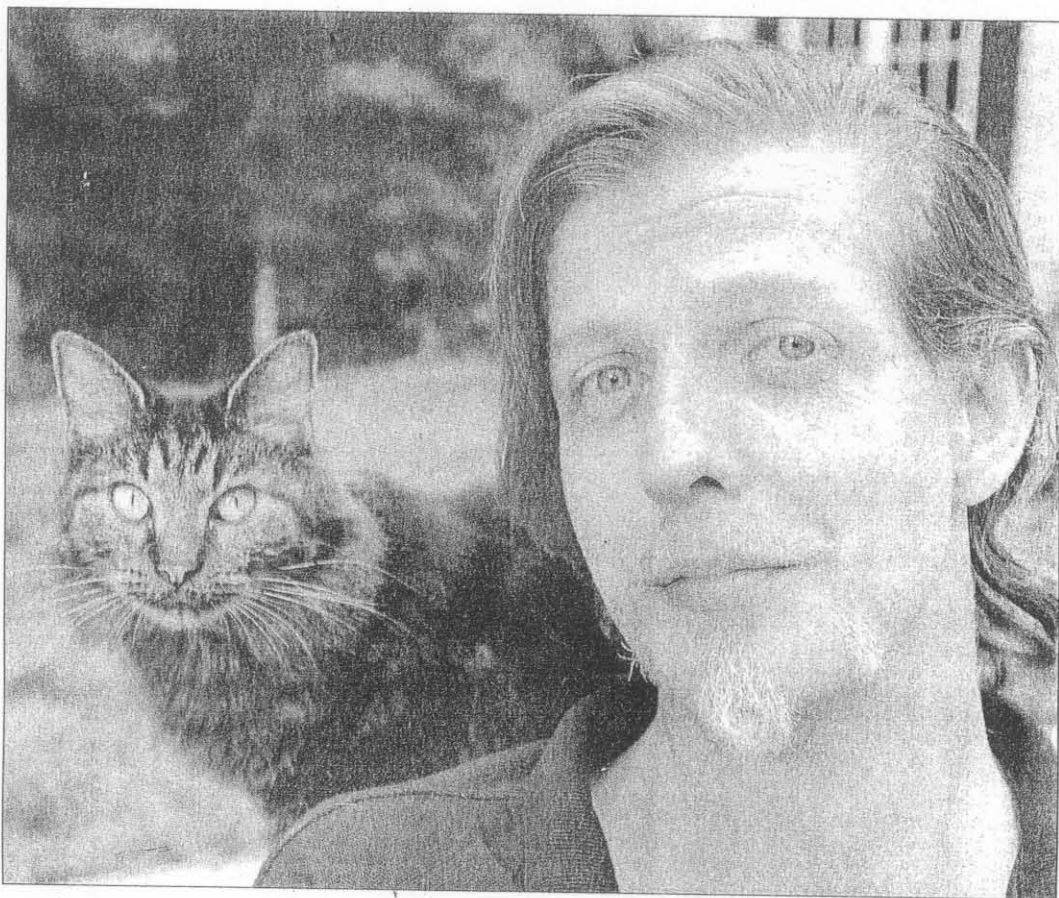


“We deal with things the best we can. It’s been rough, but I’ve been told many times before that what doesn’t kill you makes you tougher.”

Covington resident
Scott Tucker



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Covington resident Scott Tucker is joined at his home by his cat, Wolfe. Usually confined to a wheelchair, Tucker said he has found God and was revived by a miracle when he experienced heart failure during a routine MRI.

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Miracle man

Covington resident
cites wonders in
struggles with illness

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Six years ago, longtime Covington resident Scott Tucker was the witness to and the recipient of a miracle. Less than a month ago, Tucker queued up in the miracle line again when he was revived after suffering heart failure during a routine examination at Rockdale Medical Center.

The 43-year-old Tucker, who was diagnosed with multiple sclerosis in 2001, was in the midst of a magnetic resonance imaging (MRI) exam — something he'd had done many times before — on Aug. 4 when he suddenly felt discomfort from a rapidly-swelling esophagus.

"I can usually nap a little during an MRI, and I think I may have dozed off," Tucker said, who was born and raised in Covington. "I was told that my esophagus was swollen, and I pushed out of the MRI scanner and told (the attendant) that I couldn't breathe. As I was sitting on a table, I actually heard over (the hospital public address system) a 'code blue' call to MRI. The last thing I remember was wondering if they were talking about me."

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