



# 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

### Puttin' on the Dog . . . & Cat

Here it comes again—our biggest, most fun fundraiser of the year on Tuesday, September 24 in the Coronado ballroom.

It's not merely a fun evening with dinner, it's a huge auction, too. We will have silent auctions and live ones, and the event is always sold out.

**Event tickets are on sale NOW using the online the HSV Event Tickets website for \$25 per person.** [https://](https://hotspringsvillage.thundertix.com/)

[hotspringsvillage.thundertix.com/](https://hotspringsvillage.thundertix.com/) Groups wanting tables will need to purchase 8 tickets. For a reserved table of 8, ONE person must buy all 8 tickets (\$200). Table location will be assigned on a first come, first served basis, based on the table ticket purchase date/time.

Every time we sponsor this event, we have people tell us it's the most fun event in the Village. Who knows what you might bring home with you from the auction. Some big items like timeshares, golf days, and many more modest treasures.

Come show some love and support for the Animal Welfare League. It costs **over \$200,000 EACH year to shelter, protect, and adopt** the special animals in our care. We couldn't do this without your help and support!

### AWL Volunteers are the Best

Yes, we have the most awesome volunteers, not only at the Adoption Center, but also fosters who allow pets to have a safe, happy place when we have no room at the shelter.

We particularly thank all of the cat and kitten fosters who not only house, but even bottle feed kittens. Also, we appreciate those who foster older or special needs dogs who won't do well in the shelter environment.

And then we have all who come regularly to the Adoption Center in various roles. The Dog Walkers come twice a day to be sure all dogs get a chance to discover the area and "mark" their territory. The Animal Care Workers come in to take care of the cats' and dogs' needs to be sure they are ready to meet the public. Our Cat Cuddlers cuddle and love the cats in the afternoon. And the Guest Relations workers greet the public and talk with those who inquire on the phone about AWL. **In all, the daily volunteers, the fosters, the AC volunteers, keep the entire operation vibrant and effective for the benefit of the animals we rescue and as an amenity for the Village.**

AWL could not be a No-Kill without all of you!

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



Meadow



Chickie

**Meadow (now Nickie) and Chickie have been adopted together. We are the result of people dumping off their cats in the country, without getting them sterilized and hoping that someone will take them in. We are lucky that the nice people caught us and took us somewhere so we can find a real home. And these two beauties will have a forever home together.**

## Raffle Tickets Help Support

All members received two packets of raffle tickets for the drawings and Puttin' on the Dog . . . & Cat. This is AWL's largest fundraiser event, and all proceeds support our mission to Save Them All.

Usually, the sale of the raffle tickets is a big part of AWL's profit from the event, so please send in your modest \$10.00 payment for the two books of twelve tickets (a bargain) and the stubs with your name and phone number. You DO NOT need to be present to win!

Also, you can sell to neighbors, and people can buy them at Waggin' Wheel Vet Clinic. Support AWL!

## "No Fleas" Flea Market & Bake Sale Venue Change

Our semi-annual event is changing venue for October: it will be at the Coronado Center, Rooms 5&6 next to the Library. We'll be able to display more items!

Set aside Friday, October 4 from 5:00-7:00 to bring items to the Coronado Center. The sale is Saturday, October 5 from 8:00-1:00. We will, as always, have a bake sale, too, organized by Martha Goldman.

Begin setting aside those items to bring to clean your closets and help our animals. We take household items, seasonal decorations (big this time of year), small furniture that can be carried out, nick-knacks, jewelry, and clothing accessories (but no clothing).

Many thanks to Chari Larimore & Judy Sierocuk and our volunteers who help organize and sell—these little flea markets and bake sales yield good profit for the pets.

## Holiday Wishes Campaign

**Help Us Win \$100K in Holiday Wishes from the Petco Foundation!**

Does the pet you adopted from Hot Springs Village Animal Welfare League brighten your life every day? Of course, it does! The Petco Foundation is celebrating how pets brighten our lives by inviting adopters, like you, to share your story about how your pet brightens your life to give us the chance at a \$100,000 grant award + a Petco shopping spree and BOBS from Skechers shoes for you!

Submit your story by Monday, Sept. 23 at noon CST at [petcofoundation.org/holidaywishes](http://petcofoundation.org/holidaywishes).

Write your story in 500 words or less. Visit [petcofoundation.org/holidaywishes](http://petcofoundation.org/holidaywishes) to read prior year's winning entries and get some inspiration.

Include one photo of your pet by him/herself, one photo of you or your family with your pet and up to two other photos to illustrate how your pet brightens your life and changes it for the better. Pets must have been adopted from our organization, and they must be living to qualify. You can add video too.

**Nancy Harlan & Laura Allworth will help you polish your story and take photos & videos for the submission.**

In 2017 Debe Jolliff's story about her father's adoption of cat Jerry earned a grant of \$25,000, so we know our adopters have heartwarming tales to share. Maybe your story will win for you and for AWL!!!

*"When a man loves cats, I am his friend and comrade, without further introduction."  
~ Mark Twain*

## Happy Tails

**Forestina** (now Muffin) and her three tiny siblings were found under a deck alone and abandoned. They must have had human contact because they were so friendly. The babies were taken to one of our wonderful foster homes to be cared for and socialized. Then one day a family came from Little Rock looking for a kitten for their daughter. They had a small dog that needed a playmate, also. Pretty Forestina was the lucky one. Her name is now Muffin and she is happy with her new family. Here is a note and pictures from her adopter.



"Muffin is now 1 year old!!! We just saw the vet Saturday to get her shots updated & to get flea/tick/ear mites prevention. She is a very patient, sweet and playful. We are in love! Thanks for giving our family a new member. Here are some pics over the past 8 months. She now weights 10 lbs and is in excellent health! Much love..."

Salem (formerly **Ti-gress**) will have a great life with her new family. She lives with 2 parents, 1 grandma, human brother and sister and a canine sister.



Lots of attention for Salem!

**Gwen** (now Luna) is also adopted. We knew she was one of the sweetest girls ever and her new mom fell in love with her. No surprise!



**Amos Hart & Billy Flynn**, named after characters in the musical "Chicago," these two young boys were stars in Benton at our Petco adoption Saturdays. They found a forever home and now live in Hot Springs,



where they play all day with each other to the delight of their adopter. Now known as Skeeter and Scooter, they will grow up together and live happily ever after.

***"Once you have had a wonderful dog, a life without one is a life diminished."***  
~ Dean Koontz

## July Stats

Adopted: 15 cats & 8 dogs  
 HUG: 1 dog transported  
 1 cat to sanctuary  
 Taken in: 20 cats & 16 dogs  
 S/N total of owned pets (not AWL adoptions) through clinics & vouchers:  
 2019 total = 436  
 Total since 2007 = 5,775



Beautiful Shoog is such a sweet and intelligent girl! Her playful demeanor served her well as she found a new family to love her and be committed to her. She promises lots of love and loyalty in return. Shoog has not been in the best of situations recently but we have assured her that her future will be much better now that she has found her new loving home.



*"If a man aspires to a righteous life, his first act of abstinence is from injury to animals."  
~ Leo Tolstoy*



**K.C. (for cute & cuddly)** was surrendered and has a heartwarming tale for a 20-year-old cat. She's a Siamese with front paws declawed who needed a home. KC greets you with meowing or rolling on her back for lovin.' She has lived with other cats, dogs and children, so she's ready for anything. She a more of her nine lives to share obviously with her new family.

## Calendar Dates

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

September 16-17—Spay/Neuter Clinic in Paron.

Tuesday, September 24—Puttin' on the Dog . . . & Cat, Coronado Center.

October 5—"No Fleas" Flea Market & Bake Sale (more info later), Coronado Center Rooms 5&6.

November 30—Colt & the Old 45s at Woodlands Auditorium. Part of proceeds will benefit AWL. (more info later)

## Donate Easily at No Cost to You

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!

## Help Wanted

**Fundraiser Coordinator**— Not to DO it, but to help coordinate it. Contact Sue Luse @ 915-8562. The coordination is superbly organized, so all you need to do is spearhead it.

**Please consider becoming AC Workers**—We still need Animal Care Workers and Guest Relations at the Adoption Center! Call Janice to find out more & volunteer at 209-9086. Without you, we will have to close the AC for another day.

## 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 \$31,340.00.**

The July Champions drawing winner was Elizabeth Ryan who won \$490. Champions is open to non-members, too. Use a credit card on our website or send an email to [hsvawlsec@gmail.com](mailto:hsvawlsec@gmail.com) to join. Please tell your friends about it.