**Socialization Class Takeaways**

* Mama mews
  + Talk to them
* Slow Blinks
  + Ultimate sign of trust
  + Do these each time as your introduction
* Petting
  + Use a paintbrush (gives you distance)
  + Start at the bottom and work forward
  + Reward when they stop twitching
  + Work towards chin
  + Pull the tail away from the body
  + Get to the belly
* Motivate with Food
  + Use a spoon (on a dowel)
  + Fingers
  + Feed at your feet
* Play therapy
  + Wand toys
  + Get them to run across your legs
* Pick up
  + Start while eating
  + Use a towel if needed
  + Don’t let them leave until YOU want them to
  + Get them in your lap
* Taco of Trust
  + Use their bed to gently wrap them up
  + Close to your heart
  + Deep breaths – relax
  + They go when you are ready and they have relaxed
* Novel changes
  + Introduce new people
  + New toys
  + New sounds
  + New sights
* Tough Love
  + You are in charge
  + You are training or un-training
  + You are the leader