

Pet Tidings



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Living the Life of Riley

By Ann Gilson

"Living the life of Riley" is an old-fashioned way to describe a life of contentment, comfort, and security. It would not have been a good way to describe little Riley's beginning circumstances some five years ago.

He was a beautiful, long-haired, fluffy, silver-grey kitten, one of thousands born that spring of 2004 who was unwanted and facing a short, bleak future.

He and his siblings would have been euthanized without ever having had a chance



Riley, happy in his brand-new home after several years of waiting, plays in the yard with 3-year-old Olivia West.

at life if a local veterinarian had not called PFOA to see if we could give them a chance with us.

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To prevent the birth of unwanted cats and dogs through progressive spay/neuter and educational programs; and to place as many homeless, neglected, and abused animals as possible into good, safe, permanent homes.



Dolly

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Sun



Frosty



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From the Editor's Desk

We have just passed "kitten season" here at Safe Haven. This is an exciting, wonderful time for us. Who can resist the appeal of a tiny kitten's purr? Or refuse to laugh at their antics? Who isn't touched by the joy of a family taking home their new little one?

Unfortunately, there are many kittens who will never be suitable for placement in adoptive homes, kittens born and raised "in the wild." Often they are members of "man-made" colonies of feral cats and kittens. Such colonies pose a serious problem for rescue organizations across the country, as well as here on the Peninsula.

Feral colonies usually begin with someone abandoning a cat, assuming it will find a home or can take care of itself. Many of these cats die. A few do survive. If they are unsprayed females they become pregnant at about six months and have two or three litters of kittens a year for up to 10 years, if they live that long.

Any female survivors among the kittens will stay in the colony, and they too will have kittens. Some males will hang around the new colony waiting for a chance to mate. Thus what began with one abandoned female can become a small colony within a very short time. Adding to the problem are the well-meaning folks whose hearts are touched when they see cats and kittens going hungry, and begin to feed them *without thinking ahead*.

A "wild" animal population will not outgrow its food source, so a feral cat population not sustained by human intervention will usually remain fairly small. The population grows when times are easy, and when they are tough it slows down or dies back. We don't help the situation when we begin to feed these cats without giving thought to the resulting growth in the colony.

However, we *can* help hungry feral cats if we limit that growth through spaying and neutering them. It's the only way to keep the population in check once extra food is made available.

Organizations like PFOA are here to help—but only if colonies are of a manageable size. Through our TNR (Trap, Neuter, Return) program we will help with traps and instructions, spay/neuter expenses, and even food if necessary.

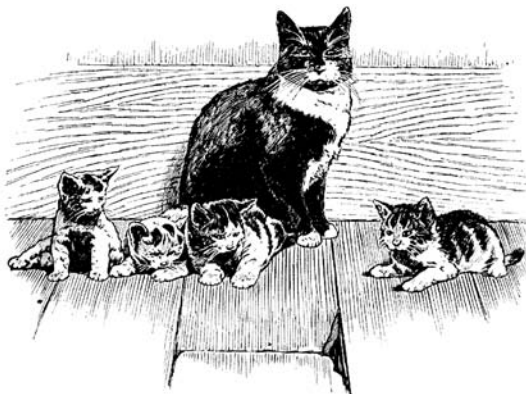
During these troubled times budgets are tight for every rescue organization. A colony of two or three queens and a few attached males can be neutered for a fairly modest cost. So it is very important for those who begin feeding feral cats to call

immediately for assistance. A colony increases quickly if fed, and in two or three years may reach as many as a hundred animals. PFOA simply doesn't have the resources to neuter that many animals, and it is pointless to try. Only starvation will limit such a colony, and it eventually, tragically, will. Trap/Neuter/Return will prevent such tragedies.

With a compassionate caregiver, feral cats can live worthwhile and satisfying lives in mild climates like ours. But that is possible *only* if their numbers are controlled.

If any of our readers are feeding feral cats, or know someone who is, please call us at 360-452-0414 and leave a message. Our TNR volunteer coordinator will get in touch with you. We can help provide a happy ending for your generous and compassionate efforts on behalf of hungry cats and kittens.

P.S. As of June 17 we have had to cut back temporarily on our TNR program but have not discontinued it. If you need help, call 360-452-0414 and leave a message. We'll try to help you as soon as we can. ❀



Dolly's new home: A perfect match after all

By Susan Skaggs

When Kathy Larson saw Dolly, a little black Shih-tzu, at the PFOA annual membership meeting, she knew it was the dog for her. But Nancy Campbell, the Dog Adoption Coordinator, and I weren't so sure.

Dolly had come to us just after her fourth litter of puppies was weaned. At 3 years old, having puppies was all she knew. She went from the breeder's to Nancy's home, where one of Dolly's own grown puppies was living. It seemed a perfect temporary home.

Dolly had other ideas. While she was relatively content at first, she ignored her grown puppy. At bedtime she scoured the fence line, desperate to get out. It was clear that Dolly was determined to get back to her current litter.

The next morning, Dolly managed to tunnel under Nancy's fence, sending them both on a wild chase down her long driveway and into a neighbor's yard. Thankfully there were construction workers there who were able to corner her, and she was returned to Nancy's yard. But having escaped once, Dolly continued to look for ways out.

Nancy decided Dolly might do better with me — that perhaps a change of homes would break the cycle of attempted escapes. I had another young mother dog who was familiar to Dolly, and Nancy hoped the bond with her would keep Dolly from running.

It worked. Dolly stayed with me without incident. She still stared out the fence with longing from time to time, but she settled into the routine



Dolly, renamed "Sadie," was slated to be placed in a certain kind of home when a certain couple turned up instead. The result was love all around.

at my home, and eventually she even began to play with the other dogs. It seemed clear that Dolly would need a home with at least one other dog if she were to be content, and she would need a yard — a secure, fenced yard. Trusting her off leash would be impossible now that we knew she was a "runner dog."

When Kathy and Roger Larson asked for Dolly, we were certain they were the wrong home for her. There was no doubt they were wonderful animal people. As PFOA volunteers (Kathy is head of the PFOA Fundraising Committee) and loving cat owners, they'd make an excellent home for one of our small dogs. Just not *this* dog. They didn't have a fenced yard, and Dolly had already proven herself untrustworthy off leash. There were no other dogs in the household to help Dolly through the transition and provide an outlet for her maternal

instincts. And Kathy had decided Dolly should sleep in a basket beside the bed, rather than on the bed with them where this needy little dog would want to be. Dolly would definitely be better off in a different home.

But the Larsons persisted. They came to visit, and Roger sat with Dolly in his lap, talking quietly to her for almost an hour. Dolly responded well to both of them. I was weakening. They seemed so good with Dolly even though they hadn't had a dog in their home for 23 years. Finally, it was decided they could take Dolly on trial for a weekend. I was camping with my own dogs for three days and having Kathy and Roger foster Dolly would make my trip easier.

By the first night, Dolly was sleeping in their bed. Kathy walked her for miles those first days.

"It seemed like she wasn't 'doing' anything," Kathy told me when she called to report how the weekend had gone. Fearing the little dog might be getting constipated, she took her out on the leash again and again. "When she finally pooped in the middle of the living room carpet, I was so relieved I didn't even scold her."

Kathy couldn't talk long; she was on her way to the pet store to buy Dolly a "cart full of toys and treats."

It's been several months. Dolly, now "Sadie," is thriving. She's taken to camping like a pro. She's also met the neighborhood dogs and had a few "play dates." She goes everywhere with the Larsons.

"I'm sure they'll eventually fence in the yard for her," Nancy Campbell says, "that is, if Sadie ever decides to ask them to do it!" ♣

Meet two volunteers: Jan and Jen Cabbage

By Nancy O'Gorman

PFOA got a “two-fer” in volunteers when Jan and Jen Cabbage came on board a year and a half ago. The Agnew couple spends time at Safe Haven doing different jobs for both cats and staff.

Jan spends every Saturday at the shelter helping adoption manager Nancy Campbell with anything the cats and kittens might need. With her medical background, Jan can help administer shots and medications when needed. She also makes the rounds (including many Sundays) spending time looking over and socializing the cats and kittens while keeping an eye out for their health status. She also assists with their care and feeding, offering a soft touch for the hard-to-adopt.

“I’m drawn to the ones who need it the most,” Jan says. “They tug at your heart strings.”

Jan’s husband, Jen, began his volunteer work at Safe Haven as a groundskeeper but recently switched to that of volunteer coordinator — a position that’s been needed at the



Jen, left, and Jan Cabbage with Jerry and Dolly. Not pictured: Abbey.

shelter for some time. He’s currently working on entering data into a computer that will track PFOA’s volunteer needs with people willing to do the work as well as organizing schedules. Since Jen had some expertise with computers in general, his current job in Safe Haven’s office is itself a perfect match.

Jan and Jen came to the Olympic Peninsula three year ago from Kilgore, Texas, where they had spent 18 years. Jan was an office administrator in dentistry when she retired in 1998; Jen worked in the maintenance division in industrial manufacturing until 2006.

Their pets are their “kids,” complete with framed photos on the walls. (They each raised stepchildren from previous marriages). Their current “kids” are three kitties: Abbey, 4, and Jerry, 15, both rescued from abusive or homeless situations, and Dolly, 15 months, adopted from Safe Haven as a tiny kitten with special health needs at the time.

In the last couple of decades, their eight or so pets — which included two beloved Siberian Huskies — all lived well past normal life expectancies, a tribute to the couple’s devotion to their pets’ health and care. Some of their cats lived for 20 years despite failing kidneys. None of them roamed free but were indoor pets with outdoor supervision only, such as on leashes or in roomy enclosures.

As PFOA volunteers, their message is clear: “We would like to see every cat get adopted,” Jan says. As for needing volunteers, many do work for PFOA in various capacities but the greatest need, Jen says, is the hands-on kind — socializers to pet, comb, play with, and love the cats. ♣

Birthday gifts for kitties



Emily Glenn holds Archie while visiting Safe Haven to donate food, toys, and money from her birthday.

Emily Glenn, daughter of Mike and Kristen Glenn, is one of PFOA’s young volunteers. She spends many of her Saturdays getting our cats used to children. This year she requested that her birthday party gifts be food, toys and litter for the cats and kittens at Safe Haven. She also gave a cash donation that, according to her mother, was a substantial part of her savings.

Many thanks, Emily, for being such a caring, giving person, from all the cats at the shelter!

“There is, indeed, no single quality of the cat that man could not emulate to his advantage.”

—Carl Van Vechten

Riley, a sensitive little fellow, loved people

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Well, yes, we could, and so the newly named Riley and his little family went to one of our kitten foster homes. The couple who took them have fostered kittens for many years, with great joy and success. Imagine their dismay when one of the couple faced a health problem, making it necessary to find another home for the kittens very shortly after they arrived.

Riley was lucky again. Another great foster home opened up, and the whole “kit and kaboodle” moved. The new foster mom grew particularly attached to the kittens and arranged placements from her home so that they would not have to make yet another move, to Safe Haven, before adoption. All were quickly adopted.

Unfortunately, Riley was a sensitive little fellow, and the moves had created a certain insecurity which he expressed by urinating inappropriately. This particular behavior is, understandably, the most frequent cause of a cat or kitten losing its home. Riley was returned.

Since the foster mother now had new younger kittens in her home, Riley came to Safe Haven and made a place for himself in one of the cat rooms. He soon became a great favorite with volunteers and staff because of his beauty and friendliness — he loved people.

As he grew older, it became apparent that Riley had another problem. His knees “slipped” when he walked, making a clicking sound and wobbling a bit. Off to the vet, then to a specialist in Seattle. Nothing could be done that would help, and the condition caused him no pain, so the advice was to leave well enough alone. Some potential adopters, however, saw him as handicapped, and passed him up.

Finally, one day about a year later, a visitor from Jefferson County came and met Riley, fell in love with him, and took him home to a quiet, single-person home where all went well. For a while.

Then another person joined the household and Riley’s insecurity flared up again. He urinated on the newcomer’s bed — more than once. Riley was returned to Safe Haven by his tearful guardian.

Another year later Riley went home, by mistake, with another adopter who accidentally put Riley in the carrier instead of an almost identical cat that they had adopted. He was brought back the next day, and the correct cat was taken. Riley was depressed for quite a while after that.

It began to look as if Riley would spend his life at Safe



Riley, lounging on the sofa in his new home, proves that even a cat with multiple homes and problems can finally find love again.

Haven when one of our long-time members took pity on him and asked to try him in her multi-cat household. He seemed to settle in at first, and it looked as if maybe this would work. However, after several weeks he began to intimidate and finally to attack the shyer cats. He had to be returned yet one more time.

Poor Riley! — now an older cat, bad knees, unable to cope with a large group of cats, and not reliable as to his bathroom habits. And how he did love to be with people! It looked like his loving heart would never find an outlet. We didn’t give up on him, but five long years had passed since he came into PFOA’s care, and his chances of finding the loving home he longed for diminished each year.

It’s a good thing we didn’t give up, though, because one day this spring the family he’d been looking for, and who’d been looking for him, finally found him.

Nathan and Alison West had recently lost an old, beloved cat, and they came to Safe Haven to find a feline companion for their remaining younger cat and elderly rescued dog. Though they came to find one, they actually found and fell in love with two, and both Riley and Tessie went home with them and their gentle 3-year-old daughter.

As Alison says, “We knew they belonged with us and we love them both dearly, but Riley’s attachment to us is particularly strong. He doesn’t like to be out of my sight. He even sleeps with us, and if we don’t go to bed at our usual time he comes and reminds us that it is bedtime and to come along. He and our daughter are wonderful companions, too.”

So yes, “living the life of Riley” is a good way to describe Riley’s situation today, and it will be for the rest of his life, according to the Wests. ❀

Safe Haven ADOPTABLES!

Wallflowers ready to bloom . . . in your home!

(Editors' note: These are some cats that have been at our shelter for months or years. Because they're shy with strangers, they don't "show" well. They've been passed over by adopters again and again, and they no longer try for attention. But with our volunteers who they know and trust, these kitties purr and play and lap-sit. Please consider them for your home. You'll not only have a feline friend, but you'll know you made a tremendous difference in the life of a cat who otherwise wouldn't be adopted.)



Proud Spirit

PROUD SPIRIT was a trailer park kitten who came to PFOA a few years ago. He was adopted once, but his person died, so Proud Spirit came back to Safe Haven. He's a sweet, affectionate cat with people he knows.



Tamara

TAMARA is a beautiful medium haired gray tabby. She's a sweet kitty, quiet and gentle. She was rescued as a kitten in a trailer park three years ago. A home without a lot of hustle and bustle would bring out the best in her.



Martha

MARTHA spent most of her first year and a half in a windowless warehouse where she was treated well but wasn't exposed to much daylight or many people. She's now a serene and accepting 8-year-old who "talks" to the volunteers who visit her regularly. She would be wonderful company for an older person and will return all the love and attention she receives with her affection and devotion.

SUZIE is pretty black kitty and looks like a little panther. She'd do best in a quiet home, but with lots of love and attention this little girl will warm up and become the cat you've always wanted.



Suzie

BENNET was a very shy kitten and is still shy with strangers. But he's selected a couple of our volunteers to be his special friends, and they adore him. He's gray and white with medium to long hair. He's a real beauty and in the right home will give lots of love and purring.



Bennet

DANDELION is a 5-year-old silver gray tabby who enjoys being brushed and fussed over. He'll run when he encounters someone new, but once he knows and trusts you, this guy will even perform tricks in hopes of getting your attention. He requires a special diet for his gums and teeth, but otherwise he is healthy and loving.



Dandelion

LEDA is a striking brown short-haired tabby. She's very affectionate with the volunteers she knows. She came to PFOA as a kitten and is an adult now. She'll blossom in a home when she isn't over-shadowed by more out-going kitties.



Leda

Please call PFOA's message line at **360-452-0414** to talk about any of these featured pets; a volunteer will return your call. Or go online to see many others at www.safehavenPFOA.org

Ask PFOA: How do we end the tragedy of homeless cats and dogs?

Although the homeless animal problem in America is heart-breaking, it is also hopeful: this problem can be solved and we can all play a part. Moreover, solving this problem offers us the chance to become better people and to express the very best of our humanity. These are the steps that, one at a time, will help bring an end to America's homeless animal tragedy.

1. Be Heroic. Adopt your next animal companion from a shelter or rescue group. You will be saving an animal whose life literally depends on getting a new home.

2. Be Committed. Know the commitment when you bring an animal into your family, and follow through on it. Your animal companion is utterly dependent on you for his health and well-being. Commit to providing the care he needs, to working through any problems, and to being his guardian for his entire life.

3. Be Smart. Before you adopt an animal, take the time to learn so you can make a good choice. Different types of animals and breeds have different needs—make sure you know enough to choose an animal who will be compatible with you and your lifestyle.

4. Be Responsible. There are already more animals than homes available. Spay and neuter your pets so they don't add even more to the staggering animal overpopulation problem.

5. Be Identified. Millions of animals become lost each year and never make it back home. Make sure your animal is always carrying your contact information, via an ID tag (which is easy for anyone to use) and a microchip (which is permanent).

6. Be Prepared. Make plans now for your animals' care should something happen to you. Many animals are in shelters because their guardians did not make such arrangements.

7. Be a Role Model. Always demonstrate responsible and loving animal care, so that others will want to do the same.

8. Be a supporter. Volunteer, donate, and support your local animal shelter or rescue group, especially their programs that educate the community and prevent animals from becoming homeless and even needing to be in the shelter. These programs save lives.

9. Be a Teacher. Many good-hearted people simply don't know about the homeless animal tragedy in this country, and would help if only they understood how their actions impact the situation. Help spread the word; speak up and speak out for homeless animals.

Many thanks to No Voice Unheard (www.NoVoiceUnheard.org) for permission to reprint this article. ❀

More Safe Haven ADOPTABLES!



Fagin

FAGIN and **THISTLE** are a pair of brothers who should go to a home together. They're both black (a color not popular with many adopters) and beautiful. Fagin has green eyes while Thistle's are a copper color. They are both short haired and about 5 years old. Fagin, a "big lug" of a cat, head butts and leans into his human and feline friends to show his affection. Thistle is a sweet boy who will melt your heart. He's also polydactyl (having extra toes). Together they would provide a home with years and years of kitty love.



Thistle

These cats are also candidates for sponsorship. Please call PFOA for more information.

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“Dear Peninsula Friends of Animals . . .”

Dear PFOA Cat Family,

I am the daughter of Larry and Karen Southwick who adopted Elsa and Edison. I just wanted to thank you all for taking such great care of the kitties and making it so easy for my parents to start a new life with their new babies. It was like love at first sight for all of us. They are both so sweet and cute and playful. You can tell they have been well loved and taken care of.

You can be sure they will have plenty of love and attention. My mom was so lost when her cat died of having diabetes for a long time. I knew it would take her time to get over that.



Elsa and Edison

The timing when I saw the picture of Elsa couldn't have been better. I think both kitties are perfect for her and my dad.

— Nancy Conlin

Dear PFOA,

Elsa and Edison are doing fine in their new home and just wanted to share a few pictures with you folks.

Thanks for bringing them to us in such fine shape.

— Larry and Karen Southwick



Dear PFOA,

Just thought I would drop a quick note letting you know how much we love Miss Diva!

She is settling in nicely. Her divine attitude is just what our family needed. She has accepted her human family and has tons of love to give. She doesn't seem to like our cat Oreo, but has enough attitude that he wants to be her friend. I'm sure they will be the best of friends soon.

She learned very quickly that the dogs were no threat and that she was queen of the castle! She sleeps on my pillow next to my head or curled up on my hubby's chest. It amazed me how quickly she decided that we were worthy of loving her! She took over my cat's favorite perch, and has learned where we hide the kitty treats!

Thank you so much for everything you do!

— Laurie J. Loomis

Dear PFOA,

You can't believe how our little girl, Holly, is doing (a.k.a. "Rosemary"). We thought we'd have some adjustment time, but it seems like she's been here forever.

She has two purrs, low and high, and never uses her claws except to scratch. The new bed on the floor didn't work last night but ours did! She's into everything, loves the neighbors, and is loving life.

Thanks for all your help to find the right cat for us.

— Judie and Mike Clark



Dear PFOA,

Thank you so much for caring about these wonderful little "people." Audrey and I adopted a cat from you guys back in July 2006. His name was Christopher, but we changed it to Harley.

We love him dearly, and he is a spoiled little character.

— Donna Volp

"Dear Peninsula Friends of Animals . . ."



Dear PFOA,

We just love Riley and we want everyone to know that he has a good home. Please pass along that we are extremely happy with him. He has brought us so much joy and he makes us smile every day. He loves to cuddle on the couch in the evenings and sleeps at the foot of the bed every night. We are so glad to have him in our family. He reminds us so much of our much-loved cat we lost to diabetes and it is like his spirit is still with us. He helped us with the pain of losing a friend. I have to say, Riley is pretty happy here too!

**Sincerely,
Alison West**

Editor's note: Please see Page 1 for our feature story on Riley.



Dear PFOA,

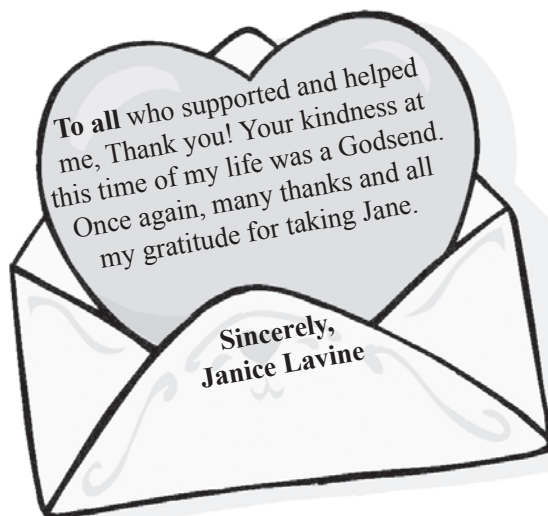
I adopted Katie a few weeks ago. A few days later a PFOA volunteer called to follow up on Katie's new life.

Katie is doing very well! She quickly settled in to a routine of sleeping, eating, playing and all the things cats do. She won the friendship of my other cat, Zeus. They share a food bowl and play together.

Katie is a snuggler and spends a lot of time sitting on our laps. We're very fond of her and we're looking forward to having Katie live with us for a long, long time.

Our thanks to the PFOA members for helping us to find the perfect cat-friend for us and Zeus!

— Kathleen Potter



"Two things
are aesthetically
perfect in the world —
the clock and the cat."

*—Emile Auguste
Chartier*

Dear Safe Haven,

Here is a photo of "Packer," formerly known as "Avis," on his 3rd birthday. We recently adopted a kitten, and out of all the other 4 cats in the home, Dinah chose Packer to be her special friend and playmate. She knew he was special.

**Sincerely,
Dawn Norbistrath**



Look who's been adopted!

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Cameo



Mia



Smokey



Gabby



Queenie



Rosemary



Eclipse



Archie



Rex



Hoops



Twitter



Edison



Elsa



Wilson



Ipod



YoYo



Nama



Checkers



Mazoo



Lil' Miss



Pikabu



Pikachu



Hattie



BonBon



Jacob



Iris



Perry Winkle



Dolly



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Twinkie



Precious

Look who's been adopted!

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Brooke



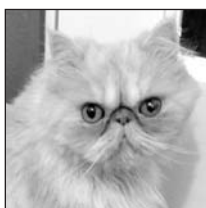
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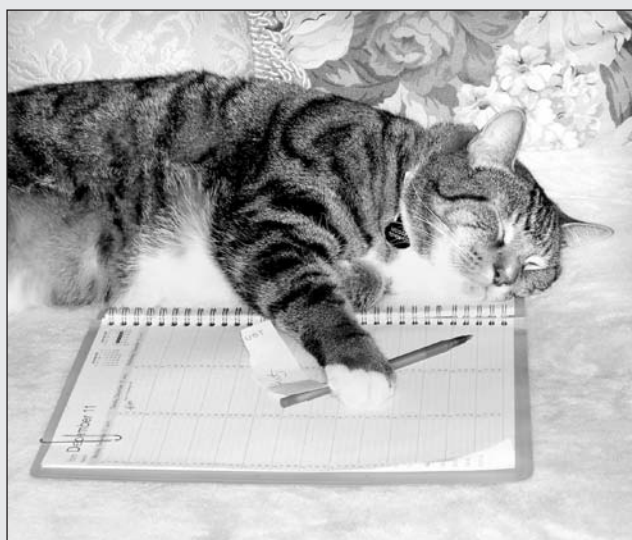


Bernice



Nettie

"What schedule?"



Muggsy Hubbard doesn't care *what's* on the calendar. It's naptime and nothing will get in the way of his beauty sleep. Muggsy lives in Eugene, Oregon, with his kitty brother, Bubba, and his person, Martha St. Claire.

Mews from the board

❁ **We were thrilled to receive** a \$2,500 dollar grant from Sequim Community Foundation in July to be used for our Spay/Neuter Programs! Since our founding in 1999, PFOA has contributed to the spaying and neutering of well over 4,500 cats and dogs. The award was timely as the low-income clinics keep filling up. Thank you, SCF!

❁ **A Memorial Garden task force** had its first meeting to share ideas and begin planning a location and design for the area. Several supporters have made donations specifically for this purpose. Please feel free to contact us if you have any thoughts and ideas for this special place on the Safe Haven grounds.

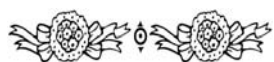
❁ **As you approach Safe Haven**, you will soon be seeing the PFOA logo as you get near the driveway! An anonymous donor decided, "It was about time it became a little easier to see that it was time to put on a turn signal!" A special thanks to Angus Trent and Leon Lopez for installing the sign by the driveway along Highway 101.



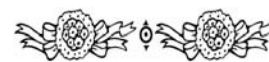
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A special thanks to everyone who has helped in so many ways: Volunteers, members, financial contributors, veterinarians, supporters, advertisers and many more!





Memorials and Honorariums



Memorials given in honor of a deceased pet, in memory of a friend or family member, or Honorariums to thank special friends are a lovely way to say "Thank you" or "I love you" or "I miss you." A public statement of remembrance can help bring closure or soften grief, as well as honor a loved one. (Please try to keep memorials to three or four lines or less — about 15-35 words — for space consideration. We do not publish photos of pets here).

In Memory of Special People

- In memory of **Dick Chapman**, from **Barb Stauffer**.
- In memory of **Dorothy Lewis**, from **Clyde R. Stice**.
- In memory of **Gerry Parsons**, from **Helen Hille**.
- In memory of **Judy Zwick**, from **Al and Elna Mercer**.
- In memory of **Harry Stebbins** from **Margi Kaye Renken**.
- In memory of **Chris Christensen** and **Kelly Christensen** from **Mary F. Pfaff-Pierce** and **Leonard Pierce**.
- In memory of Dallas Campbell's mother, **Shirley Driver**, who died recently, from **Janet** and **Jess Harker**.
- In loving memory of my sister, **Glenna Trano**, an animal lover and long time supporter of PFOA who passed away late in May 2009. From **Janet Harker**.
- In memory of Dallas Campbell's mom, **Shirley Driver**, from **Chuck** and **Sue Skaggs**.
- In loving memory of **Steve Borland** and **Robin Carrere**, from **Ragnar** and **Carolyn Temte**.
- In memory of **Gordon Cole**, Sharon Scott's father, from **Nancy O'Gorman**.
- In memory of **Marijo Robinson**, from **Gary** and **Carol Zellmer**.
- In memory of **Marijo Page Robinson**, from **William Baird** and **Katharina Hjort-Baird**.

In Memory of Beloved Companion Animals

- In memory of our pug, **Ringo**, a dear friend we will never forget. From **Jack** and **Doris Vogt**.
- In memory of **Michael**, the Japanese bobtail cat who shared the life of my good Tokyo friend, **Winston Priest**, for 14 years, from **Susan Kreml**. Michael was deeply loved and slipped away gently, leaving good memories and a deep sense of loss.



- In memory of "**Amanda**" **Gillen** and "**Blackbeard**" **Thornall**, from **Pacific Northwest Veterinary Hospital**.
- In memory of Cindy and Jack Caldicott's gentle Border Collie, **Roy**. From **Susan Skaggs**.
- In memory of **Wee Francis**, whose spark of life was too soon extinguished. From **Helen Hille**.
- In memory of "**Raisin**" **Maxion/White** from **Pacific Northwest Veterinary Hospital**.
- In memory of dear, old **Ali Jamal**, rescued several years ago by Angus Trent and lovingly cared for ever since by Angus and Marjorie, from **Ann Gilson**.
- In memory of **Amber**, my faithful yellow Lab and longtime loving companion. From **Viki Kocha**.
- In memory of "**Windy**" **Wilson**, from **Pacific Northwest Veterinary Hospital**.
- In memory of **Shadow**, a marvelous companion to Donna Scherrer for 14 years. All of his SCD friends will miss and remember him fondly. From **Kendra Rand**.
- We will always remember our good friend, **Biner**, companion of Paula Swedeen and Candace Burroughs. Love, **Pam**, **Bob**, **Rachael**, **Max** and **Charlie**.
- In memory of Leon and Diane Lopez's beloved Portuguese Water Dog, **Raven**, a good and gentle lady, from **Ann Gilson**.
- In memory of Cindy and Jack Caldicott's **Roy**. A wonderful dog and he was my friend. From **Rita Heywood**.
- In memory of **Jasmine**, a Labrador retriever loved by my dear friend Veronica Congdon. From **Judy Palumbo-Gates**.
- In memory of Jack and Cindy Caldicott's dog, **Roy**, from **Janet** and **Jess Harker**.
- In loving memory of our Portuguese Water Dog, **Raven Spirit** — our happy companion for 13 years and a regular visitor to Safe Haven. May she find a cache of her favorite cookies out there in the ethers. She gave us her all, and we miss her terribly. **Diane** and **Leon Lopez**
- Remembering Dallas and Nancy Campbell's beautiful **Rudy**, one of the "three white boys" who have been inseparable all their lives, until now, from **Ann Gilson**.
- In memory of **Punkin**, Marie McCooey's beautiful black kitty. She was a dainty little package of sweetness and love. The wonderful memories will always be with us. From **Faye Hayden**.
- In memory of **Bear**, a wonderful dog that brought great joy to the lives of Helen and Steve Beegle for 14 years. May his spirit continue to remind them of great times. From **Faye Hayden**.
- In memory of Nancy and Dallas Campbell's kitty, **Rudy**, from **Susan Skaggs**.

Memorials and Honorariums

■ In memory of Sue Staples' beloved dog, **Petie**, from **Martha Carle**.

■ In memory of **Ali Jamal**, well loved and dear companion of Angus Trent and Marjorie Benning, from **Diane and Leon Lopez**.

■ In memory of our friend, that most gentle of dogs, **Raven Spirit Lopez**, from **Erv and Kirsten Ruhl**.

■ In memory of Diane and Leon Lopez's beloved **Raven**, from **Marie McCooley**.

■ In memory of my son Steve's cat, **Rico**, from **Richard Watson**.

■ In memory of Nancy and Dallas Campbell's **Rudy** who, along with his siblings, was so fortunate to come into their care, from **Gary Del Mastro**.

■ In memory of Judith Hatch's and Martin Ralls' wonderful **Joey**, whose gentle nature will never be forgotten by anyone who knew him. From **Gary Del Mastro**.

■ In memory of Pepper and Jonnie Putnam's **Cassi**, from **Connie Rene Smith**.

Honorariums

■ In celebration of the 50th birthday of my dear friend, **Nancy Zamberlin**, from **Norma Herbold**.

■ In honor of **Hazel Ramauro**, from **Michelle Ramauro**.

■ Happy Birthday, **Mary Margolis**. From **Helen Hille**.

■ In celebration of the July 14th birthday of PFOA President **Diane Lopez**, a true friend of animals and a very special friend to me for nearly 48 years. Thanks, D., for your loyalty to all of us. With warm, fuzzy hugs from **Gail Scriven**.

■ Thanks and love to **Chuck Mauter**, from **Susan Kreml**.

■ In honor of **Nancy Campbell's** extraordinary service to PFOA in more ways than can be counted, and for all the help given to animals in general during her lifetime. From **Ann Gilson**.

■ In honor of **Sharon Quesnell**, whose work with her homeless neighborhood felines has significantly and immensely improved the lives of the cats and the human neighbors as well. From **Gary Del Mastro**.

A bounty bestowed by Girl Scouts



Two Girl Scout troops from Sequim came by Safe Haven to donate food and litter this summer as part of a community service activity. From Troop 52626 are Melissa, far left, and Andrea, far right. Between them, from Troop 1271, are: from left, Victoria, Maria, Sarah, Tristi, and Ashley. A big thank-you to the Girl Scouts for their thoughtfulness and generosity!



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Endowment fund, lifetime care for pets now in place

PFOA now has an Endowment Fund that was set up with and is managed by the Greater Tacoma Community Foundation. You can contribute to this fund as a memorial to

a person or pet or as a lasting donation to help all animals in need.

For information on our Endowment Fund, bequests or to arrange for lifetime care of your pet or pets, please call

360-452-0414 (leave a message and someone will return your call) or E-mail pfoa@olympen.com with the subject line "Attention Treasurer." PFOA is pleased to offer this to the community.

Bengal buddies . . .



Two Bengal cats, owned by Pam Creech of Hartsburg, Missouri, snooze on the couch together at home. Ayce is snuggled under the protective paw of Delilah.

THE CLASSIFIEDS

PFOA WISH LIST:

■ **Cat-friendly potted trees** and shrubbery for our cat patios, new hooded cat beds, large (new) cat climbing trees, mops, brooms, paper towels, toilet paper, high efficiency laundry detergent, cat and dog food (both dry and canned) for the emergency pet-food shelves.

DARE TO DREAM:

■ **Sliding glass door**, whole house generator, farm tractor.

AVAILABLE TO PURCHASE:

■ **PFOA potholders** are now available at Hair Trix Salon, 21 Valley Center Place in Carlsborg (Mon.-Fri., 9 a.m.-12 p.m., 360-681-3749); and the Washington State Department of Labor and Industries, 1605 E. Front St., Suite C, Port Angeles (Mon.-Fri., 8 a.m.-5 p.m.); and at Safe Haven (Tues.-Sat., 11 a.m.-4 p.m.) You can purchase these wonderful potholders in many colors and patterns for \$10.95 (tax included). They make the perfect gift and help support PFOA's many programs. Pot holders are also available at PFOA's booths at many community events.

■ **Tails from the Heart**, PFOA's own book of stories, poems and artwork, is available for sale at the reduced price of \$15.95 (which includes tax). Please look for copies at merchants throughout Clallam County. If you're from out of the area and would like a copy (or two or more) send \$15.95 plus \$3 shipping and handling for each book ordered to Book Coordinator, Peninsula Friends of Animals, P.O. Box 404, Sequim, WA 98382. These books make lovely gifts for almost any occasion.

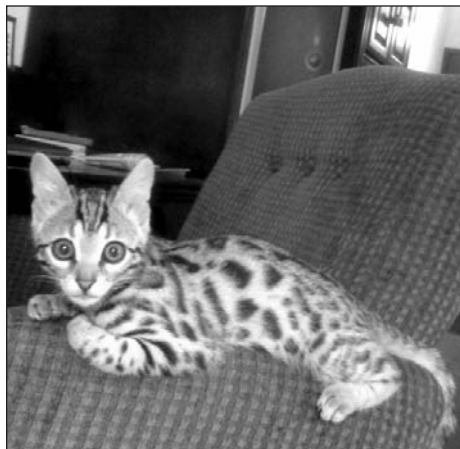


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Ayce, a Bengal cat owned by Pam Creech.



Dates to remember:

■ The PFOA Board meets at Safe Haven from 11:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. on the third Wednesday of every month. The public is welcome to attend. Members who are interested are encouraged to come and observe.

■ Safe Haven shelter is open Tuesday through Saturday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., closed Sunday and Monday. Please call 360-452-0414 to leave a message if you would like to visit; appointments are required.

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