



**March/April 2014** ACA Hotline 634-8777 Big Fix #: 599-6833

**MARCH**

2-3 BF trap return  
9 New Vol. Orient  
15 Trapper training  
21-24 Big Fix  
25 Neighborhoods/  
Vol mtg  
30-31 BF trap return

**APRIL**

10 New Vol. Orient  
17 Trapper training  
25-28 Big Fix  
29 Neighborhoods/  
Vol mtg

**MAY**

4-5 BF trap return

**GOOD NEWS/BAD NEWS.** **GOOD NEWS:** Spring is here! No more polar vortex. **BAD NEWS:** Kitten season has arrived. Wounded males, stressed females, sick kittens. **GOOD NEWS:** Thanks to our Quick Fixes, our telephone screeners and other great volunteers, No regular waiting list for the BIG FIX! Thousands of cats will look forward to a healthy, "lying in the sunshine" spring and summer. **BAD NEWS:** **160 unfortunate colonies** can't get altered because they are awaiting a **TRAPPER!!!** Their caretakers are elderly, disabled, lack adequate transportation. **Hundreds of cats can be spared** the infected wounds, malnutrition, and death that accompany kitten season, *if* we can get them from their community to our Big Fix or Quick Fix. They are waiting for **YOU!! Save a life, become a trapper.** **GOOD NEWS:** Trapper Trainings are scheduled for Saturday March 15 at 2:30 and Thursday April 17 at 7 pm. In addition to classroom instruction, you will get to accompany one of our experienced Master Trappers for some on-the-job training before going out on your own. **Call the hotline for more information.** Happy cats! Happy caretakers! Happy Trappers! **Great news!**

- ❖ **NEW volunteer opportunity on weeknights!** Volunteers needed to feed cats Tuesday through Friday nights at 9:00 pm at SNIP (2445 Crittenden Drive near U. of Louisville), that way our ACA quick fix cats have bellies full of nutritious food prior to their morning release. Volunteers can sign up for the next month's feeding schedule at the Volunteer Update meetings (on the last Tuesday of each month) or can call the hotline for scheduling information.
- ❖ **Volunteer Update meetings are scheduled for Tuesdays March 25 and April 29 at the ACA office at 7:00 pm.** Do you know what happened to the cat with the leg amputation? Or the return to home rate for cats at LMAS? Or what's next for ACA? Come to the Volunteer Update meetings to found out all types of information affecting Louisville's community cats. All volunteers are welcomed! You can bring a friend as no volunteer orientation is necessary to attend.
- ❖ **The next New Volunteer Orientations are scheduled for Sunday March 9<sup>th</sup> at 2 pm and Thurs April 10<sup>th</sup> at 7 pm.** Those interested can register by e-mail, responding on the website, or calling the hotline. Don't forget to check out ACA on Facebook.
- ❖ **ACA scrubs are now available for \$10.** Practical for wearing at the BF (love the pockets!) yet cute enough to wear in public (love how the logo stands out against the khaki color!) You may have to buy more than one! Logo-ed Hoodies, active-wear shirts, and our traditional grey t-shirts are still available.
- ❖ **Did you know? It is a violation of Alley Cat Advocates policy to take pictures at the BIG FIX.** Please respect the privacy of our volunteers and integrity of the organization by requesting permission prior to taking photos of cats or volunteers during the Big Fix, this includes cell phones. We want you to share your experience (the Big Fix is amazing), help educate people about TNR and recruit volunteers. But permission needs to be granted before pictures are taken. If you have a specific need for photos, please discuss that need with Clinic Coordinator Karen Little or Assistant Clinic Coordinator Jane Harper. They are responsible for granting that permission. Thanks.
- ❖ **Look for those ACA donation bins in stores all around Louisville;** got an idea for a good location to place one of our "donation houses", call the hotline leave your name and basic information, we'll get you hooked up with the Development (fund-raising) Team.
- ❖ **At the BF you will see a new box for recycling phones. We get \$\$\$ so please contribute and gather old devices from family and friends.**

Alley Cat Advocates...Helping Those Who Can't Help Themselves!

## March 2013

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1 QF trap distribution 9:30-1:30
2 Big Fix- trap return * 5:15 to 8:30 pm	3 Big Fix- trap return * 5:15 to 8:30 pm	4	5	6	7	8 QF trap distribution 9:30-1:30
9 <b>New Volunteer Orientation 2 pm</b> <i>Daylight savings time</i>	10	11	12	13	14	15 QF trap distribution 9:30-1:30 <b>Trapper Training 2:30 pm</b>
16	17	18	19	20	21 Big Fix set-up and trap pick-up* 6:00 pm to 9:30 pm	22 QF trap distribution 9:30-1:30 -Big Fix set-up & check in* 3:00pm to 9:00 pm
23 Big Fix- Clinic * 8 am to 10 pm	24 Big Fix- check out and break down* 4:00-9:30 pm	25 <b>Volunteer Update Meeting, 7-8:30 pm</b>	26	27	28	29 QF trap distribution 9:30-1:30
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## April 2013

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		1	2	3	4	5 QF trap distribution 9:30-1:30
6	7	8	9	10 <b>New Volunteer Orientation 7 pm</b>	11	12 QF trap distribution 9:30-1:30
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\*At the Raymond Johns Warehouse

Sometimes you have to do the best you can and treasure every life saved....  
But sometimes you get a chance to make a bigger difference!