



# A No-Kill Animal Shelter Peewee's

Pet Adoption World & Sanctuary, Inc.

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## LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

Hello Peewee's Supporter,

In the first four months, we have been able to find homes for 479 of the former homeless pets that ran our streets that were starving, abused, neglected or all

of the above. That averages out to 120 adoptions per month, which is pretty impressive if you ask me. What's amazing is that 259 of those went to Minnesota, New Jersey, Wisconsin, and Washington State. Here are photos of five of our dogs that were adopted on the West Coast. Apparently these states are so starved for dogs to adopt that they have discovered that Corpus Christi is the place to go to fill their needs. It's sad that Corpus Christi is known as the city to look to for stray dogs to adopt, but the good thing is at least these stray dogs that might otherwise be euthanized or killed by a car/truck have a chance to live the good life with a loving family. What we do to facilitate their adoption in other states is to send photos of our available pets to all these shelters and then, once they are pre-adopted, they go on transport to their new homes. We send only photos of pets that have been at the shelter for over a year, so this expense is only for those that we are not able to find homes for. This new outlet has been a boom to our adoption numbers and allows us to save more dogs from kill shelters as well as the streets. Our mission is to save more lives and this will definitely help do the job. To be politically correct, "DOG LIVES MATTER." The shipping of these pets on animal transports is a new expense to our already thin budget. PLEASE, PLEASE, PLEASE, help us to continue this program by donating to this most worthwhile cause.



This just in, there is a grant from the Coastal Bend Community Foundation to spay/neuter anyone's pet or homeless street cats. Please call to make an appointment. It's not spoken of often, but the stray kitten/cat population in our community as well as others is much worse than that of dogs because of the fact that cats can have several litters a year versus dogs that at most can usually only have two. Let us not ignore this problem.

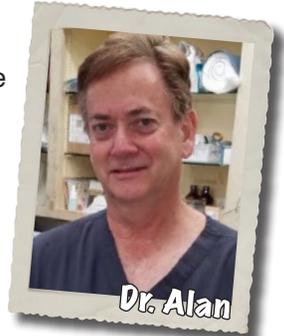
Summer is just around the corner. Adopting a new pet at this time of the year is the perfect thing to do, because it gives the children more time to bond with their new four legged family member. Please enjoy your summer family vacation time together and may your travels be safe. I remain...

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



## HAIL TO THE CHIEF

One of our very generous donors, Jacqueline Klein Stroyman decided it was about time to recognize our President and CEO, Dr. Alan Garrett. He has been Peewee's unsung hero since the inception of Peewee's 22 years ago. Under his leadership and advice, we have grown and flourished thanks to his persistent and never-ending help. During this time, he has helped us financially by treating any of our animals with complicated diseases or ones in need of innovative surgeries/treatment for practically no monetary compensation. He even keeps a menagerie of crippled and sick animals (ones he deemed would not flourish in outside care) for a lifetime at his clinic. Examples are Jughead the paralyzed lab, Jaws the Chihuahua with a broken jaw, Sunshine the Chihuahua mix with pulmonary hypertension, Desi the morbidly obese beagle with multiple health problems, and the list goes on. He also helps many other rescue organizations with vetting and boarding. He is truly an angel to all the helpless strays in Corpus Christi. He has single-handedly helped tens of thousands of homeless animals live and flourish. In his honor, Jacqueline Klein Stroyman has donated \$3,000 towards the purchase of new equipment for Madison's Clinic here at Peewee's. Words cannot describe the difference that Alan Garrett has made in our community. We are the luckiest organization to have him on board. He really is our super hero.



## ASK JAFAR

Dear Jafar, I would like to adopt a dog. I am 65 years old and retired. What do you recommend?

The answer to your question is easy. First, you need a small dog for many reasons. It can go places with you easily. You can wash it in the kitchen sink, and you can pick it up, even when you are 80. I recommend an adult, and even a senior aged dog. Seniors, let's say dogs over 8 years old, are calm, well behaved, even tempered, get along with anybody, plus go along with just about anything. Small dogs can live to 20 years old, so you would have the pleasure of their company for many years to come. We at Peewee's take seniors, many of which live at Harlow's Home for Seniors. They have indoor housing with access to outside through a doggie door. They vary from 8 to 15 years of age. I'll have you know, many don't stay with us forever. Watson, 12 years old, and Donna, 7 years old, went to Wenatchee, Washington. We are also shipping seniors all over the U.S. through Lola's Lucky Day, such as these two 12-year-old dachshunds who now reside in Wisconsin with lovely families of their own. Personally, I'll take an old dog as a friend or fellow roommate in the office any day. When they bring pups into the office, I run and hide because they drive me crazy.



## GUIDE TO ADOPTING A KITTY CAT

Congratulations! You're about to become a new cat parent. But a cat's personality can run the gamut from a fuzzy fur-ball who wants to sit in your lap 24/7 to one who prefers to be admired from a distance. Here's a quick guide to finding the perfect cat for you. • **Finding the right personality.** Cats can have such different personalities that sometimes it's hard to believe they are the same species. Some cats are cuddly and allow people to pet and hold them. Other cats like to be petted only on their own terms. Some cats are calm and spend most of their time napping. Other cats will race around the house all day, looking for bugs and

adventure. Some cats are very vocal and meow frequently, while others tend to be quiet. If you've always imagined snuggling with your cat, be intentional about adopting a cat that seems cuddly from the get go.

• **Decide whether you want a kitten or an adult cat.** Like puppies, kittens can be a lot of work. While most kittens learn how to use a litterbox without too much trouble, they require serious supervision and patience. Kittens will get into everything they can get their paws on. You need to keep a close eye on them to keep them safe. Also, it's important to know that a kitten's personality can change a lot as he grows up. When you adopt an adult cat, there usually aren't any surprises. A cuddly, playful adult cat will probably stay that way. • **Think about who**

**else lives in your house.** Young children don't understand how to properly pet a cat and tend to grab their ears or tails. Children also might not understand that some cats don't like being hugged. If you have young children, you'll need to monitor their time with the cat. Also, some dogs may not tolerate a new cat moving into their home. • **How much fur can you handle?** Long-haired cats are beautiful but they need to be brushed regularly to prevent matting and hairballs. The issue isn't so much the brushing itself, since a few minutes a day is fine. But some cats hate being brushed so you'll need to teach them to endure their daily brushing. If you can't brush them and their coat gets matted, they might need to be shaved by a professional groomer. • **Are you prepared to modify your home?** Cats love

plants and flowers. But some plants and flowers don't love them back. Many plants and flowers can be lethally toxic to cats. When you bring home a new cat, whether he's playful and adventurous or a couch potato, you have to be prepared to remove anything that could hurt him. And remember, unlike dogs, cats can climb high and jump almost anywhere. Always adopt or rescue, never buy. Remember that a pussycat's lifespan is 20 years, so make sure you are willing to make that commitment. Check out our felines for adoption at Petco in the Kohls Shopping Center at Staples and Saratoga.

## ADVICE FROM OUR DOG WALKER, JUDY WILDS

A stumble or a tumble can easily put an end to your dog-walking adventures. So here are a few tips to help you avoid a fall while walking your dog. • Use a sturdy 4- to 6-foot leash. Steer clear of retractable leashes, as they don't offer enough control over your dog. • Always keep both hands on the leash – one on the handle, the other further down, closer to the dog's body. • If your dog thinks he's the lead dog on an Iditarod sled dog team, a head collar or a no-pull harness might help you teach him to stop pulling. • Be sure to walk on level ground and avoid areas where you're likely to encounter loose dogs. • If you're not entirely comfortable walking your dog, don't be afraid to seek outside help – a friend or relative who can accompany you on your walks, a professional dog trainer, or even a dog walker. • It goes without saying – no talking on a cell phone while walking your dog.

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



## RECENT RESCUES



Andy



Motley Crew



Tanner



Maryland



Larry, Mo & Curly



Missy



Mork

**Andy** is a 3 month old pup found with a broken leg in Robstown at a park. No other shelter would take him. He was full of worms, fleas, and ticks. After vetting and six weeks of a cast, he is happy, loving, and searching for a home to call his own. This **Motley Crew** of 6 puppies were dumped in a ditch near Sinton covered in mange and ringworm. Thank God they were corralled and brought to us by a passerby. After a month of treatment they are ready and needing great new families and a home. **Little Tanner**, a 2 month old pup, had been hit by a bus on

Ayers and was brought here in a coma. He did recuperate, but his entire peritoneum (a layer of tissue that encases our intestines) was shredded and torn creating a giant hernia. After an amazing repair of the abdominal wall, he is happy and healthy. **Maryland** is an ancient blind schnauzer that was found by a good Samaritan wandering in the HEB parking lot in Calallen. She was a skeleton with rotting teeth, but after some teeth cleaning (a dental), she is now able to eat, is gaining weight, and lives in our indoor/outdoor nursing home (Harlow's Home). **Larry, Mo, & Curly** are three adult beagle mixes that had been dumped out in the countryside. We initially

thought they were puppies because they were so small, their emaciated bodies weighed only 10 pounds. After treatment for demodectic mange, medical care, and a month of good food, they made it up to 30 pounds! They were scared and weak, but are now outgoing and cheerful and are ready for a loving new home. **Missy** is an older thoroughbred horse nearly 400 pounds underweight, so weak that she could barely unload out of the trailer. She was brought to us from Rockport after her owner had passed away with no family and apparently survived on weeds on the land. She is now slowly putting

on weight and looking for a loving family. She is the sweetest, tamest, and good natured horse who needs a home. **Mork** is a cute yorkie mix that was found at a golf course with his head and neck bandaged. Someone tried to do some homemade vet care, which is not a good idea and could have cost him his life if gangrene had set in under the bandage. It was too tight around his neck and harbored bacteria in his wounds and ears. Thank God we got him just in time. After some medical care, he was happy and healthy. **Tater Tot** was an emaciated 3 pound dog found in Alice, Texas with an old broken leg that looked like a pretzel, and his entire body was matted down to the skin. Finally cornered and caught, he was brought to us starving, anemic, and heartworm positive. But after three months of therapy and love at a foster home, he can now run around and is incredibly loving. **Tobias** is a giant mastiff mix that was found on a farm road near Robstown. He was emaciated, heartworm positive, and had a bad infection in his eyes. We nursed him back to health and he was spotted by a Mastiff rescue at Petsmart at our mobile adoption center. He is now being fostered in Dallas where he will be treated and find a wonderful new home. **Mama Nelli** and her newborn pups came out of a kill shelter in South Texas just before they were set to be euthanized. With a nice air-conditioned place to stay and good food, they are ready to find new homes. They are small terrier mixes and are as sweet as pie. This whole family escaped dying by just a few hours. **Smoky**, a teenage kitten, came to Peewee's with a badly mangled and infected front leg that had to be amputated. It was touch and go for a while as it was already gangrenous and her fever was 103 degrees. But after IV fluids, antibiotics, and some TLC, she is now well adjusted and ready for adoption. These **Basset pups** were spotted by an AEP employee in a cage in a ditch. Thank God she brought the cage to us and saved their lives. They were dehydrated and overheated. A few more hours and they would have died. They are now fat, sassy, and awaiting a new family. **Sarah and her puppies** were found at an abandoned house in a not so nice neighborhood, fending for herself and eating out of garbage cans. They all got here just in time as the fleas were making the whole family anemic and mommy's milk was drying up. Now in a nice safe place, mommy is thankful and her puppies are active and thriving and ready for you!

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Our never-ending work continues, but I must say, the chances of an abandoned dog being saved in Corpus Christi have improved especially over the past two years with transports and increased adoptions. We want to thank you for your financial support, as we could not continue without it! God Bless you all! The more you give, the more little creatures we can save.

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



Tater Tot

Before



Tater Tot

After



Tobias



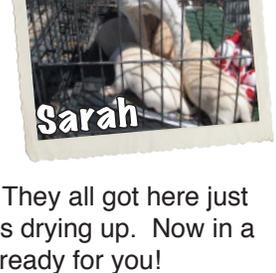
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**Peewee's Wish List**

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

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