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A SPHYNX IS BEST CAT IN 2006!!

MANASQUAN, NJ – June 19, 2006 - A Sphynx, owned by R. Lewis, T. Lewis and D. Cantley of Rowland Heights, CA has been named the 2006 Best Cat by The Cat Fanciers' Association (CFA). Grand Champion, Breed Winner, National Winner Majikmoon Will Silver With Age, a stunning blue-cream and white Sphynx female, captured the top honor recently at the CFA's annual meeting in Reno, NV.

“This is a wonderful accomplishment for the Sphynx breed,” said CFA President, Pam DelaBar.

“Several decades ago, the Sphynx breeders took a long and hard look at their breeding programs, recognized several problems, stepped back from the Championship Class, and concentrated on making the breed the energetic, viable and beautiful breed that we see in the show halls today.”

“Silly”, as Will Silver With Age is known, is a stunning example of the breed, with exquisite head type, body style and wonderful unblemished skin. She is also one very spoiled cat, and spectators nationwide will remember her being carried to and from the rings in her favorite pink blanket.

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Best Kitten is Grand Champion, Breed Winner, National Winner, Dotdotdot's Stradavarius, a beautiful chocolate spotted Ocicat male, owned by Roger and Nancy Brown of Elkhorn, NE. This magnificent Ocicat showed promise even at the tender age of 4 months, when judges recognized and rewarded his lovely color, distinctive pattern, and well-muscled body. He is also a winner in the Championship Class, placing Second Best Cat behind "Silly."

Best Cat in Premiership (neuters/spays) is Grand Champion, Grand Premier, National Winner Goliada Hermione, a gorgeous blue Persian spay, owned by Nancy Petersen of Solon, IA. Hermione is from Mrs. Petersen's well-known dilute breeding program and, along with her perfect head type and body conformation, she exemplifies a wonderful soundness and evenness of the color blue.

The awards were based on total points accumulated throughout the show season which ran from the beginning of May 2005 through the end of April 2006.

In addition to these top winners, awards were given for the Top 25 Cats in Championship, Top 25 Kittens and Top 25 Cats in Premiership (altered adults). Breed awards were given for the top three felines in each of 50 breed/divisions and for Best and Second Best of color awards. The Best Cats, Kittens and Cats in Premiership from the Hawaii and International Divisions were also honored.

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About The Cat Fanciers' Association

Founded in 1906 as a non-profit association of member clubs, The Cat Fanciers' Association, Inc. (CFA) is the world's largest registry of pedigreed cats. To date, CFA has registered more than 2 million pedigreed cats throughout the world. CFA's mission is to preserve the uniqueness and beauty of the pedigreed breeds of cats, and to enhance the well being of ALL cats. CFA promotes education, responsible cat ownership and proper care to the owners of millions of cats worldwide. The CFA, headquartered in Manasquan, New Jersey, administers rules for the management of cat shows and promotes the interest of breeders and exhibitors of pedigreed cats. CFA breeders, exhibitors, judges and fans span the globe, annually hosting over 450 competitions on four continents. CFA and its affiliates work nationally with local shelters, at a grassroots level, to help improve the problem of stray cats and abuse, and to encourage neuter/spay programs. CFA has been instrumental in the development of several international charitable organizations such as CFA Disaster Relief and The Winn Feline Foundation. To learn more about the Cat Fanciers' Association, the pedigreed breeds of cats, or to find the nearest CFA cat show, visit www.cfa.org.

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