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54 Cats Adopted at the Cat Convention on January 21

Nevada Humane Society is celebrating success as 54 wonderful cats are waking up in new homes thanks to its second annual Cat Convention, *All Things Cats*, which took place January 21 and was hosted by Grand Sierra Resort. An additional 19 cats were adopted at the shelter that day for a total of 72 kitty adoptions.

The event featured 100 cats for adoption from Tiny Tigers (tabby cats) to Mini-Panthers (black cats) to Super Sized (large and plump cats). Dozens of vendors offered everything from cat toys and treats to hand-crafted cat-themed gifts. Services included cat photo portraits, behavior counseling, grooming and first aid.

Brian Crane, the creator of the nationally syndicated cartoon strip, *Pickles*, signed countless copies of his most recent book, *How Come I Always Get Blamed for the Things I Do? A Pickles Collection*.

Joel Silverman, Hollywood animal trainer and host of Animal Planet's *Good Dog U* signed autographs and offered cat training demonstrations with Big Boy, an oversize and lovable gray and white kitty from the NHS shelter.

Stewie, who holds the Guinness World Record for the Longest Domestic Cat, even made a surprise appearance with his person Robin Hendrickson. Stewie was recently diagnosed with cancer, and donations for his care were accepted at the Cat Convention.

"Despite a tough week for the community following the fire in Washoe Valley we were happy that so many people came out to celebrate cats at the Cat Convention. We are grateful to everyone who adopted a kitty. We still have many great cats in need of homes in the shelter, but it was just wonderful to see so many adult cats go to loving new homes!" said Bonney Brown, Executive Director for Nevada Humane Society.

There are still many wonderful adult cats and dogs in need of new homes at Nevada Humane Society. For more information or to adopt a homeless pet, visit nevadahumanesociety.org or call 775-856-2000.



A kitty and his new person; Cats for adoption, vendors, and visitors; Joel Silverman, Diane Blankenburg, and Big Boy

High resolution photos from the Cat Convention are available upon request.

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