



HSV Animal Welfare League

September 2020

Inside:

- Annual Meeting Contingency Plans
- In the Spotlight for Adoption
- Happy Tails
- Fun Facts About Cats & Dogs
- Calendar
- Donate Easily at No Cost to You
- Help Wanted
- Why Register My Dog with the POA?
- Champions Update

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

President - Susan Luse
1st VP - Shelley Shepherd
2nd VP - Nancy Harlan
Treasurer - Debe Jolliff
Secretary - Janet Kincheloe
At-Large - Mary McCullough
At-Large - Melanie Marshall
At-Large - Jill Jones
At-Large - Warren Taylor

EDITOR: Nancy Harlan
contactus@hsvawl.org



An Arkansas Nonprofit
Corporation and 501(c)(3)
IRS tax exempt corporation
www.hsvawl.org

Adoption Center:

195 Cloaca Lane
Hot Springs Village, AR
Phone: (501) 915-9337
Mail: P.O. Box 8032
HSV, AR 71910-8032

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

Raffle Tickets Have Been Mailed

Even though we cannot host a Girls Gotta Howl where we normally have a raffle drawing, AWL is drawing the winners on October 12, 2020, at the Adoption Center at 2 p.m. AWL will abide by the restrictions in place regarding number of people gathered together and mandatory masks, the results will be immediately released, so you do not need to be present to win,

These tickets are a big part of our support, and because we are not enjoying GGH, we sincerely need your support for the raffle. All members received two books of a total of 12 tickets, and AWL asks that you return the stubs with name & number along with a check for \$10.00 (or more if you wish) in the envelope provided.

If you want additional tickets, contact Sandie Rickerman at 1-501-574-2628. Thanks again for your continued support for the animals.

Adoption Center Update

The upgrades are almost complete, and AWL will toot our horns in celebration once the exterior is painted. Remember, the Adoption Center remains closed to the public, but adoptions are speeding along by appointment only. We simply don't quit our work to Save Them All.

"No Fleas" Flea Market & Bake Sale 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 & baked goods, 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.**

Plan to shop and buy new treasures and luscious baked goods. The "No Fleas" Flea Market & Bake Sale is always well attended, so we want to see you there. Don't let AWL down!

Rescue Report

Page 2

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



Breakky (short for Breakfast), and Nilly (short for Vanilla) were brought in together as a bonded pair. Although not necessarily related, they are both 2-years-old and love the same fun playtime since they grew up together. AWL is so happy they found their forever home together.

Annual Meeting Contingency Plans

Because of the restrictions on in-person gatherings, the BOD is developing contingency plans to conduct the annual meeting and vote for directors and officers.

All members will receive detailed information in a separate email, and if they don't have an email, they will receive it via USPS.

The Bylaws require an annual meeting at a time the BOD announces to do two things:

1. To provide a summary of activities and financial information for the past year.
2. To allow members in good standing to vote for directors and officers.

The Bylaws do not state that a "meeting" must be in-person, so the BOD is making plans that will allow the members to receive the summary information and cast ballots without endangering anyone with exposure to infections.

Watch for the emails and mail!

A little chuckle for your day from a well-known comedian:

"I gave my cats a bath the other day . . . they love it. He sat there, he enjoyed it, it was fun for me. The fur would stick to my tongue, but other than that . . ." Steve Martin, comedian and actor

"There is something about the presence of a cat . . . that seems to take the bite out of being alone."

~ Louis J. Camuti

In the Spotlight for Adoption

Peaches is an orange and white tabby whose mom was a Siamese. Peaches is just a year old and became a sweetheart.



She found a happy home with **Sunshine** until

their owner passed away. Playful with older grand kids and you, Peaches loves to chase that shoestring and Sunshine is playful, too. Peaches and Sunshine will be best adopted together for a happy life with you.

Jolie is a sweet, 10-year-old senior girl that is regal like a princess but is low-key and laid back. She is not demanding at all and enjoys going for leisurely walks and just chilling out. She will be great company for some-



one wanting a companion that is calm, housetrained, and really no trouble at all. Jolie is a Maremma Sheepdog and spent her early years on a large farm, working, guarding her flock. She has mostly been a pet in recent years. She really wants a yard where she can relax and play and run around but will want to be inside with her people also.

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

Sweet Nova (formerly **Tabitha**) came to the shelter as a stray and was afraid of humans.

Now she is living her best life with her new family. She gets to swim everyday and play with her 2 canine brothers in her huge backyard.



Tabitha was semi-feral when she came to us so this just shows you what dedication from the volunteers and a whole lot of love can do to change a pet. Many thanks to AWL volunteers who dedicated time and showered this sweet girl with love.



This is Toby, formerly **Eddie**. He was a stray that has found a new home, and it looks like a forever home.



His new forev-

er Mom says he likes to eat, sleep, and cuddle so she's sure they will get along just fine.



Fun Facts About Cats & Dogs

Dogs and almost all other quadrupeds walk differently from all felines. You have seen your cat move stealthily, smoothly, and have been amazed at the grace she displays.

Cats are capable of walking very precisely because, like all felines including big cats, they directly register; that is, they place each hind paw (almost) directly in the print of the corresponding fore paw, minimizing noise and visible tracks. That's right fore, right rear, then left fore and left rear. This also provides sure footing for their hind paws when they navigate rough terrain.

So, they leave usually only two prints, not the four of a quadruped, good for disguise. Yet it is scientifically energy-inefficient, leading to need for food and sleep. It is also how they maneuver through obstacles without knocking them over (unless they want to knock something off the table).

[Here's](#) a video of direct register.

Dogs, horses, and other four-legged friends often walk with both feet on each side, but they do not directly register. Also, they first move their rear foot, and then the front foot. So, it's right rear, right front, left rear, left front. Scientists say it is a more energy efficient method, allowing them to cover greater distances than the cats who are stalking.

[Here's](#) a video of normal dog gaits.

AWL hopes you find this interesting and you further appreciate your furry friends.

*"One reason a dog can be such a comfort when you're feeling blue is that he doesn't try to find out why."
~ Anonymous*

August Stats

Adoptions:

8 dogs, 26 cats

HUG transfers:

7 dogs

Spay/Neuter:

Vouchers are still being given.



Abby was cared for by her owner's daughter after the owner's death, but she had to live outside. So that she could have a better life with more love and attention, they surrendered her. Now this cute Doxie is living a life fit for her good nature and she won't have to be out in the elements all of the time. She probably is even allowed to relax on the sofa for some loving!

Rescue Report

Page 4



"Animals have no voice. They can't ask for help. They can't ask for freedom. They can't ask for protection. Humanity must be their voice."
~ A.D. Williams



Leopold was found abandoned with his two siblings, and he became a lover boy. He gets along with kids, dogs, and other cats, so it was hard for his adopter to resist this adorable guy!

Calendar Dates

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

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

October 10—"No Fleas" Flea Market & Bake Sale, 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 donate and exercise in the Village at the same time!

Help Wanted

AWL needs a scheduler for the adoption center. It requires work from home and skills needed are past experience with calendar scheduling, and some Excel. The schedulers rotate months so the time commitment is every 3rd month. Please contact Melanie Marshall #817-909-7042 or melmarshallo99@msn.com

AWL also needs a volunteer to provide computer technical assistance at the Adoption Center. If interested or for questions contact Debe Jolliff #501-915-2252 or debe3@att.net.

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 \$38,095.00.**

The August Champions drawing winner was Suzanne New who won \$470. 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.