

Pet Tidings



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Are Cats from the Twilight Zone?

By Bill Chisham

There are those among us who remember the eerie theme music and haunting surreal stories from the 1959 to 1964 series hosted by Rod Sterling. My thought is that the realms depicted do exist and that our friendly house cats live somewhere in them. One such cat was

Darby, a mostly black with some white tuxedo cat, who shared earthly space with us for over ten years.

We adopted her – or she adopted us – from the animal shelter in Juneau, Alaska. She had managed to co-exist with a family that included four young children. She drew the line at five and was put up for adoption.

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Peninsula Friends of Animals has always been and continues to be an independent group.

OUR MISSION

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.



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From the Editor's Desk

As we come to the end of the 10th anniversary year of Safe Haven, we have many things to celebrate and many challenges ahead of us.

We feel very positive about the future of PFOA. We have a number of exciting projects in the works. We will soon be installing our Memorial Wall where pet owners can honor their beloved animals and, at the same time, contribute to the support of other less fortunate animals. Thanks to a very generous donation, updating of our buildings has been completed with installation of heat pumps and painting of many of the cat rooms. The out buildings at Safe Haven have been updated with heat and plumbing, fully fenced areas for cats to be outside safely, and sidewalks needed to ensure the safety of staff, volunteers and visitors.

That said, we are also mindful of the effect of years of economic downturn and the impact it has had on our community. The effects of the recession have been felt at PFOA as well. Although we ended 2012 with a small loss, and may also end 2013 with a deficit, we have a reserve that can be used to cover this shortfall. In addition, we are completely debt-free. We have an obligation to maintain a strong financial position in order to continue our service to animals. We take this obligation very seriously. The Board has recently reorganized, and is in the process of evaluating its programs and services. We hope that this process will allow us to streamline operations and identify cost savings.

Two of our long-time Directors have recently left the Board. From the very beginning of PFOA, Janet Harker gave so much of her time and financial resources to ensure that PFOA flourished, and we thank her for her many contributions. Diane Lopez, our former President, served us well for many years, and we are appreciative of all she accomplished during her years of leadership. Diane is succeeded by Susan Skaggs, our new President, who brings many years of experience as an Officer and Director of PFOA, plus excellent organizational skills and a sincere love of animals. We also wish to thank you, our supporters and members of the community, for the support you have given us.

The Editors

In the last edition (Fall, 2013) of Pet Tidings, we featured a story about Shadow, a cat who had been rescued by PFOA from the humane society and subsequently adopted by the author of the story. The story failed to point out that the rescue and adoption took place in 2005, well before the current administration of OPHS had implemented new policies and procedures. These policies resulted in many positive changes benefitting the animals who reside there until permanent homes can be found for them. We regret that this distinction was not made clear in the original story, and sincerely apologize to Olympic Peninsula Humane Society for any problems or concerns this might have caused.

Darby's sixth sense

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Our house, with a Lab and a Husky, two teens, and two adults, took some time for her to adjust to. Eventually she gravitated to me as a spot to rest that didn't move as often as the other humans. She was an indoor-outdoor gourmet cat who used green to garnish the latest catch left at the front door.

In 1999, for family reasons, we left Alaska and moved to Boring, Oregon. We lived in the farmhouse where my wife was raised. Her parents had bought it in 1937. Their first project, after a barn was built, was to put a foundation under the house. It later had an add-on second story and other renovations over the years that represented rural engineering at its best – or worst. The master bedroom on the lower level was down one step and supported on the outer end by four-by-four posts under plywood with no floor joists.

Darby missed our move on the flight south and joined us later after an unplanned stay with the family who leased our Alaska house. When she arrived, she quickly adapted to her new stateside home, got the dogs shaped up, and spent her time mousing when not hunting rabbits around our aging barn. As in Alaska, she went out at night about 10 p.m. Around 7 a.m. when I headed out to get the morning paper she would be waiting at the front door.

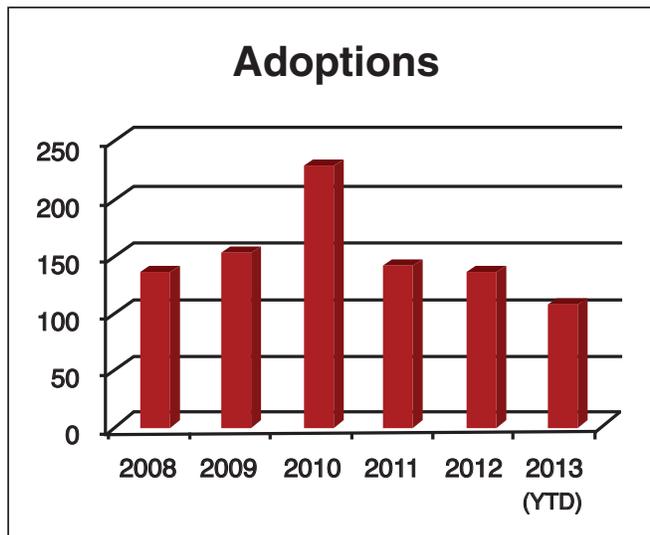
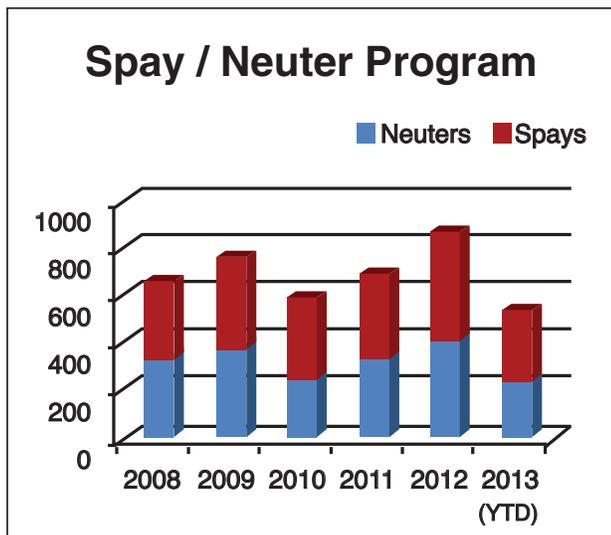
After a brief greeting, she would check the house before finding a place to rest and watch us come and go.

Then one early spring morning in 2003 at 5:30 a.m., I heard her mewing from outside of our slightly open bedroom window. She seemed to be either announcing some new trophy or wanted in early for the first time. The calls were not of distress or injury but plaintive and loud. I tried to ignore her and go back to sleep. Finally she got my full attention by jumping up some four or five feet to latch her claws high in the window screen. I grudgingly got up, went to the front door and let her in. She found a spot she liked where she groomed and purred as I went back to bed.

I was sleeping soundly again when the telephone rang at 7 a.m. No one calls that early, even in rural Boring. I fumbled for the phone and heard my daughter calling from Montana. She wanted to know if I was watching the television. I resisted the impulse to give a smart answer and asked "Why?"

"Discovery has crashed," she replied. "Turn on your television." It was February 1, 2003. And, of course, that disaster was unfolding in all its' national trauma. In retrospect, at about the time the spaceship was over the Northwest coast and the events leading up to the crash were transpiring, Darby, in her way, was apparently somehow aware of what was happening above us and was trying to communicate with us. And I can still hear the theme music from The Twilight Zone as I remember Darby's leap onto the window screen. ♣

Keep up-to-date with PFOA!



The charts above display our progress with our Spay/Neuter Program and Adoptions. They show the yearly Spay/Neuter and Adoption numbers for the past 5+ years.

Roof Cats

By Gloria Coburn

When I notice all of the feral cats we have in our neighborhood, I can't help but recall the time we had a mother cat and her six kittens on the roof of the old travel trailer in our back yard. The little kittens would climb up the neighbor's apple tree and jump onto the roof of the trailer. We called the trailer "The Sugar Shack."

We would climb a ladder and feed them on the roof twice a day. They would eat their meal, climb down the apple tree, and disappear into an old shed in the yard next door, where they would sleep at night. As they got older, they still climbed over onto the roof to eat, but they got braver and wandered into our back yard.

During the summer, my husband often worked outside, and the kittens would follow him around like puppies. They would run around his legs and want him to pet and play with them, and would climb the cherry and weeping willow trees, then jump into his arms.

My husband and I grew attached to the kittens, and we named them Stash, Felix, Callie, Amber, Sugar, Spice, and named the mother Cameo. We are thankful for Peninsula Friends of Animals for helping us by paying to get them all fixed. We brought them home with wads of white cotton riding on their clipped ears and tucked them into a cozy box. They looked like popcorn bouncing around when they raised their heads.

We found homes for all but Stash and Felix; we wanted to keep two kittens so they would each have a playmate. Boy, do they play well together! Our furry, whiskered friends rule



the roost around our house. Yes, they are spoiled. Stash is a vegetarian. She won't eat meat, only special food. Felix will eat most anything put in front of him. And don't be late getting their dinner ready. They know how to tell time!

At dawn, Felix runs down the hallway meowing. He wants us to feed him but he only takes a few bites and then he wants to go outside. This takes place at five-thirty in the morning. Do I want to get up at this hour? No!

It's three o'clock in the afternoon, and all eyes are on my husband: He's the one who feeds them dinner. Don't try to go into the kitchen in between feeding times -- the moochers think they will get some treats.

Stash and Felix are now three years old and they still like to play with each other and run through the house from the kitchen to the bedroom. They sure can purr their way right into your heart and they are nice lap warmers, too. ❖

Mews from the Board



As I write this, our country has been in a recession for five years. Fortunately, PFOA has been spared much of the trauma that has befallen other charitable organizations in these hard times. We have had many months

where our expenses have exceeded our income, but up until now there has always been a bequest or a generous donation that has wiped away much of the red ink. I fear that as we end 2013 this will not be the case, and PFOA will need to draw from its rainy day fund to meet our expenses.

The Board is using this downturn as an opportunity to reorganize and restructure. As we've gone through the recession, we've looked at many ways to cut expenses, but

we are now doing a total evaluation of all our programs and services. For example, as more and more people plan for the future of their animals when they are no longer able to provide care, some are turning to PFOA and our lifetime care program. The Board must make sure that this program which commits PFOA many years into the future is structured so that it doesn't draw resources from other vital programs and services.

There will be changes coming to PFOA in 2014. The Board may need to call on you, our dedicated community of supporters, for help with the transition. We'll keep you posted through *Pet Tidings* and our eNews.

Susan Skaggs, President

Meet a Volunteer: Nancy and Emily Conlin

By Franny Koski



“We’re animal people,” Nancy Conlin announces, as if it weren’t already clear from the happy, caring way she and her daughter Emily interact with cats in a downstairs room at Safe Haven. “Coming to Safe Haven is our favorite thing to do.” Husband David loves to come along when his work schedule allows.

The Conlin family’s history with cats had a bittersweet start. When Emily was four and her sister Cori sixteen, they begged David and Nancy for a pet cat. Soon Tiger and Cuddles joined the household. But a specialist diagnosed Nancy with allergy and sinus problems, telling the family they had to find another home for their cats. Later, the diagnosis was changed, but they’d already lost their cats. The good news was medical clearance to welcome cats into their lives again.

Emily, now 12, researched PFOA online before deciding the Conlins should volunteer, so she knew many of the cats through photos and descriptions before arriving at Safe Haven. Still, her first visit delightfully overwhelmed her. “So many cats!” she now recalls with a smile. Emily is known as “the cat whisperer” and feeds neighborhood strays; Safe Haven seemed like heaven.

“In our busy lives, it’s a neat thing for Emily and me to just be with each other” while socializing the cats, mom Nancy says. “We talk, we hang out, we pet cats together.” Cat rooms at Safe Haven offer a quiet place for mother-daughter bonding as well as

giving needed attention and affection to cats awaiting their forever homes—“a way to give back.” Further, as a person with health challenges, Nancy says volunteering at Safe Haven is “a way to fill yourself up with happy things.”

When dad David joins them, Nancy and Emily notice his different approach. “We tend to talk to the cats; David plays with them more and talks less,” they report.

Emily and Nancy take time to know each cat and respect them as individuals. Emily says they “read” cats’ eyes and signals, so they know which cats are cranky or lovey today, which like being held and which don’t.

“I’d recommend volunteering [at Safe Haven] to anybody,” Nancy says, “even if they don’t know whether they like cats or not.” She appreciates the low-key, low-pressure atmosphere in which a volunteer can stay for minutes or hours, and interact with kittens and cats in various ways. Just having a volunteer sit in the same room is good for the cats.

At home, the Conlins have two twenty year-old birds, two dogs, and three cats, Karma, Shigwa, and Onyx, to cherish. But doing what they can for the residents of Safe Haven “leaves you with a good feeling,” Nancy says. “And lots of cat hair!” Emily adds. ❀



Safe Haven ADOPTABLES!

COLORFUL CHARACTERS

... ADOPTING AN ORANGE CAT

Several years ago, an informal survey of orange cat owners identified a number of reasons for including an orange cat in the family: They boost your self-esteem — They love human-time, lap sitting, and being petted — They are well-known for their goofiness and ability to make their humans laugh — They are enthusiastic to see you when you get home — They are easily litter trained (aren't all cats?) — They are extremely friendly and will fit easily into the routine of your home.

At our shelter, we have a number of orange cats who would love to find that purrfect home where they can get all kinds of attention. We hope you will make an appointment to visit them, as well as the rest of the wonderful kitties. It's possible, if you listen very carefully, one (or more) might ask: *"Orange you gonna take ME home?"*

DIXIE is an adorable young orange tabby with a feisty "red-head" attitude. Friendly and outgoing, Dixie knows exactly who she is and where she wants to go. She does get along with other cats, but would probably prefer to be your only lap warmer. If you are looking for a "sugar and spice and everything nice" kitty for the holidays, please make an appointment to meet our Dixie!



JULIUS is a handsome young champagne tabby with shiny white trim. He showed up as a stray at the home of a kind soul, and followed the gal around, weaving in and out of her legs. He was so personable that she fed him for a couple of weeks before bringing him to Safe Haven. Julius is good with dogs and charms everyone. He will make some lucky family a wonderful companion.



TONY THE TIGER arrived at Safe Haven after a tragic house fire. He is a majestic orange longhaired gentleman who was the center of his owner's world for almost 15 years. Having lost everything, Tony is adjusting to his altered circumstances and is eating and feeling much better. He enjoys his sock filled with catnip and is fond of leftovers. This gentle old fellow needs lots of love and affection.



TIGGER is a slender, sleek, shorthair orange tabby with white boots and a white patch on his chest. Stretched out, he's the longest cat we've ever seen. At three years old, he's just a youngster, and definitely acts his age. He loves people and will follow visitors around the room, rubbing legs and butting heads. His antics will entertain you for hours!



WALTON is a gorgeous longhaired orange tabby with a beautiful long, fluffy tail. An exceptionally gentle youngster, he has a particularly endearing personality, and is quite devoted to his sister, Olivia, who lives with him at Safe Haven. The two of them arrived after their owner passed away, and now need a new family. They would make the perfect pair for a peaceful, quiet home.



LINUS is the youngster of this group. Born in October, 2013, he is an adorable orange and white tabby. In typical kitten fashion, he is constantly in motion, jumping on chairs and boxes, and climbing the cat tree in hot pursuit of whatever toy catches his attention. He lives with his sister and brother in their very own kitten room at Safe Haven, waiting for that purrfect person to offer a forever home.



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

Vet-Smartz



By Virginia M. Johnson DVM
Diplomate, American Board
of Veterinary Practitioners

ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS FOR PET TREATMENT

When most of us think about veterinary medicine, we think of stethoscopes, radiographs, blood tests and surgery – all the mainstream procedures and treatments that happen in human medicine too. Nowadays we also have holistic medicines and new treatments that are being used to help our animal patients.

Laser therapy is a new technique that is helping animals. Lasers come as hot probes which are used for surgical procedures, and cold lasers, which are used to treat skin lesions and sores, arthritis, ear infections and gingivitis, among other things. We treat all our surgical incisions with laser at the end of the procedure and we see faster and better healing of skin incisions. In our clinic we recently treated a dog with inner ear problems. She had dizziness and couldn't walk well. With laser therapy, she is doing much better. She is up walking and we are hopeful for a full recovery. Laser may be the newest treatment modality and it appears to be a wonderful addition to our treatment options for animals.

Only a few years ago chiropractic treatment for animals was unheard of. Then a few Chiropractors who had trained on human patients became interested in helping animals. They applied what they knew worked on people and tried it on animal patients. This was the trial-and-error method and some Chiropractors found that their ministrations helped animals. Now there are Veterinarians who are trained and certified as Animal Chiropractors. They have taken more training to be specialists in helping animals with chiropractic procedures. They blend the skills they learned in veterinary school with newfound chiropractic skills. Chiropractic medicine is something you either believe in or you don't – for yourself and for your animals. I have seen animals that improve with chiropractic manipulation, so I believe that there is a place for this treatment to help our animal patients.

Acupuncture is another modality that can help animals. Using acupuncture is mainstream in human

medicine in the Far East, and is becoming more popular in western medicine. I have had acupuncture done on myself and I have treated animal patients. The needle placement is well tolerated by most dogs and some cats. I have seen improvement and positive effects in treating animals with degenerative conditions and arthritis especially. There are now veterinarians certified in acupuncture. These folks again combine the expertise of veterinary training with the added training in acupuncture. I feel that acupuncture is an excellent treatment for



animals that accept the needles – especially for arthritis and other inflammatory conditions.

Chinese herbs, Chinese medicines and Ayurvedic East Indian medicines can help treat animals with liver problems, infections, kidney problems and arthritis. If your veterinarian offers these medicines, ask for information on how they will affect your pet and

consider using these drugs if your veterinarian feels they can help.

Energy work, such as Reiki and massage, is being used more and more with animals. Swim therapy and water therapy help animals recover from surgical procedures. These therapies can also help treat muscle and bone problems. Ask your veterinarian about all of these newer modalities and consider these new treatments along with mainstream medicines and surgeries. Just as we are using these treatments to help humans, they can also help our animal friends.

P.S. – Over the holidays, we get busy and sometimes forget about new things that our animals might get in trouble with – tinsel, turkey bones, string from the roast, ribbons. Be aware and troubleshoot your home to keep your pets safe during the next two months. Also – don't forget to get your pets some new toys to keep them from getting in trouble. Sometimes a new toy and plaything can keep them occupied and happy while you are preparing for the holidays. ♣

“Dear Peninsula Friends of Animals . . .”



🐾 Thank you for all that you do! **Chris and Stu Estes, Bingo and Jenga** (now **Teddy Janes and Maggie Mae**).



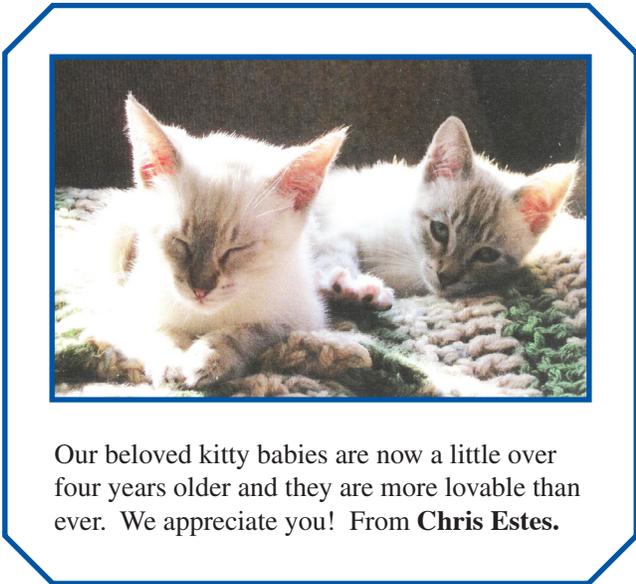
🐾 Keep up your great work! From **Gary and Leona Huff**.



🐾 You all do an awesome job on the Pet Tidings. I really enjoy reading them. From **Richard and Kathy Sculley**.



🐾 Thank you **Barbara and Ann**. From **Keith and Madeline Harrington**



Our beloved kitty babies are now a little over four years older and they are more lovable than ever. We appreciate you! From **Chris Estes**.

🐾 Just got the Pet Tidings: I still like the paper copy! and it is beautiful. More, it was very warming to realize what a success this venture really is and how many kitties have been helped and are happy now. . . I just felt so good reading all the little stories and wanted to say so to someone. . . With all the miserable and dumb and awful stuff going on in this world, to see the evidence of one small corner of practical compassion is most satisfying to the soul. From **Susan Kreml**.



🐾 Merry Christmas to all of you! Blessings in the coming year. From **David Brubaker**.



Hello **PFOA**, Just an update on our two kitties adopted from PFOA. Comet is 10 years old. She is Fagin and Thistle’s sister. We have had her for 8 years. Jazz is 7 ½ years old and we have had him for 5 ½ years.
Rose M. Rose.

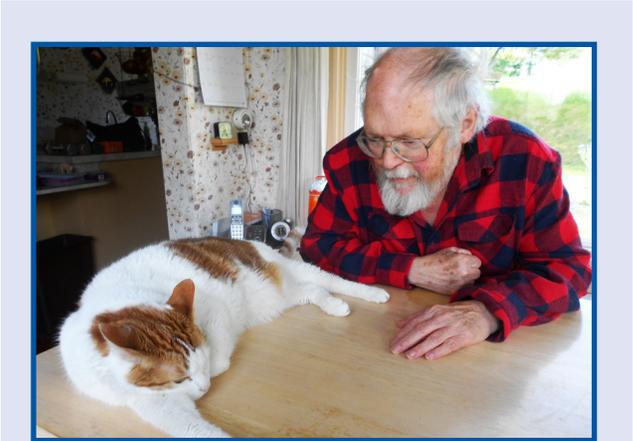
🐾 I enjoyed the stories of Shelby and Jamie.
From **May Carrell**



🐾 Love your newsletter! From **Sharon Maddox**.



🐾 Nancy, We want to thank you and your staff for a wonderful black boy – Clareen – now Buo Buo. He is the best cat. He is doing really good. Thanks again and God bless all of you.
Delores and Ron Burgess.



Jackson came from PFOA in April of 2006, and having him around helps me deal with Ken’s passing, by being his purring sweet self.
From **Charlotte Patterson**.



“Dear Peninsula Friends of Animals . . .”



Woodrow likes to think he’s blending!
 Both Abraham and Woodrow are kings of the roost, and spoiled absolutely rotten! We love our boys. Thanks again, PFOA, for such amazing furbabies!
 From **Misty Johnson.**

Dear **PFOA**, I cannot begin to tell you how much I appreciate your help in getting the feral mommy cat spayed, as well as her four kittens. I have found warm and loving homes for each of her kittens. Thank you so much, **Irene Loghry.**



I would just like to thank you all for your giving heart to the special animals. God will bless each and every one of you, thank you so much. Love **Christy, Claudia, Claron.**

Keiko – “The Adored One” (alias Freddie/Boots) – in his new home. Thank you so much for helping him join us...we love him. He owns us, our hearts, everything in our house...all as it should be. Just like we knew when we met him, Keiko is his own little man and the king of his universe. Merry Christmas to all of you (and Tippy...of course...who we met)... thank you for all you do...can’t stop (won’t stop) telling others all about you! From **Mary Morris** and **Felix Pretsch.**



Love to all my friends at Safe Haven and hoping you and all the kitties are safe and warm and happy. Miss you all. Love and Merry Christmas from **Susan Kreml.**

Much happiness to all of you. Thank you for all you do for our wonderful critters. From **Margaret Lawrence.**

The Potholder Ladies need your help!

We are having a hard time keeping up with the demand for our Purr-fect Potholders and we desperately need quilters/seamstresses/sewers who can help sew the potholders. You can do just quilting or make the complete potholder sets in your own home.

If you have some time to donate, some sewing experience and a sewing machine, please call Carol Gearey @ 360 457-1605 for more information. We will train you and provide you with all fabric. You will need to provide some thread and possibly some quilting tools.

Also needed:

- 100% cotton flannel fabric – solid colors
- 100% cotton quilting fabric in cat & dog, other animals, kitchen, food & nautical themes are just some of the novelty cotton fabric we can use (fabric scraps & remnants are fine as long as we are able to cut at least two 9 inch squares out of it – we can’t use smaller scraps).
- Sewing Thread - any color, any amount but can’t use the thicker thread

We CANNOT use cotton blends, polyester, wool, rayon or any other non-cotton fabrics.

Donations can be dropped off at Safe Haven or contact Carol Gearey at 360 457-1605 or cdgearey@hotmail.com.

To Know Her is to Love Her



By Jan Cabbage

There's no two ways around it.

I met Bobbie Jo mere hours after her rescue by Safe Haven, nearly eight months ago. It was love at first sight. Bobbie Jo, it turned out, was deemed to be a special-needs kitty with an anatomical disorder characteristic of her breed (Manx). I knew right away that she was oblivious to it and that her life was not going to be one of a missed childhood, not if she had anything to say about it. She spoke loud and clear to me that I was going to be her "Disney World".

Bobbie Jo has opened my world as well---teaching me a number of life's lessons. She's taught me that sometimes

we have to settle for quality and not quantity, that seizing the moment counts when the opportunity is presented, and that life isn't always fair--it just is what it is. I am reminded with each of our play-dates that joy is in the air ... just embrace it!

And so it is ... to know her is to love her!

Come meet Bobbie Jo. You'll walk away having received much more than you gave. Despite being short-changed in this life, she was given an abundance of many other gifts. It just may be those gifts to us that define her purpose in the world.

I think Bobbie Jo would just say, "Come play with me! It's what I do best and I'm always 'up' for another Disneyland ride!" ❀



Blooming Tulips

By Gloria Coburn

During the fifty one years I have been married to my husband Dee, we have had many pets. Most of the pets were cats and dogs, but we also had parakeets, turtles, and gold fish too. Each one was special and we loved them all. As they passed away we didn't want to just bury them in our back yard with no marker and soon forget them.

We came upon an idea. Why not cut out tulips from exterior plywood, paint them red with green leaves and write their names on them then screw the tulips all around our shed in our back yard? I don't have to look forward to spring every year, I just have to look out my kitchen window and see all those beautiful red tulips blooming all year long with loving thoughts of each and every pet. ❀



Look who's been adopted!



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See some adoptable pets on Page 6 and online at www.safehavenpfoa.org



Patty Cake



Duncan



Mr. Perkins



Lauren



Peter



Elwha



Toby



Martin



Martha



Norma



Kelly



Sherman



Blue



Koda



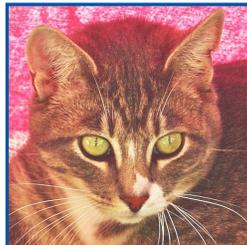
Ernie



Pepper



Rainen



Bert



Flint



Ivory

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. In this issue, we have also included memorials and honorariums received earlier in 2013 which were inadvertently omitted from the Summer edition.

Honorariums (Person)

- In honor of **Polly** and **Terry Lyle**, from **Mary Beth Young**.
- In honor of **Terry Vogel**, from **Anne Hines** and **Larry Leszczynski**.
- In honor of **Mike** and **Carol Howard** for their work in helping to trap, spay and neuter the cats, how fortunate to have such caring and helpful volunteers. Thank you, **Helen** and **Fred Gilchrist**.
- In honor of a friend who told me to "pay it forward" from **Tyke House**.
- In honor of **Diane Hood** who introduced me to PFOA, from **Terry Mathews**.
- In honor of **Jeanne Williams**, from **Robin Rush**.
- In honor of **Candy Olmer's** birthday, from **Anne Davis** and my kitty **Charlie Chen**.
- In honor of **Chuck** and **Linda Livingston**, from **Roberta Hairfield**.
- In honor of **Trinity Law's** birthday (she's 10 years old and asked for donations to PFOA in lieu of gifts!), from **Staci Lea Poythress** and **Lawrence Smithson**.
- In honor of **Trinity Law's** birthday, from **Georgia Paine**.
- In honor of **Trinity Law's** birthday, from **Matthew Trudy Teter**.
- In honor of **Davie Parrish**, from **Ann & Patrick Agren**.
- In honor of **Diane Stenzel** and **Sammie** – my Christmas gift to you. From **Paulette** and **Butch**.
- In honor of our son, **Nathan**, from **Scott** and **Linda Paulson**.
- In honor of **Paulette Willson**, from **Chris** and **Kay Duff**.
- In honor of **Cindy Alexander**, from **Vicky Carter**.
- I am moving to Sequim next year and this is in honor of my daughter who lives in Bellingham. We exchange donations to rescue groups for Christmas. From **Barb Shaw**.

From Summer, 2013:

- In celebration of **Emily's** 12th birthday, from **Kristin** and **Michael Glenn**.
- In honor of **Gertrude Colosimo**, from **Vi Freeman**.
- In honor of **Tina Berkey** and **Jan Reichl**, from **Ken Lewis**.
- In honor of **Shirley McFadden**, from **Kathy McFadden**.
- In honor of **Barbara Stauffer** in recognition of her diligent volunteer efforts, from **Brenda Newman**.
- In honor of **Doris Cosman**, from **Scott Cosman**.

Honorarium (Pet)

- In honor of **all pets**, from **Frank B. Fisher, Jr.**
- In honor of **Gizmo the Cat**, from **Thomas Davis, Jr.**
- In honor of **Spirit**, our cat, from **Richard Hahn** and **Loretta Flanders**.
- In honor of **Stella Bella** and **Jake**, from **Marsha Tucker**.
- In honor of **Rhythm & Rhodi**, from **Marie McCooey**.
- In honor of **Rachael**, our cat, from **Karen, Art, & Tracy Coats**.
- In honor of my pet, **Raspberry**, from **Kathleen Melton**.
- In honor of **Victoria the Cat**, from **Randy Okerman**.
- In honor of our **Solduc** (aka Sally Mae), from **Don & Sylvia White**.
- In honor of my pet, **Penny**, from **Carol Asivido**.
- In honor of **Nellie**, from **Judith Sharpe**.
- In honor of my pet, **Wamuka**, from **Anne Goetzman**.

From Summer, 2013:

- In honor of **Noir** and **Echo's** third birthdays, from **Vaino** and **Karen Niemi**.
- In honor of **Nellie (Penelope)**, from **T.F.** and **J.L. Sharpe**.
- To **Turtle Malays** with all my love – **Mom**.
- In honor of **Willow**, from **Carolyn Coy**.
- In honor of **David / Scooter**, from **Charlotte** and **Scott DeVore**.
- In honor of **Lucy Applbaum**, from **Marv Applbaum**.
- In honor of **Cammie** and **Pippy**, two PFOA kitties, from **Eileen** and **Dennis Franson**.

In Memory of Special People

- In memory of **Candy Olmer**, a faithful PFOA volunteer and supporter, from **Diane** and **Leon Lopez**.
- In memory of **Candy Olmer**, from **Barb Gruner**.
- In memory of **Candy Olmer**, from **Roger** and **April Uhden**.
- In memory of **Howard Fender**, from **Terry** and **Joan Ryon**.
- In memory of **Margi Renken**, from **Joyce Stivers**.
- In memory of **Bob Callaghan**, from **Dennis** and **Cathy Ward**.
- In memory of my dear friend **Elizabeth Babcock** from, **Carolyn Iddins**.
- In memory of **Henry D. "Hank" Cram**, husband of PFOA volunteer **Sue Cram**, from **Kathy Larson**.
- In memory of our friend, **Ben Arcuri**, who loved cats. Thank you, **Bob** and **Darlene McCarthy**.
- In memory of my dear friend of 46 years **Sharon Rosenberg**, who loved her furry friends as I do. From **Gail MacNeill**.
- In memory of **Candy Olmer**, who was a great supporter and PFOA volunteer, from **her friends at PFOA**.
- In memory of **Ken Patterson**, Jackson's [a PFOA alumni from 2006] good friend, who had a soft, warm lap. From **Charlotte Patterson**.
- In memory of my beloved mother **Helen Holtzheimer**, whose generous and loving heart reached out to all the animals in need. **Diane** and **Leon Lopez**.
- In loving memory of **Helen Hille**. Gone a year and missed as much as ever. From **Diane** and **Leon**.
- In memory of Diane Lopez' mother, **Helen Holtzheimer**, from **Esther Leidolf**.
- In memory of Dr. **Dennis Wilcox**, from **Daniel** and **Janet Gouin**.

Memorials and Honorariums

- In memory of **Edward Cella**, from **Anne Storch**.
- In memory of **Charlene Ryan**, from **Landon and Sherry Kimbrough**.
- In memory of **Ragnar**, from **Carolyn Temte**.
- In memory of **Candy Olmer**, from **Lynn & Jerald Cain**.
- In memory of **Jack Lewis**, from **Mary & Kenneth Lewis**.
- In memory of my daughter, **Jen LeRoy**, from **Rory Haggerty**.
- In memory of **Candy Olmer**, from **Ted & Pamela Bedford**.
- In loving memory of a wonderful lady who loved all cats, **Candy Olmer**. From **Judith and Jeff Kenyon and Miss Baby**.
- In memory of **Barbara Money**, from **Carol Zellmer**.
- In memory of **Candy Olmer**, from **Kathy and Roger Larson**.
- In memory of **Candy Olmer**, from **Anne Davis**.
- In memory of **Helen Holtzheimer**, from **Flora Pfannenstein**.
- In memory of **Candy Olmer**, from **Lorri Gilchrist**.
- In memory of **Candy Olmer**, from **Robert and Judith Palumbo-Gates**.

From Summer, 2013:

- In memory of **Carmen Hudson's son**, a true cat lover, from **Elaine Burns**.
- In memory of **June Shell**, from **Joanne Garner and Lee Brewer**.
- In memory of **Diane Marie Cuoio**, from **Michael A Cuoio and family**.

In Memory of Beloved Companion Animals

- In memory of **Emma**, our sweet kitty who will always be in our hearts, from **Barb and Ed Gruner**.
- In memory of **Jim and Ann Ford's** loving Italian Greyhound **Pogo**, from **Dale Stellman**.
- In memory of **Snuffy** our cat, from **Jeannie and Steve Berg**.
- In memory of **Butch**, from **Lana Bushell**.
- In memory of **Eddie and Rudy**, two of **Nancy and Dallas Campbell's** "White Boys," from **Della Floyd**.
- In memory of **Stanley** the Basset, from **Janet Norman**.
- In memory of **Osi and Sisi**, from **Tara Sparkman**.
- In memory of **Irwin**, from **Angela Dideum**.
- In memory of **Wyatt**, from **Christine Brown**.
- In memory of **Buddy**, my beloved dog for over 16 years, from **Terry Mathews**.
- In memory of **Sasha**, from **Adrienne D. Monro**.
- In memory of **Cindy and Abby**, from **Harold F. Turner**.
- In memory of my precious little man **Buddy** who has been my companion for fourteen years. My sweet, gentle boy. From **Gail MacNeill**.
- In memory of our little **Princess Mew** who died last winter of renal failure at only ten years old. She was a rescue kitty from the Forks pound. From **Michael and Summer Snyder**.
- In memory of **Catrinka**, Ann Gilson's beloved cat, from **Marilyn Ash**.
- In memory of **Eddie**, Dallas and Nancy Campbell's much loved white cat, from **Marilyn Ash**.
- In memory of **Squeak**, loving feline companion of Rene Barnett, from **Diane Lopez**.
- In memory of **Max**, the sweetest ever golden retriever and loving companion of Vivian Brown and Doug Patt, from **Marilyn Ash**.
- In honor of **Benson** and in memory of **Spinner**, from **Barbara Enzenauer**.

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- In memory of **Tangy**, beloved pet of Tina Lewis, from **Janet & David Reichl**.
- In memory of our beloved Sheltie, **Buddy**, from **Joanne Garner and Lee Brewer**.
- In memory of **Rooster "Rooty"**, Mike and Kathy Smith's handsome, loving, incredible dog. I will miss our chats, sweet boy. From **Karen Groves**.
- In memory of **Scooter**, from **Marilyn and Michael Zimmerman**.
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- In memory of our pet, **Missy**, from **Thomas and Sandra Shields**.
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- In memory of my two cats, **Auggie and KC**, from **Connie Rene Smith**.
- In memory of my cat, **Jeremy James**, 9/25/09 to 3/6/13, from **Jenny Russell**.
- In memory of our beautiful aqua-eyed cat, **Ma'Mee**, from **James and Joanne Eagan**.
- In memory of Sandra White's pet, **Lulu**, from **Marlyn Barrick**.

From Summer, 2013:

- In memory of **Barry**, Nancy and John Dolansky's beloved cat, from **John and Nancy Jost and Gwen Pierce**.
- In memory of George Drake's **Bo**, from **Christine and Eric Brown**.
- In memory of **Seth, Hutch, KC and Haley**, from **Martina Boeker**.
- In memory of **Annie**, from **Joanne and John Alford**.
- In memory of **Stabler**, our cat who was only two months short of 20 years old, from **Joanie and Michael Schmoll**.
- In memory of **Frosty** the cat, from **Glora and Arthur Sutton**.
- In memory of **Shane**, from **Sharon and Bob Gavin**.
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- In memory of **Kona**, from **Wendy Taibbi**.
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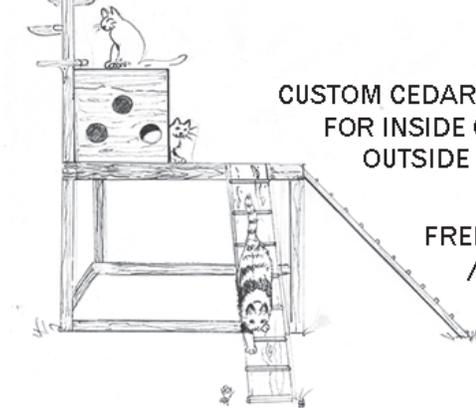


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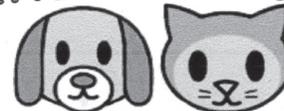
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