

NOVEMBER VOLUNTEER OF THE MONTH

PAM WORTH



What I like best about volunteering at Colony Cats:

I have enjoyed meeting other people who have obvious compassion for animals, learning new vocabulary like “catlery” and Type 6 poop, and, of course, loving on lots of cats.

My pets at home:

Melah (which means “salt”) - my five-year-old large, white “foster fail” cat with a quirky personality - a fish tank, and a revolving door of foster kittens.

What I’d like you to know about me:

I am a recently “retired” high school English teacher and Interact (service) Club advisor. I’ve taken students on service trips to the Philippines (burns clinic), Jamaica (goat farm), and Costa Rica (turtle conservation) and have participated in missions/service/cultural exchange trips to El Salvador, Vietnam, Germany, Russia, Spain, France, Italy, and Greece. I am so grateful for these opportunities to gain insight about and build goodwill with people around the world.

Where you can find me when I’m not volunteering for Colony Cats:

I volunteer at The Furniture Bank of Central Ohio, play pickleball, landscape, flip furniture, fix and build cat trees, participate in the Rotary Club of Hilliard, attend Bible study, do water aerobics, spend time with family, and take care of my elderly mother.

Dogs or Cats Rule?:

We were a dog family.

What I knew about cats was that in the 1980s, every “psycho woman” in the movies had a cat, and with the stigma of being a “cat lady,” I never wanted one. That was until I got a call from my mom asking if I could watch a small kitten that my grandmother found under her deck for “only 1 night.” One night turned into 17 years and sparked my love for furry felines. I will wear the badge of “psycho cat lady” with honor.



What’s your advice to a new Colony Cats volunteer?:

It’s much more fun to clean cages at Colony Cats than to sift litter boxes at your own home. For real.

Your unique Q&A, thoughts, or favorite saying:

It’s = it is. You’re (you are) welcome.

-an English teacher’s reminder

