



HSV Animal Welfare League

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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

Another Spectacular Grant!

Petco Foundation, the charitable arm of the Petco company, once again championed AWL's cause. The **grant of \$25,000.00** can be used for any expenses preparing pets for adoption, so it is a grand donation!

The Petco Foundation investment will help provide funds for **all services required prior to adoption.**

These include veterinary care (immunizations, sterilizations, heartworm treatment, additional surgeries, and other medications), food, litter, and HUG transport expense.

"We are so honored and grateful to be a Petco Foundation partner, and we thank the staff of the Bryant Petco store for their continued assistance when we showcase our animals there on Saturdays. You too can help to further Petco Foundation's support of animal rescue groups by donating one or two dollars when paying for your purchases at Petco stores," said Angela Nickols, Grant Committee Chair.

AWL's basic expenses are over \$200K and the majority of that is related to care of pets prior to adoption. Grants help, but we must continue to rely on the backbone contributions from membership fees, donations, and fundraisers in addition to the random grants we seek and receive. Please continue to help save them all.

You Can't Resist Us!

These loving furbabies are ready, so call Shelley for dogs 314-520-8674, Nancy for cats 922-6444.

HUGO, a sweet 2 1/2 year-old coonhound, has been waiting for months for someone to love.



POPPY, a 3-year-old terrier mix, needs a new home because owner is moving and can't take her. She knows basic commands, is active and fun.



CODY, a handsome cream 13-year-old perfectly healthy guy who's family is downsizing and must re-home him. He is declawed and ready to move in (indoor-only).



MUSTANG, a sleek black guy, only 1 1/2 years-old, who is becoming trusting to volunteers. Formerly feral, he will be friendly after he warms to you.



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



Ophelia & Tolouse now live together and will have a comfortable life. Ophelia, an unusual female orange tabby, was a stray who had a littler after AWL got her, and following her time as a mom, she was ready for her own lovin'. Tolouse was in a home with a full house of other pets and kids, so she is ready for any family or visitors. Good for them!

5 More Things You Didn't Know About Cats & Dogs

6. The tallest dog ever recorded is a Great Dane who measures 7½ feet tall when standing on his hind legs! The smallest — a Chihuahua named Milly — is a mere 3.8 inches tall.

7. A group of kittens is called a kindle, while a group of cats is a clowder. A group of dogs can be referred to by several names, including a kennel, a cowardice, and a cry.

8. Dogs kick their legs backward to mark their territory — not to cover up their urine or feces. The scent glands in their feet secrete pheromones, leaving a mark that remains long after their disposal dries up.

9. Ever wonder why you never hear your cat coming? It's because cats are digitigrade walkers, meaning they walk on their toes. This allows them to sneak up on unsuspecting prey!

10. Dogs are as smart as a 2-year-old child and can understand between 150 and 250 words, with the average dog topping out at 165 words. Among the smartest breeds are border collies, poodles, German shepherds, and golden retrievers.

Save the Date

Belk Charity Day is **May 4th** with new extended hours **7am—9pm!** AWL gets funds and you get amazing sale items. Buy a ticket for a \$5 discount & AWL gets the \$5, plus you get incredible markdowns throughout the store. Tickets on sale at “No Fleas” Flea Market and “Woofstock,” or call Pattie Swenson at (281) 744-0927 for tickets or other details.

Fundraising Trip to Fixer-Upper land in Waco Texas

Deadline for reservations is Monday, April 15!

The AWL presents this special trip to Waco designed just for “Fixer-Upper” junkies, **Monday, June 17th to Thursday, June 20th.** The trip includes shopping, 3-night stay, 2 lunches & dinners, and visit to Humane Society of Central Texas. **Details in attached flyer, so reserve today!**

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

Categories: 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 attached.

“All those windows, and not a cat in them.

All that light to bask in, wasted.”

~ Lissa Warren

The Good Luck Cat

Happy Tails

Coleman was found with a BB gun wound in his ear and wound up with AWL. A pre-teen girl wanted a cat very badly. Finally, Grandpa told her that if she did some chores, which included cleaning out the entire refrigerator, she could get one and it could live at his house. No one thought that she would do all of the chores by herself, especially the refrigerator; but, she did.

One Saturday Nancy Jones took Coleman to Petco for adoption, and Mom brought her daughter to get a cat that would be her cat, but would live with Grandpa at his house. Coleman seemed the perfect choice. He slept with Grandpa the first night and Grandpa was surprised at how quickly Coleman took up with him. Coleman is very happy that the refrigerator got cleaned out . . .



Thirteen-year-old Lilo was surrendered with 4 other canine siblings. Her new mom, Vickie, fell in love with her as soon as she saw her. After their chance meeting when Vickie actually came to see a different dog, her new mom said she couldn't quit thinking about her. Lilo loves her new life with two canine siblings.



"If a dog will not come to you after having looked you in the face, you should go home and examine your conscience."
 ~ Woodrow Wilson

"No Fleas" Flea Market & Bake Sale

It's time to go through the house and jettison those treasurers that have lost their luster for you. In fact, start your spring cleaning early and go through all those closets. Bring your already priced items to the Police Training & Event Center on Balearic between 5:00 and 7:00 pm on Friday, April 19th. The Market runs from 8:00 am to 2:00 pm on **Saturday, April 20th**. Ask your friends to donate items and show up to shop. This event nets over \$2,500, so help make it a success again to benefit the animals that come to us for help. You are their voice.

Adoption Center Workers Desperately Needed (Still)

Because of continued difficulty filling the volunteer schedule for adoption center workers and, the **AC will remain closed to the public on Wednesdays (and as usual Sundays) INDEFINITELY.**

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.

AWL is such a remarkable organization because we have over 200 volunteers who keep us running. We have bakers, computer support, fundraiser workers, photographers, fosters, Spay/ Neuter clinic workers & schedulers, social media managers, and myriad others. The most critical are our AC workers who help directly with the animals. Please check your ability to help!

February Stats

Adopted: 20 cats & 10 dogs
 HUG: 1 cat & 1 dog transported
 Taken in: 4 cats & 12 dogs
 S/N total of owned pets (not AWL adoptions) through clinics & vouchers:
 total = 5487



Jupiter is a majestic, striking Great Dane who was surrendered with 3 other dogs. So well-behaved & good-natured, it was not difficult to find someone who was looking for just such a great dog. She is now living with a family with another Great Dane, so happy ending for all.

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*"An animal's eyes
have the power to
speak a great
language."
~ Martin Buber*



Bina, now called Paisley, was abandoned in the Village. Since she was so friendly to everyone, we knew she could get a good home where she can grow and have lots of action. She may be a shepherd/hound mix, but it's never for sure. It doesn't matter since she is definitely a lover and eager to learn.

Calendar Dates

Every Wednesday indefinitely—AC Closed (but not the Animal Control).

Saturday, April 20—"No Fleas" Flea Market & Bake Sale (see p. 3)

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

Volunteer Notice Re: Scheduling

If you are an Animal Care Worker or Dog Walker volunteer at the Adoption Center and aren't receiving the monthly email scheduling requests, please contact Janice Dean at scottydogs24u@hotmail.com.

Donate Easily at No Cost to You

Remember to use your Kroger card, as well as shop online via Amazon Smile and iGive to help AWL earn money from them, not from you. You can also use the app for ResQwalk when you walk with your dog or just yourself, and AWL will receive funds—a fun way to give and exercise in the lovely Village at the same time!

RE/MAX of HSV Hosts Paper Shredding

Get those old papers shredded in bulk by taking advantage of the collection at RE/MAX on DeSoto. This service is free, but get there early because the collection on **Saturday, April 27th goes from 8 am until 11 am or until the truck is full!** Often the truck is full before 11 am, so be sure to get there early.

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 \$29,365.00.**

The March Champions drawing winner was Sandy Youn 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.