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10:00–10:10 AM ET

Opening Remarks

Stacy LeBaron, Founder of Community Cats Central & Host of Community Cats Podcast

10:10–11:30 AM ET

Decoding Feline Fury: Understanding and Managing Cat Aggression

Tabitha Kucera, RVT, CCBC, KPA-CTP, VTS (Behavior) & Founder of Chirrup and Chatter

Aggression in cats can pose challenges not only for caregivers but also for the well-being of the cats themselves. However, there are effective strategies that can be employed to manage and reduce aggressive behaviors in feline companions. In this enlightening session, Tabitha will delve into the identification of potential causes of aggression in cats and practical tips for managing aggression. By equipping attendees with this knowledge, we aim to empower caregivers and adopters to provide better care for their feline companions, ultimately helping to keep more cats in their loving homes.

Learning Objectives:

- Identify potential triggers and underlying causes of aggression in cats, including environmental stressors, medical issues, and social dynamics.
- Implement effective management techniques to prevent the escalation of aggressive behaviors in cats
- Explore practical strategies for managing aggression in cats

About Tabitha Kucera | Tabitha Kucera is an Elite Fear Free– and Low Stress Handling®–certified registered veterinary technician (RVT), a Certified Cat Behavior Consultant (CCBC) through the International Association of Animal Behavior Consultants, and a Karen Pryor Academy–Certified Training Partner (KPA-CTP) and one of only 32

Veterinary Technician Specialists in behavior. She is the owner of Chirrup and Chatter Cat and Dog Behavior Consulting and Training and the Co-Founder of Small-Paws Education.

An award-winning educator and international speaker, Tabitha lectures at regional, national, and international conferences, helping animal care professionals and pet caregivers deepen their understanding of animal behavior and strengthen the human-animal bond. She is a Fear Free Certified Speaker, a Fear Free Practice Certification Consultant, and the host of the podcast Tails from a Vet Tech.

Tabitha has held leadership positions with the Society of Veterinary Behavior Technicians, the International Association of Animal Behavior Consultants, and the Pet Professional Guild's Cat Committee, and she currently serves as President-Elect for the Academy of Veterinary Behavior Technicians.

In addition to working directly with clients, Tabitha consults with veterinary hospitals and animal shelters, focusing on education, implementation, and the development of practical training, behavior programs, and SOPs that improve animal welfare and team success. Her contributions have helped create comprehensive onboarding, training, and behavior resources for organizations across the industry.

..... 11:30–11:45 a.m. | Break

11:45 a.m.–1:15 p.m.

From the Streets and Into Your Home: Tips to Transition Adult Community and Shelter Cats into Your Multi-Pet Households

Arden Moore, Pet Health and Safety Coach & Founder of Pet First Aid 4U

You have developed a bond with a community cat or a senior cat at your local shelter or rescue group. The big question: should you adopt this feline? The answer doesn't just rest with you but with this cat as well as the current pets in your home.

In this session, Arden Moore identifies social clues for these cats to help you determine whether to transition them into your home or maintain caring for them outside. She will also alert you to behaviors displayed by your resident cats and dogs that indicate if this cat would be welcomed by them – or not. Keys to success include setting up a safe room, slowly building trust, properly introducing the new cat to the resident pets, having these transitional cats receive prompt veterinary care and knowing when the best decision may be to not bring this cat into your home.

Arden will share personal success stories of a couple outdoor cats who successfully transitioned into being part of the fur family that includes d-o-g-s! She will also share a challenging case involving a former outdoor cat named Baxter and her orange tabby Casey.

About Arden Moore | Arden Moore's mission is to bring out the best in pets...and their people. Known as America's Pet Health and Safety Coach, Arden happily wears many "collars" in the pet world. She is a master-certified pet first aid/CPR instructor, founder of [Pet First Aid 4U](#), and director of education for Pro Pet Hero. Her veterinarian-approved classes reach thousands all over the world and feature Pet Safety Cat Casey and Pet Safety Dog Kona, a pair of shelter alums. She makes learning fun and practical and has drawn students from all over North America as well as Europe, Central America, New Zealand, and yes, even South Africa. She offers a cat-specific first aid course in person, via interactive ZOOM and self-paced online.

In addition, she is a Fear Free certified speaker and host of the award-winning weekly shows called [Oh Behave](#) on Pet Life Radio that also airs on YouTube. The “Oh Behave” show on Pet Life Radio ranks as the longest, continuous pet podcast (on the air since 2007). This best-selling author has written more than two dozen cat and dog books. Recent titles include The Cat Behavior Answer Book, The Dog Behavior Answer Book, A Kid’s Guide to Cats, and A Kid’s Guide to Dogs. She was a columnist for Catster Magazine and the former editor of Catnip Magazine, a national monthly magazine published by Tufts University.

Arden shares her home in Dallas, TX with the Furry Brady Bunch which includes two orange tabbies cats and three feline-adoring dogs plus she feeds and provides safe bedding for a handful of community cats. She has been a feline advocate since childhood, when her first cat, Corky, happily swam with her and the family’s dogs in the backyard lake. Learn more at [ArdenMoore.com](#).

..... 1:15–2:00 PM ET Lunch Break

2:00–3:15 p.m.

The Litter Box: Encouraging Deposits and Preventing Withdrawals

Dr. Rachel Geller, Certified Cat Behavior and Retention Specialist & Founder of All Cats All the Time

Nothing is more frustrating for cat owners than litter box problems, and it’s the leading cause of cat surrenders. This comprehensive presentation will cover all aspects of litter box management to ensure both happy cats and humans. Participants will learn how to select the right litter and box type, determine optimal placement, solve common behavioral issues and manage multi-cat households. We will go over litter box fundamentals, understanding feline instincts, rules of location & quantity and how to prevent territorial issues. Whether your cat has been peeing or pooping outside of the litter box or you just want to make sure they have the best litter box setup possible, this presentation will teach you everything you need to know. Get ready to become a litter box genius and help your cat fall back in love with the litter box.

About Dr. Rachel Geller | Rachel Geller, Ed.D. is the Founder and President of All Cats All the Time, Inc. which is a 501c3 nonprofit dedicated to promoting the adoption of cats and preventing their surrender and abandonment by helping cat and animal shelters – and cat owners who cannot otherwise afford to do so – access cat behavior counseling free of charge for the cats in their care.

Rachel is certified as a: Cat Behavior and Retention Specialist, Surrender Prevention Specialist, Humane Education Specialist, Pet Chaplain, Fear Free Shelter Specialist, Cat Friendly Veterinary Advocate, DEI certified and RedRover Reader. She is currently a cat behaviorist for cat and animal shelters all over the world, including working with adopters, training shelter volunteers, and instituting surrender prevention programs. She also provides individual cat behavior help to cat parents.

Rachel has given or participated in presentations for the Humane World for Animals, the Massachusetts Animal Coalition, and the New England Federation of Humane Societies on topics involving cat behavior, cat behavior and retention programs, and surrender prevention. Rachel’s cat behavior and retention program has been recognized as a model program.

Rachel’s books, [Saving the World, One Cat at a Time](#) and All Cats All the Time were written to help resolve cats’ behavioral and emotional problems with the goal of creating harmonious relationships between cats and their owners. All of the proceeds from book sales are donated to her nonprofit, All Cats All the Time. Rachel is the author of the webinar “Activities for Inclusion” for the Association of Professional Humane Educators which provides

instruction and concrete techniques for animal shelters on including the special needs population as volunteers. She was a contributing author to “The Ark Project – Jewish Initiative for Animals” which focuses on the humane treatment of animals.

Rachel was a behavioral specialist for grades K–8 in the Waltham (Massachusetts) Public Schools for over 20 years. She has lived in Newton since 1992 with her husband and two cats. An avid runner, she has run (and finished!) eleven Boston Marathons.

..... 3:30-3:45 p.m. Break | 3:45–4:00 p.m. Cat Trivia

4:00–4:45 p.m.

Tough Questions Panel

Stacy LeBaron, Founder of Community Cats Central & Host of Community Cats Podcast (Moderator)
Dr. Rachel Geller, Certified Cat Behavior and Retention Specialist & Founder of All Cats All the Time
Arden Moore, Pet Health and Safety Coach & Founder of Pet First Aid 4U
Tabitha Kucera, RVT, CCBC, KPA-CTP, VTS (Behavior) & Founder of Chirrup and Chatter

Stacy and the audience will bring their toughest questions to the panel for a conversation around Feline Behavior. We will also do some frequent polling of the audience to understand the greatest challenges in this area for cats today.

4:45-5:00 p.m.

Closing Remarks

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