



# HSV Animal Welfare League

## June 2018

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*Dedicated to the placement of all rescued and surrendered adoptable companion animals into loving homes and to the prevention of overpopulation of unwanted animals.*

## Rescue Report

### Special Election to Add Board Position

Our Bylaws state that initially the Board of Directors consists of nine members to include the five officers plus four At-Large members. Since our Board is a true “working” Board with all members serving AWL in unpaid positions (putting in about 30–to 40-hour workweeks), the Bylaws provide for some flexibility. If the Board thinks AWL needs an additional Board position, the Board can propose a candidate and the position to the members in a special election.

At the May Board meeting, the BOD approved an additional seat, so now the members will vote. We are providing proxy forms since we know some may not be able to attend the meeting. That form is attached.

**WHEN: Wednesday, June 27 at 10:00 a.m.**

**WHERE: Room 3, Village Church of Christ, 210 Balboa Road**

Vote to add At-Large Place 10 to focus on fundraising with Beverly Fitzpatrick as the initial director in that position.

Number of Ballots:

In order to be eligible to vote, a person must be a member in good standing at the time of the election. If you have an individual membership,

you will receive one ballot; family membership will receive two ballots. If not a current member, you can complete the membership application and pay the fee and you will receive ballot(s) at the time.

### AWL Receives Grant to Help a Loving Stray

A handsome, big gray stray tabby at first seemed feral (or wild) and unused to people. But he became a loving lapcat and even earned the name Kicker because he has many years left to put a "kick" in your life!

Yet, one of his rear legs was damaged causing pain and a constant limp. The vet suggested to remove the ball from the joint in his hip. His muscles now hold his leg in place and Kicker has a pain-free life.

An AWL volunteer grant writer discovered the **Ian Somerhalder Foundation**. The ISF approved a grant to cover the cost, and Kicker is enjoying an active quality of life.

In fact, he spins around his home with two newly adopted kittens as he plays “big brother.” His family reports that Kicker is a real love bug,



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Lovable Thor lost his home when his owner passed away. He had lived with dogs and cats and we know he's so happy to be at home. He is declawed in front so he will be an indoor-only cat who will get lots of attention now.

*Our dedicated volunteers are amazing. Join us as we work to Save Them All. Help Us Help Them!*



Gorgeous Tina is another adult cat who lost her home through no fault of her own when her owner had new living arrangements. We know she is happy to have the run of the house now!

## Award-Winning Third Graders!

Every year AWL hosts an essay contest for elementary students in Jessieville, Fountain Lake, and Mountain Pine schools. This year the students described how to show kindness toward wild and farm animals.

Students highlighted how keeping litter out of their environments, how respecting wild animals' need to be left alone, and how having plants that nourish wild and farm animals help them thrive.

All winners received a certificate for framing and cash for designated amounts. The first place winner was Jessieville student

**Adeline Robertson** who should enjoy spending her \$100.00 prize.

**Lili Sarver** of Jessieville won second place with \$50.00 cash.

Third place went to **Aiden Carter** of Jessieville who received a prize of \$25.00. In addition, Honorable Mention went to **Breanna Greer** of Jessieville and **Peyton Harwood** of Fountain Lake who received awards of \$15.00.

The teacher of the first place winner was **Donna**



**Kieschnick of Jessieville** who will enjoy a meal with a \$25.00 gift certificate.

The students and their parents were quite proud of their accomplishments, as evidenced by their photos, and AWL is proud to be a part of the humane education of our youth.

The Animal Welfare League sponsors this essay contest annually to promote kindness toward animals and to reinforce the importance of strong writing skills. As part of the AWL mission to increase awareness of animal issues through education programs, AWL also funds *Kind News*, and all elementary students in the three school districts receive their very own copies of the magazine.

At the awards assemblies, AWL Board member Nancy Harlan presented the awards, while volunteers Martha Goldman and Ann Huffman joined her in the presentations. They also thanked teachers and parents for encouragement throughout the year.



*"The dog represents all that is best in man."  
~ Etienne Charlet*



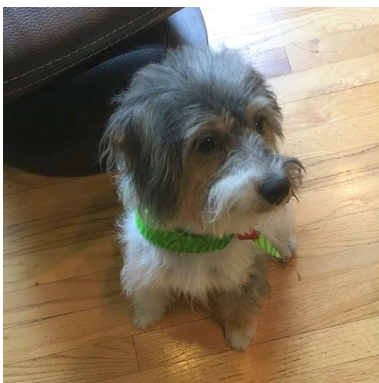
**Happy Tails**

Pickles, a stunning longhaired black cat, has settled into his new home, and he has a new "sister," too. His mom reports that he's "a happy boy."



An email was sent to our President from an adopter: "Last November my family adopted a dog from your shelter. I just wanted to reach out and say what an absolute amazing dog he is and how grateful I am to all of you. His name was Conan

(now it's Finn), and he's just the absolute best thing to happen to us. You all opened your shelter



the day after Thanksgiving, so we were able to pick him up and take him home with us. We can't thank you enough for that kindness. Thank you for all you do!"

~~ Note: If you know of any stories of adoption success, email us at [public.relations@hsvawl.org](mailto:public.relations@hsvawl.org).

*"In ancient times cats were worshipped as gods; they have not forgotten this."  
~ Terry Pratchett*

**Adoption Event @ Clampit's Country Kitchen & Meat Market**

The AWL adoption event on Saturday, June 2, at Clampit's was fun and full of happy dogs and precious kittens. Many of us enjoyed delicious Clampit food-for-purchase and took some luscious BBQ home for dinner. We had 2 dogs scheduled to go out on approval and a possible rehome of a LAP dog, plus interest in cat adoptions.

In all, \$230 in donations (\$120 was from Clampit's) and the contacts with potential adopters made it a worthwhile day for all of us. Look for another event in the fall.

**2019 Calendar Cover Auction—Hurry!**

How would you like to see your beautiful family pet pictured on the cover of the calendar?! Any rescued or adopted pet, not just from our AWL Adoption Center, is eligible.

How do I do it? Send a photo and a bid to support your pet's cover and the highest bid wins! The photo you send will not be the cover photo — the winner will have a photo specially made for the cover.

The auction begins **Friday, June 8 and ends at midnight on Sunday, June 17**. Email your bid and pet's photo to Angela Nickols, tomray7@sbcglobal.net. Minimum starting bid is \$100.

The winning bid will be announced by June 20 with photography session to follow. Remember — this is a fundraiser and what a fun way to honor your rescued family pet . . . dog, cat, bunny, ferret, etc. — whoever has that special place in your heart!



Many were surprised that Daisy and her mom Dahlia were at the AC for any time since they are so cute. Young Daisy hit the jackpot, though, and will be able to romp at the lake with her new family. So, happy tales for all.

**May Stats**

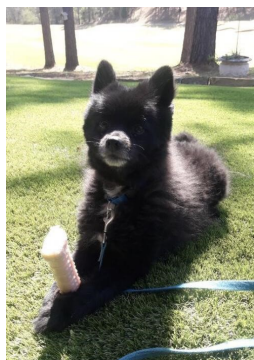
Adopted: 18 cats & 26 dogs  
HUG: 9 dogs transported  
Taken in: 18 cats & 26 dogs



Gabby, a 3-year-old terrier mix, was an unclaimed stray. Cute as she is, she had some incontinence, but responded well to inexpensive medication. Even so, not all were willing to take her with her needs. Thank goodness the perfect person came along, just for Gabby!



*"Maybe it's animal-ness that will make the world right again: the wisdom of elephants, the enthusiasm of canines, the grace of snakes, the mildness of anteaters. Perhaps being human needs some diluting."  
~ Carol Emshwiller*



**Bentley2** (yes, that's his name) is a 5-year-old Pomeranian who was one of AWL's LAP dogs. Villagers can rehome their pets with AWL's marketing help and never surrender to us. It looks as though Bentley2 has found his new perfect home with AWL's help!

## Calendar Dates

**June 8-17—Calendar Cover Auction (see p. 3)**

**Monday & Tuesday, June 11 & 12— Spay/Neuter Clinic, Paron**

**Wednesday, June 27, 10:00 a.m.—Special Election voting, Room 3, Village Church of Christ, 210 Balboa Road**

## We Need Shoes!

AWL is collecting new and gently- worn used shoes to help us raise money. Not only do you help us, but the shoes are then used to help start micro-enterprises in developing nations to help families rise out of poverty. Also, these shoes will not go into landfills and add further pollutants.

We're looking for all kinds of shoes: sneakers, casual shoes, dress shoes, golf shoes, etc. Just make sure that they are gently worn or new, tie the laces together if they have strings, and then bag them up.

We need 2,500 pairs to earn \$1,000, and we are on our way! You may bring them to the **Adoption Center, Barkansas Pet Supply on Hwy. 7 outside the West Gate, or the Dogwood Tree outside the East Gate.**

## Angel Fund Donations for Sonny Increase

Remember the plea for donations to help the owners of Sonny who was run over? They had already paid over \$7,000 for spinal surgery and Waggin' Wheel thought Angel Fund might help with the final surgery.

Generous donors have given a total of over \$1,370, so whatever is not used for Sonny will go to the Angel Fund to help others with extraordinary vet bills.

## Help Wanted

**Garden Work ~** Do you get satisfaction from pulling a few weeds to enhance a lovely area? AWL needs 1 or 2 volunteers to weed the memorial garden by the flag pole monthly. It's not a large area, but it needs some monthly care. Contact Beverly 214-632-5314.

**Your Ideas Needed!** Please send ideas for AWL meeting programs, such a certain speakers or topics of interest that you would like to have at the general meetings. Send to Mary McCullough at [mbmpjm66@gmail.com](mailto:mbmpjm66@gmail.com) or call her at 915-8459.

## Champions

AWL's program for a sustaining pledge is the "Champions." These committed folks contribute a small \$10 a month as sustaining members. Each month we have a 50/50 raffle, with a cap payout of \$500. **Champions proceeds to date are \$24,410.00.**

The May Champions drawing winner was Paul Johnson, who won \$485. Champions is open to non-members, too. Use a credit card on our website or send an email to [treasurer@hsvawl.org](mailto:treasurer@hsvawl.org) to join. Please tell your friends about it.