



# HSV Animal Welfare League

## November 2020

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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

### BOD Elections

As explained in the email and USPS mail (for those without email), AWL did not conduct an annual meeting, but asked for votes for officers and directors via email/mail. Here are the results:

Place 1 – President – Susan Luse  
 Place 2 – 1st VP – Shelley Shepherd  
 Place 3 – Treasurer – Debe Jolliff  
 Place 4 – At-Large – Laura Allworth  
 Place 5 – At-Large – Jill Jones  
 Place 10 – At-Large – Janene Howell

All candidates were elected unanimously, and will assume their positions on January 1, 2021.

**Many thanks to these fine people who selflessly volunteer to give of their time and talent to help us save the homeless animals in our care. Also, thanks to all members who support AWL and voted so that we could achieve a quorum to ensure that the voting counted. Here's to a Great 2021 for AWL!!!**

### Adoption Center Update

The upgrades are almost complete, and AWL will yell "Hooray!" once it is complete. Remember, the Adoption Center remains closed to the public, but adoptions are speeding along by appointment only.

### Grant & Donations

Saline County awarded AWL a Spay/Neuter Grant for \$15,000. Holy Trinity Episcopal Church donated \$1,035 from their Blessing of the Animals event. As noted on p. 3, the 1st Annual K9 Costume Party donated \$550. Thanks to all of these for your help for our homeless pets.

### Amazing Volunteer Hand-Feeds Kittens

Longtime AWL volunteer **Cheryl Schaefer** knows cats. She & husband **Chad** have been cat fosters for years, even expanding their garage to create a room just for fosters. Cheryl has a team of dedicated Cat Cuddlers who come to her home daily to help feed, clean, and most importantly socialize the cats. They help, but. . . .

That's not the entire story. When AWL gets tiny kittens with no mama to feed them, we can have a lactating female feed the litter. If not, Cheryl dons her Superwoman cape and takes over, handfeeding them every 2-3 hours if less than 2 weeks old and then every 4-6 hours. That's dedication!



**Thanks, Cheryl (and supportive Chad)!**

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



**Sometimes mom knows best. That was certainly the case for these kittens. Mom found a sympathetic stranger who got her to the vet just after she had her babies. Bogart & Bacall are two of those babies. They have been mom and people raised since then and are as wonderful as you think they would be. They have been adopted together so they can play forever!**

## Spay & Neuter Successes

**Angela Nickols**, our Spay/Neuter organizer and chair, offered these happy statistics: Because of the COVID 19 virus, we had to cancel two of our spay/neuter clinics this year. However, the local vets that participate in our s/n program have sterilized **309** cats and dogs from **March through July for a grand total of 6,664.**

## Can Dogs & Cats Eat Pumpkin? A Seasonal Question

As a matter of fact, pumpkin is a superfood for both dogs and cats — which means there are a ton of benefits! From this article:

**Digestive health:** It can help with constipation problems, help ease an upset stomach, or keep your dog or cat regular.

**Urinary health:** Both pumpkin flesh and seeds may benefit urinary health in cats and dogs. Seeds can be ground up and put on top of pet's regular food.

**Weight Loss:** You can sub out a portion of their regular food with equal parts of pureed pumpkin.

What to feed? Raw or pureed pumpkin and pumpkin seeds are beneficial. But, for canned pureed pumpkin, make sure you're getting pure pumpkin rather than the "pumpkin pie" version, which are full of sugars and other additives.

Read the entire article [here](#).

***"As anyone who has ever been around a cat for any length of time well knows, cats have enormous patience with the limitations of the human kind."  
~ Cleveland Amory***

## In the Spotlight for Adoption

**Fran** is a neutered orange tabby male (yes, we know that's an unusual name for a boy but that's what they called him) who is about 8 months old. Fran was raised with dogs & other cats so he's probably adaptable to nearly any household with pets. He will be a big boy



and will look forward to cuddling with you this winter. Come see him and the other cats, too.

**Presley** is a spayed female, cream color shepherd mix, about 9 years old. Sadly, she lost her home when her person could no longer care for her. Presley is housetrained, and has lived with a young dog. If you are looking for a calm, quiet dog, Presley would be a perfect new companion.

She walks well on a leash and loves to lie outside and watch the world go by.



She also likes to be inside with her family, perfect for the winter nights, so come meet this lovely girl.

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

## Happy Tails

Kitten update! Romeo (formerly Dorito), Maggie (formerly Tori), and Milo (formerly Tux) all came from AWL. "Romeo enjoys getting into every single thing – and loves to snuggle. Maggie's favorite past time is helping with laundry and burrowing under blankets. Milo loves treat time and bird watching out the window. We love them so much and are so glad we were able to adopt them from the HSVAWL."



As a handsome senior boy, **Everest** offered a host of benefits. He has a calm temperament and excellent house manners. He is friendly to all, including people, dogs, and cats.



When AWL receives such a wonderful family dog, it's puzzling that he was a stray and no one claimed him, but our adoption coordinator **Shelley Shepherd** and foster **Janice Dean** do not give up. While Everest has been around the block a few times (8-10 years old), he is still ready for a new adventure. A Bassett Hound mix, he has lots of love to give but is also a special needs dog with medical concerns. That's why Shelley was waiting for just the right person. His adopter is a veterinarian who loves Bassett mixes, so distance was not a problem. Shelley & Janice drove him to St. Louis to meet his new Michigan adopter for a forever home!

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## Canine Halloween!

The **1st Annual K9 Costume Party** at DeSoto Club patio on Halloween was filled with dogs in fun costumes and food galore for people on a lovely fall day!

Sponsored by **Ben E. Keith & Miller Lite**, and graciously organized by **Bryan Garrett**, the new chef at DeSoto Club, and our AWL **Sharron Montgomery**, AWL was the recipient of their generosity with **\$550!** **Anita Cox** and her daughter **Toni** from **Sweet Treats Bakery** provided baked treats, too. Thanks also to **Kim Massey**, POA Human Resources Manager, and to the **staff at the DeSoto Club** for their valuable assistance.

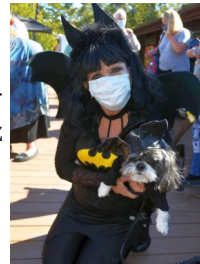
Here are the winners in their glory:

1st place - "Jessie - the Budweiser Dog" and Allison & Mark Allen



2nd place - "Poppy - the Bad Pet" and Sue Avery

3rd place - "Sophie - the Batgirl" and Liz Lovelace



*"A well-trained dog will make no attempt to share your lunch. He will just make you feel so guilty that you cannot enjoy it."  
~ Helen Thomson*

## October Stats

Adoptions:  
7 dogs, 28 cats  
HUG transfers:  
4 dogs  
Spay/Neuter:  
Vouchers are still being given.



**Briggs** (now named **Shadow**), is a happy-go-lucky 8 month old Lab mix who is full of energy. He loves to play with the other dogs, run in the pen and go for walks. He would love a fenced yard to run in. **Briggs** is only about 8 months old so would love for his adopter to train him so he can have the best manners in the neighborhood. **Briggs** weighs 49 pounds and is a lab mix.

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*"I don't believe in the concept of hell, but if I did I would think of it as filled with people who were cruel to animals."  
~ Gary Larson*



Melody (now Melly) was a Village stray who had 5 kittens in August. (This photo is of her with the babies) At only 2 1/2 years old, she was friendly and looking for help. After her kittens were weaned, she found a forever home with one of AWL's volunteers here in the Village. So glad for her and her new family!

## Calendar Dates

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

Thanksgiving—Stay safe and fill your weekend with warm wishes to loved ones. Please be careful to wear a mask and avoid large gatherings to ensure everyone's future health and safety.

December 1-2, Tuesday & Wednesday—Spay/Neuter Clinic, Paron Volunteer Fire Department located at 22265 Hwy 9. Contact Dorothy at 501-226-5772 for an APPOINTMENT and more information.

## 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!

If you are planning to do online holiday shopping, please consider helping the HSV Animal Welfare League by using **Amazon Smile (smile.amazon.com)** and designating **Hot Springs Village Animal Welfare League** as your receiving charity.

## Help Wanted

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 \$38,565.00.**

The October Champions drawing winner was Beverly McFadden who won \$470, donating \$325 to AWL. 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.