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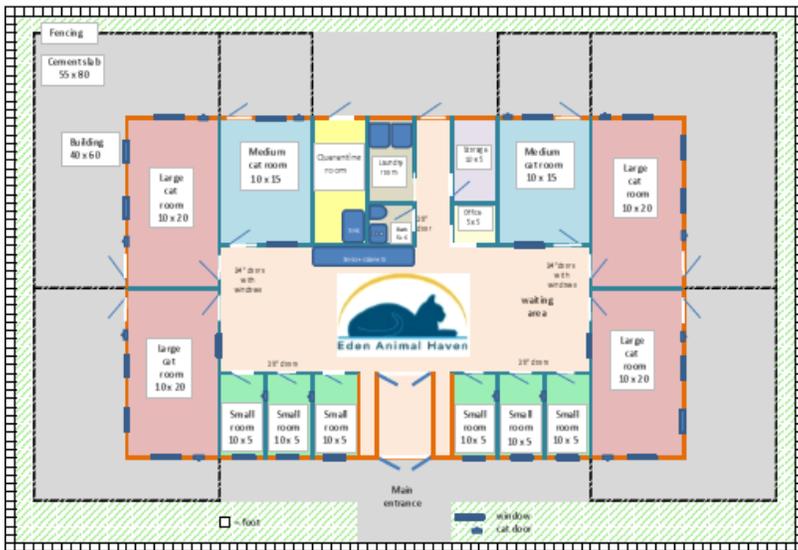
Mewsletter



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Welcome to the first Mewsletter of Eden Animal Haven! We hope you enjoy it!



Building dream becoming a reality!

Progress is the word of the day at Eden Animal Haven, as the long-dreamed-of building takes shape on the site.

Construction is under way and the shell of the 40 x 60-foot building should be up soon. Its bright red will blend with the old barn currently used as a cage-free shelter for the adult cats, and will provide a bright contrast with the blue Ozarks skies and green woods that serve as a backdrop.

The building will provide a comfortable, cage-free environment where cats receive individual attention while awaiting adoption. Founders Leslie Sawyer and Bill Stoll say they hope the new quarters will be ready before winter to avoid another cold season in the unheated barn.

But more remains to be done, including interior walls, doors, windows, flooring and fixtures. Other necessary items are fencing, furnishings for the cat areas, and even small things such as bowls and cat toys.

We need your help to complete our dream building! To donate, please see the "Contact Us" box on the last page.

Building features:

- Medium and large communal living spaces
- 'Condos' for nursing or recovering cats
- Vertical & horizontal exercise surfaces
- Outdoor enclosures for fresh air and sun
- Special rooms for FIV/FeLV positive cats
- Quarantine room with separate air supply

Painting with a purr-pose fundraiser out of this world!

Cat-loving artists gathered last month for an evening of painting, wine, snacks and gift basket raffles. The subject was "Galaxy Cat", and as shown in the photo, this was one stellar kitty! Painting With a Twist in Springfield, Missouri offered the event as part of their "Painting with a Purpose" program, and donated a portion of the proceeds to Eden Animal Haven. A big meow of thanks to all who participated!



Friends of the sanctuary: Barry Williams and Tina Mahina



All of our donors, volunteers and adopters are special to us, but this month we highlight two super cool cats, Barry Williams (yes, of "The Brady Bunch") and Tina Mahina. They adopted their cat, Brady, from Eden Animal Haven in 2014, and they have since become steadfast friends of the sanctuary.

In July, Barry and Tina got married, and in lieu of gifts asked guests to donate to EAH! Their generous gesture brought in substantial funds to help needy cats.

You may have seen Barry live at his former Branson show, "70's Music Celebration!", or on the 2017 70's Rock & Romance Cruise. He is also the spokesperson for MeTV, a Classic Television Network, and he just appeared on the ABC reboot of "Battle of the Network Stars" with a team of competitors from TV families.

Brady is their furbaby and the center of attention at their home in Branson, Missouri.

We thank you for your support!

Paws-itively thankful

We were honored to be the recipient of several other fundraisers earlier in 2017. We sincerely thank each of the following organizations for their generosity:

Art for Animals

Cheddar Charms-Origami Owl

First Unitarian Universalist Church

For the Love of an Animal

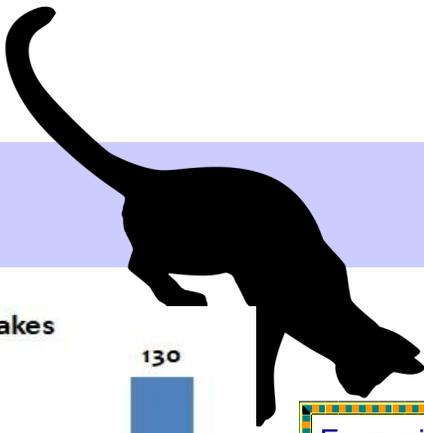
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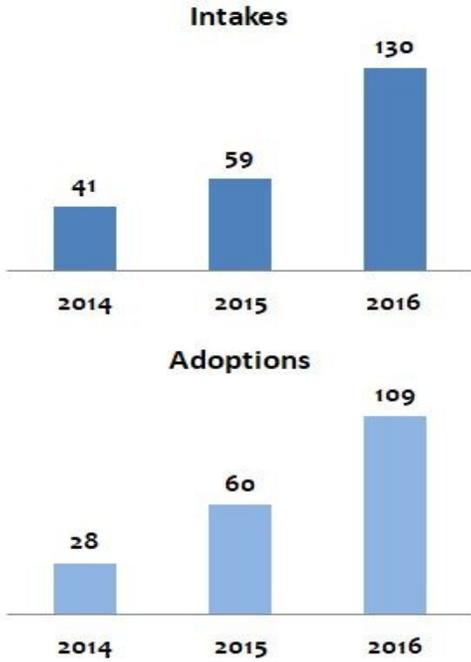
Ozarks Outreach Crafting for Cats

Wines for Humanity





Cat-ologue



Every picture tells a story, and this one tells us that Eden Animal Haven has grown by cat leaps! Our intake cat-ologue more than tripled from 2014 to 2016. Adoptions increased in parallel with intakes, almost quadrupling!

We are on track for another record-breaking year in 2017. As of August, total intakes already reached 102, and we reached an all-time high of 92 cats in the rescue at one time (not all are in the barn—nursing mamas and kittens stay with fosters until ready to be ‘speutered’ and adopted).

We can’t expand further in our current space! You can help us grow our cat-ologue again in coming years by supporting our effort to complete our new building with your donation.

Why we ‘speuter’

Cat overpopulation is a nationwide crisis. One female can produce 100 kittens during her lifetime. If 50 of those kittens are female, and if each in turn produces 100 kittens, the number of cats multiplies quickly.

All of the EAH cats are sterilized before being adopted. Most of them have the surgery at low-cost SAAF Spay/Neuter Clinic in Springfield, MO.

Since its formation in 2010, SAAF has spayed or neutered 18,115 domestic cats and 4,730 feral cats, according to clinic director Stacy Williams.

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Still, that’s just a dent in the number of animals needing the procedure, Williams said. Many people don’t realize the importance of spay/neutering, or of keeping unaltered cats indoors, both for safety and population control.

Kittens can be ‘speutered’ as young as eight weeks old if they weigh 2 pounds or more. “The younger you have it done, the easier it is for the doctor and the animal,” Williams said. Younger cats recover more quickly from surgery.

Sponsor a room for paws-terity!

EAH is offering room sponsorships in the new shelter. In exchange for a donation, you can name “your” room for a beloved cat, relative, or your company. Larger donations include lifetime care for one or more of your cats if they outlive you. Three of our rooms are already sponsored!

Naming & lifetime care:

- ♥ Lobby (4 cats): \$20,000
- ♥ Large (3 cats): \$10,000
- ♥ Medium (2 cats): \$7,500
- ♥ Condo (1 cat): \$5,000

Naming rights only:

- ♥ Quarantine room: \$3,000
- ♥ Laundry/grooming: \$1,000
- ♥ Office station: \$1,000
- ♥ Storage room: \$1,000



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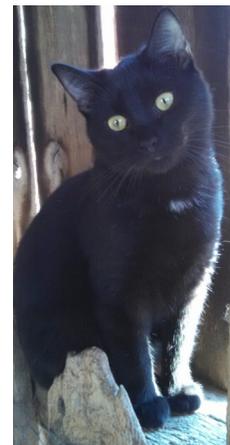
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On the catwalk: Priscilla & Sookie

Of the current EAH cats, sisters Priscilla (right) and Sookie (below) have waited the longest to be adopted--since their birth on April 12, 2014. We had taken



in three pregnant sisters who gave birth within days of each other, and they shared mothering duties for their 10 kittens! Priscilla, Sookie, and their sister, Cynthia, were the shyest of the kittens and watched as their siblings and the



mamas got adopted. People occasionally express interest in them, until they notice how shy they are. Cynthia was finally adopted a few weeks ago, and with time and patience, she is becoming part of the family and enjoying playtime and cuddles. We hope for a similarly patient adopter for Priscilla and Sookie. Please contact us if you would like to meet them—or perhaps sponsor their adoption fee to help them find a permanent home!



This month's "kitten smitten" caption winner on Facebook is Carmen Tobler! Little Twinkie was the only survivor of 4 sick kittens. Based on her energy level, you would never guess that there was a time that she was fighting for her life—or that she is partially blind from her past eye infections. Her playfulness and sweet demeanor are bound to bring joy, laughter and love to a lucky family! Contact us if you want to meet our little star Twinkie!

Support EAH at these upcoming events!

7Cs Winery—October 8

Combine a Sunday afternoon drive with a pleasurable afternoon at 7Cs Winery Oktoberfest and help Eden Animal Haven complete the shelter building at the same time. Bill and Leslie will be there with raffle items and other goodies from 2 to 6 p.m.

This is a free family-friendly event, with fun and games for all ages. Enjoy cheeses, sausages and crackers with a bottle of 7Cs wine on the porch overlooking the countryside, and a free wine and mead tasting. 7Cs has received numerous awards for their wine and mead creations. Enjoy music by Triple-shot, a Springfield band playing rock, blues and a variety of sounds.

7Cs is at 502 E. 560th Road, Walnut Grove, 1.8 miles north of Walnut Grove on Highway 123.

Chipotle —October 14

Enjoy some personalized Mexican food and help complete our new shelter building at the same time during a fund raiser Oct. 14 at Chipotle, 3356 S. Campbell. If you dine between 4 and 8 p.m., part of the money you spend will go to Eden Animal Haven.

Choose your own combination of ingredients for your burrito or taco, crunch on some chips or cool down with a salad from Chipotle's menu made to your order.

Look for announcements of when our flyer will be available. Show it on paper or mobile device, or just tell the cashier you are supporting Eden Animal Haven when you order. You may also use a Chipotle gift card for your purchase. See you there!