

HSV Animal Welfare League

December 2021

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Rescue Report

Adoption Center Opens in January with Reduced Hours

Our dedicated volunteers continue to come to the AC to care for our animals, and now the Board has decided that we will open the AC to the public on a limited schedule.

Beginning January 3, 2022, the hours will be from 12 noon until 3:00 p.m., Monday through Saturday.

Adoptions: As always, if you are interested in perhaps adopting a pet, you can submit an adoption application on our website or email adoptions@hsvawl.org, and an adoption coordinator will get back with you.

November Election Results

Last month we announced the new/returning Board members, and AWL appreciates the members who voted so we could meet our quorum requirement. The votes were overwhelmingly positive for this new Board.

All of these officers and directors will take office in January 2022. Once they are installed, the BOD will have a new organizational chart to designate which programs each director will be responsible for. We can only save them all with your support!

Donations Update

So far (and the end of the year is not yet here) the donations just from the holiday card mailing have totaled over **\$8,800.** Our animals thank all who have donated and all who yet intend to do so.

Also, generous folks donated \$2,680 via Giving Tuesday and \$1,134 in donations from Facebook-based birthday fundraising. Did you know you can ask for birthday donations to AWL on Facebook? People respond to that since it shows your passionate cause. Try it!

Good News About No-Kill!

AWL is a member of the Best Friends No-Kill Network, and here is some remarkable news from Best Friends: "Since Best Friends declared the goal to achieve no-kill in every community across the country by 2025, 3.4 million more lives have been saved in our nation's shelters and the national save rate is now 83%. That's phenomenal — and that's how far-reaching your support has been

"As of 2020, **nearly half of all shelters in the U.S. are no-kill**. And Best Friends is dedicated to partnering with shelters nationwide to provide lifesaving support."

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November Stats

Adoptions:
7 dogs, 21 cats
HUG transfers:
1 dog
Spay/Neuter:
21 vouchers used
in November
Total S/N from beginning of program
= 7979 in our Arkansas community
of owned pets

"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
(Creator of "The
Far Side")

Calendar Dates

Beginning Jan. 3, 2022—AC opens to public from 12 noon—3:00 p.m. Adoptions continue! Animal Control remains open.

Best Friends Cont'd

To find out more about Best Friends, their story, and their amazing sanctuary located in Kanab, Utah, click on this <u>link</u>. AWL encourages you to support Best Friends as an animal lover. AWL has sent one of our dogs to the sanctuary where it was loved, had additional training, and learned to be adoptable, soon finding a forever home.

Lost Pets

The bustle of the holiday, the fireworks, and open doors, can lead to pets getting lost. Please be aware of your pet's location and report to Animal Control at 922-6547 or send photo and where lost to LilyAlert@hsvawl.org.

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 <u>link</u> 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!

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 \$44,670.00**.

The November Champions winner was Linda Fite who won \$470.00 & donated \$200.00 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.