

# 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 one and all!! By the time you receive this newsletter, summertime will be upon us which means school will be in recess for the next three months. I have always thought that the best time to adopt a pet is this time of the year because with the children out of school, the new pet will have much more bonding time with their new forever family. So, if you are considering a new family member, this might be the time to do so.

Speaking of adoptions; through the end of May we have found homes for almost 500 pets who were once roaming the streets or surrendered for various reasons. The sad thing is that no matter how many we seem to adopt out, with Corpus Christi's stray animal population, there seems to always be one or two to replace each one. So please come on out and see if one of these new incoming pets might make a wonderful new addition to your household.

Beside the stray animal population that plagues Corpus Christi, there is also the problem of diseases that these strays spread from one animal to another. To help minimize this situation, Peewee's will be offering a wellness clinic two days a week beginning in June. We will be offering low cost vaccinations as well as low cost heartworm and flea medication. Check out our Facebook page for pricing and dates.

Earlier this month, we had a grand opening for Lucky Lodge, our new indoor/outdoor facility. We have had a few last minute setbacks with the construction process which has delayed the transferring of pets to this incredible facility, but we are making progress and hope to start moving dogs into their new "Taj Mahal" in the very near future. Once again none of this could have been realized had it not been through the efforts of Annette and Mel Klein for raising the entire \$402,000 to build and pay not only for the facility, but also for electricity and salary of an employee. Other contributors were Ed Rachal Foundation, Julianna Hawn Holt, Jacqueline Klein, Jenna Klein, Gloria Hicks, Celika Storm, Diane Gates, John G. and Marie Stella Kenedy Foundation, Louise Chapman, Earl C. Sams Foundation, Patsy Winn, and Nancy and C.A. Winn. Thank you to all the contributors for making this dream come true. Enjoy the summer and please be safe as you travel during the vacation season. I remain.....

Sincerely

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

## FURR-EVER GRATEFUL

Thank you to Harvey Elementary in Kingsville for holding a "Pennies for Pets" fundraiser, collecting several hundred dollars for Peewee's.

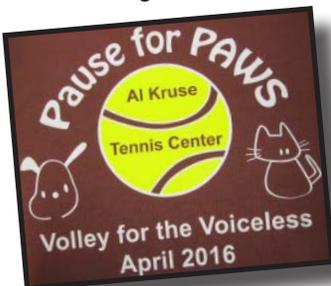
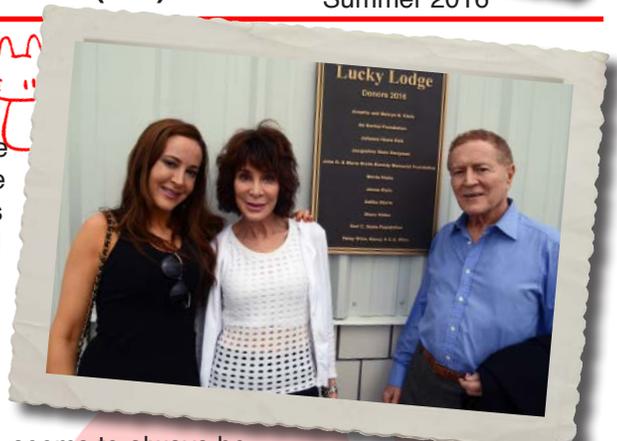
We would like to once again thank Don Stone for holding the 3rd Annual Volley for the Voiceless Tennis Tournament, which raised over \$7,000! We couldn't do what we do without his help each year. Thank you to everyone who donated and participated!

Many thanks to Mekayla Rios, age 9, for running a lemonade stand and using the proceeds to buy dog food for Peewee's. She is a smart and wonderful little girl who recently received awards for AB Honor Roll and Perfect Attendance.

We are forever grateful to Sam Hamid for continuing to support Peewee's.

Over the past few months, he has held five Coffee and Cars events, each time collecting two truckloads of dog and cat food donations for the orphaned animals here.

Thanks to Sam, we haven't had to spend any money on dry food this year. That is awesome! Thank you so much, Sam, we couldn't do this without you!



## ASK MAX

**Dear Max: My dog of 17 years recently passed away. I don't want to get a new dog because the pain is too much to bear, but my wife says I should get one. What do you think?**

Well, I know it's sad to lose your pet because it's like losing your best friend or a family member. God made us only to last so long, and the love of a pet is a precious thing you should not deny yourself. If you don't get another dog, the pain of the loss will be with you for years. If you get a new pet, which will be your new best friend and family member, the pain of your loss will be greatly diminished, and the wonderful memories will be brighter and longer lasting. This is my advice from the other side, as I have recently succumbed to renal failure at the age of 13, but I can see from up here that the office staff has taken up my pal, Jafar, as their new mascot as he helps them through their grief process. That's life, and it's best to live it to its fullest potential. I will miss you all.



## LENDING A HELPING PAW

"We were lucky enough to adopt Henry from Peewee's on March 13, 2013. We picked him up March 14, and since that day, he has been the most perfect dog, a gentleman since the day we brought him home. He was heartworm positive but is now clear. He is a registered Pet Partner Therapy Dog and member of Paws Up, Inc.. He loves going to Driscoll (he adores children), Spohn Shoreline, and any other event where he gets to meet and greet any and everybody. He is also in training to be able to go into schools. He fit in with our household from the moment he walked in the door. Simply put, we absolutely cherish him, laugh at his antics, enjoy his company, and look forward to each day with him!" – Barbara Dolce



## TIPS ON RAISING A HAPPY KITTEN

Most of these tips apply to adult cats, especially if they are new to a home. ● NEVER play with a kitten using your hand as a toy. Your kitten will think it's okay to scratch and bite flesh. Always use a cat teaser toy instead. Or, a shoestring can entertain a kitten for hours. ● Hold your kitten as often as possible. Let him/her know how good it feels to be cuddled and loved. This is especially important with shy or timid kittens. ● While holding your kitten, gently stroke his/her belly, legs, paws, chin, and other sensitive areas. This will help make your kitty used to being handled, making it easier to clip his/her claws and medicate him/her. ● Brush your kitten often, daily if he/she is longer haired. There are many different styles of cat brushes available at pet stores. Brushing makes your kitten feel clean which is very important to them. Brushing will also reduce the dander in your home which can cause allergies. ● Clip your kittens claws about every two weeks when your kitten is tired or sleeping. After getting use to regular clippings, your kitten will probably enjoy being groomed and pampered. Your veterinarian can show you how to clip claws safely or you can find instructions in most cat care books. Well clipped claws can eliminate scratched skin and furniture and prevent the claws from getting stuck on carpeting. ● If you are gone during the day turn on a TV or talk radio station to keep your kitten company. This can help a shy kitten to get acclimated to human voices. ● If you have children, please remind them that kittens have very sensitive ears and that their squeals of delight could be painful and may even cause the kitten to be afraid of children. ● Yes, kittens can be trained! If your kitten performs an undesirable behavior, such as scratching furniture or climbing curtains, remember one simple word, "No". Speak firmly (no yelling!) and remove the kitten from that area. Be consistent. After a short time your kitten will understand the meaning of No. ● The most important tip of all is to give your kitten unconditional love and affection. If your kitten knows he/she is loved, he/she will grow into a happy well-adjusted cat. So now that you know about kitty parenting, visit our permanent kitten display at Petco and adopt a kitten today. The adoption fee is \$40 and includes age-appropriate vaccinations, a Revolution application, and their spaying/neutering.



## A NICE LETTER FROM A PEEWEE PARENT

Bette Cutcher recently sent us a lovely card telling us about her newly adopted Peewee's dog, who she named Peewee. "Do you know any of my new BFF's back story? My husband is on a CPAC machine and in a wheelchair from a stroke and Peewee (my BFF) seems extremely comfortable around them. He has also taken to my 16-year-old blind Bichon and my 10-year-old Poodle/Bichon. He sleeps on my husband's shoulder by his pacemaker." Inside the card read 'because you're so dear to my heart, it feels like you're always near.' She added a little note, "this is my feeling now that I have my new best friend thanks to you. Thank you so much!"



## WIN A BEAUTIFUL PIECE OF JEWELRY!

Our good friend, Benny Ledford, owner of *Goldsmith Jewelers* located at 3816 S. Alameda in the Lamar Park Center, was kind enough to donate a gold ring in an effort to encourage your donations. Anyone who donates \$50 or more between now and the end of July will be entered in a drawing for a chance to win a 14k yellow gold diamond and sapphire ring, size 6 ½ worth \$500. Benny loves animals and has a Yorkshire Terrier named Lucky who goes to work with him every day! Thank you Benny, we appreciate your help!



## RECENT RESCUES

These **two tiny Chihuahuas** were found by a good Samaritan in a box next to a dumpster at an apartment complex. They were covered in sarcoptic mange, dehydrated, and skinny. With medical treatment and good food, they got well, are happy, and found a home. **Ralph** is a 4 month old setter mix that had been hit by a car and his rear leg was badly broken. He was laying in the street, and a lady that had seen him get hit returned after her doctor's appointment to find him still there, unable to get up. We took him to Everhart Animal Hospital, and after an extended surgery and hospitalization, his sweet personality got him adopted. **Kari** is a lab mix that was found emaciated in an industrial area of Saratoga. She was full of worms and had explosive diarrhea and vomiting, which required a two week hospitalization. After a very slow recovery, she remains sweet as pie and is now looking for a new home. **Reba**, a cute little Chihuahua mix, came here with a gangrenous tail. After a long course of antibiotics and surgery, she was able to recuperate and wants to go home with you.

**Bozo** is an adult kitty that came here covered in sarcoptic mange. He was skinny and dehydrated, but after 4 weeks of medication and good food, he recuperated and is now living in our barn. He was meaner than heck, but at least now he is safe. **Helga** is a 6 pound Shih-Tzu mix that came to us so matted that we couldn't find her ears, her tiny head being matted to the size of a football. Her little stick legs were matted to the size of a soda can, concealing that one of her legs had tightly wrapped hair cutting all the way down to the bone. It almost had to be amputated, but the rest of the matted hair created a tourniquet. Our vet, Dr. Gunn, stitched everything back together. She was also a skeleton, but after a delicate grooming that took 6 hours and a wonderful foster home, she got to a healthy weight, her leg healed beautifully, and she immediately found a wonderful home with another previously adopted Peewee's dog. **Connor**, a male cat, jumped into someone's lap outside a medical building, crying and hungry. He had an advanced case of mange, an ear hematoma, and was a skeleton. After three weeks of treatment and good food, we were able to save him and he found a home. **Studley** came to us with a large open wound on his face that was badly infected. The smell was awful, and because of how large the wound was, our vet was not sure if he could be saved. After an extremely long surgery, he looked good as new. He is now recuperating and looking for a family of his own. **Max** is a ferret that was dumped at an apartment complex and found by management. He was somewhat dehydrated and thin, but after a couple of weeks, he went to our mobile adoption site and found a new family. **Belinda**, a Shar-Pei mix, looked like she had been used as a bait fighting dog. She was found wandering the streets all bloody and covered in flies, with one ear missing altogether. After a long recuperation, she is now ready for a loving family. **Muddy Buddy** was found by a group of workers from Enerfin digging a pipeline near Clarkwood and Hwy. 44 after they heard him barking. He was buried up to his head in the mud, and it took a few guys to dig him out. It was very cold and there is no way he would have made it through the night. He would have suffocated or died of hypothermia. We sent a volunteer to pick him up, and it took two people 2.5 hours of bathing and trying to cut through the massive matts, which were each the size and density of a big steak. After that, it took our groomer 6 hours to shave him down due to the remaining matts still being filled with mud. All in all, it took 11 man hours total to get him fixed up. What we found underneath was an old, partially blind male Spaniel mix, covered in sores and in need of a dental. Muddy Buddy has healed up wonderfully and is now living in our air-conditioned geriatric area.

Well, this is what Peewee's does every day. We take in poor victims of society, fix them up, and find homes for them or care for them for the duration of their natural life. We love doing it, but we cannot do it without your help. So please help us. Donate to Peewee's so we can continue our legacy of caring for those who have nobody in this world.



2 Chihuahuas



Ralph



Kari



Reba



Bozo



Helga - Before



Helga - After



Connor



Studley



Max



Belinda



Muddy Buddy - Before



Muddy Buddy - After

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



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- Homes for Pets
- Foster homes
- Volunteers
- Paper towels
- Bleach

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