



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.

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Help Us Go (HUG) Program volunteers needed!

The HUG program is a big part of the AWL's adoption success. It is a road trip for dogs. Hot Springs Village and neighboring areas cannot adopt all the animals we get into the adoption center. So, the AWL has partnered with other rescues in the northeast that have a need for these dogs and through the HUG program the dogs (& occasionally cats) are transported to their new "fur"-ever homes. Every time our dogs are transported, a variety of functions need to be completed:

Driver/Co-pilot teams - 2 person teams are needed to drive the AWL van to Little Rock. The van needs to depart from the shelter on Thursday by 4:00 AM, meetup with a transport van from the rescue and then return to the shelter.

Dog Bathers - 2 person teams to bathe dogs on Wednesday afternoon prior to departure.

Van Prep and Clean up - Move the van and prep it on Wednesday. Clean up on Thursday and return to the storage garage.

To volunteer or if you have questions, please contact Nancy Wagner at 224-558-3321 or at nwagnerart@gmail.com. We can't do this without our volunteers!

"No Fleas" Flea Market is still happening October 10!

Yes, we'll probably still be wearing our stylish masks. With capacity limits, we'll be rotating patrons in and out as fast as we can. There are four ways you can help the AWL make this event a success: donate items for the sale, talk the sale up to your friends, purchase treasures at the sale, and volunteer to help setup and staff the event. **Sale is from 8:00-1:00.**

Because of the pandemic, donations are down. Postponing "Girls Gotta Howl" isn't helping our financial picture either. So we've rented the auditorium at the Coronado Center, and we need LOTS of donated items to fill it up. Clean out those closets, cupboards, sheds, and garages! Decorator pieces, seasonal decorations, collectibles, kitchen and bath linens and accessories, lamps, tools, jewelry, pet supplies, and rugs (to name a few) are all very welcomed. Please, no clothing or large furniture. **Bring PRICED items Friday night, October 9, 4:00-7:00 pm.**

Volunteer opportunities: We need 6-7 people on Friday night from 4:00-7:00 to receive donations and display them. We also need 12 people to work the event the next day. To volunteer, call Beverly Fitzpatrick at 214-632-5314. Don't let AWL down!

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



Alpha



Twinkle Eyes

Alpha & Twinkle Eyes, two siblings, were brought in with their littermates, and these two precious kittens were adopted together. Now they can continue to play together, cuddle, and groom each other all day long (between naps). AWL recommends that kittens be adopted in pairs unless there is another cat in the house for them to play with, so these two will have lots of fun.

Adoption Center Update

We remain closed to the public, but volunteers are coming into the adoption center to care for the dogs and cats. Masks are required, along with social distancing. We remain committed to provide a clean, sanitary, and safe environment for the volunteers and animals. Big Thanks to all the volunteers who have been helping inside the adoption center!

Janice Dean has been working hard to provide new volunteer orientation and as a result we have several new volunteers. If you see a new face- please introduce yourself! Thanks Janice for all you do!

In the last *Rescue Report*, we described a new Puppy Patrol that was formed to help with puppy socialization with **Nancy Wagner** as team leader. Once the puppies are healthy and vaccinated they are allowed to go to the outside dog pen. Inside the dog pen is a new puppy pen with artificial grass to let them play safely. Big Thanks to **Warren Taylor** for assembling the pen! The Puppy Patrol's first litter of puppies were transported recently to their new homes, so a happy ending for all—thanks to AWL and our volunteers.

If you are interested in AWL's Adoption Center volunteer opportunities, please contact Melanie Marshall at 817-909-7042 or melmarshallo99@msn.com. Contact Nancy Wagner about Puppy Patrol at 224-558-3321 or at nwagnerart@gmail.com.

*"God made the cat in order that
Man might have Pleasure of
caressing the Lion."
~ Fernand Mery*

In the Spotlight for Adoption

Beauty is, well, simply a beauty in appearance and personality. This petite and gentle cat seems to get along with everyone-pets and people! Beauty was brought to us when her owner could no longer care for a companion pet. She will listen carefully and quietly while you tell her all about your day. Beauty also likes to play with dangle wands or bat the stuffed mouse around. Beauty is looking for a new place to call home and a new person, or family, to call her own.



Beauty

What a show stopper! Sweet **Darcy** is such a beauty! This good natured girl just loves people and greets everyone with an enthusiastic tail wag. She is quite the social butterfly and enjoys playing with the other dogs at the shelter. She is enjoying her walks on a leash and is still a puppy so will need a family that will teach her good manners so she will be the dog that everyone will love to be with. She is also eager to learn new skills and tricks. Darcy is a 5 month old lab mix and weighs about 27 pounds and will probably be a medium size girl when full grown. Darcy would love to be your new friend.



Darcy

Call Nancy Jones about cats at 922-6444; contact Shelley Shepherd about dogs at 591-625-9901. AWL has the ones for your heart!

Happy Tails

Our gifted photographer **Jennifer Kallas** sent this: “**Wesley** was adopted a few months back by one of my neighbors. I get to see him quite a bit. He loves to go kayaking on Lake Pineda.” It looks like Wesley and his family have an adventure-filled



life!
Thanks, Jennifer, for the update & great photos!

Here’s a tale about one of AWL’s kittens now living in Louisiana, as our pets are adopted beyond Arkansas. Little **Sleepy** (we didn’t name him - the people who had the mother cat did) is bigger now but just as sweet. Yes, he is a striking gray. He is a very calm kitten and is going to be a lover, not a curtain climber. This is why our adoption coordinators helped his new family choose him. He was adopted by the son and soon-to-be daughter-in-law of a Villager who adopted kittens from AWL. When visiting, the younger couple decided they, too, wanted a kitten. Since they had not had a kitten, we knew they needed a potential lapcat, not a wild child, so Sleepy caught their eyes and hearts.



How to Say Goodbye—the Gift of Euthanasia

We all know—it is always so agonizing when we see a beloved companion suffer, and the decision for the best possible outcome for this loved pet weighs on us. Here is an article with some pointers so you can come to a peaceful decision in your pet’s interest and you can know you were supportive without guilt. Click [here](#) for the article.

This is a quality of life scale called the HHHHHMM, developed by Pawspice pioneer Dr. Alice Villalobos. Some points from the article:

“Our pets only think in present time. They exist in the now. Even if you’re five hours late coming home, they’re still full of joy and not mad at you. They’re just happy to see you now, because they exist in the now.”

“If they’re suffering now, that’s all they know, and if there are too many times of suffering, frustration and bleakness builds up. When there’s no light at the end of the tunnel, we must ask ourselves why we’re encouraging our pets to continue walking that dark path.”

“The human hospice philosophy simply doesn’t apply at the end of an animal’s life. They’re here to enjoy the moment. If their quality of life is poor with no hope of improvement, it’s up to us as their protectors not to make them endure further suffering.”

**“When the Man waked up he said,
‘What is Wild Dog doing here?’
And the Woman said, ‘His name is
not Wild Dog any more, but the
First Friend, because he will be
our friend for always and always
and always.” ~ Rudyard Kipling**

July Stats

Adoptions:

8 dogs, 17 cats

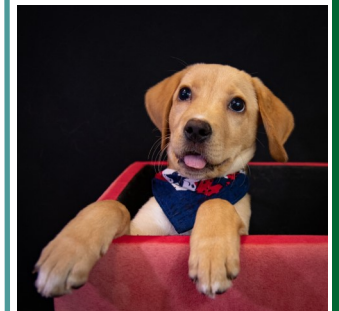
HUG transfers:

13 dogs

Cat returned to field TNR = 1

Spay/Neuter:

Vouchers are still being given.



Little Boomer showed up on someone’s back porch and was brought to the shelter. How was a little guy this adorable not claimed? Boomer is a really sweet lab mix that is just under 3 months old. He is thriving in his foster home and loves to play with the other dogs. Now he has the home of his dreams because his fosters adopted him! Hummm . . . perhaps a new and totally different meaning for “OK, Boomer”!

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*"Behind every successful animal rescue is a group of dedicated people putting up with the most unimaginable bullshit from the most unrelenting assholes while righting the most unfathomable wrongs."
~ Unknown*



River came to us after being found hanging out on a back porch. He was trying to disguise himself as a puddle by being still and enjoying the sunshine.

River is a gentle little guy, but full grown. He likes to talk and will gaze at you with bright green eyes when you answer. River is front paw declawed and bats the stuffed mice all around. It looks like he found just the home he needs!

Calendar Dates

Daily until further notice—AC Closed—Adoptions continue! Animal Control remains open.

August 25 & 26—Paron Spay/Neuter Clinic CANCELED! Vouchers are still being given.

October 9—Bring **priced** flea market donations to Coronado Center, 4-7 p.m.

October 10—"No Fleas" Flea Market, Coronado Ballroom, 8 a.m.—1 p.m.

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 Village at the same time!

Golden Paws Society—AWL's Golden Paws Society, a legacy gift program, lets you support our lifesaving work for animals in need well into the future. Legacy giving is for anyone who wants to create a lasting impact that will live on beyond their lifetime. Talk with your attorney or financial advisor about it.

Help Wanted

Work from home! The spay/neuter program needs a computer proficient person to enter information on-line and print documents. Must be able to use Microsoft Excel and Mail Merge. Laptop, all supplies, and training provided. Call Angela Nickols @ 915-0832 or Debe Jolliff @ 915-2252.

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 AWL proceeds to date are \$37,165.00.**

The July Champions drawing winner was Norman Hansen who won \$475. 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.