



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



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## LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

Dear Peewee's Supporter,

Hello 2010!! It's the start of a new decade and a celebration of Peewee's 15th anniversary serving the community. These fifteen years would not have been possible without you, our wonderful and loyal supporters.

In 2009 we set yet another record for adoptions. We found found homes for 1,260 pets, which is an increase of eight percent over the previous year. The breakdown is as follows: 534 dogs, 405 puppies, 43 cats, 264 kittens, 7 rabbits, 2 birds, and 5 horses. WOW!! What a great year!!

We are also proud to boast that on the Coastal Bend Day of Giving, which was this past November 17, twenty-five local charities were chosen to be the recipient of donations. In one day we received \$28,213!! That was more than any other charity except one. Thanks to all those that made that a most glorious day for Peewee's. It tells us that our message is reaching more and more in the community. Of course, all of those funds have already been spent on vet bills, salaries, and food.

Another pleasant surprise was the donation of a new kennel facility by Zachry Construction of San Antonio. They heard of our mission and asked what they could do to help, so we asked if they could build us another dog kennel. This kennel would have cost us in excess of \$20,000 if we had to raise the money to build it ourselves, but Zachry Construction came through for us and started building immediately.

Finally, I want to say that with all the bad economic news that seems to exist in the world these days, we at Peewee's would like to remain optimistic for 2010. We have the best supporters in the world and know that they will not let us down as we continue to serve our community in the new decade.

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



## FOREVER GRATEFUL

Thank you, thank you, thank you Zachry Construction. They are a very large San Antonio based corporation founded in 1924 and are well known for their philanthropic endeavors. They picked us last fall as their Corpus Christi community outreach project, and asked us what they could build for Peewee's. We asked if they could build a six run dog kennel identical to our other isolation runs, and they generously agreed to do so. The last one we built cost \$20,000 and it took three years to raise the money. Thank you Zachry Construction for your belief in our work and us. The runs, which should be completed by March, are heaven sent and will help us to do a better job. This massive \$20,000 donation is an incredible way to start this New Year!



From the bottom of our hearts, we would like to express our utmost gratitude to the nine organizations that planned the November 17<sup>th</sup> event known as the Coastal Bend Day of Giving and chose us as one of the 25 nonprofit partners. It was a privilege and an honor. The donor organizations were as follows: Coastal Bend Community Foundation, John G. & Marie Stella Kenedy Memorial Foundation, Morris L. Lichtenstein, Jr. Foundation, Paul & Mary Haas Foundation, Blanche Davis Moore Foundation, Laverne & Thomas Howell Foundation, Dr. & Mrs. Hugh Kennedy Foundation, Larry & Pat McNeil Foundation, and the United Way of the Coastal Bend. As tough as 2009 was financially, we could not have made it without this tremendous event. The community donated \$22,213 to us that single day and these organizations matched the first \$6,000, so we received a total of \$28,213. With that money we paid many bills and kept the animals fed through the winter. We want to thank every single person out there who donated all that money in one day.



*94¢ of every dollar donated goes directly to the animals.*

## QUILT WINNER

Congratulations to Linda Kring for winning this beautiful handmade quilt donated by Eva Bender to help raise funds for Peewee's. The Kring Family are great animal lovers. They have four pets, all of which were adopted from shelters, and their 11-year-old daughter Maura McNair wants to be a veterinarian when she grows up. Everyone who donated over \$50 from the release of our winter newsletter until December 23<sup>rd</sup> was entered in the drawing. We want to thank everyone for your kind donations.



## ASK MAX

**Dear Max: Why should I take my dog for walks when I have a beautiful back yard for him?**

Walking your dog is important because regular exercise prevents obesity and its associated health risks, which include heart and joint disease. Frequent scheduled walks help maintain housetraining, because dogs who are not routinely walked and praised for good toilet habits could possibly regress at any age. The opportunity to meet all types of people on a walk lets you teach your puppy to be well behaved with everyone and it helps your pet practice obedience skills in a more distracting environment. Daily play with other puppies and dogs lets your pet express normal dog behaviors and will promote positive social behavior with other dogs. Exercise even helps prepare your puppy to cope better with your absences. Separation related misbehavior is reduced in

dogs that are ready for a long nap by the time their owners leave. Also, puppies whose physical, intellectual, and social needs are met are less prone to many nuisance misbehaviors like digging, chewing, barking, and nipping. Going for walks also provides you with additional quality time with your loving pet. And besides, walking is great for people too! If your idea of having a dog is just leaving it in the backyard, please don't get one. I myself have a very rich life. I sleep in bed with Ernie, the Shelter Director, and I go everywhere with her in the car, weather permitting. I run and play all day at the shelter and I greet all the people that come to visit. So please, walk your dogs. The benefits are endless for you and your pet!



## VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

We would like to thank both Faith Hammons and her granddaughter Victoria McGuire for being fine examples of faithful volunteers. They come out to Peewee's on weekends to love on and train the shy and scared dogs. Many dogs come frightened and need hours of socializing and leash training before they are ready for adoption. We also have cats and horses that need grooming and attention. With our budget, we can't afford employees for all these needed tasks. All we can manage is the bare necessities. So if you have any time at all, call 361-888-4141. Even four hours a week could be a great help to these little ones and make a real difference in their lives.



## GALLERY OF INJURED RESCUES



Tiny



Shyloh



Billy



Skippy



Maggie



Blackie



Joshy



Lippy



Sammy

**Tiny** – a three-year-old female Mastiff found dumped on the side of the Highway near Seguin, Texas. She was emaciated, unable to walk, and had a huge eight pound tumor hanging down from her abdomen. We had the tumor removed and after lots of love and care her health improved. She started to walk again and is undergoing heartworm treatment. **Shyloh** – a male terrier mix who was hit by a bus on Kostoryz. A good samaritan scraped him off the asphalt and brought him to us. He had a rear leg broken in two places requiring surgery and a pin. He is now living at Everhart Animal Hospital recuperating and waiting to be adopted. **Billy** – a mangy male cat covered in open wounds, probably from a nasty encounter with a large dog was found clinging on to life. Due to the weakness and confusion caused by an advanced case of sarcoptic mange, he was most likely unable to defend himself. He is healing very well and feels much better. **Skippy** – a male black and silver 3-month-old German Shepherd pup dumped at our front door by its owners. He was walking on the elbows of his front legs and his snout was swollen. His leg bones, tendons, and ligaments were weak from malnutrition. He also had electrical burns on the inside of his mouth, probably from biting into an extension cord. He is now under treatment and safe. **Maggie** – a tan female Chihuahua run over by a big truck on NAS Drive one night was brought to us with bones sticking out and missing a lot of skin. Her leg had to be amputated, and she had to relearn how to walk. **Blackie** – a black female Lab mix found at a gas station on Greenwood near Holly. She was skinny, dirty, and had a bad case of mange. After regular meals and veterinary care, she is now fat and sassy. **Sammy** – a merle Great Dane mix found way out Highway 624 on a dirt country road. He was skinny and dehydrated, but after a few weeks of treatment is doing great. **Joshy** – a male Blueheeler found near Orange Grove in the middle of nowhere. He was starving, had anemia from being covered in fleas and ticks, and had poor blood clotting due to the ehrlichia, a disease transmitted by ticks. After medication and putting some weight on, he has bounced back and is feeling wonderful. **Lippy** – a domestic longhair female cat found by a tenant at her apartment complex with her bottom lip and chin ripped off the jawbone. After surgery, her appetite improved, and she started to heal up very nicely.





Tawny



Hershey



Peggy



Mickey Dee



Sammy



Mindy



Tiny



Jenny



Cream



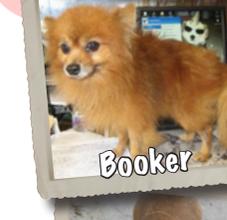
Bonkers



Baxter



Maximus



Booker



Buddy



Lena

### LOVE IS AGELESS

Here are 12 senior dogs begging for a home: **Tawny** – a 5-year-old female Pug mix whose owners could no longer care for. **Hershey** – an 8-year-old female Chihuahua found wandering Horne Road. **Peggy** – a 7-year-old female mixed terrier found at Moore Plaza. **Mickey Dee** – a male Chihuahua mix that lived for ten days at a McDonald's on Leopard Street. **Sammy** – an 11-year-old wirehaired terrier whose owner passed away. **Mindy** – a 10-year-old Chihuahua whose owner went to a nursing home. **Tiny** – a 12-year-old male Chihuahua found at the airport parking lot. **Jenny** – an 11-year-old Border Collie mix who was found in La Palmera Mall parking lot. **Cream** – a 5-year-old female Chihuahua who is blind in one eye after an ice cream truck ran over her. **Bonkers** – a male Dachshund left in a vacant apartment. **Daisy** – an 8-year-old poodle found on the streets of San Antonio, Texas. **Spicy** – a male Chihuahua abandoned at a rent house. All of our seniors are FREE, and if it does not work out, we will gladly take them back.



Daisy



Spicy

### BILL HAHN, AN ANGEL FROM HEAVEN

Just after retiring from Browne's Harley Davidson in the year 2000, Bill Hahn came by the shelter and offered to volunteer, and has been doing so on a weekly basis ever since. Monday through Friday he spends about 20 hours transporting dogs to and from the veterinary clinics. He then works another 20 hours Saturday and Sunday getting the pets to and from our mobile adoption sites at Petsmart and Petco as well as running the mobile adoption site at Petco. Mr. Hahn puts in an average of 40 hours or more every week and has been doing so for nearly eleven years. He has indeed been one of our biggest donors, giving us the equivalent of \$150,000 if he were an employee making only minimum wage! God Bless you Mr. Hahn. We could not have accomplished all the milestones and grown to the proportions we have without your selfless help.



### ALL IN A DAY'S WORK

December 14<sup>th</sup>, 2009. It was another hectic day at the shelter. 9:00am – Arthur Gibson brought us a scared, thin, red male Dachshund mix named **Baxter** who his neighbors abandoned in the backyard when they moved. 9:45am – Beth Hayes showed up at our doorstep with **Maximus**, a 40 pound gold male Benji dog found at the Sandcastle apartments at Everhart and Snowgoose. He was dirty, matted, unneutered, and heartworm positive, but cleaned up very nicely. 10:00am – Susanna Ramirez brought us an old, red male Pomeranian we named **Booker** that was wandering the streets about to be hit by traffic. He turned out to be heartworm positive. 11:30am – Stephanie Rodriguez showed up with a fat red dachshund mix we named **Buddy** who she found hiding at Baker Middle School near Staples and Kostoryz. 12:15pm - Ashley Freeman brought us **Lena**, a 1-year-old white and gold female Australian Shepherd mix. Lena kept running inside the Appletree Academy (a preschool) on Rodd Field near Wooldridge. If we did not take her, the school was going to call Animal Control. 1:15pm – Victor Garcia came across a box at Corn Products and Agnes with four 8-week-old **Cocker mix puppies**. Not wanting them to get killed, he brought them to us to see if we could take them. 2:00pm – Mr. Fisher brought his 2-year-old black and tan female Chihuahua named **Daphne** that he could no longer keep because he was being evicted. He also brought us four 4-week-old **Shar-pei mix puppies** that he had found that morning in a box by the dumpster at his apartment complex. 4:00pm – Frankie Garcia showed up with a red female Spitz mix we named **Trixie** and her five **5-day-old puppies** that were found in an abandoned shack at Violet Road and McKenzie. 4:45pm – Ann Jones showed up with **three teenage cats** left behind at her vacant rent house. They all were covered with ringworm. In all, we accepted 23 animals total to our facility on this one day. By the end of the day we were way past capacity. We had dogs in the office, in the bathroom, and a mommy with puppies in the grooming room! But like always, with God's help, adoptions continued to be good and soon we were down to normal capacity. And I must say, this accomplishment would not have happened without your generous support!



Cocker Mix Pups



Daphne



Shar-Pei Pups



Trixie & Pups



Teenage Cats

*This is the type of work your donations help fund.*

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**I need a home. Please come adopt me.**

Without your tax-deductible donations we would not be alive. Help us find homes. Please donate so that others may be saved too.

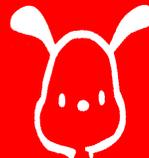
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**Peewee's Wish List**

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

*When planning your estate, please remember Peewee's in your will*



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