



A No-Kill Animal Shelter
Peewee's
 Pet Adoption World & Sanctuary, Inc.

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Winter 2007

Letter from the President

Dear Valued Supporter,

In the blink of an eye, it seems that 2007 has passed us by, but not before so much has been accomplished at YOUR Peeweess Shelter. We hope, from the previous newsletters you received this year, that you have approved of the manner in which your money was spent to maintain and update the facility.

The dreams of 2008 will consist of finishing the cat building and isolation runs which are still under construction. They should be functional and in full use by the end of January. Also on our wish list is to build more dog runs that will allow us to increase our capacity twofold. Lord knows with all the unwanted and abused strays that exist in this community, we need all the cage space we can get. We are counting on your generosity and loving heart for animals to accomplish this task.

For those interested, you will be glad to know that we have already surpassed the 800 adoption count for this year, which is a new record for us and, with a little luck during the holiday season, we hope to break the 1000 barrier. That would truly be awesome!!

With the holidays upon us, I would like, on behalf of the entire board of directors at Peeweess, to wish you a safe and joyous season. I would also like to thank you for allowing us to exceed our expectations for this past year which would not have been possible without your generosity. Here's to a great 2008 for each and everyone of us!!

Sincerely,
 Alan W. Garrett D.V.M.
 President, Peewee's P.A.W.S.



Winter Fundraisers

Picture Your Pets With Santa – This event will be running inside **PETSMART** at Moore Plaza Saturday and Sunday December 15th and 16th from 11am to 4pm. Bring your cats, dogs, ferrets, birds, horses, cows, etc. for a lovely memory photo. **PETSMART** will donate \$5 for each photo purchased to Peewee's Pet Adoption.



Zootoo.com Shelter Makeover – You can help Peewee's win a shelter makeover valued up to one million dollars! All you have to do is log on to zootoo.com/makeover and pick Peewee's as your shelter of choice. Then, you can join the Zootoo community where you can rate and review pet products and services. There is so much you can do to help us win. Peewee's gets points for every review, rating, video, and picture uploaded which increases our chances of winning. It's fun, easy, and free! If you have any questions please call 1-877-580-7387.



Thank You's

We would like to extend a heartfelt thank you to Father Paul Roman of the Priestly Fraternity of Saint Peter and his companion pet, Angel, who he adopted from Peewee's. Father Paul came out to Peewee's and blessed all of our homeless pets on October 3rd, the day of St. Francis of Assisi, the patron saint of the animals and the environment.



Thank you to Sean Poe of Boy Scout Troop 16 for picking Peewee's as the place to complete his Eagle Scout Project. He constructed a badly needed storage building at our new shelter to earn his title as Eagle Scout, the highest rank in Boy Scouts. Now we can store everything we need on a daily basis right next to the dog runs.





Win a Quilt

Eva Bender, a long time Peewee's volunteer, has donated another quilt in her effort to encourage your donations. This quilt incorporates a beautiful cross-stitched eagle and flower design that was embroidered and pieced by our friend, Eva Bender. She donates one every year for this event. Every person that donates \$50 or more from now until December 23rd, 2007 will be entered in a drawing to win the quilt. Eva jokes that it took her from 1945 to 1972 to finish her first quilt, but after her retirement in 1990, she has made and donated many quilts to charity. Thank you Eva!



Volunteer of the Quarter – Maribeth Duffy

Maribeth is a CPA and owns a manufacturing company where she works full time. She has been volunteering at Peewee's for more than nine years. Through the years, she has manned adoption sites, socialized and fostered cats and kittens, and even attended a training course in California at her own expense to bring back ideas to help Peewee's. Maribeth and her husband, Pete, are generous donors to Peewee's. The Duffy's other family members are three wonderful cats: Daisy, Fearless, and Blue.

For several years now, Maribeth has been hosting our board meetings, keeping the mailing list current, sending out thank you notes for all donations, and updating the website when needed. Her willingness to dedicate so many hours every single week above her already busy schedule is amazing and remarkable.



Maribeth asked us to encourage you to volunteer. She said, "There is a volunteer job out there that will suit your lifestyle and schedule no matter how busy you are, and the satisfaction is immeasurable." Thank you Maribeth for all you do to help Peewee's.

"Dogs are our link to paradise. They don't know evil or jealousy or discontent. To sit with a dog on a hillside on a glorious afternoon is to be back in Eden, where doing nothing was not boring--it was peace." - Milan Kundera



Cantwell, A Puppy Scarred for Life!

We would like to see the person jailed who, according to our veterinarian, poured acid on this puppy's back and dumped him on Leopard and Cantwell. He was thin, scared, withdrawn, and in pain. His wounds were grossly infected with green puss running down his back, and he had a high fever. Luckily after a few days of medical treatment and food, he became happy, loving, and playful. It became obvious to us that he would be hard to place because he would never grow hair on the large scar that runs the whole length of his back, but we continued to try by taking him to our mobile adoption sites at Petsmart and Petco every weekend. After spending about four months at the shelter, he ended up finding a home through the efforts of Sharon Yakey, a Peewee's volunteer who knew a family that likes to adopt pets that have

less of a chance of finding a home. Cantwell, whose new name is "Sweetie-Pie", has three canine companions along with a few sheep, goats, and horses in Beeville, Texas.

Please, if you ever witness or become aware of any animal neglect or abuse, call us at 361-510-0862 so we can work together to make sure the culprit gets turned into the proper authorities and is punished for their actions.



Angel the Moody Horse

Ignorance is not bliss. Why do even intelligent human beings think farm animals don't need the same veterinary care as cats and dogs. Instead, when something is not right, their solution is just to sell them or get rid of them. We took in Angel, an extremely skinny 20 year old Arabian mare who had gone through three owners. She was always skinny and always in a bad mood. Each of the three owners kept her for a year or two, and then they sold her because of her problems. She could not be ridden because she would fight and buck whenever anyone tried to put any type of head gear on her. She ate but never put on weight. The third owner finally gave her to Peewee's. Of course we did the same thing we do for every other animal, we took her directly to a veterinarian. At Floerke Veterinary Clinic in Taft, a thorough physical exam revealed that she had been in pain due to needing oral surgery. She stayed overnight, had her surgery, which only cost \$200 dollars, and was home the next day. Within a few weeks she started putting on weight and her disposition became pleasant now that she wasn't in pain. Angel was adopted by Ellen Ross and is now fat and sassy. Angel doesn't even mind having a halter put on her and is fully cooperative. Presently, Angel and Ellen can be seen riding all around the farm. Remember, all farm animals need a vet, too!!!





A True Friend

This is a very heartwarming story. John Steven Dokken, a senior at Mary Carroll High School, is 18 years old and has been working on weekends at Peewee's since he was 16 years old. He has always had a heart for his four legged friends. Born in San Antonio, Texas, John now resides in Corpus Christi with his four dogs, Susie, Keeper, Molly, and Janie. He also has two cats named Percy and Skippy, and a bird named Cosmo. He recently inherited some money and decided to donate \$1,000 to Peewee's to help out the homeless pets. We were awed at his sense of unselfish generosity. John understands how hard it is for a non-profit organization to stay afloat because one of his father's duties is to run a non-profit organization that helps to preserve the marsh lands and marine life in the Gulf of Mexico. If this young man can find it in his heart to donate such a generous amount of money, then anyone can. Peewee's always needs monetary help to keep operating and saving animals on a daily basis. It costs us an average of \$80 to get each pet ready for adoption, and it costs about \$150 per dog per month to maintain each one of them in the shelter.

“Until one has loved an animal, a part of one’s soul remains unawakened.” ~ Anatole France



Too Many Homeless Mommies and Kittens

Here is Sadie, a mother cat with four nursing kittens brought from the Lantana Square Apartments, a low income government subsidized complex where pets are not allowed. Julian Vazquez, a maintenance worker at the complex, was ordered to trap them and take them to the City Pound, but instead brought them to Peewee's. Annie is a crippled kitten who was picked up from a new apartment complex on the Southside by a good Samaritan who caught some kids kicking and throwing her around. She was dragging her rear leg which was mangled and torn, so we had to have it amputated.



Sadie's kittens have a good chance of finding a home, and so does Annie, but there are thousands more out there in desperate need of help. Please consider adopting an adult cat. We have over 100 of them in desperate need of homes. To end the overpopulation problem, we need your financial support and a team of volunteers to help foster these precious felines and to help us with our Spay/Neuter and Release Project at local apartment complexes. It costs \$35 to spay a female and \$20 to neuter a male. With your help we can make a difference and help stop the cycle of suffering.

“All of the animals except for man know that the principle business of life is to enjoy it.”

~ Samuel Butler



Blue Velvet

Velvet was one of five Shar-Pei mix puppies that arrived at Peewee's over five years ago. The other four found homes because they were not black like her. After waiting for five years at the orphanage, she finally found a wonderful home with Susan Howard and her son, Donny. They spotted Velvet on our website at Petfinder.com and then came out to Peewee's to adopt her. She now roams around the house and has her own personal bed in Donny's bedroom. So now, Velvet is no longer blue.

Velvet was one of our 200+ permanent residents ranging from 2 to 10 years old. These dogs would make wonderful companions for people and other pets. Log on to peeweepets.com to see a good sampling of wonderful pets, and this holiday season, open your heart and home to one or even two of them. Remember, we guarantee all adoptions. If it does not work out, you just bring them back!

Lilly Boxer

This is a case of triple neglect. The first incident was medical neglect by not having the dog on heartworm prevention, and the next was by not taking the dog to the vet when it incurred a broken leg. The third incident of neglect was when the dog was abandoned, probably because the owners didn't want to deal with her anymore. This poor soul of whom we speak is Lilly, a female Boxer about 3 years of age. She was found by Mr. Prego while he was fishing under the Oso Bridge one night. She was skinny and hungry, and had a badly mangled rear leg. The leg looked like a shriveled pretzel, just hanging there with multiple bloody sores causing her much pain. The only remedy was to have the leg amputated. Now without that burden, she runs around and wags her little stub tail with joy. She is slowly gaining weight, and is happy to be safe. Lilly is heartworm positive, again because of neglect from the previous owner. We will have her treated as soon as she finds a home where she can have a peaceful environment to undergo the treatment. Please consider adopting her, she is the sweetest girl and loves to give kisses! She just wants a safe and permanent home with a caring family to love.





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- Foster homes
- Volunteers

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"Love the animals: God has given them the rudiments of thought and joy untroubled"

~ Fyodor Dostoyevsky

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