

**PFOA eNews
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What's New and What's Needed

Since last time: We're happy to report, with your generous assistance, we adopted 138 loving rescues, many who were older or special needs, into their forever homes in 2016.

Recently, our two big FIV positive fellas were adopted!! *Sonny* and *Sylvester* each went to great guys who fell in love with the personalities of these boys, but who also wanted to give a "special" cat a chance. Before we had a chance to celebrate this victory for too long, however, we found ourselves caring for three more cats with special needs.

Paisley is an adorable gray and white girl we adopted out six months ago who became diabetic in her new home, and her owner was unable to care for her. She is one of the sweetest cats we have ever had, and we are hopeful that her diabetes may be reversible. *Spatzi* and *Spanky* are beautiful brothers whose owner passed away unexpectedly, and we had thought they were robust middle aged boys that we could adopt out together. Unfortunately, *Spanky* has proved to be diabetic and *Spatzi* has early renal insufficiency. Each needs special and different diets for their conditions, which make it a challenge for us at Safe Haven. While they are exceptionally nice cats who are doing well, these sorts of kitties often end up living out their lives with us, and their care is quite expensive and labor intensive. Not every cat comes to us in perfect health, but can live many happy and comfortable years with the proper care. How lucky we are to have the funds from our supporters and the skills of our caring staff that enable us to provide excellent quality of life for these kitties!

Save the Date

Upcoming Annual Spring Event: You're invited to our *"Catnip and Sip" Tea, Fashion Show, Silent and Live Auction* on **Saturday, April 8th from 12 - 3 PM**. It will be held at the Sunland Golf and Country Club, 109 Hilltop Dr. in Sequim. Ticket price -- \$35.

Tickets will be available at Safe Haven and at Heather Creek in Sequim.

If you would like to donate an item, gift certificate or service for our auction, it would be appreciated. Call us at 452-0414, ext. 3.

Volunteers Needed and Appreciated:

Do you enjoy getting exercise and working in the great outdoors? We will soon need able volunteers to mow the grass on a riding mower, weedwhack areas around the outbuildings and maintain landscaping in front of shelter.

We also have need of volunteers who can lift bags of dog and cat food to help in our pet food bank for low income pet guardians who are in crisis situations.

We have many other volunteer opportunities to help support our mission. Please call our volunteer coordinator at 452-0414, ext. 3 for additional information.

Special Need:

Vinyl storage shed with window. Please continue to check our wish list for needed items, i.e., paper towels, antiseptic hand soap, HE Liquid Laundry Detergent, etc.

Heartfelt Thanks to all of you who support us in so many ways.

If you wish to be removed from our email list, just reply "no thanks." If you want to be removed from all communications, please reply "all."