

# HSV Animal Welfare League

# **March 2019**

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# Rescue Report

# **Adoption Center Workers Desperately Needed**

Because of continued difficulty in filling the volunteer schedule for adoption center workers and guest relations workers, the <u>AC will remain closed to the public on Wednesdays (and as usual Sundays) through April.</u>

The AC workers are the ones needed. In fact, we have more than enough Cat Cuddlers and the Board voted to add no more to that list. But CCs can switch to AC workers—call Janice at 209-9086.

Dog Walkers are already scheduled to come in to give the dogs exercise, and Cat Cuddlers are welcome to work with their scheduler if interested.

**NOTE**: Whenever the AC is closed, the Animal Control Officers clean and feed the animals.

Without more Animal Care Workers, the BOD will have no choice but to continue to close on Wednesdays. Please consider volunteering at least once a month! Call Janice to volunteer at 209-9086.

#### **Save the Date**

Belk Charity Day is May 4th. AWL gets funds and you get amazing sale items. More later, but call Pattie Swenson at (281) 744-0927 for details & tickets.

#### **Needing Loving Homes**

**Mighty** is going to be a gorgeous cat when grown; he has tufts in his ears and the start of long hair on his legs and tail. He's a kitten 4 1/2 months old & ready to go to a home.

Mighty's origins are unknown, but,

he got a raw deal since he contracted leukemia wherever he was. Feline Leukemia is not transmittable to humans or dogs, only cats.



Mighty just needs someone who doesn't have other cats. He is a sweet, super friendly, and happy kitten. Call Nancy for more info at 922-6444.

**Bubba** is a precious 13 Lb., 3-yr.-old Chihuahua mix who was dumped. AWL cured his heartworms, and he is energetic and loves walks. He's crate & housetrained as long as he is taken out frequently. Though he

gets along with other dogs, he will do best as an only dog so he will get all of your attention.



Call Shelley at (314) 520-8674 to discuss Bubba to see if he will be the perfect dog for you and you for him.

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





Chaplin (now Charlie) & Costello (now Frankie), are two precious kitten siblings that luckily were adopted together. When adopting a kitten, it is always a wise thing to adopt two! They keep each other company, even if not siblings. They will give lots of love and laughs to the new home.

#### **Tanner's Day March 19th**

You should know by now that Tanner's Neighborhood Bar & Grille is a strong supporter of AWL. Tanner's is also a favorite place for lunch or dinner for many AWL volunteers.

So, it makes sense that on a specified day, AWL fans who dine at Tanner's will also help AWL.

How does that work? Just print out the attached flyer and dine at Tanner's for lunch or dinner on March 19th. When you give your server this flyer, 10% of your food purchase will be donated to AWL

Thank you for your support!

### 5 Things You Didn't Know

- 1. No two dog or cat nose prints are alike. They are as unique as human fingerprints!
- 2. Have you ever noticed which paw your cat uses the most? The right paw tends to be the dominant paw for female cats, while male cats are usually left-pawed.
- 3. A cat lover is called an "ailurophile." Ailourosis Greek for "cat," while the suffix -phile means "lover." People who love dogs are "cynophiles" cyno meaning "relating to dogs."
- 4. Dogs can smell certain human medical conditions like hypoglycemia, migraines, narcolepsy, and certain types of cancers by detecting small changes in the body. Most experts agree that dogs are reacting to chemical changes in human breath and sweat, which alerts them to these conditions.
- 5. Most cats spend two-thirds of the day sleeping. No wonder we refer to afternoon naps as "cat naps"!

#### **Top 10 Toxins for Cats & Dogs**

According to the ASPCA, these are the top 10:

- 1) OTC MEDICATIONS: 19.6% vitamins, pain meds, herbal supplement
- 2) HUMAN PRESCRIPTIONS: 17.5%
- 3) FOOD: 11.4% Xylitol, grapes and raisins, onions, and garlic
- 4) CHOCOLATE: 10.1%
- 5) VETERINARY PRODUCTS: 9.3% from misreading labels by owners
- 6) HOUSEHOLD ITEMS: 7.3% paint, glue, and cleaning products
- 7) RODENTICIDES: 6.3% pets also find it tasty
- 8) INSECTICIDES: 6.2% ant baits, bug sprays and yard products
- 9) PLANTS: 5.5%
- 10) GARDEN PRODUCTS: 2.3% Fertilizer, bone meal and compost. For more details click <u>HERE</u>.

## Watch Kitbull by Pixar

Pixar animation has made a touching short film (8 minutes) that shows all animals deserve a chance. The film company's new animated short, <u>Kitbull</u>, chronicles the friendship that develops between a scrappy stray kitten and an abused pit bull. Watch it and get happy . . . truly. The pair's journey, from cast off to cared for, is about as sweet and uplifting as it gets.

Here's a <u>link</u> to the short film for your enjoyment. This is what we in AWL strive to do for our homeless pets, and with your help we succeed daily!

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

#### **Happy Tails**

Here's a tale of 2 unlikely friends.

Cutie (calico tabby - now called Cinderella) & Cressida (long hair - now Snowflake) can't love each other any more.

Cutie had lived her whole 1 year of life outside. She hated other cats, we knew it, and the adopters agreed that she would be an only cat (this time indoors). When the people saw Cressida on-line, they fell in love and had to have her. Our cat adoption coordinators loaned them a wire dog crate and they followed the introduction instructions perfectly - this is the result.



#### **Donations Please**

<u>Clean Tennis Balls</u>—If you or a neighbor play tennis and have some used, but not playable, we can use them. Not only do we offer to adopters who are getting a new friend who loves chasing them, but we also sell them on eBay for a little profit. All we ask is that they are reasonably clean.

"A kitten is, in the animal world, what a rosebud is in the garden." ~ Robert Sowthey

### AWL Presents Woofstock 2019 Rescue Dog Show

All rescued dogs (mutts or any breed) may be entered in this fun show regardless where rescued. The owners do not have to be HSV residents either.

# Saturday, April 27, 10:00 a.m. Balboa Pavilion

<u>Categories</u>: Best vocal performance, Tallest dog, Smallest dog, Best Pair (2 lookalikes), Best tail wagging, Best kisser, Best trick, Wildest hair, Best (worst) underbite, Best couch potato, Best listener/head tilt, Best senior dog, Best dressed, Best in special needs.

Won't this be fun for our furry friends and their loved ones? Entrance fee = \$10 (one category), \$5 for each additional category.

All dogs must be kept on a leash (NO retractable leashes) & current on vaccinations. AWL will have baked goods and people water for sale. All proceeds go to AWL. Entry form & information will be sent in another email.

## ResQwalk to Help AWL

**ResQwalk** is a free mobile app that lets you raise money and resources for your favorite animal welfare organization, and all you have to do is walk or run or hike! Check it out online HERE.

Enter Hot Springs Village Animal Welfare League, Inc. as your ResQ!

Please review their FAQs by clicking HERE.

AWL has received some funds, so we know it is reliable, but clearly not enough of our supporters are using it.

It is endorsed by Best Friends No More Homeless Pets Network, which is a strong endorsement. Please get outside and get fit with your pet!

#### **February Stats**

Adopted: 15 cats & 8 dogs HUG: 3 dogs transported Taken in: 19 cats & 11 dogs S/N total of owned pets (not AWL adoptions) through clinics & vouchers in Feb. = 28 S/N total of owned pets (not AWL adoptions) through clinics & vouchers: total = 5422



Cute little Gus, a rat terrier, was surrendered with 2 other dogs after owner could no longer care for them. Gus is 12-years-old and has many years of life to love his new owners.

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"Animals, like us, are living souls.
They are not things. They are not objects. Neither are they human.
Yet they mourn.
They love. They dance. They suffer.
They know the peaks and chasms of being."
~ Gary Kowalski



This 8-month-old Lab/
hound mix is so lovable
and impressively knows
basic commands. No wonder he was adopted quickly. He is bound to bring lots
of energy and fun to his
family since he loves other
dogs, kids, and everyone.
Congrats, Rolland.

#### **Calendar Dates**

<u>Every Wednesday through end of April</u>—AC Closed (but not the Animal Control).

<u>Tuesday, March 19</u>— AWL day at Tanner's—10% of our bill comes to AWL. <u>Saturday, April 20</u>—"No Fleas" Flea Market.

Saturday, April 27—Rescue Dog Show (see p. 3).

Monday & Tuesday, April 29 & 30—Spay/Neuter Clinic, Mountain Pine. Saturday, May 4—Belk Charity Day

## Help Wanted-We Need You

"No Fleas" Flea Market—If you can help with displaying (April 19) and/or working the sale (April 20), please contact Beverly Fitzpatrick at 214-632-5314. And, start setting aside those treasurers to donate. In fact, let all your friends know about it so they can start gathering as well. These sales net between \$2500 & \$3500, so it's a pretty big return for a couple days of hard work. NOTE: Donations should be brought to the Police Academy on Balearic Road on Friday, April 19 from 5:00-7:00 so that we can organize the display.

#### **Fundraising Trip to Fixer-Upper land in Waco Texas**

The AWL presents this special trip to Waco designed just for "Fixer-Upper" junkies, **Monday, June 17th to Thursday, June 20th.** The itinerary is packed with all things Magnolia and, of course, plentiful Texas cuisine. The trip includes shopping, 3-night stay, 2 lunches & dinners, and visit to Humane Society of Central Texas. **Details in attached flyer, so make your plans soon!** 

### Why Register My Dog with the POA?

All dogs physically housed or boarded for more than 30 days in Hot Springs Village are required to be registered with the HSVPOA. The registration fees go to the Animal Control budget which funds the shelter for the POA responsibilities, such as Animal Control Officers' pay, utilities, etc. These funds do not lessen the funding that AWL provides, such as all veterinary care, food, and litter. AWL continues to finance those parts of what is POA responsibility in accordance with our agreement to use part of the building for adoptions and housing.

### 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 \$28,845.00.** 

The February Champions drawing winner was Susan Ninnis who won the maximum of \$500. Champions is open to non-members, too. Use a credit card on our website or send an email to hsvawlsec@gmail.com to join. Please tell your friends about it.