



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

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Fall 2008

Letter from the President

Dear Valued Supporter,

By the time you receive this newsletter, the children will be back in school. We hope that all of you enjoyed your summer with the family and had the chance to have an exciting vacation.

I am pleased to inform you that while many of you were on vacation, we at Peewee's were working hard to keep the dream of success going. The dream being the building of the puppy isolation pen. The total cost will be about \$16,000. We have already raised about \$10,200. The \$5,800 remaining to fulfill this phase of Peewee's we hope can happen with your generosity. We are certainly aware that back-to-school can be an expensive time of year, but we pray that you might be able to send something our way so as to be able to start this project.

The adoptions at the end of July totaled 686. This is way ahead of last year through the same time period. This puts us on track for the year to conceivably adopt 1100-1200 pets! That would be incredible. The problem with this many adoptions is that it creates a double edged sword scenario. By that I mean it is great for the pets we adopt to caring and loving families, but it also means increased cost to care for the pets in the form of food, labor, and veterinary services. Once again, we hope your generosity will help us in dealing with this financial obstacle.

We continue to be grateful to each and every one of you that support our mission of finding homes for the many strays that inhabit our streets and that eventually make it to Peewee's. You are all wonderful people.

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



I think dogs are the most amazing creatures; they give unconditional love. For me they are the role model for being alive. -Gilda Radner



Goal:
 \$16,000



Forever Grateful

Ron Browning, a native of Ohio, was the local Harley-Davidson dealer until he sold it in 2000. He is an avid animal lover, and organized a Motorcycle Run for Peewee's and P.A.L.S. five years ago to help raise funds for the homeless pets. The event has become an annual occurrence. This year the event raised \$10,600 to be split between Peewee's and PALS. God bless Ron Browning for helping the homeless animals of Corpus Christi year after year.

THANK YOU to the remarkable businesses who donated items worth over \$100 to our 4th Annual Motorcycle Run. They are: All Creatures Taxidermy, Central Office Equipment, Peter Barr Jewelers, Willoughby's Appliance, Julian Gold, Christy Estates, Coastal Diesel Injection, B.L. Guess Lighting, The

Pooch Pad, Salinas Catering, The Sharp Shooter, Gold n Things Pawn, Blackbeards, Yummies Ice Cream, C-Scapes, V-twin Motorcycle Shop, R&R Services, Black Tie Roses, The Gold Bug, Planet Sol Hair Salon and Day Spa, Animal Clinic of Flour Bluff, Supercuts, Goosefeathers, Pamela O'Brien, and Camille's.

Thank you to Eric Menn, a 17 year old Boy Scout from Troop 3 from the United Methodist Church, for picking Peewee's as the place to complete his Eagle Scout Project. Eric is a senior at Carroll High School and with the help of his Troop, raised the funds to purchase the material and built a 12'x12' canopy over a picnic table where people can meet our dogs in the comfort of the shade.



96¢ of every dollar donated goes directly to the animals.



Volunteer of the Quarter- Tary Tarlton of Fairfield, Connecticut

Tary is the son of one of our long time volunteers, Lorraine Dorsey, who does so much for us. Tary has helped with money and the physical work of transporting 30 to 40 dogs from Peewee's to the east coast over the last two years. He recently put together a fundraiser in Connecticut that netted \$2,921 for our building fund, and this is how he did it in his own words: "Saturday, June 14th was our paintball for charity event. It had a \$50 entry fee, which included lunch and two raffle tickets for a drawing with the main prize being a new 26" LCD flatscreen TV. Paintball, for those who don't know, is essentially an adult's game of tag. Instead of touching, we use markers that shoot paintballs to tag another player out. There are endless variations of the theme, but we mainly play capture the flag.

This involves capturing the opposing team's flag and moving it down field to your flag in order to win.

The event was a success, and everybody was happy to be doing good will and having a blast at the same time. We played six twenty-minute games and that was enough for our tired bodies. Prior to the event, we sold almost 500 raffle tickets at \$5 a piece. We learned a lot from this raffle and would like to apply this to doing another bigger one later on." We at Peewee's are eternally grateful to Tary, who from so far away, does such a tremendous job of helping us.

Helping the Sisters of Incarnate Word Academy

In early July, we got a visit from Sister Olga, one of the Sisters of the Incarnate Word and Blessed Sacrament, who lives with Sister Michelle Marie and Sister Martha Ann in Bluntzer (a tiny community near Robstown). She came to us with two big dogs that she had found running loose in their neighborhood, a big black wirehaired terrier who was very pregnant, and a black and tan Doberman mix female who was extremely shy and scared.

She told us how Bluntzer is full of homeless dogs that they wanted to help, but they already had way too many at their home. So we have committed from now on to work with the Sisters to help curb the problem by providing vet care, spaying, neutering, or whatever else they need help with to solve the Bluntzer problem. Tilly was spayed and is adjusting well, and Coco had her six puppies the very next day. Tilly, Coco, and her puppies (who all look like yellow lab puppies) are all waiting at Peewee's for you to give them a good home.



Grown Kitties Need Homes Too

We have a very difficult time finding homes for adult cats, and once again we have too many. Adult cats make fantastic pets because their personalities are more stable and calm than kittens, and there is nothing more relaxing than petting a furry kitty while listening to them purr. They are also very easy to take care of. It only takes five minutes a day to clean the litter box and fill the bowls with food and water. We have over 50 kitties waiting for homes, and there is no adoption fee on kittens over 10 weeks or the adult cats. We even have several wonderful declawed cats who have been to our mobile adoption sites numerous times, but were never adopted. So come by and pick one, and help us spread the word. You won't regret it.



What Are They NOT Thinking?

It is so much cheaper and easier NOT to have puppies! This is an example of what we have to deal with daily. On July 17th, someone left a box with eight puppies in front of the office early in the morning before we opened. They were two weeks old and in need of bottle feeding every two to four hours around the clock. Thank God for Brittnee Andrews from Bruno's Bath House, a pet grooming shop at 10001 SPID. She came to the rescue to be a foster home and bottle feed the pups until they were weaned. These pups are now up for adoption and in need of good homes.



To help with this problem, we want you to spread the word that Animal Care Services, which is the City Dog Pound, now has a full time low cost veterinary clinic for spaying, and neutering. For fixing cats, males are \$20 and females are \$35. For fixing dogs, males are \$45 and females are

\$55. They also offer low cost vaccinations at \$5 each. Just call 882-6082 and ask them to put you through for an appointment because it is difficult to get through on the number they give you to call. Please help us spread the word of these services. Also note, the clinic is available to the general public, just call, that's all!

A Novel Approach to Saving Lives

There were three very skinny horses that a volunteer kept seeing, and even though the owner was repeatedly warned to take better care of them, he just wouldn't. Finally tired of all the complaints, the owner stated that he was just going to take them to auction and be done with them. These auctions are where many old or neglected horses end up when they are no longer wanted or needed. Then, it's off to the slaughterhouse where they are processed into meat. (It is illegal in Texas, but they are just taken to Mexico.)



So after hearing this, we decided to take a new approach. We found a horse lover to donate the money and a second volunteer to approach the man about buying the sickly horses at auction price so that we could save them. The plot worked smoothly. Within 24 hours the deal was done, and all three

horses were placed in wonderful new homes. This approach is one that I have suggested many times to people that call and complain about a dog or cat being neglected in their neighborhood, because as you well know, money talks.

Needed Desperately: Foster Homes

We have an extreme shortage of foster homes, and we could really use your help! Jennifer Lutz and Kenneth Pulver recently helped us with Einstein, a poodle mix that needs to live indoors and receive regular baths, dips, and medication to clear a skin condition. They also fostered Lucy, a dachshund mix with non-contagious red mange who needed frequent dips and time to heal. Living conditions are much better in a loving foster home than in a shelter because the pet can be in a quiet environment and receive more love and attention. This reduces and possibly eliminates the stress on the animal that is sick and can help it heal faster. Another foster job that is desperately needed is folks that can bottle feed baby kittens and puppies, which is a tiring but wonderful job. The job is simple. Call 888-4141 for more information on becoming a Peewee's foster home.



Gallery of Recent Rescues



Becky Postel and her two sons Jeff and Matt were driving down Hwy 77 near Robstown when she spotted a mangy, emaciated dog sitting in the left lane of the highway. Cars were going around it, but no one stopped. She stopped and scooped the dog up with a bowl of water as bait. The dog was so thirsty that she continued drinking for a long time down the road. No shelter would take her, but we did. We called her **Hope**, and she is now ready for adoption.

One rainy morning, we woke up to this box of kittens left on a lawn chair in front of our office. It was four kittens that were skinny, mangy, and anemic from being covered in fleas. They went to a foster home, got well, and they all found homes at our mobile adoption sites. So it was a horrible beginning with a happy ending.



Marilyn Martin, a long time Peewee's volunteer, found this dehydrated, emaciated poodle covered in mange in her neighborhood in the Southside of town. She had been hearing from neighbors about the dog for several weeks, and she kept telling them to grab him and give it to her, but no one ever did. The poor dog was in the streets for nearly a month before Marilyn spotted him one evening and caught him. **Marty** is now healthy and waiting for a poodle lover to take him home.

Jessica Garcia was traveling from Sinton to Portland when along the road in the middle of nowhere she spotted what she thought was just a possum, but once near it, she discovered it was a female Chihuahua! Obviously, it was dumped. Why? Just a skin problem. **Jessie** is now getting over her demadectic mange and needs a lap to keep warm.



Estella Neal found this white pit bull mix emaciated and with a severe upper respiratory infection near Suntide and Leopard. She came to her porch wagging her tail and begging for food. Estella went house to house in the neighborhood, but no one would claim the dog. **Sunny** is now recuperated from what turned out to be distemper. She is a little wobbly as a residual side effect of the distemper, but she is loving and anxious for a new home.

Mary Snyder was traveling on SPID in Flour Bluff when she saw someone throw something out of a car. It turned out to be kittens! She pulled over on the shoulder and walked back to find that all but one kitten had been killed. This one was huddled up against the concrete wall. We call him **Gizmo**, and he wants you to come get him. Unfortunately, it all happened so fast, Mary was unable to get a license plate number to call the police.



Mike O'Brian went to the Robstown Co-Op grain elevator on business and saw this scruffy, mangy, skinny dog outside by the door. He asked an employee about the dog and he was told "she's been here for weeks, take her, no one wants her because she is mangy." **Scruffy** has now recovered and is waiting for you to come visit her.

If animals could speak the dog would be a blundering outspoken fellow, but the cat would have the rare grace of never saying a word too much. —Mark Twain



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 12:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Peewee's Wish List

- Money, money, money
- Homes for Senior Dogs
- Dry Dog Food
- Foster homes
- Volunteers
- Paper towels
- Bleach

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The dog is a gentleman; I hope to go to his heaven, not man's. —Mark Twain, in a letter to W.D. Howells, 4/2/1899
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