



A No-Kill Animal Shelter Peewee's

Pet Adoption World & Sanctuary, Inc.

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LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

Dear Peewee's Supporter,

I hope this letter finds all of you healthy and safe.

2020 has indeed been a trying year for us at Peewee's. No doubt, the COVID pandemic has hampered our ability to operate in the manner that we have in the past. We have been fortunate enough to have placed 1,868 animals both locally and around the country, most of which have come from kill shelters from the surrounding small towns as well as strays off the streets of Corpus Christi. Unfortunately, we have been hampered this year, as have so many businesses, mostly by financial constraints.

We rely upon the generosity of both foundations as well as individuals to aid us with our day to day operations. The animal hospital that provides services for the community does create some revenue, but because it is a low-cost facility there is very little profit realized. Because of COVID, our donations and contributions are down about 25% as of the writing of this newsletter. Hopefully we can count on you, our loyal supporters, to help make up some of the difference.

We want to thank all of you for your help through all these years. And a special thanks to the Klein Family who, with their friends, built us this wonderful campus which gives us peace of mind knowing we have a safe, comfortable, and beautiful place for the dogs to be in while awaiting their new homes. The pets seem to have a better temperament as they are not kept in small cages but rather have the ability to be more mobile. For all of you who have donated but have never been out here, please come see how your donation has made a difference to the health and wellbeing of these unfortunate pets that were having to survive on our streets to make it through life. Even if you haven't donated, feel free to come on out to see with your own eyes the good we do and the difference we make for these wonderful pets. On behalf of all of us at Peewee's, may each and every one of you have a most enjoyable holiday season. I remain...

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



FUREVER GRATEFUL

We are furever grateful to Kevin Craig, who goes to Tuloso High School, for collecting over \$700 worth of pet food, bleach, and paper towels for his Eagle Scout project. These items are always needed to help us care for the homeless animals at Peewee's. Thank you Kevin!

Many thanks to Emma Milam, who for her 9th birthday, put a wishlist on Amazon for cots, pads, dishes, and other supplies. The animals really appreciate the goodies!

Thank you to 12-year-old Lilly Hayes, a 7th grader at Tuloso Middle School, for collecting donations of food and supplies for her confirmation project at the Church of Good Shepherd. It is much appreciated!

Thank you to William Castillo with the Lions Club for collecting donations of pet food and cleaning supplies. These are items we always need!



WIN A BEAUTIFUL PIECE OF JEWELRY!

Our good friend, Benny Ledford, owner of Goldsmiths Jewelers 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 \$25 or more in November and December will be entered in a drawing for a chance to win a stunning sterling silver and turquoise feather pendant valued at \$340. 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!

Goldsmith Co.
JEWELERS



99¢ of every dollar donated goes directly to the animals

A NICE LETTER FROM A PEEWEE PARENT

"Hi Ernie, we adopted this little girl on January 20, 2018 from Wyandotte Animal Adoption Center. She was transported from Peewees two weeks prior. Our 11-year-old lab had passed away in November and I could not handle my home without a dog, so we decided to adopt. I was told that she was completely shut down when she came in. Upon visiting the shelter, Darla was brought to us in a meet and greet room. She was so happy and began to dance around and was so playful that it filled our hearts with love. She has been through all dog training and goes to doggy daycare twice a week. We walk her every day and if the weather is bad, she walks on a treadmill! She has a good life. Thank you for all of your hard work and lifetime of dedication."

- Cathy Tuxbury



PENDANT WINNER

Congratulations to Betty and Allen DeReese for being randomly selected to win a beautiful carved jade rectangular pendant with fish motif and 14k yellow gold bail, donated by Benny Ledford of Goldsmith Co. Anyone who donated \$25 or more from when the newsletter went out through the end of September was entered in the drawing. The DeReeses are dog lovers and have been Peewee's supporters since 2011. They have three spoiled dogs that they rescued from the side of the road in Orange Grove named Buddy, Happy, and Casey. Congratulations once again!



ASK JAFAR

Dear Jafar: My dog has terrible breath. What should I do to fix this?



When it comes to keeping our dogs healthy, many owners overlook the importance of oral hygiene. It is estimated that the majority of dogs show signs of canine periodontal disease by just three years old. Since the primary sign of early dental disease is bad breath, it often goes unnoticed by owners because they simply think that bad breath is something dogs just happen to have. Sure, it's not minty fresh, but your dog's breath also shouldn't be bad enough to make you gag. Periodontal disease can cause some serious health issues for our canine companions, so it's essential to maintain adequate oral hygiene. Untreated dental disease can cause tooth loss, and it can lead to painful abscesses and systemic infections throughout your dog's entire body. This is always bad news, especially when it comes with an increased risk of permanent jaw damage and heart disease. Both of these things have been linked to long-term periodontal disease in our dogs. So how can we keep our dogs' teeth clean? You could try brushing your dog's teeth or using dog tooth wipes, but I did not go for either option and my mom did not really have the time or patience for either. You could also try dental treats. Dogs love treats, and dental treats for dogs are a very good way to improve your pup's dental health. These treats are made specifically to remove plaque buildup and often contain ingredients that freshen breath and clean your dog's mouth. They are generally much more appreciated by our dogs than a toothbrush or tooth wipes, and they do a great job of keeping our dog's mouth clean. These treats come in a variety of shapes, sizes, and flavors, and you are sure to find something your dog loves. Personally, I recommend Greenies or Milk Bones, they have done a wonderful job for me. I'm 11 and have only needed my teeth cleaned once. You should be checking your pet's teeth at least every 3 months. When you find yourself at the vet's office for vaccinations or a regular check-up, have your vet examine your pet's mouth carefully once a year and ask him if your pet needs a professional cleaning. Consult your veterinarian if you find the following: • bad breath • change in eating habits • pawing at face or mouth • depression • excessive drooling • misaligned or missing teeth • discolored or broken teeth • red, swollen, or bleeding gums • yellowish-brown tartar crust on teeth along the gum line • bumps or growths within the mouth.



How is a dental cleaning done on a dog? A professional cleaning is like a surgery, your pet must be under general anesthesia. Unlike humans, pets do not willingly open their mouths and allow us to scrape the plaque and tartar from their teeth. Plaque is removed from the teeth both above and below the gum line using an ultrasonic scaler. Removing the plaque under the gum line is an important step in preventing ongoing disease. All plaque is composed primarily of bacteria. Following the removal of all plaque and tartar, your pet's teeth will be polished. Polishing is also an important step because smoothing the tooth's surface helps to slow and reduce future plaque and tartar build-up. Keep up with oral hygiene and cleaning your pet's teeth regularly, and your dog or cat's life will be much longer than if you don't. My mommy had a dog that lived to be 22 years old because after 8 years, she had her teeth cleaned yearly, and with her wonderful care, I hope to live just as long too.



How About Becoming A Peewee's Dog Walker?

Lucio Gonzalez, a senior citizen, has been doing so for over a year. He comes when he wants and walks from 3 to 10 big dogs around the farm. He spends around 1 to 4 hours doing so and finds it is good for him and good for the dogs. We can see it in the dogs, they love it and it really helps with their mental health. They are the ones that stay here the longest and are a challenge to get adopted. Mr. Gonzalez was in the Army for 3 years and worked at chemical plants and as a truck driver before retiring in 2013. He is now 77 years old and made a resolution at the beginning of 2019 to do more community work and decided to help out the animals at Peewee's. He also volunteered at the VA Coffee Mess until Covid hit. He also volunteers

to help out needy people in the community by taking them to the doctor or picking up their groceries. So if you would like to give back to the community, maybe dog walking could be for you. It would be good for you as well as the dogs. If you are interested, give us a call at 361-888-4141.

IN MEMORY

"In memory of our pet, Little One, a donation of \$1,000 is made to Peewee's Pet Adoption World and Sanctuary on August 18th, 2020 by the wishes of my wife, Gloria." - Joel

"The greatness of a nation and its moral progress can be judged by the way its animals are treated."

— Mahatma Gandhi



RECENT RESCUES



Megan



Princess



Sammy



Tommy



Berney



Buddy

Megan came to us from the Corpus Christi pound where she was going to be euthanized. She was limping badly, skinny, and appeared in pain. It turned out she had been shot multiple times in her rear left leg. The bone was shattered and she had three bullets still in her. There was no other option, we had to amputate her leg, and after that, the pain was gone. She was happy, sweet, put on weight, and is living happily ever after with a new family in Michigan. **Princess** is a baby kitten, also from the city dog pound.

She was destined for euthanasia and came to us with a rotten bulging eye, skinny, and feeling miserable. After removing the eyeball and treating the other eye for a bad infection, she put on weight and is getting along fine in her new home. **Sammy** is a black lab that was hit by a car on the freeway access road and found just laying in the street unable to get up. He had a badly fractured pelvis and a broken leg, but after 2 months of treatments, he is now living with a lovely family in New Brunswick, Nova Scotia, Canada. **Tommy** is a stray cat that was found with an imbedded collar and mega rotted flesh down his chest. After immediate surgery to remove the collar and months of healing, he is now a sweet boy and will probably be in a home by the time you read this. **Berney** is a little schnauzer mix, again from Animal Control, that was destined for death. Both eyeballs were rotten and hanging out. We removed them both, then with no more pain, he became a wonderful joyous pet and went to a wonderful home in the Woodlands. **Buddy**, a tiny sweet dog was found and brought here after being run over. Both legs were badly broken and he had a crushed pelvis. One leg healed well after 6 weeks of cage rest, then his right leg was removed because it was so badly crushed it could not be fixed or removed until the pelvis was healed. He is now well and off to Wisconsin to a wonderful new family.

Crusty is a horribly mangy cat that was posted on a Facebook rescue site as wandering the streets. He was a skeleton at only 3 pounds and close to death. After 4 weeks, he doubled his weight and has recovered from mange. He is continuing to put on weight while we search for a good home for him. **Blackie** is a hairless thin old black lab that was abandoned and wandering the streets of the west side of Corpus. He had heartworms and demadectic mange, was thin, and needed a dental. He is now well and happy and will probably have a home by the time you read this. He is the sweetest. **Hershey** is a chocolate lab that was found by the refineries paralyzed from the waist down, but sweet and unaffected in spirit by her new disability. She is now in a new home with a new wheelchair, and goes for rides through her new neighborhood in a golf cart with her new family in East Texas. **Fluffy** is a schnauzer that was found in an apartment in the south side of town. She was a matted skeleton covered in fleas and suffering from lack of blood from the fleas. She quickly put on weight and

was as sweet as sugar once she became well and is now living happily ever after in Wisconsin. **Baby** is a chihuahua that was brought to us after she was run over and her owner could no longer take care of her. She tested positive for heartworms, and x-rays showed she had a fractured pelvis and a broken leg. After 2 months of treatment for her injuries and heartworms, she healed up and now sleeps with a little girl on the east coast. These **4 puppies** were abandoned one night in a plastic container on County Road 49 in the middle of nowhere. Thankfully, a person driving by decided to stop and look in it. She called and brought them the next morning. They were covered in fleas and ticks, and had big bellies from worms, but they recuperated nicely and are now Canadian citizens.



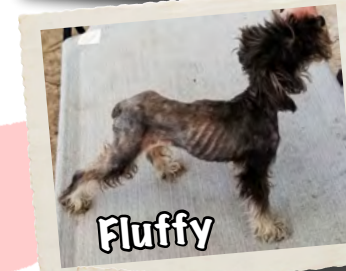
Crusty



Blackie



Hershey



Fluffy



Baby



4 Puppies



With your help we will continue to rescue as many animals as we can and adopt them out to wonderful new homes elsewhere. There are just too many people here abusing and neglecting God's little creatures. I wish you a wonderful and magical Christmas season and I promise to keep fighting for the little ones. – Ernie Cochran



This is the type of work your donations help fund.



Happy Holidays

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- Peewee's Wish List**
- Money, money, money
 - Volunteers
 - Large Dog Walkers
 - Horse Groomer
 - Paper Towels
 - Bleach
 - Canned Pedigree Dog Food (ground only)

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