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Could Judy be alive?



Ever since Harvey's second "prophetic dream" cats have been buzzing about whether Judy could still be alive. North, and a lot of other scientists say that Harvey didn't have a prophetic dream in the first place, but Harvey argues that North himself would have known that it was prophetic if he had the dream. This is a fair point, but Harvey can't back it up. Also, one of Mavis's investigators has claimed to have seen Judy. Even so, it's still just about whether cats will trust his word. Mavis however, has been a little extra grumpy because Harvey confessed that he was The Muscle, the greatest cat wrestler in the history of cat wrestling. Mavis was confused, because the muscle had impeccable balance and four legs. Harvey countered with the

Image above - one of Mavis's investigators who claims to have seen Judy.

fact that no cat ever saw exactly how many legs The Muscle had. Mavis snorted and walked away. Because of that, Mavis wants to keep disagreeing with Harvey. Mavis is used to being the greatest wrestler in town, even if there is a better wrestler somewhere out there.

Max and Judy's kittens want to believe that Harvey is right, and Judy is alive, and that Mavis's investigator was telling the truth, and he really saw Judy, but the last time Harvey had a prophetic dream it was just a joke. Max says that if Harvey made Judy fake die and then have a "prophetic dream" that told him she was alive, Max would kill him. Literally.

However, something happens next that no cat could have ever predicted. Judy steps through the door to her house and walks in. Max, Harvey, and Judy's kittens are silent as Judy's walks by. Then, like a flood, they charge at Judy. Except for Harvey, who gets on the phone to tell everyone that Judy is back. Judy's kittens swarm her, but Max stays back. "What happened, and where is Scratch? I'm going to rip the fur of that mange pelt's body!"

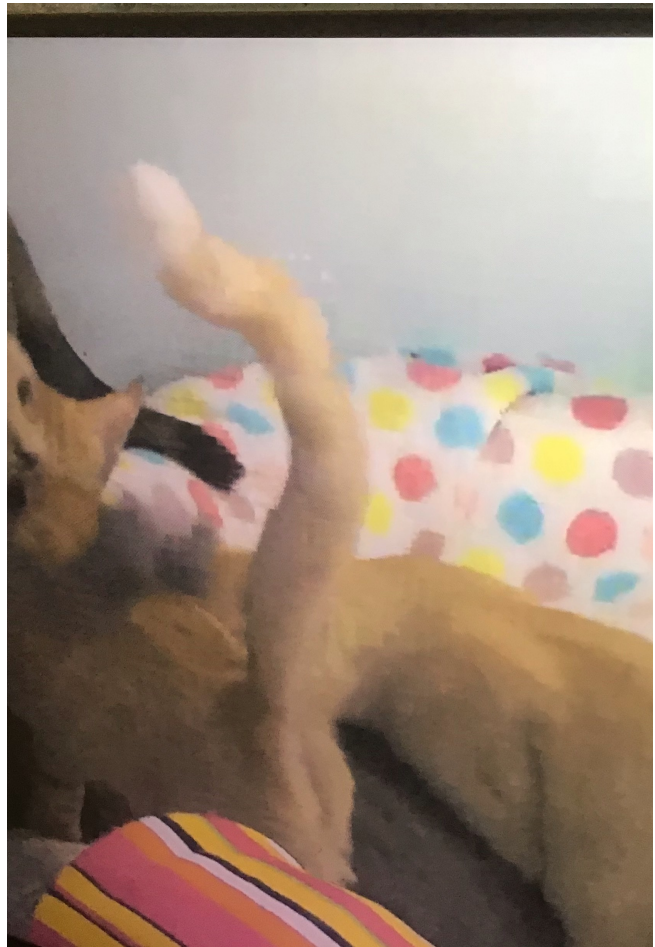


Image above - Judy's kittens swarming her after she steps through the front door of their house.

"Calm down, calm down." Judy tells him. "That's not how this went. Now, I'll tell you all exactly what happened."

Harvey pauses, the phone still on

"Judy did this for a movie?!?!?!"

- MAVIS

speakerphone so Mavis can hear. Then, Judy begins. "I was in the black market one day, maybe 2 weeks ago and I saw this one cat, Scratch, getting beaten up by some other, larger cats. I stepped in, and gave them a

couple of scratches to remember. Scratch, looked at me and told me he needed help. This isn't what I thought he would say, but then he told me why. He wanted to get into a gang. So, we made a deal. I'd get him into a gang, but he'd have to help me film my "death", and turn it into a movie. In fact, we're being filmed right now. And, Scratch can claim that he killed someone, which would get him into the gang." After Judy finished, there was silence.

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