



2017 Tails of the Painted Cats – Your Donation Dollars at Work!

The excitement is building for our Sixth Tails of the Painted Cats Gala Dinner & Auction, which will be held on Saturday, September 16, 2017 from 5-9pm at Pinehurst Country Club. This is the shelter's largest fundraiser and we wanted to take a moment to share with you how funds raised from this event will help support the shelter cats and our important community outreach programs.

Each year we rescue, rehabilitate and medically treat over 400 cats and kittens in need. As a result, we house between 75-100 cats and kittens at our shelter and in our foster care program year round. We take great pride in working with difficult cases from a medical and behavioral standpoint. Cats that come to our shelter with medical issues receive the highest quality veterinary care from The Cat Clinic. Cats with behavioral issues and stray, abandoned cats who may initially appear feral are given the time, patience and love they need from our caring staff and volunteers. We take the time to get to the root cause of their behavior challenges and we help our abandoned cats overcome their inability to trust humans. Our dedicated team works tirelessly to help each cat become healthy and adoptable. *We cannot do this important work without the financial support from generous donors like **you!***

It costs the shelter \$54,000 annually to provide medical care to the shelter cats. When a cat enters our shelter they receive spay/neuter surgery, vaccines, FIV/FelV test, deworm, microchip and a dental procedure (when needed). In addition, because we always take back previously adopted CCS cats, we tend to have a number of cats returned who are 16-19 years old, because their owner passed away or went into assisted living. These special cats make up a number of our intakes each month and due to their age, they receive bloodwork and if needed, medication therapy and/or a special food diet. This special care is in addition to the standard medical care every cat receives entering our shelter. During the spring and summer months our intakes increase and we take in a number of stray cats and kittens that are found abandoned on the streets by good samaritans. Many of these cats are young, healthy, adoptable cats that simply need basic medical care and a chance at a quality life, away from the dangers of the outside world. *With your financial support we can continue to rescue and rehabilitate cats and kittens in need in our community!*

It costs the shelter \$21,000 annually for dry/wet cat food and litter for the shelter cats. Our shelter goes through 435 cases of wet food each year, 375 bags of dry cat/kitten food and 19,200 pounds of cat litter. Due to the volume of cats we house at our shelter, we go through an enormous amount of food and litter!

Annually, \$10,000 funds our important community outreach programs, Perpet-U-Care and Temporary Care. Our Perpet-U-Care program provides \$250 of veterinary services at the Cat Clinic for special needs and senior cats adopted from our shelter. The Temporary Care program allows cat owners to bring their cat to our shelter for 30-60 days who are experiencing challenging times due to domestic violence, hospitalization and homelessness. We provide all medical care for the cats entering the Temporary Care program. These important community outreach programs help facilitate adoptions of senior and special needs cats and provide community members experiencing difficult times peace of mind that their cat will be cared for while they get back on their feet.

This is why Tails of the Painted Cats Gala Dinner & Auction is so critical to our financial success. It enables us to fulfill our mission to rescue, rehabilitate and medically treat cats in critical need in our community. *We cannot do it without your support!* We offer many fun and unique ways to support our shelter through Tails of the Painted Cats: Purchasing tickets to the Gala Dinner & Auction; Bidding on one (or more!) of the Painted Cats, Flat Cats, Clay Cats, Paper Cats and Wine Cats; Purchasing Raffle Tickets for Pawsley; Attending Festival of Felines where you can view all 31 Painted Cats at the shelter, purchase Painted Cat themed craft items, donate to our Children's craft area where your child can create cat toys, cat beds and flower pots for cat grass; Purchase popular toys, beds and supplies for your furry friend from Meow Mart; Or you can make a financial contribution online through our Bidding for Good page. *With your generosity and support, we can make 2017 Tails of the Painted Cats the most successful to date to support our shelter cats!*

2017 Tails of the Painted Cats Gala Dinner & Auction Details:

- This year we will feature 31 Painted Cats: We are offering 23 large and medium sized cats in both sitting and standing styles. ***New this year:*** we are pleased to introduce our 8 new 'Mini Cats'.
- Returning this year are the 'Flat Cats' paintings and 'Clay Cats' pottery; ***New this year*** is the 'Paper Cats' vintage framed postcard series and the 'Wine Cats' Silent Auction where we will feature a trip to Napa Valley, a trip to Sonoma and 20 individual bottles of wine. The trips are valued at approximately \$4,000 each and the wine is valued at \$50-\$450 each! [CLICK HERE](#) to view the complete line up.
- Bidding For Good Online Auction: ***New this year,*** we are offering online bidding for all Painted Cats, Flat Cats, Clay Cats and Paper Cats. Please [CLICK HERE](#) to sign up and start bidding!
- Pawsley - 2017 Raffle Cat: Raffle Tickets are \$10! [CLICK HERE](#) to purchase Raffle Tickets securely online or you can purchase Raffle Tickets at the shelter.
- Cat Care Society's Festival of Felines
Saturday, July 29th from 11:00am – 2:00pm at the Cat Care Society shelter
[CLICK HERE](#) to learn more about Festival of Felines.
- 2017 Painted Cats Summer Tour continues through September 1st. [CLICK HERE](#) to learn more.
- Gala Dinner & Auction
Tickets are available for purchase at the shelter or online. Please [CLICK HERE](#) to order tickets securely online. For more information about the Tails of the Painted Cats Gala Dinner & Auction please [CLICK HERE](#).

With your support of Tails of the Painted Cats we can ensure no cat is left behind and we can continue our lifesaving work to rescue, rehabilitate and medically treat cats in need. Helping them heal so we can find them a loving, adoptive home. Will you consider a gift of support today?

If you are unable to attend the Gala Dinner or purchase one of our art pieces, please consider making a donation through Tails of the Painted Cats to help us continue to fulfill our mission to help needy cats in our community. Please [CLICK HERE](#) to make a secure online donation.

As always, we thank you, our dedicated and valued supporters for your continued generosity to our cats and our mission.