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I got up at 6AM yesterday. The fear that Moonpie was sick and in the same room with the tiny kittens gave me a gut ache. So I got up and did what I really didn't want to do. I moved Moonie and Pattycake into the bathroom, the only other spare room I can keep foster cats.

Moonie and Patty are BIG four month old kittens. They have lots of energy and enthusiasm. I hated to put them in a small room, but I made sure they have lots of soft places to rest and some space to bounce off the walls-which from time to time, sounds like what they're doing.



©2010 Robin A.F. Olson. Moonpie, ever the clown, reacts to my singing!

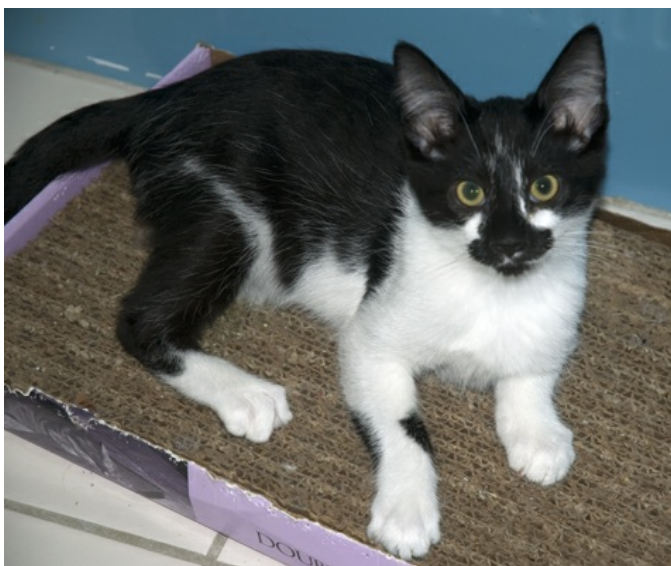
They don't seem to mind. Moonpie's runny eye has cleared up and though he sneezes, it seems to be dry and a rare event. His appetite is great and he seems to be doing just fine. That said, I'm not moving him back to the room with the kittens any time soon. He is just too big and they are just too small.



©2010 Robin A.F. Olson. Pattycake.

Last night I sat with the two cowbabies and Patty climbed into my lap. She definitely is a serious lap cat. She didn't move, just rested her head on my leg and relaxed. Moonpie ran around and BIT my iPhone! I moved it 5 or 6 times and he would find it and bite it again. He put claw marks through the clear protective screen gel!

When he wasn't being a nutcase, he was standing on the edge of the bathtub, rubbing his head on me. He jumped down and tried to get into my lap so I picked him up and held him while Patty stayed in my lap.



©2010 Robin A.F. Olson. Moonpie, taking a time out from sharpening his claws.

Yeah, these two are friendly cats. No question. They are also a handful! I think they should be adopted together. Patty has a serene quality about her and Moonpie is a goofhead, but an affectionate goofhead.



©2010 Robin A.F. Olson. Sugar Pie (left), Yodel (rear), Cinnamon (front), Honey B. (facing away from the camera).

The tiny kittens. Well, they are just the cutest things ever. Sugar Pie has a nickname-“Mini-Spencer.” Her markings are very similar to Spencer's and it looks like she will be just as fluffy! Her top coat is sparse and very long. I wonder what she'll look like when she grows up? As if I even have to wonder!



©2010 Robin A.F. Olson. Honey B. with Cinnamon.

Honey B. isn't as outgoing as Sugar Pie, but with more handling, I know she'll come around. She purrs easily and enjoys running around the room, chasing after her sisters. She's very pretty and has very nice markings.



©2010 Robin A.F. Olson. Honey B. demonstrating Kung Fu Fighting. She's got skillz!

Cinnamon. Who wouldn't love this little "owlette?" She's sweet as can be, but far too tiny. She's skin and bones, but her appetite is great. Her siblings are far larger than she is, so I find myself very protective of her. I wonder if she has tapeworm on board-which would answer why she is so small and hungry. The de-wormers we use wouldn't kill that parasite.

Sadly, this afternoon, I went to feed the kittens and Cinnamon was a bit "off." Her left eye was slightly closed and it appeared she was swallowing hard-maybe post nasal drip? She's not sneezing. Has no discharge. Her energy level isn't great. I gave her some L Lysine and I called the Vet. Dr. Larry is in ITALY, so we are seeing his partner, Dr. M. in the morning. Hopefully, it's nothing serious, but with a kitten this size, everything is serious.



©2010 Robin A.F. Olson. Yodel sees his reflection.

Yodel. Another sweet kitten. Yodel has a goofy face and could be a miniature version of Moonpie, but with long fur. Yodel stayed more in the background, but would let me pet her and would give me a nice purr. This morning she was more outgoing and really enjoyed playing with the cardboard scratching pad and climbing the cat tree.

There really is no problem child in this group. They are all simply marvelous and I treasure each one.

If I could only relax. I'm very worried about Cinnamon. She is too little to have health problems.

Update: Just before posting this I checked on Cinnamon. Her eyes were open, tail up, she was running around, playing. She ate well and seems to be doing better-but she is STILL going to the Vet tomorrow just in case.

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Robin, those pics are great...those babies are great....they look so adorable! what's the deal with cats and phones?! both of my boys seem to love pawing at mine! LOL

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Oh, we hope that Cinnamon will be ok - we are sending her lots of purrs and prayers to get better. It was good that she was feeling better later, but it does sound like a good idea to get her checked at the vet to be safe.

They are all such cuties - and I have to ask about your big 4 month olds - because I have my own big 4 month olds. Gus was 4 months 1 week when we were at the vet on Saturday - 7 lbs. He is not fat, he is just GIANT. So I had to ask when I saw you had big 4 month old kittens too.

And all the little ones are just so adorable - they are such cute liitle bundles of floof!

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Cinnamon is one adorable little cat. I'm looking forward to hearing good news and watching her get bigger. I've always been a sucker for torties, runts, and little white paws, and everybody loves a baby long-hair! Give her some cuddles from Cincinnati for me!

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Does Pattycake have a dowry? Jack Black is still single - LOL!

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Patty really "should" stay with her brother. They are such a perfect pair! They have no dowry, since I had to spend waaay more money to get everyone vetted than I hoped or else, of course I would pay you to take them. LOL! Plus, 3 cats is way more fun than just 2!

You're welcome to visit them ANY TIME since they're READY to be adopted and a great age at 4 months-still kittens, but not so tiny they can't fend for themselves! They are S/N, UTD on shots and are neg/neg on FIV/Feluk. And they are awesome! No kidding. These two are love bugs and then some.

They also seem to like other cats. Blitzen met them a little bit today and no hissing at all. Just curious and, I think, they wanted to play.

Give Jack my love!

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Lovely little clutch of kittens :)

I hope Cinnamon will get a good report from the vet. It is smart to have her checked on if you have doubts

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