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# The Scoop

A newsletter published every now and then by  
Safe Harbor Animal Sanctuary

## When Cats and Dogs Stop Eating, We'll Stop Having Fundraisers. In the Meantime ...

Yes, it's fundraising time, and yes, we need your help. Please read on...

### Fundraiser "A"

Our Fall Rags-into Riches Yard sale will be held at KramDen Storage in Fruitland on Friday and Saturday, September 14 & 15. (Check out the map on page 5.) You know how yard sales work — you come, you buy, our kitties eat. Simple.

If you have items you'd like to donate for the sale, call Safe Harbor and make arrangements to get them to us. Please don't drop items off without first making arrangements.

There's a Yard Sale Flyer on Page 5 of this issue — if you know of a likely spot where it could be placed to attract a little attention, by all means, print it out and post it with our Blessings! And our Thanks!

### Fundraiser "B"

This year we're selling Spring. Well, not the real, actual Season Spring (although if you've the cash to spare, we could cut you a real deal...). No, we're selling our favorite symbols of Spring: the bulbs you plant in the Fall to chase away the Winter doldrums next year. We have great buys on spring Tulips, Daffodils, Crocus and Hyacinth, plus beauties for later glory — lilies, windflowers, and allium.

These great bulb bargains are part of Von Bourgondien's Fundraising with Flowerbulbs program, and we're excited because Safe Harbor gets 50% of every dollar's worth of bulbs we sell.

That's right. For every dollar's worth of bulbs you buy, Safe Harbor gets .50 cents. What could be better than that?

The Flower Catalog begins on Page 7, with



an order form on Page 9. If you'd like to buy some bulbs to support Safe Harbor, just fill out the order form and mail it to Connie Bennett at the address on the Form.

You'll notice that there's room for more than one order on the form — you are also VERY welcome to share the order form with family and friends and combine your order. As a sales bonus, you'll get 20 FREE Tete-a-tete daffodil bulbs for every \$100.

Please be aware that this is NOT a mail order offer. You'll notice there is no shipping cost involved — that's because the offer is available local residents only. If you live in Cape or Jackson, MO, we will deliver your order to you when it arrives. If you live in Southeast Missouri outside Cape/Jackson, you must be willing to come to Cape to pick up your order (and the order of anyone who shares your order form.) We regret that orders received from anyone outside of our local area will not be accepted and your check will be returned.

## Safe Harbor Animal Sanctuary

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### Events Calendar

- © 9/14&15: Fall Rags-into-Riches Yard Sale. KramDen Storage, Fruitland
- © 10/13: **Fall Clean-up/ Volunteer Appreciation** gathering. The plan is to spend the day cleaning top to bottom, inside & out, then end the day with a simple cookout; hot dogs, chips, soda, etc.

## Ins & Outs

### January thru July 2007

Adoptions	114
Intakes	140
Cats at the Shel-	86
Kittens at the	7
Dogs at the shel-	10
In Foster Care	17

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# Adorable Adoptables

By Tammy Nelson

Remember Litz from the last issue? Well, Penny was also wild/ feral and live trapped by founding board member Louise Young. Penny gets our Mother of the Year Award. After having her five kittens she adopted Nova, a little gray kitten two weeks

older than her own, then adopted Diesel, and I think several others. Belita and Kelly know the others but I thought at one time Penny was nursing 9 kittens.

Alice really has a thing for Tessa, a brown tabby with personality galore. Friendly, outgoing, very loving. (Update: Tessa has been adopted!)

We all know and love Bobolink, aka Bob Bites. She is not mean or vicious, but does have the temperament of a teenage girl. One minute she is sweet and loving, the next don't touch her!! Here lately, Bob has been nothing but loving, wanting to be held and cuddled constantly. She has also been picked on by some of the other residents, which may have something to do her recent need for affection. Bob would probably require an owner who understands cats very well and does not have any dogs! She was attacked by a dog before coming to SHAS, then locked in a bathroom for more than a month. If I did not have dogs I would take Bob in a heart beat!! She is declawed on the front.

Buddy the cat is cream colored with soft light green eyes, declawed on front. He is quiet and often goes unnoticed because he is not demanding of attention, but the sweetest guy ever. He livens up for some can food. (Update: Boddy the cat has been adopted!)



I also like Onyx, a black female with eye problems. Her eyes look milky and she has a slight vision impairment but is not blind. She is a spunky girl who likes attention. Then Luna the black and white talker, Solei the orange tabby aka Puddin Butt, she

will come to you when you call her Puddin Butt. Grace the calico, I take Grace to ALL adoption events I can, she is so sweet and is not bothered by anything. She likes kids and adults, is never hissy or in a bad mood. I have seen Joseph stand on her tail, she never cries or tries to move, waits patiently for him to move then just follows me. I have had several people interested in adopting Grace but they wanted her to be outside all the time. She is too sweet to be an outside only cat. (Update: Solei and Grace have both found homes.)

There are so many wonderful cats we could feature as Adoptables!! Ms Kitty, Dorian, Lily, Jenny, Lucy Leu, Lucy Lee, Midnight, Bailey, Red, Fawn, Chopper, Pucker, Gracie etc, etc. I am sure Alice can name a list longer than mine!!

I get so excited when I think about all the wonderful cats we have!! There are some that still need a little more time to come around, but I would say 95% of our residents will make wonderful pets for someone.

(Apologies from the Editor: This article was written for a Spring 2007 edition of The Scoop that got delayed (to late summer!) Lots more Adorable Adoptables have taken the place of some of those mentioned in this article. )

## Our "We Need it!" List

### FACILITY NEEDS

Paving Stones  
Benches, chairs, stools  
Storage Shelving  
Scrap lumber for shelves, bed, catwalks  
Scratching Posts  
Small rugs (washable)  
Bird bath & Bird Seed

### OFFICE NEEDS

Postage Stamps  
Copy Paper (White and Colors)

### ANIMAL NEEDS

Wal-Mart's Under-bed Storage  
Boxes (for Litter Boxes)  
Litter scoops  
Cat Collars  
Cat Beds  
Cat Toys (like mice)

### EVERYDAY NEEDS

Bleach  
Laundry detergent  
Liquid Antibacterial Hand Soap  
Paper Towels  
Toilet Paper  
Disinfectant for mopping  
Trash bags

### VOLUNTEER NEEDS

Direct Care "Scooper" Volunteers  
"Cuddlers," Any shift  
TechSquad Volunteers  
Foster Families  
Carpentry (for building shelves, catwalks, cat condos, etc)

### SPECIAL NEEDS

Gift Cards for animal and facility supplies from PETCO, Sam's Club, Wal-Mart, K-Mart, Target, etc.

### FUNDRAISERS

Items for the Fall Yard Sale

## For Critter's Sake



by  
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Critter Communications, LLC  
Animal Behavior Network

Let's see...would you prefer to sleep on a comfortable mattress with warm bedding in a private room, or to sleep on a cot with a sheet in a group shelter? Cats are a lot like us. They appreciate all the comforts of home and enjoy being close to their families. However, cats unlike us, often prefer a small, cozy area over a king size bed. Why is that? In nature, cats feel safer hidden from view where they can escape predators and maintain a warm body temperature. For these reasons, cats, like dogs, adapt well to kennel training.

### Here are a few tips on how to begin kennel training:

First, do NOT begin by putting the cat in the kennel and locking the door. Do NOT begin to close the door until the cat loves being in the kennel. And, even then, begin by closing the door for a few minutes at a time while giving lavish praise.

Second, all treats and toys live in the kennel. You praise and fuss over your cat only when he/she is in the kennel. Keep the most comfortable, clean bedding inside of the kennel.

Third, when you DO begin to close the kennel door, start for a few minutes at a time when the cat is either eating a meal inside the kennel, or sleeping (if overnight, preferably in your bedroom.)

### Why should you provide your cat a kennel?

If you have small children, a kennel gives them a safe refuge. Cats love "caves" as a place for retreat. That's why they often sleep in closets. If you have other pets, kennels are a great way to introduce pets to each other. If you have guests and do not want your kitty underfoot, you may rest assured if they are happy and content resting in an indoor kennel. If possible, place the kennel above ground on a dresser or table. Cats also like to rest in high places. If you need to transport your cat in the car they are much safer in a kennel. How many of you have had the experience of trying to put a cat in a kennel at home? You push, pull, prod, bribe, you are determined for the cat to go in even if it is upside down and backward. Then when you are showing the veterinarian your battle scars they pull the cat out, give the vaccinations and before you know it the cat has run back in the kennel on its own with not so much as a meow! Why??? Because it is a safe retreat. The good news is that it can also be this easy for you to get your cat in the kennel at home also. Want more information on kennel training? Visit [www.animalbehavior.net](http://www.animalbehavior.net) for a family membership.

## Introducing A New Cat Into A Household

Courtesy of [www.animalbehavior.net](http://www.animalbehavior.net)

### Part II

At least initially, provide one litterbox per cat plus one extra. Remove unused boxes after 2 weeks of non-use.

Ignore minor squabbles. If serious fights occur, separate the cats and follow the protocol below.

Prevent future behavior problems in your newly adopted cat

The key is to identify all of the needs of the cat and provide appropriate outlets for each. This is especially important for the indoor cat since all of its play, predation, exploration, scratching, elimination and social needs will need to be channeled into acceptable indoor options. Provide a limited number of toys and rotate them at least once a week. Save interactive toys such as fishing rods with string, or wands for one on one play with your cat. These toys provide an opportunity to hunt and chase.

Small plastic or fleece toys that can be batted and chased or retrieved can keep the cat occupied when you are away. Try food puzzles! Toys that can be stuffed with food provide great opportunities for exploration and stimulate the cats natural instinct to hunt for it's food. Coat toys with catnip, provide paper bags, cardboard boxes and hidden food treats at every opportunity.

Provide comfortable resting places for napping, elevated play centers or shelves, scratching posts and a proper litter area. The larger the litter box the better and you should have one more litter box than the number of cats in your home. Remember that each cat is different so you must choose the types of play and toys that are most appealing to your cat and most appropriate for your household. Just keep them occupied!

## Rainy Days and Mondays Can Be Good

Diary of a Shelter Director  
by Alice Wybert

A good day at SHAS...

Marilyn and I got the litter and with the help of Bill Davis unloaded 3 triple deep pallets in less than an hour. Kelly did good today.

Took PJ to the vet and was neg for leukemia and has been spayed. Her eye is not a concern. Then Kelly

adopted out Tipper to a 6 yr old girl. A 12 yr old boy, Nicholas Barnes, requested that in lieu of birthday presents this weekend that money and items be collected for SHAS. Brought it out tonight. I think \$92.00 in cash and 2 gift cards, food and toys. He will be a good man.

This AM there was a drop off from Santa at the front

door of SHAS. Food, toys, litter and litterbox and scoop. All kinds of food and toys. No note, but all neatly stacked and covered.

The money came for Fancy. Notified the people. Will probably come on Wed to get her. They are building a pen for her.

As in all things , God has blessed us.

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## How to Make Your Donation

If you would like to help us and our animal friends with a financial gift, please send your check made payable to Safe Harbor Animal Sanctuary to:

Safe Harbor Animal Sanctuary  
359 Cree Lane  
Jackson, MO 63755

You can also make donations by credit card through PayPal on our website, [safeharboranimal-sanctuary.org](http://safeharboranimal-sanctuary.org). Your tax-deductible donation will be acknowledged with a Receipt by mail.

To make a donation from the **We Need It! List**, you may drop by on Saturdays between 9 and 11 a.m. or weekdays 8 -10 a.m. or 4-6 p.m.

For all other deliveries, please

call 243-8923 and leave a message. No blind drop-offs, please!

Your tax deductible gifts to Safe Harbor will:

- ♥ Facilitate the adoption of pets to responsible owners
- ♥ Make it possible for us to spay and neuter all rescued pets
- ♥ Provide basic vaccinations
- ♥ Meet basic and extraordinary medical needs of surrendered and/or rescued cats and dogs
- ♥ Provide food, litter, and shelter for the sanctuary population

You can make a difference. Won't you help?

## News Flashes

The Building Fund Committee is in the process of drawing up the modifications for a ventilation / air exchange system that is being donated to SHAS.

Think you can't afford to spay or neuter your pet? Look at these figures and compare the cost of altering one pet with the cost of raising a litter or two or three!

[http://www.asPCA.org/site/PageServer?pagename=adopt\\_petcarecosts](http://www.asPCA.org/site/PageServer?pagename=adopt_petcarecosts)

# Safe Harbor Photo Gallery

In an effort to cut operating costs, SHAS purchased a metal storage building to be used for storing food and other supplies that were previously in Kram-Den Storage. Several of our volunteers worked diligently getting this building assembled in just a few short days.



Also visible in this picture are the paving stones donated to SHAS by Pavestone. The work crew left/below is hard at work installing the paving stones in the dog pens — half of each pen is now paved, giving the dog houses and food/water bowls a solid foundation. The other half of each pen is grass, straw, or other natural material.



That work crew, by the way, was captained by Eagle Scout Aaron Whiteside who engineered the entire paving project for a well-deserved merit badge. He measured all the pens and calculated the materials, then contacted Pavestone about donating the materials. Our hat is off to Aaron! He will be a good man!



**"Finished Product"** One of the newly paved pens. Great job, everyone!



**Buddy havin' a good time**



**Ruby and her Puppies**



# Safe Harbor

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## Rags-into-Riches Fall Yard Sale

**KramDen Storage**  
10102 Hwy W  
Fruitland

**Come for the Bargains**  
Friday Sept 14 - 8 am - 4 pm  
Saturday Sept 15 - 8 am - 2 pm

**Have Bargains to DONATE?**  
They're Tax Deductible.  
Call 243-9823 to arrange a dropoff.

Rain or Shine



**Fri-Sat, Sept 14 & 15**



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*50% of Every Dollar you Spend goes directly to Safe Harbor Animal Sanctuary in Jackson, Missouri.*

## Fall 2007 Fundraising with Flowerbulbs

for Cape Girardeau/Jackson, Missouri area Only



**Help the Adorable Adoptables at Safe Harbor Animal Sanctuary & Bring Beauty to your Home Neighborhood. Order your Flowerbulbs Today!**



### Local Pick-up and Delivery Only!

If you live in Cape Girardeau or Jackson, Missouri, we will deliver your order to you in mid-to-late October when the bulbs arrive. If you live in Southeast Missouri outside of Cape/Jackson, you will need to make arrangements to pick-up your order in Cape Girardeau. Orders from outside of Southeast Missouri will be returned.

Share this order form with a friend and get 20 FREE Tete-a-tete Daffodil bulbs for every \$100 of merchandise ordered.

PLEASE be sure to include your telephone number in your contact information on the order form on page 3 so that we can call you to confirm your order and to let you know when your bulbs are ready for delivery.

The volunteers and Adorable Adoptables at Safe Harbor Thank You for your Support!

If you have questions, call Connie Bennett at 573-335-1551.



### **A** 40 Snow Crocus Mix \$10.00

Snow crocus are a welcome addition to any spring garden. The color, hardiness, and early flowering time make them a must. Ht. 4-6". Bloom Feb.-March.



### **B** 10 Pink Daffodil Mix \$10.00

Pink daffodils are delightful compliments to the traditional yellow varieties. Ideal for cut flower bouquets. Ht. 16-20". Bloom March-May.



### **C** 15 Giant Yellow Daffodils \$10.00

Create shimmering yellow drifts of giant daffodils that will increase in beauty year after year with very little care. Ht. 16-20". Bloom March-April.



### **D** 7 Tulip Blueberry Ripple \$10.00

A sensational variety! Striking white flowers with purple-blue flames. Long lasting in a mid-spring garden. Ht. 18-20". Bloom April-May.



### **E** 15 Midseason Tulip Mix \$10.00

This is a wonderful mix of our most colorful midseason tulips. These tulips flower year after year and are excellent cut flowers. Ht. 18-24". Bloom April-May.



**F 5 Purple Allium** **\$10.00**  
 Violet purple with hundreds of tiny flowers compressed to a gorgeous round ball on a tall stem. Ht. 30-36". Bloom May-June.



**G 12 The Lovers Blend** **\$10.00**  
 This outstanding tulip blend contains a variety of colors from lilac purple, violet with white edges and ruby red with a white flame. Ht. 16-24". Bloom April-May.



**H 5 Red & White Lily Blend** **\$10.00**  
 This blend contains some of the best Asiatic, Oriental and Specie Lily varieties in vivid shades of red to pure white. Ht. 24-48". Bloom June-July.



**I 5 Asiatic Lily Mix** **\$10.00**  
 Nothing compares to a mass of colorful lilies in full bloom. Produces up to 12 beautiful flowers per bulb. Ht. 24-48". Bloom June-July.



**J 40 Windflower Mix** **\$10.00**  
 These hardy, daisy-like flowers create a colorful carpet of blue, white and pink. Ht. 3-8". Bloom April-May.



**K 20 Wood Hyacinths Mix** **\$10.00**  
 A treasure for woodland gardens. Exquisite, bell-shaped flower clusters of pink, white and blue. Ht. 12-15". Bloom March-April.



**L 40 Sky Blue Lilies** **\$10.00**  
 Large, beautiful clusters of miniature lily-like sky blue flowers. They multiply rapidly so you can enjoy them continuously. Ht. 14-18". Bloom May-June.



**O 50 Bulb Garden Collection** **\$20.00**

10 Mixed Snow Crocus  
 5 Mixed Tulips, 5 Yellow Daffodils  
 15 Blue Chionodoxa, 15 Alliums Mixed

**SPECIAL VALUE**

*3x as many Bulbs!*

**P 150 Bulb Garden Collection** **\$40.00**

30 Mixed Snow Crocus  
 15 Mixed Tulips, 15 Yellow Daffodils  
 45 Blue Chionodoxa, 45 Alliums Mixed

**SAVE \$20.00**

