



A No-Kill Animal Shelter Peewee's

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LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

Dear Peewee's Supporter,

This has always been my favorite newsletter of the year to send to our supporters. What makes it my favorite is because of the joyous news I get to share with each and every one of you with regards to the previous year's numbers.

2019 was a banner year for us. Once again, we set another record for adoptions/placements. These are the facts: 2,471 dogs, 157 cats, 10 guinea pigs, 9 chickens, 4 horses, 1 ferret, 1 chinchilla, and 1 turkey for a grand total of 2,654 animals, most of which came from the streets and kill shelters from a 100-mile radius of Corpus Christi. Some were placed locally, but the majority were adopted along the East Coast of the United States and Canada. Oh, by the way for those of you who are wondering, the turkey was NOT adopted around the Thanksgiving holiday! 😊 Last year, due to a grant made possible by one of the many foundations that help us with our mission, we performed for the public 1,875 spay/neuters for dogs and cats for a mere \$10 each.


On February 6th, we will be celebrating the opening of our latest building. It will be known as Harley's Special Place. As far as I know, there is nothing else like it in Corpus Christi. It is designed for those dogs that need long term care such as the special needs dogs, elderly, nursing mothers, and rehab patients. It is truly a blessing to have such a building on our campus. Without Jacqueline Klein's dream to spearhead this one-of-a-kind building, and our wonderful donors for jumping on board, this project would never have come to fruition. It was made possible through the generosity of Annette Klein, Jacqueline Klein, Chela Storm, Gloria Hicks, Donny Kasiri, Jessica and Farhood Kasiri and an anonymous couple that has been there for us since our start.

We are praying that 2020 will be as good as this previous year, and of course, we ask for your support to help us accomplish this. As always, I remain....

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



FUREVER GRATEFUL

- We are eternally grateful for  for assistance with the canvas photos in our new building. They look amazing!
- Many thanks to Melanie Unterkircher from Marisa's at the Outlet Mall for collecting and donating food, blankets, and cleaning supplies for the homeless animals here at Peewee's.
- Thank you to Bailey Smith, an 11-year-old 6th grader from Flour Bluff, for asking for donations for the homeless animals here at Peewee's instead of Christmas presents. She brought lots of food, treats, toys, and blankets for the animals in our care.
- We are furever grateful to all the volunteers who drive dogs to us from kill shelters in Taft, Sinton, Nueces county, Robstown, Alice, San Diego, and everywhere in between. We couldn't save all these lives without you!
- From the bottom of our hearts, we would like to thank our volunteer, Eva Parra, NNP, who saves babies at the hospital and dogs at the shelter. She has been helping us in the office for almost a year. She is a fast learner and does everything with a smile! She is so helpful, always keeping us caught up, and she doesn't mind helping with the dirty jobs either. She is truly a godsend.



A NICE LETTER FROM A PEEWEE'S PARENT

"We adopted a cairn terrier mix from Midwest Small Breed Rescue in Michigan 2 weeks ago. They called her Annabelle. She was acquired from Peewees in early October. She is a very sweet little dog and she is just what my wife and I have been looking for. She does not fully trust us yet, but seems content and is getting more comfortable around us. Thank you for saving her and sending her to Michigan." - John and Penny



WIN A BEAUTIFUL PIECE OF JEWELRY!

Our good friend, Benny Ledford, owner of *Goldsmith Co. Jewellers* located at 3816 S. Alameda in the Lamar Park Center, was kind enough to donate a gorgeous piece of jewelry in an effort to encourage your donations. Anyone who donates \$50 or more in March or April 2020 will be entered in a drawing for a chance to win a beautiful sterling silver collar with inlayed stones, 17" to 18", valued at \$700. 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!



ASK JAFAR

Dear Jafar: My dog does not seem to like any dog food, any suggestions?



Well, you can keep trying all of the different kinds of dog food until you find "the one", or you could cook for your dog. It really can be done if you do it in a large batch and package it in individual servings. Refrigerate some and freeze the rest. You can use your crock pot, stove top, or even bake it in the oven. Combine plenty of vegetables, chopped or shredded, such as zucchini, spinach, squash, carrots, peas, green beans, along with carbohydrates such as rice, corn or beans, and protein such as beef, chicken, salmon, turkey, or lamb. There are many websites with recipes, but essentially, just mix lots of veggies with some carbs and meat. In addition to normal meals, you may also want to add a multivitamin to make sure your pup is getting the recommended balance of vitamins and minerals. Be sure to avoid giving your pet the following at

all costs: **avocados** – causes vomiting and diarrhea, **raisins, currants, or grapes** – cause kidney failure, **bones** – cause stomach lacerations, **walnut or macadamias** – cause nervous system and muscle damage, **onions or too much garlic** – cause blood cell damage and anemia, **too much dairy** - diarrhea, **too much fatty food** – causes pancreatitis, and **some varieties of mushrooms** – cause shock or death. Personally, I'm on a special dry food diet, but I love a good taco once in a while.

DEADLY FELINE DISEASES

• Feline Leukemia Virus (FLV) is spread by bodily fluids and will attack the immune system. It leads to bone marrow failure, and there is no cure for it. Keeping cats indoors, restricting exposure to other cats, and ensuring your cat is vaccinated can prevent feline leukemia. • Feline Immunodeficiency Virus (FIV) is primarily spread through blood and mating, and outdoor cats and territorial tomcats are most susceptible to infection. Casual contact through sharing food and water bowls doesn't significantly increase the risk of contracting FIV. The disease is terminal, and because it targets the immune system, cats that have it run an increased risk of common infections. There is currently no effective vaccine against FIV. Another good reason to keep your cats indoors. • Feline Panleukopenia (Feline Distemper) is a highly contagious viral disease. It can spread through bodily fluids, feces and fleas. It affects the intestinal tract and attacks the immune system. Cats suffering from the disease are likely to experience diarrhea, vomiting, dehydration, malnutrition, anemia, and usually death within a few days. There is a vaccination available to help prevent this disease. • Feline Infectious Peritonitis (FIP) is a fatal viral disease caused by a strain of virus called feline coronavirus. Many cats carry this worldwide virus. It is much more prevalent in multi-cat households, shelters, and breeding colonies. An intranasal vaccine was developed to prevent FIP in cats, but it has been controversial. Some studies show that it protects against disease while others show that it offers little benefit. In conclusion, to keep your pussy cats healthy and safe, make sure they are fully vaccinated and always keep them indoors to significantly reduce the odds of contracting these horrible diseases!



MAGICAL SUCCESS STORIES

Here are some of the animals we rescued locally and found homes for all over the United States. Look how happy they are!



FAREWELL

"We adopted Madison (Dee Dee) Harper from Peewee's in our hometown of Corpus Christi in June 2007. She was at the local Petco and when we saw her it was love at first sight. Sadly, Madison crossed the Rainbow Bridge on October 22nd. We had the privilege of being her family for over 11 years. We are so thankful for all the wonderful memories. She will be in our hearts forever. She was a happy soul and was so loving. She will be missed by everyone who knew her. We proudly continue to support Peewee's as we have adopted two wonderful dogs from this great shelter. We look forward to visiting Peewee's again when we are ready to adopt and urge everyone to make a difference in a dog's life and rescue. Enclosed is a donation in memory of our sweet girl Madison. Thank you, Peewee's; you are all very dear to our hearts." - *The Harper Family - Houston, Texas*



RECENT RESCUES

Annie and Maggie are two baby chicks that were found in a box by a dumpster, barely alive. They were so young that we had to provide them with a heat lamp to survive. They had diarrhea and listlessness, which they got over, and we kept them in the office until they were big enough to go outside. They were finally adopted, and their new owners reported that they are happy and even started laying eggs.

Rosemarie is a wild black kitty that was rescued with a humane trap. Her rear leg was torn off, there were bones sticking out, and she had a horrible blood infection. She had surgery immediately to amputate what was left. After a month, she got over her infection and learned how to walk again. She now lives with us at Peewee's and is doing great. **Harry** is a little mixed terrier that came to us with a badly broken rear leg from Sinton Animal Control. He was skinny and in pain from his pretzel-like leg. As soon as we removed it, he was happy and began to put on weight. Once he was healthy, he found his forever home in East Texas. **Helen** is a deaf boxer that came to us as a skeleton off the streets. After vetting her, fattening her up, and lots of TLC, she went to a wonderful home up north to be an emotional support animal and is learning sign language. **Nicki** is a very friendly big dog that was turned in by his owners because he was hit by a car and his eye popped out. He needed his eye removed and they did not want to deal with a handicapped dog. People make me incredibly angry. Nicki found a new home with folks that deserve him. **Teddy** is a Husky mix that was found at Agnes and Laredo. He was skinny and dragging a tumor the size of an orange that was hanging from his abdomen. Of course, he was heartworm positive, but after removing his tumor, he started eating and became happy and healthy. He is currently undergoing heartworm treatment and is looking to come home with you. **Lulu** is a tiny wirehaired terrier that came to us from CCACS with a broken back leg which was not repairable. After her amputation, the pain went away. She gained weight and was eagerly adopted in New York where she runs around on three legs and has a loving family of her own. **Mattie** is a poodle who was matted to the skin with maggots under the mats. She came from CCACS and was immediately shaved and spayed. Of course, she had heartworms, but after treatment, she was well and is living the good life in Canada with a lovely couple. **Mollie** is a paralyzed dachshund mix that had been hit by a car. Her owners never claimed her. Her spine was severed and she would never be able to use her back legs. After intense research, we found a special dachshund rescue out of state that specializes in taking dogs just like this one, so off she went, where she will undergo rehab, learn how to use a cart, and find her special forever home. **Snow White** is a poor kitty that was found with an ear torn off and many wounds. What inflicted them, we are afraid to even guess.

After 2 months of treatment, she finally became well and found a wonderful new home. **Mary** is a shih-tzu mix that came to us as one giant mat after being picked up wandering on the west side of Corpus Christi. She had several mammary tumors and part of her foot was missing with bones sticking out. After shaving and surgery to amputate a leg, remove tumors, and six weeks of recuperation, she went to Michigan where she is now the queen of the house. **Hansel and Gretel** are two skeleton hairless schnauzers that were found in a ditch out on some county road by a good Samaritan. After treatment

for infections, IV fluids, force feeding, and a lengthy hospitalization, they finally were healthy and left the state together, finding their forever homes in Nova Scotia, Canada. As you can see, Peewee's is the only local shelter that takes in all the mangled animals. Thank God for all your contributions that help us save these injured animals as well as all the ones that are just homeless and hungry. Thank you for contributions and giving me the opportunity to do this work that I love so much. — *Ernie Cochran, Shelter Director.*

This is the type of work your donations help fund.



Annie & Maggie



Rosemarie



Harry



Helen



Nicki



Teddy



Lulu



Mattie



Mollie



Snow White



Mary



Hansel & Gretel



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Peewee's Wish List

- Money, money, money
- Volunteers
 - Large Dog Walkers
 - Small Dog Walkers
 - Clinic/Hospital Helper
 - Horse Groomer
- Paper Towels
- Bleach

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