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**This is Cats Illustrated's one year anniversary!**

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**Harvey has been kicked out of his cupboard!**



While it may be hard to believe for some cats, Cats Illustrated has been around for a whole year. Many cats are wondering how they have survived that long, and also why this is only the 353rd issue, not the 365th. That was because we took a break during March of last year, for five weekdays, a weekend, and then five more weekdays, twelve days in total.

Image above - the very first Cats Illustrated issue.

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Our very first issue was about Harvey, and how he had been kicked out of his favorite cupboard in his house. Back then, we used to do double issues, where the first page was an issue, and the second page was another issue. The second issue was about Juliet being drunk, and I, Leo Sahlin, got

my only quote in that one. My reporters and co-founder agreed that cats should get the quotes from then on. Harvey is happy that the first issue was about himself, but Juliet is not as cheerful as the first issue depicted her as drunk.

A year ago today, a human and a cat got together, and because both of them enjoyed writing news, they formed Cats Illustrated. I'll admit I made a play for the name "Humans Illustrated" but I would've lost my co-founder on that one. Then, we started hiring reporters, and thinking of a good town to be based in. Miami and New Orleans were high on the list, but in the end, we picked Pawsville. Nice, quiet, but built on a foundation of dirt. When we first got to Pawsville, Rudy and Judy were at each others' house all the time for picnics, Naya could go to a museum without stealing anything, and Stripy hadn't even discovered casseroles yet. But it took a bit of poking, and soon, we had juicy events to write about.

I'm not saying that we made Rudy and Judy and Naya and other cats who they are. But what I'm saying is that we might've given Naya a short class in the art of stealing, that we might've egged Judy's house and framed Rudy. And, well, we might've paid off the lottery company to push the odds in Lunch's favor. But it's what any good news organization would do, don't you agree?

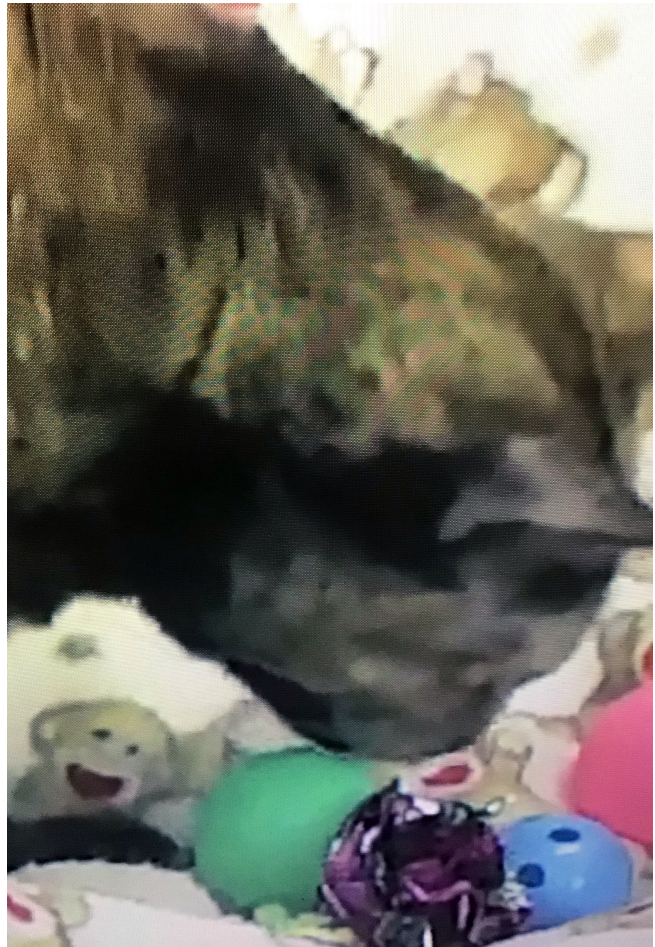


Image above - Judy, who sincerely thought Rudy egged her house that first time.

**“You framed me?  
Your head will be  
in a frame on the  
wall when I’m  
done with you!”**

**- RUDY, WHO MAKES US THINK A  
SECURITY FORCE IS NEEDED FOR  
OUR SAKE**

Unless we are to be shut down, Cats Illustrated is going to continue. Of course someday, our lottery scam will be exposed and we'll have to hide. But that won't be for a while longer. And someday, Naya might stop stealing, or Rudy and Judy might stop fighting, or Harvey might leave Pawsville altogether. And I suppose we could open a Jeep museum in Pawsville for Harvey, spark up Rudy and Judy's fight, and give Naya the bank security codes,

but hopefully we won't need to resort to that option.

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