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LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

Dear Peewee's Supporter:

This letter should be in your mailbox just as the holiday season is starting. Please make it a safe and enjoyable one for you and family, both the two legged and four legged variety!

Through the end of October, I am pleased to announce that our adoptions are at 1,014 pets which translates to over 100 per month. Unfortunately, it seems as many as we adopt out, there is always one poor neglected pet that makes it through our door to take its place. It is so sad how this city, unlike most of the other cities in this country, simply cannot deal or come up with a solution to the overwhelming pet population problem of which we are perpetually plagued.

With the low cost spay and neuter hospital complete and the equipment arriving daily, we are hoping for a January opening. Still needed is a benefactor to help sponsor the small roadway and shaded porch for the front of the hospital. We have received a few bids averaging about \$7000. We could sure use someone's help to realize this dream.

We hope and pray that all of you receiving this newsletter can set aside a holiday donation and send it our way. Financially the day to day operations are staggering and we, as always, could sure use your help. Regardless of your religious beliefs, may the holiday season be a joyous, healthy and prosperous one for each and every one of you.

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

FURR-EVER GRATEFUL

Thank you Tary Tarlton and Lynne Persan, our Connecticut friends, for donating \$3,250. They had a baby shower in honor of their newborn, Liliana Persan Tarlton, and asked for donations to Peewee's instead of gifts. Lynne and Tary make trips down to Corpus Christi periodically to transport 40 Peewee's animals back to upstate New York where they find amazing homes very quickly. • We would also like to thank the Lebasyr Heritage Society for their recent food donation. • Thank you to Suzie Johnson for holding a food drive at the Del Mar College Kinesiology Department! • Thanks to Mr. Murray Gauling, owner of the longhorn named "Lonestar", and photographers Larry and Donna Russell, for recently holding a fundraiser for us. At the George West Rodeo, attendees were able to have their photo taken atop the steer, and the proceeds went to Peewee's! • Thank you so much to L&F Distributors for holding a disc golf tournament to benefit Peewee's. It was a blast! • We are forever grateful to Valero Refinery for holding a food drive for us. It brought in over 3,000 pounds of food for our animals. Hooray!!!



WIN A BEAUTIFUL PIECE OF JEWELRY

Our friend, Benny Ledford, a long time Peewee's supporter and owner of Goldsmith Jewelers, located at 3816 S. Alameda in the Lamar Park Shopping Center, was kind enough to donate three pieces of jewelry in an effort to encourage your donations. There is a beautiful freshwater pearl necklace worth \$125, a silver and 14k gold ring with garnet and blue topaz worth \$350, and a 14k yellow gold ring with blue topaz and diamonds worth \$300. Anyone who donates \$50 or more between Thanksgiving and New Year's will be entered in a drawing for one of the three items. Benny loves

animals and has a Yorkshire terrier named Lucky, who goes to work with him every day! Thank you Benny, we really appreciate your help.



ASK MAX

Dear Max: I inherited a cat, but we don't seem to get along. What can I do about it?

You need to watch and read Jackson Galaxy, a name all pussycat lovers need to know. He is a 48-year-old cat behaviorist with more than 15 years' experience and is the host of Animal Planet's hit show, *My Cat From Hell*. He specializes in helping individuals whose out-of-control cats are turning their lives and homes upside down. He has great advice, which we have used at Peewee's with great success. The TV show is great entertainment and a wonderful teaching tool for those cat lovers out there. I think if you watch his shows, and take his advice you can become good friends with your inherited cat. We recommend all pet lovers watch it. If you don't have cable, it's available on Netflix and other venues. He was in practice in Boulder, Colorado since 2002, and in 2007, he moved to Los Angeles. The behavioral changes we have seen using his

techniques are simply amazing. According to Jackson, the secret to cohabitating with cats is all about your ability to compromise, and if you follow his techniques, you will enrich your cat's life as well as yours, thus living happily ever after. He definitely is the cat whisperer. He has a great teaching website, and even has a book out. I can tell you that my dad, Steve (our Peewee's horse volunteer) said that Jackson Galaxy totally changed his relationship with his 2 cats and opened up a new world to him. I guarantee that if you engulf yourself in Jackson Galaxy, you will be a better cat parent.

DON'T GIVE UP

When the owners of NVM Small Engine Repair lost Candie, their long-haired German Shepherd, near Del Mar College East Campus, they were distraught but determined to find her. A neighbor saw the dog get into an unknown car, but was unable to get the license plate. The owner advertised daily on Craigslist Lost and Found for several months, then every two weeks, never giving up. He called the shelters frequently and checked the dog pound faithfully. Seven months later, they received a call from someone in Ingleside, Texas. Someone had sighted a dog running in a field there that matched the description of their dog, but the person was unable to catch it. They drove all the way to the area where the dog was last spotted, and it was Candie! She ran to them and jumped right in their car, not forgetting who they were. She was muddy and matted, but very happy to be on her way back home. Thank God someone saw the ad online and called them. The moral of the story is to never give up. If this happens to you, be persistent for as long as possible, and you just might succeed. We would like to thank NVM Small Engine (located at 109 Tarlton, 361-883-5898) for continuing to maintain and repair our lawnmowers and weed eaters at no cost. It's their way of helping out the animals. We couldn't do it without them. If you are in need of small engine repair, look them up!

DID YOU KNOW THAT DOGS POOP IN LINE WITH THE UNIVERSE?

Does your dog spin around a couple times before he takes care of his business? New research has revealed that your dog is aligning himself to the magnetic lines of the earth. Yes, really. The researchers are unsure why lining up to the north-south axis of the earth would be a preferable pooping position, but in their two year study of 70 dogs across 37 breeds, a clear preference for north-south global positioning during calm magnetic field (MF) conditions was documented. During unstable conditions, however, such as during a solar flare, dogs lost all interest in their elimination orientation. It is well documented that animals can detect and use earth's magnetic lines to their advantage, but this takes it to a whole new level. The research also warns dog owners that it may be hard to replicate the study findings with your own pooch as the magnetic field conditions on earth are only stable for about 20% of the day.

WHY CATS PURR

We know cats purr when they're happy. But they also purr if they are injured, while giving birth, and even when dying. In his masterwork, *Catworld: A Feline Encyclopedia*, British Zoologist Desmond Morris observed that purring is "a sign of friendship – either when the cat is contented with a friend or when it is in need of friendship – as with a cat in trouble." If you think about it, a purr is kind of like a smile: Sometimes you smile from happiness, sometimes from nerves. While the mechanics of purring remain a mystery, the most common explanation is that a purr originates in the voice box with what are called "vestibular folds," or false vocal chords. The passing of air across these structures is thought to get the engine running, and cats do it as effortlessly as breathing. In fact, your feline can do something even the biggest kings of the jungle can't; Cats purr, lions don't! Sure, tigers can rumble a large purr-like sound, but only on exhale and really, who wants a tiger sleeping on their bed anyway?

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



RECENT RESCUES

Zelda is a shepherd mix with a chain embedded in her neck and was found on Norris St. by a volunteer. The wounds on her neck were very deep. She had surgery to remove the chain and her neck has healed up wonderfully. **Marcello** is a poodle mix found dumped at Labonte Park. He is very old and blind, but gets around fine and gets along with other dogs. The **6 Amigos** were found in a box behind an elementary school. They had a severe upper respiratory infection and were covered in fleas. After meds and some TLC, they are ready for adoption. **Bitsy** was found run-over on Horne with a crushed, swollen paw and pretty bad road rash on her legs. After a lengthy hospitalization to save her paw, she is now healed up. **Romeo** is a terrier mix who came in just a bag of bones with his face nearly completely crusted over. Turns out he had a severe skin infection, and a bad case of generalized demadectic mange. He is under treatment, eating good, and waiting for you. **Trey** is a black cat who was brought in by a good Samaritan. The leg was badly injured from unknown causes. Our vet was unable to save the leg, so it had to be amputated. **Pearl** is a white boxer that was found in a ditch off of Hwy 666. She was very skinny and had a gaping wound on her side that needed stitches. She is heartworm positive of course, but is now under treatment and wanting a new home. **Gumby** is a Chiweenie who was brought in hardly able to breathe after being hit by a car. We rushed him to Everhart Animal Hospital, and it was determined he had a torn diaphragm. Two vets performed a very lengthy surgery to save him, but he made it through and healed up great! The **3 Musketeers** were seen being thrown out of car in a soft-sided dog kennel on Crosstown near Baldwin. Thank God the fall did not injure them beyond a few bumps and bruises. **Willy**, a kitten, was found by a passerby on Saratoga, screaming from inside a shoebox. He had obviously been dumped, and was covered in fleas, anemic, and starving. He now needs a good home. **Sweetums** was brought in by a volunteer after we received a call from a trucker who had moved the poor dog off of the road. Both of his back legs were broken, requiring pins. He is now healed up, although he has a limp, but he is ready to find his forever home. **Lacey** is a terrier mix pup who came to us some time ago as a puppy. Her body started to swell up and it was determined that she had developed juvenile congestive heart failure, probably secondary to Chagas. The heart disease is now under control, but she will require lifelong medication. We are reaching out to see if someone out there could give her a home. You can visit her at Everhart Animal Hospital where she lives. **Lefty** came to us with a torn up front leg that starting to become gangrenous. We had to have his leg amputated, but after a short recovery, he healed up and runs around like nothing happened. **Iggy** is a tiny mangy puppy who was found in a garbage can, but thank goodness the city trash worker got him out and brought him to us after his shift. You have to wonder what callousness lives in these people's hearts when they abandon these innocent and helpless creatures. We hope that looking at all these innocent faces may inspire you to donate to us so we may continue to save all those out there that need our help.



Zelda



Marcello



6 Amigos



Bitsy



Romeo



Trey



Pearl



Gumby



3 Musketeers



Willy



Sweetums



Lacey



Lefty



Iggy



To My Dog

I will never move and not take you with me.

I will never put you in a shelter and leave.

I will never let you starve.

I will never let you hurt.

I will never desert you when you get old and blind.

When the time comes, I will be there to hold you.



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- Money, money, money
- Homes for Pets
- Foster homes
- Volunteers
- Paper towels
- Bleach
- Dry Cat Food

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