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# FCCC LEADERSHIP

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Key leaders and supporters of the Feral Cat Caretakers' Coalition visited an historical landmark to preview construction progress and examine the new facilities for feeding the feral cats that have made this area their home for many years. Pictured from left to right are:



Terri Bohn, Rescued Pet Foundation  
Rick Lamb, "The Guy On Overland"  
Marilyn Tullius, Ace Words, Etc.  
Dona Cosgrove Baker, President and Founder, Feral Cat Caretakers' Coalition  
Liz Finch, Rescued Pet Foundation  
Jayne Willcocks, Operation Feral Cat!  
Lauren Laster, Vice President, Director of Resource Development, Feral Cat Caretakers' Coalition  
Cassandra K. Morris, Dedicated Caretaker

The work of the Feral Cat Caretakers' Coalition is carried out by its dedicated management team and the professionals. Following are short biographical sketches of the leaders, associates and professional specialists that are closely aligned with our organization.



**Dona Cosgrove Baker, President and Founder** – Dona Cosgrove Baker comes to the Feral Cat Caretakers' Coalition with 30 years experience in the medical profession. Her career began in 1963 in Miami Beach, Florida, as a medical office manager and surgical assistant. She retired in 1993 as a medical business Management Specialist for leading members of the medical community in Beverly Hills, California. She brings with her unique professional experience and skills necessary for the organization and management of FCCC.

Her in depth knowledge of feral cats was acquired through hands-on personal experience in feeding, trapping, sheltering, rescuing, observing and studying the plight of feral cats. She is a consultant for corporations and teaches feral cat caretaking. Her skills in creative writing include a manual for Feral Cat Caretaking, to be published, along with a book for adults and children, to give them a better understanding of the hungry and homeless cats and kittens they often see in their neighborhoods titled, "THE STORY OF FANNIE and FREDDIE FERAL." Dona is a certified Yoga Teacher and taught Hatha Yoga for 7 years. She was also a fashion model while attending the University of Washington. Over the years she has taken workshops which included guided imagery, meditation, psychology of the workplace, enhancement in communication skills and public speaking.

As Founder and President of Feral Cat Caretakers' Coalition, she assumes the responsibility of President and Chief Operations Officer in achieving the goals and objectives of a growing organization. Her personal commitment to

each detail, from managing the various duties entailed in running a corporation to managing feral cat colonies, provides her with the pivotal knowledge needed to bring each project to success.



**Joseph M. Baker, Executive Vice President** – Joseph M. Baker spent 30 years in the automotive and entertainment industry. In the mid 1960's his company, Baker Electronic Transportation Systems, Inc., built custom limousines for high profile celebrity and entertainment clients. He also designed/engineered and manufactured promotional electric and internal combustion vehicles for the Motion Picture and Television Industry, Major League Baseball and The National Football League.

As an experienced builder of electronic vehicles he consulted with small independent companies and Fortune 500 Corporations in the research and development of electronic motion controls systems for high performance electric vehicles. In 1996 and in semi-retirement he began Personal Chauffeur/Concierge & Town Car Services to generate cash flow for Dona's emerging Feral Cat Caretakers' Coalition before it became a 501(c)3 non-profit corporation. He continues his involvement in public relations, fundraising, marketing and general support.



**Lauren Laster, Vice President, Director of Resource Development** – Being raised in a family with a great deal of love for nature, started Lauren Laster on her path of caring about the world around her. It didn't matter if it was a cat, bird, dog or mouse. she wanted to care for it. However, Lauren's very first experience as a "cat mom" happened when she was older and more settled in her life. Lauren currently owns a sales agency that promotes environmental awareness through clothing and home products.

Changing the planet one mind at a time through education about daily purchases is Lauren's personal goal. She is also an owner of the Furry Angel Pet Memorial Candle Company. All of this and Lauren's deep commitment to make life better for the animals makes her life full and extremely rewarding.

Lauren's leadership skills in resource development make her an invaluable asset to FCCC. She brings with her a vast amount of experience in the business world in management and development. Her intuitive and creative abilities honed for the success of FCCC are also apparent and in full force when working with the feral cats and kittens. Her ability "to get the job done" is her trademark.

**Stephen A. Rosenberg, C.P.A.** – Stephen A. Rosenberg, C.P.A., is a graduate of California State University Northridge, where he received a Bachelor of Science degree in 1974. During college, Steve worked for a public accounting firm. Following graduation, he joined a local C.P.A. firm where he specialized in certified audits, personal and corporate tax planning and income tax return preparation. While at that firm, he met and worked with Phil Kaufman. Two years later, he left the local firm and opened his Certified Public Accounting practice. In 1977 Steve merged his accounting practice with Phil Kaufman's to become a partner in the combined firm Kaufman & Rosenberg.

Steve is a member of the American Institute of C.P.A.'s and their Tax Division, and the California Society of C.P.A.'s. Additionally, he is a licensed real estate broker. Steve is involved with all aspects of the firm with particular emphasis on real estate taxation, accounting, and tax return preparation and planning for individuals,

corporations, partnerships and retirement plans. He is also responsible for the firm's work scheduling and various administrative functions.



**Marilyn Tullius, Development Associate** – Marilyn Tullius operates a communication strategy, consulting, writing and editing firm known as Ace Words, Etc., in Brentwood. Her career also includes more than 15 years as a market analyst and strategist for industrial and technology companies. She holds an M.S. degree from UCLA's Anderson Graduate School of Management. Presently her workday includes meeting with clients and preparing resumes, personal statements for admission to graduate schools, brochures, proposals, web sites, and a wide variety of promotional and presentation materials. Besides work–work–work, Marilyn is a member of the West Los Angeles Chamber of Commerce. She is the biking activity leader for the Over The Hill Gang (principally a ski club). Marilyn enjoys a weekly workshop of ethnic drumming at a small store on Montana Avenue in Santa Monica and is active in a music fraternity alumni group that is committed to advancing music education in underserved communities. In the raising of two daughters, the family enjoyed two cats, two dogs, successive groups of goldfish, and a hamster.