



HSV Animal Welfare League

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Girls Gotta Howl Postponed Raffle Drawing Continues

Girls Gotta Howl!, the extremely popular event, was planned for September, but with the Covid restrictions, the AWL thinks it's best to **postpone** until more can enjoy it, tentatively during the spring in 2022.

AWL truly appreciates the interest so many have shown in this event and the fun you have had. We appreciate your understanding and look forward to a raucous Girls Gotta Howl in 2022!

We will let all know the new date, and the theme will be the same that we planned. If a group wants to reserve a table, one person must purchase 8 tickets. Your table will be ready for you and your friends. Join us for a "doggone good time!" at the O.K. Cat Corral.

Raffle Drawing: The raffle drawing will still be held on September 21 at the Adoption Center, so buy those tickets for chances at prizes to brighten your day.

"A cat doesn't go where it's invited. It appears where it's needed."

From Cleo: The Cat Who Mended a Family ~ Helen Brown

AWL Volunteers are Special

As an all-volunteer organization, AWL could not save hundreds of homeless pets a year without our numerous hard-working volunteers.

This month we spotlight just a **few of our behind-the-scenes volunteers** whose efforts and talents add to AWL's presence as a No-Kill Rescue nationwide.

One group is the **social media** group. These volunteers craft posts on Facebook and other sites to highlight our adoptable pets as well as our happy tails stories. **Robin Burns** has been the lead poster for the past months, but for much of the past year or so, **Sharron Montgomery** did that job and helped AWL maintain our presence. Also, **Jill Jones** posts to the Facebook site about our cat tales. These posts keep AWL's pets in the spotlight and circulated on the media. Their contribution is commendable and so necessary!

Our talented **photographer, Jennifer Kallas** takes amazing glamor shots of our pets for adoption, and we are sure her photos help our pets capture the hearts of those looking for a pet. In addition, she posts photos on her own Facebook page, adding to the publicity.

Our **Grant Committee** is constantly searching for chances to get funds, and

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



Bella lost her home when her owner passed and at 9 years of age, she deserved a loving home. Her new family is just what she needs, and AWL is so pleased for this sweet senior girl.

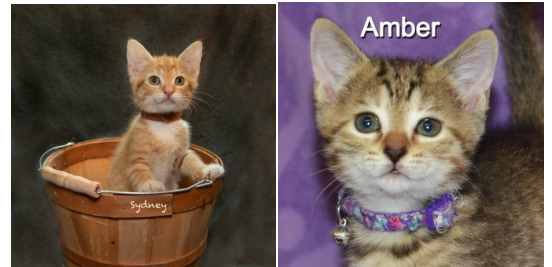
doing all of the work it takes to submit applications for grants. They have been responsible for many thousands of dollars in revenue for AWL in the past few years. Here are the members: **Angela Nickols, Nancy Jones, & Susan Senogles**. Many thanks to all of them for their research and work that earns AWL money!

Another group of volunteers is comprised of those who work with the **vet records**. Three people enter the records of the pets into our database, and these describe the pets as you see them in Adopt-a-Pet or Petfinder, as well as any upcoming vet action, such as booster shot or other vet visit. Thanks to **Nancy Jones**, who enters all of the kitten records, **Betsy Bailey** who enters all of the adult cat records, and **Shelley Shepherd** who enters all of the dog records. Another record-keeping task is auditing the vet records to be sure AWL pays what we should. **Betsy Bailey** audits the vet records for all of the cats and kittens, and **Annie Webster** audits those for all of the dogs. The long hours these folks give to AWL help maintain our accurate records and ultimately help us apply for and receive grants and other recognition.

Our **Bakers** provide luscious goodies to sell at events. These are the folks who bake away for AWL: **Janene Howell (Team Leader), Teri Parnell, Susan Hughes, Margaret Mulkey, Carol Gugel, Chari Larimore, Judy Sierocuk, Kathy Arkin, Sherry Phillips, Angela Nichols, Julie Keck, Brenda Bennett, Rose Ludeke, Theresa Deano, Connie Ballou, Chris Frantz, & Susan Taylor**.

In the Spotlight for Adoption

Kittens galore!!! AWL has 34 kittens in foster care, nearly all are young kittens. A few are too young for



adoption, but most are ready for a new home. Here are two examples of our wide variety of colors, and personalities: **Sydney & Amber**. Call to make an appointment to visit them.

Sweet **River** is an Australian Shepherd who was a stray in the middle of a busy road, possibly waiting for his people to come



get him. He clearly lived with a family, is housetrained, gets along with dogs, cats, children, and even likes his crate. He's about 6 years old and is looking for a loving home.

Call Nancy Jones about cats at 501-922-6444; contact Shelley Shepherd about dogs at 314-520-8674.

"Animals are more than ever a test of our character, of mankind's capacity for empathy and for decent, honorable conduct and faithful stewardship. We are called to treat them with kindness, not because they have rights or power or some claim to equality, but in a sense because they don't; because they all stand unequal and powerless before us." – Matthew Scully

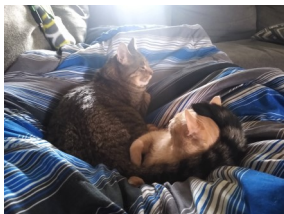
Ryan Lund Memorial

Donna Lund (Ryan’s mother and former s/n volunteer) said she wanted all donations in Ryan’s name to go to the AWL and be used to “make a big impact.” She knew of a feral cat situation at a Hot Springs store where employees were taking care of the cats. So, Angela Nickols arranged for the kittens to be taken to Kelly Vet for s/n and other health issues they might need. A pregnant cat will also be sterilized after the kittens are born.

AWL also knew of a woman in Greenwood, AR, desperately needing help with a semi-feral group of kittens. While we could not help with sheltering or adoptions, we could help with spay/neuter. A reduced cost vet in Fort Smith agreed to sterilize the entire colony & give rabies vaccines. 22 kittens were sterilized, treated for worms and fleas & ticks, and given their rabies shots. Total cost was \$1,842.00. These are beautiful kittens and will now have a better chance for adoption. **This was such a wonderful and generous act on Donna’s part in memory of Ryan. This has truly made a big impact!**

Happy Tails

An adopter wrote: “I wanted to reach out to you and let you know our babies (who are basically all grown up) are still doing great. **Moxie** (a.k.a Ken) got so big! He's like a little tiger! And **Millie** (previously Ava), the orange tabby, has gotten so pretty! They're really tuned into my kids and I just wanted to let you know how things are going.



“Millie is still the more playful, 'cat like' one. Moxie is more like a 'puppy cat' if that makes sense, he follows us around and is just a very good boy. I'm I hope everything is going smoothly with the rescuing. Moxie still likes to get up on my shoulders like he did to me the day I adopted them. It's adorable.

Tiny little **Danny** is a “teacup” Chihuahua, under 3 lbs., who lost his home. He is a senior, has a loving disposition, and needed a loving lap. He found that! Now he can live his last years being well-loved and pampered! A foster made this possible!



Grants

A **\$20,000 grant** was received from an **anonymous donor**, for which AWL is so appreciative. The BOD has discussed how it will use the funds and will announce later after final plans have been made.

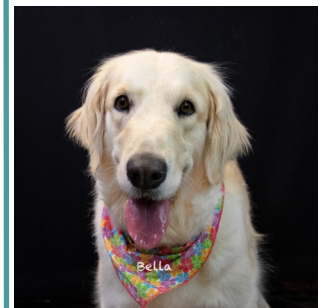
As in the past few years, AWL has helped adopters submit stories and photos to the Petco Love Foundation for a possibility to receive a grant. We have received some, so it’s a great opportunity for the adopter and AWL.

The grant committee has also submitted an application for an additional Petco grant. Keeping fingers crossed!

“You can say any foolish thing to a dog, and the dog will give you a look that says, 'Wow, you're right! I never would've thought of that!'”
 - Dave Barry

July Stats

Adoptions:
 3 dogs, 24 cats
 HUG transfers:
 4 dogs
 Spay/Neuter:
 38 vouchers used
 in June
 Grand total of s/n
 since 2007 is 7,627
 (does NOT include
 s/n of all of our
 AWL adopted dogs
 and cats—only
 community animals)



Bella is a 2+ year old Golden Retriever who was surrendered to AWL. This beautiful girl has excellent house manners, and does enjoy time outdoors, perhaps on a deck. AWL continues to pay for her heartworm treatment, which her new family will continue as they enjoy her company immensely, and she theirs. So happy for her new home!

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"It's funny how dogs and cats know the inside of folks better than other folks do, isn't it?"
-Eleanor H. Porter

Village True Hardware has been collecting change from customers and donating to local charities. AWL was the July recipient.

Calendar Dates

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

September 8-9—Spay/Neuter Clinic, Fountain Lake Fire Station

September 21—Raffle drawing at the Adoption Center. Buy those tickets!

November 1-2—Spay Neuter Clinic, Paron Community Center.

Wanted: Spay/Neuter Clinic Helpers

Only 4 clinics a year! Our clinics provide a huge service, and we need a backup cashier and other volunteers. Call Angela at 501-915-0832 for more information.

Give from AWL Wish List

AWL has a Wish List on Amazon, so if you are thinking of donating to the pets who are in our care, please donate from this list. These are specific items that AWL has decided are beneficial for the care and well being of our cats and dogs, from food to chew toys. Click on this [link](#) to see the list. We hope you find items you want to donate—our pets will be grateful!

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 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.**

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 are not used for the care 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 \$42,810.00.**

The July Champions winner was B.J. Pritchett who won \$460 and donated it all 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.