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LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

Dear Peewee's Supporter,

WOW!! In the blink of an eye, it is already the holiday season. This year has gone by so quickly, but what an amazing year it has been for Peewee's.

The new Harvey Grossman Animal Hospital is now complete. I can assure that having been practicing veterinary medicine for 40 years this hospital is definitely one of the most wonderful accomplishments for Peewee's. It will benefit the many sick and injured animal that make it through our front door. It will provide a much better place for these sick pets to recover, isolation

facility to prevent the spread of contagious disease, better comfort, and higher quality

of care. We are truly blessed to have such a facility. As always, we are grateful to the generosity of Annette and Mel Klein for making this hospital a reality. For that matter, we are forever in their debt for making Peewee's what is to date with such niceties as Lucky Lodge with air-conditioning and heating and of course, Madison's Clinic, which provides discount spay/neuter, vaccinations, heartworm testing/prevention, and flea prevention to the community of pet lovers that may not be financially capable to afford the retail prices of these items for their pet.

This year, we have transported 1,484 animals to loving forever homes at far away destinations throughout this great land of ours that we call America. The cost of transporting these pets is about \$45 per animal. We hope you can help sponsor some of these dogs so that they can complete their journey.

Finally, regardless of your religious beliefs, on behalf of all of us at Peewee's I'd like to thank you for your continued support. May this holiday season bring joy and happiness to each and every one of you and your families. May we all have a happy, healthy, and prosperous New Year. I remain.....

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



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 set of earrings in an effort to encourage your donations. Anyone who donates \$25 or more between now and Christmas will be entered in a drawing for a chance to win a beautiful set of heart-shaped sterling silver earrings with etching design and green malachite center stone valued at \$300. 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!

A NICE LETTER FROM A PEEWEE'S PARENT

"We adopted Princess Missy on 5/3/2014. She was brought from Peewee's to our local animal rescue ROAR in Ridgefield, CT, along with 3 or 4 other small dogs. She is extremely loving, and after a couple of hours in our house, she was sleeping in my arms. She loves everybody, but she is especially loving with kids. She lets them pet her, kiss her,



pick her up, etc. In the beginning, she was not used to the cold here in Connecticut, but now she is comfortable with our weather here. The cold does not bother her anymore, although she still likes it hot. Life is very good, she has a 16-year-old dachshund sister, Princess Irene, and a new baby sister, Princess Peanut, a rescue from Puerto Rico. She loves rides in the car, walks at the beach, the dog park, and mostly sleeping under the blankets. After I suffered a stroke last year, she also became my emotional support dog with her calmness, great attitude, and love. I don't know her history before she became our beautiful dog, but thanks to Peewee's for rescuing her. My husband and I just absolutely adore her." - Mário Cavalcanti



ASK JAFAR

Dear Jafar: I have a cat whose behavior is getting worse and worse. He is urinating out of the litter box and is becoming increasingly hostile. My vet said he is healthy, could it be a mental issue?

Some cats suffer from depression and anxiety just as humans do, and, like humans, different cats benefit from different forms of treatment. Prozac is one such treatment that you may be familiar with. Prozac is a brand name for the drug fluoxetine hydrochloride. Before you provide any treatment to your cat, talk to your veterinarian. They can give your kitty a proper diagnosis and recommend treatment, including fluoxetine hydrochloride if they deem it appropriate. Is your cat suddenly attacking visitors or licking himself

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uncontrollably? Your kitty may be suffering from anxiety or depression. Some cats develop behavior problems that many pet parents find themselves unable to help or resolve. Keep an eye out for the following symptoms of feline anxiety or depression and get help for your cat: • Stopped using the litter box • Acting reason other than an actual physical injury or something that prevents them from getting into the litter box • Acting overly timid or fearful • Marking with urine outside of the litter box • Any behaviors that you consider to be outside of the norm, harmful, or causes problems • Compulsive disorders like excess licking or scratching, especially when it results in the cat pulling out their own fur • Acting angry or overly aggressive. Many pet owners may think twice about placing their pets on medication. So, before you consider that option, the most effective first step in treating the issue is behavior modification. If that doesn't work, however, medication may be the only solution to make your cat feel better. Many pet owners find success when treatment combines both medication and behavior modification. Consult with your veterinarian for suggestions. In households

with multiple cats, it is normal for them to avoid each other, but you will need to address any issues with them fighting or being aggressive to each other. Because cats are solitary hunters and living together isn't natural for them, it's sometimes necessary to help cats in a single household learn to accept each other. Experts suggests accomplishing this through a behavior modification procedure called, "desensitization and counter conditioning." This won't work with all cats and that's when medication can help so that you can work on the behavior modification and counter conditioning. You might consult the internet for more information on this procedure.

Here at Peewee's, we have found that we can wean cats and dogs off medication after 6 months to 1 year, and most of the time, the bad behavior does not reoccur. The medication slowed them down enough to learn the proper behavior and they retained it. Personally, I was abused, starved, and tortured, but thank God Peewee's rescued me and got me the help I needed. I was on Prozac for two years and have been off of it for two years, and I am now a loving working member of the Peewee's team.

HOLIDAY SAFETY TIPS



Here are some dangers that you need to make sure your pets avoid so you can have a safe and happy upcoming holiday season: Tinsel and streamers, electrical cords, Christmas lights, heavy and unstable trees and decorations, and poisonous plants such as Easter Lilies, poinsettias, holly, and mistletoe. Don't leave candles unattended. Be aware of food dangers to your pet, such as chocolate and other sweets with sugar or xylitol, leftovers with certain ingredients such as onions, garlic, grapes, raisins, nutmeg, or macadamia nuts, meat with fat and bones, and any kind of alcohol. During parties and celebrations, put your pet in a safe quiet room so he doesn't get out during the coming and going of

guests. Make sure that your pet has ID tags on at all times in case of an accidental escape. And with New Years also right around the corner, keep your pets inside during the fireworks. January 1st through the 5th is the busiest time of year at Peewee's for lost pets.



Before humans die, they write their last will and testament, giving their home and all they have to those they leave behind. If, with my paws, I could do the same, this is what I'd ask: To a poor and lonely stray, I'd give my happy home; my bowl and cozy bed, soft pillow and all my toys; the lap, which I loved so much; the hand that stroked my fur; and

the sweet voice that spoke my name. I'd will to the sad, scared, shelter dog the place I had in my human's loving heart, of which there

seemed no bounds. So, when I die, please do not say, "I will never have a pet again, for the loss and the pain is more than I can stand." Instead, go find an unloved dog, one whose life has held no joy or hope, and give my place to him. This is the only thing I can give. The love I left behind.

Author Unknown





RECENT RESCUES

<u>Lucille</u>, a terrier mix, was found wandering around the west side of Corpus Christi skinny and covered in scabies, but after a month of treatment, good food, and loving care, she was as good as gold and found a home in Wisconsin.

Amigos

Copper

MOO

Pubs

Mango is a big puppy that was dumped in front of the main post office. He had swollen legs and a bad case of demodectic mange plus a skin infection from hell. After treatment, and even without hair, he was picked by a family in Michigan to be transported to them, and now he has a loving family of his own. Simba is a kitty that was found dragging a badly mauled leg in a neighborhood near Cole Park. It was obvious a dog had attacked him. There was no way to save the leg because of infection and the number of fractures. After his amputation, he purred his way into a good home. Charlie, a Sheltie mix, was saved by us from the euthanasia list of a kill shelter. After his

eye removal, he was pre-adopted in Minnesota where he is now even catching frisbees. **Buddy**, a lab mix, was found on the streets of Corpus Christi with one eye hanging out. After nursing him back to health, clearing the infection, and removing the eye, he has been adopted and is living happily ever after.

Tiny is a matted skinny little yorkie that was found run over laying in a gutter on the west side of town. After a haircut, leg amputation, and lots of good meals, he found the best home where he loves to run in the yard and watch TV from his little bed. The **3 Amigos** landed at our door after the owner died and no family members would take them.

All of them were at least 12 years old. After being fixed and getting their teeth cleaned, we sent their photos off

Mango

Charlie

Buddy

Tiny

and they all got adopted in Toronto, Canada where they are living happily ever after. **Copper** is a Rhodesian Ridgeback mix that was abandoned in Hillcrest where the new bridge is being built. He was hungry and full of heartworms. He is now under treatment and has his energy back. He is a sweetheart and is awaiting a new loving home. **Cleo** was found in a park stumbling around unable to walk. She had been hit by a car and had a badly fractured pelvis and a concursion. After 6 weeks, she started to walk again and found a

concussion. After 6 weeks, she started to walk again and found a new loving home at our mobile adoption site inside Petsmart. **Moo** is a Jack Russell Terrier mix that came to us from Kingsville with a badly smashed rear leg. Gangrene had already set in so we did emergency surgery. After weeks of antibiotics for septicemia, he made it through and is happy and chipper and awaiting a new family to adopt him. These **4 pups** were brought to us from the Kingsville pound the day before they were set to be euthanized. After some loving care, medication, and treatments, they grew their hair back and are now looking for wonderful homes. **Mattie**, a Shih-Tzu mix, was found one cold day wandering around the mall parking lot. A custome

found one cold day wandering around the mall parking lot. A customer picked her and brought her to us. Her eyes were matted shut, she was quite thin, and she was covered in fleas and ticks. It's a miracle that she made it. But after a makeover and about a month of care, she found a loving family to call her own. **Phoebe** is a shepherd mix mommy who came to us with puppies from the Sinton pound. She was a sweetheart and a good mom. She was on the euthanasia list.

After weaning her pups, she found a wonderful new family in New York. The pups went as well and were all in loving homes by the next day.

As you can see, all of God's little creatures that come to Peewee's go from rags to riches. This year, we have placed nearly 2,000 animals in new loving homes, and took in nearly 2,000 others to replace them, all thanks to the generosity of your donations. I look forward to continuing to run your shelter in the upcoming year. I have the hands, the time, and the love, but

without your generous donations, none of this would be possible. Thank you. - Ernie Cochran, Shelter Director

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

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