.



### 3. Coat

The cat's coat directly reflects its state of health. The fur of a healthy cat is smooth and pleasant to touch, and does not show bald patches, wounds, or fleas. A dry and coarse coat may be a sign of unbalanced nutrition. The presence of fleas usually indicates the presence of worms in the cat's intestines, as well as possible skin problems that might be directly caused by fleabites.



### 4. Ears

The cat's ears should be pink and clean. If you see a waxy brownish-black secretion in the cat's ears, check for the presence of ear mites (a minuscule ear

parasite common among cats). Very often, a cat infected with ear mites will also scratch its ears and shake its head. A vet needs to give the final diagnosis and will also guide you about the treatment.

### 5. Eyes

The healthy cat's eyes are shiny and clear, and lacking any secretion. Cats have a third, inner eyelid, which is usually wide open and not exposed. If the third eyelid is not fully open, it can be seen covering a part of the eye. This situation can indicate a health problem, since it is often a sign of physical or emotional stress.

### 6. Nose

The nose of a healthy cat should be velvety and pleasant in texture, and without any discharge. The nose can be moist to varying degrees, but never very wet.

### 7. Mouth

The cat's mouth should be pink, clean, and without any bad breath. The teeth should be whole, white, and without excess tartar. It is recommended to have the cat's teeth regularly examined, and teeth problems dealt with in a timely fashion. Other signs of possible mouth disease are drooling and an apparent grooming problem – cats that suffer from infections in the mouth area often avoid self-grooming.

### 8. The rear

The cat's rear end and genitals should be clean – dirt in that area might indicate a problem of diarrhea. Diarrhea may be a sign of poor nutrition, worms or even some form of disease.

Once you bring your new cat home, it is important to keep an eye on its health and to pay attention to changes in its condition. The cat cannot speak and tell us when something hurts or annoys it, and it is our duty to be alert. When a medical problem is suspected, do not hesitate. The veterinarian should be called and consulted at once. Do not wait to see if the cat gets well on its own. Many medical problems can be treated easily early on, while postponing treatment causes suffering to the cat and higher treatment costs.

by Anne Moss, thecatsite.com  
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### Spay & Neuter Coupons

On request, we can provide coupons for spaying and neutering cats and dogs. These coupons make this procedure very affordable. Several good, full-service vets participate in this program. For coupons please call Pam at 503-284-8768.

Remember: cats and dogs are fully sexually mature at the age of 6 months and can be safely spayed or neutered at that age.





## Cognitive Dysfunction: Alzheimer's in Dogs

Sometimes older dogs get confused, maybe soil the rug or lose their way in the house. It's perfectly natural. Or is it?

In the past ten years, veterinarians have come to realize that severe cognitive (or thinking-related) problems are no more normal in older dogs than they are in aging people. While older dogs may move a bit more slowly and get a little gray around the muzzle, they shouldn't experience a complete change in personality. A dog that suddenly seems confused, distant, or lost may be showing signs of cognitive dysfunction.

Cognitive Dysfunction Syndrome (or CDS) is a degeneration of the brain and the nervous system in dogs, roughly comparable to Alzheimer's disease in people. Like Alzheimer's, it is caused by physical changes in the brain and brain chemicals, and it is not a part of normal aging. It results in a deterioration of cognitive abilities, causing behavioral changes that can disrupt the lives of pets and their families. An ongoing study performed at the University of California-Berkeley has shown that 62 percent of dogs between ages 11 and 16 demonstrate one or more signs of CDS, and the percentage goes up as dogs get older. If you see these behaviors in your pup, the good news is that you don't just have to accept them. Tell your veterinarian--she may be able to help.

If she suspects CDS, your veterinarian can take a thorough behavior and medical history of your dog. She can also perform a physical and neurological exam and blood and urine tests to rule out other conditions that could cause these symptoms, such as hypothyroidism, kidney problems, arthritis, and hearing and vision loss. Once she's ruled out any underlying diseases, you can discuss treatment.

Unfortunately, there is no cure for CDS, but there is increasing hope. There is now a prescription drug available to treat dogs with CDS in the U.S. (two are available in Europe). It works by increasing the amount of dopamine in the dog's brain. Dopamine is a neurotransmitter that the brain needs to function normally; an increased amount of dopamine can improve brain function. Though it doesn't work in all dogs, the drug can help many dogs with CDS think more clearly, remember more, return to their interactions with family, and enjoy a higher quality of life in their elderly years. Your veterinarian can help you decide whether a prescription is the right thing for your dog.

Veterinarians have not yet determined whether CDS is a factor in aging cats. There are a large number of conditions that can affect older cats, and there is currently no way to distinguish CDS from these conditions. There are no prescriptions approved for treating CDS in cats, but this may be a field that will develop in the future.

-- AAHA  
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## The Symptoms

So how can you tell if a dog is showing signs of CDS or if she's just getting older? Watch for her to start showing some of the following behaviors:

- Withdrawing from interaction with the family
- Soliciting less petting and attention
- Staring at walls or into space
- Sleeping more during the day
- Sleeping less during the night
- House soiling
- Difficulty learning new tasks, commands, or routes
- Pacing or wandering aimlessly
- Frequent trembling or shaking
- Ignoring known commands
- Becoming lost in familiar places like the home or yard
- Getting "stuck" in familiar places, like in corners or behind furniture
- Having trouble finding the door or standing at the hinge side of the door
- Not responding to name
- Decreased activity
- Not recognizing family members or other familiar people

## THE KIDDIE CORNER

*Why I Love Animals*  
by Ellie (age 5)



*I love animals  
because they're cute. I  
have a fish and a snake. I want a frog  
because they're cool. Or I want a turtle  
because they look cute.*

*Most of all, I want a dog because  
they are fun and cute and can do  
tricks. I will feed it. I will take it to  
the park to play and on walks to the  
nature park. I will let the puppy sleep  
with me. It will help me fall asleep  
because it's so cuddly. That's all.*



## Stuff for your pets

### The "Cat Sandwich"

#### LET US HEAR FROM YOU!

We want to be more interactive with our readers. Do you have comments, questions, problems, stories, advice? Have you found a new pet-related product that you love? Do your kids have a pet story they'd like to tell us? Let us know!

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After years of making cat beds out of old towels, fuzzy blankets, and fleece-and-foam beds, I discovered the flat but plump Cozy Cushion® from Doctors Foster & Smith, which you can order on the Internet. The 18 x 22-inch Cozy Cushion is faux fur and double-thick; it has a core layer of thermo-reflective material that reflects kitty's own body heat. It is not electric. The Cushions are easily machine-washed and dried on Warm in the dryer. I began with one Cozy Cushion per cat. Then I invented the Cat Sandwich: two Cozy Cushions with an added heat source sandwiched in between.

The added heat source is the Snuggle Safe Microdisc that I heat carefully in the microwave. The disc comes with good instructions and cautions about not overheating. If the disc is too hot for me to handle, it is too hot for the cat's bed, even between the Cushions—better to start a little underheated than overheated. Twice each day I heat three discs (one at a time) and pop each one back between two Cushions to make a warm and snuggly Cat Sandwich. On the bed two or three cats stretch together across the warm expanse of adjacent Cat Sandwiches. During the night I get a little sliver of bed to sleep on, my husband has half, and the cats get the rest.

I also use a Cozy Cushion in an outdoor wood cat house from Tick-n-Thistle (a Washington company). The cat house is on a platform under the roof of our open-front shed; in a rainy climate, it needs some cover. The house and cushion give good shelter for a neighbor kitty who is never allowed indoors. The Snuggle Safe disc did not retain heat long enough to be useful outdoors. The cushion alone works better in that situation.

If you shop on the Internet, do some comparison shopping on these items. For example, the Cozy Cushion is normally \$19.99 at Doctors Foster & Smith and is often on sale at \$14.99. The Snuggle Safe disc is \$29.99 from the same vendor (not on sale). Even though I buy such items online to save money, I always support my local stores with cat food and litter purchases. The disc is not cheap, but it is functional for a long time. The outdoor house is not cheap, but I mention it for those who might be interested.

Cozy Cushion and Snuggle Safe Microdisc: [www.drsfostersmith.com/](http://www.drsfostersmith.com/) (click on Cats)  
Outdoor cat house: [www.ticknthistle.com/](http://www.ticknthistle.com/)

-- Marcía A. Petty

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