

Christmas adoption party finds homes for felines

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Mars Petcare, makers of pet food and candy, held an adoption event at its corporate headquarters for The Privileged Pet

Cat Rescue.

As a result, seven felines found new homes and several other adoptions are pending.

The rescue is a volunteer effort of Julia Duke, who owns

The Privileged Pet, a pet and home sitting business.

Volunteers made the event a festive Christmas party, decorating with Christmas trees and other finery for the 400 employ-

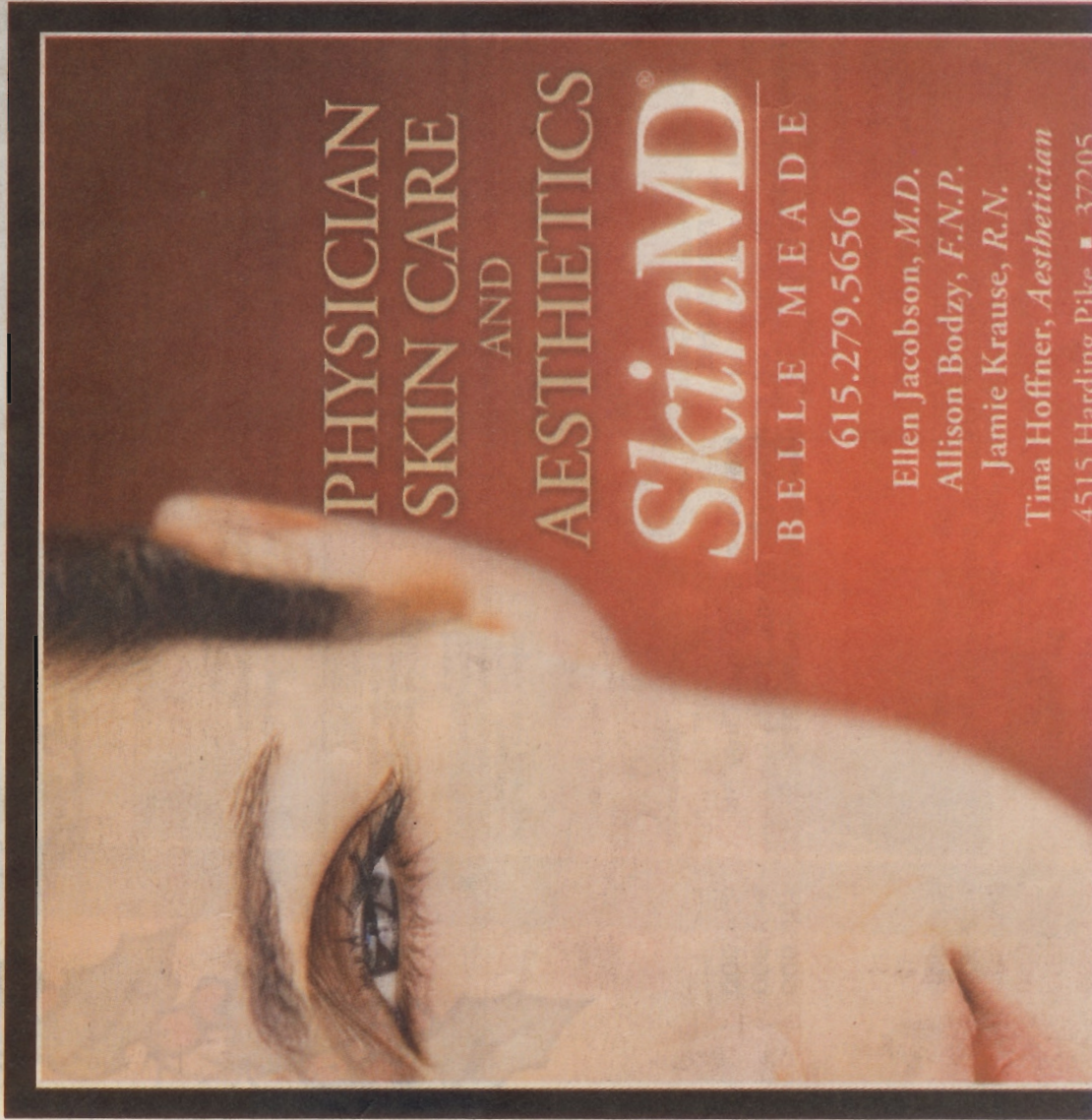
ees who came to see the available cats.

Sandy Ross, vice president of Mars' wet food products, hosted the event and gave away one of the products, Whiskas® Cat Food, to those who adopted the

cats. In addition, The Privileged Pet gave the new owners stockings stuffed with toys for their pets.

The Privileged Pet Cat Rescue is looking for additional foster parents to keep the cats in their homes until permanent placement can be made.

For more information, visit theprivilegedpet.petfinder.com.



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Top: Eliose Key, Kent Cunningham, Krista Zinn and Kathy Shaughnessy watch felines play in the cat tunnel. Middle: Lori Stevens, Damarys Casanova, Michael Giles, and Joan and Mark Pincott hold some of the cats that were available for adoption. Bottom: Barbara Appleton, Donna Lakins, Brandon Ellis and Cirbey Derrick look at some of the available cats at the adoption event.

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