



Cali & Aussi



Mommy Cat

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*Cross Country Adoption
By Aussi Comeford Noble*

I am told that I am named after the country in which the Olympics were being held at the time of my birth (Australia; September 2000). My sister, Cali, and I have a great story of our rescue and how we found the family of a lifetime.

The great people of Safe Haven rescued our mom just before we were born. In fact, Mom now lives at the Sanctuary, but she was unable to take care of us once we were born – I think she was too afraid of people who had been unkind to her. So our surrogate moms lovingly cared for Cali and me, and our two sisters, for the first few months of our lives. Because of these “people moms” – we SURVIVED!!!

At three months of age, we struck gold! Cali and I were adopted together by the nicest people. And since Cali was the smallest of Mom’s kittens, I wanted to keep looking out for her once we moved in with our new people.

One of the most exciting experiences we had besides being bottle fed and having a warm place to sleep everyday, was flying on an airplane, yes, cats on an airplane! Not only had we been adopted by a loving family, but we were personally escorted by our Auntie Ginny and Auntie Kim to the state of New York to live with our new family.

We enjoy living here with our people parents. It is really pretty, though it ‘s

certainly colder than California in the winter. We had a lot of cold weather and snow this winter, so we really worked hard to keep our people warm by laying on them whenever they sat down or slept. We were also fed really well so we had a lot of warmth to offer :)

Our people talk to us all of the time and we know just how to get their attention with an engaging look or a good roll on our backs – they really seem to like it. And, since I like my tummy rubbed, this works out well for everybody.

Cali likes to watch TV with Mom; I bond with Dad during football games. We both like to be around when one of our parents is on the computer. So many sights and sounds!!! We are around their desks so much that we each have our own mats where we can lay down and still see the computer screens.

With all of this media and intellectual stimulation, I am becoming quite the writer.

I hope you enjoyed reading our story. This is my first time writing and being published!

If you would like me to write again or have any questions about your felines, you can send an e-mail to my attention at SafeHaven4Pets@aol.com. The folks there will see that I receive your mail.

– Aussi

*Shelter Update
Safe Haven’s Sanctuary:
Today And Into The Future*

Oreo the cat used to begin his days digging through garbage, and end them huddled beneath a parked car. Today he wakes up in grassy fields, surrounded by friends, food and shelter, all thanks to the Safe Haven Animal Sanctuary (SHAS).

What began ten years ago with two friends feeding stray cats has become a vision for a shelter that will house feral cats and other special needs animals.

Today SHAS is comprised of a temporary shelter where Oreo and his friends live. A network of over one hundred volunteers provide foster care, administrative services, fundraising and other tasks required for the Sanctuary to thrive.

This strong volunteer force is determined to provide a bright future and permanent home for Oreo and others like him. A five-year plan has been outlined and fundraising has begun for a permanent location in the Santa Cruz Mountains. From a Cat Park, a home for feral cats, to the Education Center, a place for community classes on animal welfare, Safe Haven will be unique and encompassing.

To move this dream into reality, all types of donations are needed: land on which to build the Sanctuary, as well as money and volunteers for maintenance and support.

The Sanctuary of today is a beautiful but limited home, with your help the SHAS of tomorrow will become a true sanctuary, a haven for all animals and a tribute to the generosity of the people of Santa Clara Valley.

The Story of Romeo and Juliet *By Diane Cascia*

Having our weekly pet faire at the same location has its advantages, but unfortunately sometimes it becomes a dumping place for unwanted pets.

This was the case with Romeo and Juliet.

I usually stop by the Pet Club where we have our pet faires every two days to check out the food donation bin. On this particular night, I noticed a box with string tied around it that had been sitting there all day. My curiosity got the better of me and I untied the box to find four big bewildered eyes staring back at me. My heart was overwhelmed for these poor animals. These

two adult cats had been squeezed into a small box, tied with string, and did not have any breathing holes.

Well off to my house they went where they were fed, loved, and later crawled in my lap and purred loudly as to say "thank you for rescuing us."

After a trip to the vet, both were adopted into loving homes where they are treated with caring hands, respect and loyalty.

It's hard to understand why someone would have dumped these cats in the manner they did, but at least it was someplace where

they knew they would be taken care of.

Now Romeo and Juliet have a happy home!

The animals of this world should be treated with kindness and respect and in turn they will give all the love and loyalty we could ever imagine - it's really not that hard.



Adoption Update

Adoptions have dramatically increased this year at Safe Haven. In just the last few months over fifty cats have been placed in wonderful homes. Currently we have over thirty kittens in foster care and another thirty adult cats seeking a family. Could you be that family? Visit our Web site at www.safehavenforanimals.org to view some of the animals that are available for adoption.

If you are unable to adopt but would like to help with medical expenses? You can make a donation via our Web site.

Featured Pet

Paulie was found living at a drive-in theater in San Jose. He is very sweet, not one for being picked up, and a huge fan of tummy rubs. He would do best in a home without small children or dogs.

Paulie gets along fine with other cats. he is three years old and a real looker with short white fur spotted with orange on his head and tail.



Volunteer Opportunities

Safe Haven Currently Needs:

- Foster Caregivers
- Foster Care Coordinator
- Adoption Director
- Promotions Coordinator
- Educational Director
- Fundraising Director
- In-Kind Donations Coordinator

We also desperately need volunteers with construction experience to help us complete the expansion of our sanctuary.

If interested, please send an email to our Volunteer Director at:
volunteer@safehavenanimalsanctuary.org

Please Call (408) 420-7233 to Adopt or to Help Our Furry Friends



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Safe Haven Animal Sanctuary was founded on the belief that no animal should have to go hungry, be homeless or live in fear or pain, regardless of its appearance or health. The Sanctuary believes that all animals deserve to be treated with dignity and respect and be provided with care in an environment that will help increase their opportunities for a better and safer life. If you would like to receive this newsletter via email, refer to our Web site at www.safehavenanimalsanctuary.org.

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