

Rescued Kitten Finds New Home

An orange kitten has won the heart of Vicki Myron, author of 'Dewey: The Small-Town Library Cat Who Touched the World.'

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An orange kitten rescued from the snow in Spencer, Iowa, has found a new home with author Vicki Myron. Photo courtesy The Spencer Daily Reporter. A longhaired orange tabby kitten can thank Sue Selzer for rescuing her from the Iowa snow earlier this week — and helping her find a new home with Vicki Myron, former director of the Spencer Public Library and author of the best-selling book “Dewey: The Small-Town Library Cat Who Touched the World.” Myron decided to adopt the kitten after spending time with her at the library, reports the Spencer Daily Reporter.

Since Dewey, the town’s beloved library cat, passed away, both Myron and the Spencer Library staff have said they want to wait before adopting any new kitten. Still, Selzer noticed the rescued kitten’s resemblance to Dewey and called Kay Larson, current director of the library, to see if she would be interested in the kitten.

Larson encouraged Selzer to bring the kitten to the library on Thursday, when staff from Topspin Creative Corp. would be filming a one-hour special about Myron and Dewey. On the day of the filming, Selzer tucked the kitten in her winter coat and ushered her back to Larson’s office.

When Myron and her fiancé, Glenn Albertson, arrived at the office, library staff told her to “go into Kay’s office to see what she’s got for you.”

Vicki Myron and her late, famous library cat, Dewey. “Vicki took one look around my desk, where the kitten was underneath the heater, and said, ‘Ahh, it’s another Dewey,’” Larson said. “She picked it up and it purred right away and just laid in her arms.”

While Myron had previously stated that she wouldn’t adopt another cat for at least another year, she fell in love with the kitten. “You know how it is when you meet a cat, look in their face and fall in love,” she explained. “So she’s here, and she’s just the sweetest little thing. She kind of looks like Dewey did as a kitten, but she’s just got a personality all her own. I guess I was readier than I thought I was.”