



HSV Animal Welfare League Rescue Report

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Baby Boom! Puppies and Kittens Born at AWL

It's tough being a stray dog or cat. Staving off hunger, illness, and injuries are just a few obstacles they must constantly overcome. For a stray dog that is also 45 days pregnant, the challenges increase enormously. Fortunately, a HSV resident found the pregnant stray (a beagle we named Ella) and notified POA Animal Control. Ella was rescued and carefully monitored while preparing for her litter. Two weeks later, Ella gave birth to 6 pups!



Ella has been a very patient mom to her litter, born the end of June. Now, safe and sound at the AWL, Ella and her pups are all doing well.

“Adopting” - not just for People

Like Ella, Princess was another pregnant stray found in the village, and was fostered at Cheryl Schaefer's home. Princess was placed in the crate next to Holly's, who had recently given birth to three kittens of her own. After Princess gave birth, she fell ill and was unable to nurse her kittens, who were only a few days old. Cheryl noticed that Holly was instantly curious about the kittens, and placed one in her crate. Holly immediately began to feed and bath it, and soon was nursing not only her three kittens, but Princess's four kittens as well, proving that volunteers aren't the only ones who rescue and help the animals at the AWL!



Holly nurses her three young kittens (above). When Princess became ill, she “adopted” her four kittens.



Holly's three kittens enjoy some playtime (left) while waiting to be fed as her four “adopted” kittens take their turn.

Petco Love \$25,000 Check Presentation

On June 28th, AWL Board Members, friends, and volunteers attended the presentation conducted by Carol Hardin, General Manager of the Petco store in Benton. Carol said “Petco is thrilled to honor the HSVAWL with a \$25,000 grant to continue your lifesaving work in the community.” The AWL is very grateful for the ongoing, generous support received not only from Petco Love’s nonprofit organization, but from the fundraising programs conducted at the Petco store, the Petco employees, and their customers. Petco employees also direct customer phone calls to the AWL about adoptions or other areas where we might be able to assist, and they donate many supplies to us. Since 2009, Petco has also allowed the AWL to bring adoptable kittens and cats to the store on Saturdays. This has resulted in hundreds of adoptions through the years, thanks to the tireless efforts of Cat Coordinators Nancy Jones and Jill Jones.



(Top) Carol Hardin, 4th from left, and her team members present the Petco Love check to the AWL; (left) Shoppers check out the AWL kittens for adoption; (center) Jill Jones posts kitten information; (right) AWL volunteer Darleen Tripcony enjoys the celebration with Milo, her pet terrier.

“A dog teaches a boy fidelity, perserverance, and to turn around three times before lying down.”
- Humorist Robert Benchley



Wrangle Your Way to
GIRLS GOTTA HOWL!

Join us Monday, September 26th at 5 pm
at the "O.K. Cat Corral" Coronado Center
for a Doggone Good Time!

Cowgirl Fajita Bar from Melinda's Cafe
Wine Fountain • Live Auction
Spa City Tappers • Line Dancing
Raffle Drawing • Shop til you Drop

**Special Performance
by the Cheapendales!**

Tickets on sale August 29 - \$35
First Come First Serve!
Purchase at hsvticketsales.com

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Wine Fountain Sponsor: **RE/MAX Hot Springs Village**
Dessert Sponsor: **Ike Eisenhauer State Farm**

All proceeds benefit the HSV Animal Welfare League, an all volunteer, no-kill, 501 (c)(3) nonprofit. www.hsvawl.org

Girls Gotta Howl Coming Soon!

Tickets don't go on sale until August 29th, but you can help support us in the meantime by purchasing raffle tickets.

Packets were sent in the mail to AWL members, and additional tickets can be obtained by calling Sandie Rickerman at 501- 574 - 2628. You can also purchase tickets at the following locations and dates:

- Walmart - July 30 & Aug 27, 9am - noon
- Melinda's Cafe - July 22, 10am - 2pm
- Home Plate - Aug. 2, 8 - 11am
- Clampit's - Aug. 20, 10 am - 2 pm

Cost: 6 tickets for \$5.00, or \$1.00 each if sold separately.

Your raffle ticket purchase will go a long way to help support the AWL - At the last GGH, the raffle netted over \$5,000 and all proceeds benefit our shelter operations.

Cash Prizes:

- A. One \$500 cash prize
- B. Two \$200 cash prizes
- C. Three \$100 cash prizes

Winners do not have to be present to win!

For more info, call Sandie at 501-574-2628 or email her at lovesanimals2@gmail.com.

Happy Tails - Our Teddy "Bear"

We received a lot of adoption inquiries about Teddy "Bear" but couldn't find a fit that "was just right." Patience paid off, and Dog Adoption Coordinator Shelley Shepherd found the perfect family for Teddy, with two great boys for him to play with and a big backyard to play in. He loves to go on car rides to their soccer games, and to visit Petsmart! Teddy, a Staffordshire terrier, is very happy in his new home.



June Statistics

- 12 Dog Adoptions
- 25 Cat Adoptions
- 67 Animals Spayed/Neutered at May S/N Clinic
- 37 Animals received free Petco Love Vaccines
- 19 Angel Fund requests
- 94 Champions
- 681 AWL Memberships

Save the Dates

2022 Spay Neuter Clinics

Sept. 12/13

Paron Community Center

Nov 14/15

Fountain Lake Fire Station

Sept 24

Visit us at Village Homefest

9am - 7 pm; Village Home Center

Parking lot. Free entertainment

Sept 26th

Girls Gotta Howl

Champions

Jean Holmes is June's Champions drawing winner. Jean won \$470!

Join Champions - AWL's program for a \$10 monthly pledge. Each month there is a 50/50 raffle, with a cap payout of \$500.

Email contactus@hsvawl.org for more information.

or click the link below to join:

<https://hsvawl.wufoo.com/forms/sguov4m0twh1dc/>

Comforting AWL Dogs on July 4th!

Special thanks to Julie Keck, DJ Wisheart, Dawn Michaelic, and Jennifer Kallas for spending their 4th of July holiday siting with AWL's 13 dogs.

They gave them exercise, toys, treats, and comfort so they would remain calm during the loud 30 minute fireworks display on nearby Lake Balboa.

Their tactics worked, and none of the dogs were afraid. Bruno proudly wore his "thunder shirt" to help with his anxiety, and mamma Ella cuddled her precious 6 puppies and distracted them with lots of milk.



Volunteers Julie Keck, (above) petting Bruno, and Dawn Michaelic (pictured left) provide a little TLC and comfort to the dogs during the 4th of July fireworks display.



A Fond Farewell to Our Old Friend Rocky

So many of our volunteers, especially the cat cuddlers and animal care workers who took care of him, were very saddened to learn about the passing of Rocky. One of our senior cats, Rocky was 16 and came to the shelter two years ago with his buddy Sirkus. Rocky found a few adopters during those two years, but his medical issues were too much for them to handle. Jill Jones, Cat Adoption Coordinator, said that "Rocky enjoyed his last days with the best volunteers to care for him. He was starting to have more bad days and we thought it was for the best to not let it get worse for him. I was with him at Waggin Wheel and he passed in peace. Be free Rocky, we will miss you!"