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Please **SAVE THE DATE** to join us in celebrating our One Year Anniversary, with a pot luck dinner on Tuesday, April 1, 2008 (no fooling!) at 6:30pm at the American Legion Hall in Ponchatoula. We have so much to celebrate; we hope you will be able to attend and share in our celebration.



PAWS FOR THE CURRENT NEWS

☛ We were honored to have two speakers at our meeting in February. Mr. Jeff Dorson, Executive Director of the Humane Society of LA, and Mr. Donald Doty, Interim Director of the Hammond Animal Control, fielded questions from the audience about animal control problems in Tangipahoa Parish. Also joining our meeting were members of the Tangi Adopt A Rescue (TAAR), Amite Adopt a Rescue Foundation (AARF), and Lucky Puppy Rescue, to discuss ways we can all work together on behalf of neglected animals in Tangipahoa/Livingston parishes. A pet food drive was also held during the meeting, resulting in 180 lbs. of dog food, 40 lbs. of cat food, and donations of food bowls and toys! Door prizes were given out to lucky winners. Coffee and refreshments were provided.

☛ Our 3rd Pet Adoption Day was held on Saturday, February 16th, was a HUGE success! Five puppies, three adult dogs, and one Calico cat were adopted into new, loving homes. Special thanks go out to our volunteer members and friends who helped: Kelly Blackwell, Stew & Teri Gegenheimer, Dr. Corky Henneman, Leslie May, Jen Matheny, Shirley Populis, Randy & Lynda Stegall, David Thomas, Jackie & Tom Wharton, and of course our good friends at Cool Cats Hot Dogs. If you know someone who is looking for a pet, please refer them to the website: www.tangihumane.petfinder.com.



SPOTLIGHT ON: Midnight



Midnight is a super-friendly guy in need of a good home. He is about 2 years old, weighs about 40 lbs., and is extremely good-natured and even-tempered. He gets along great with children, dogs, and cats. He is content to play, or just nap in the sun. He's the real easy-going type. Midnight tested positive for heartworms, but because we caught it early, he is being treated with medication that will resolve this problem.

If you know anyone looking for a friendly, agreeable, and loving dog, please tell them about Midnight.

SPECIAL THANKS TO OUR HSLT ANGELS:

- 🐾 ALL who donated dog and cat food during our February meeting.
- 🐾 Cool Cats Hot Dogs for holding a dog/ cat food drive in January which brought in over 100 lbs. of pet food. Special thanks also for the donation of a tent for our outdoor functions.
- 🐾 St. Vincent dePaul, and Our Daily Bread, for their ongoing donations of goods for our animals.
- 🐾 American Legion Hall in Ponchatoula, for the ongoing use of their building for our meetings.
- 🐾 New member, Lynn Boyle, who conducted an extensive review of educational materials available on the subjects of responsible pet ownership, and humane animal care. This information will be used as we make plans to reach out to elementary schools in Livingston and Tangipahoa parishes.
- 🐾 Member, Becky Johnson, who has agreed to help us with our ongoing copying needs.
- 🐾 Volunteers Brian & Leslie May, who are helping us get our website designed and posted.
- 🐾 We also gratefully receive & acknowledge the following memorial donations from:
 - ♥ Donnell Call and Rosemary Wilson, in memory of Jet and Freckles Call
 - ♥ Katheryn Martin and Jacklyn Shockley, in memory of Jean LaFosse

🐾 Mrs. Michel Walker's second grade class at Loranger Elementary School, who held a fundraiser for HSLT as a class project, and raised \$167!

Pictured: Teri & Stew Gegenheimer with foster pups Daisy & Allie, along with students: Summer Gondolfi, Chyna Profit, Haylee Farace, Kaylin Lee, David Smith, & Allison Richard.



WELCOME TO THE NEW MEMBERS OF OUR PACK

Betty Bashara
Joan Bly
Tim & Lynn Boyle
Jacqueline Brockmeyer
Frank & Ann Cangelosi
Joselynn Canizaro
Judy Edwards

Donna Dodd
EJ & Doris Flanagan
Pauline Gaillot
Phyllis Gaillot
Lynn LaCoste
Maureen Lundergan
Shirley Populis

John, Ann, & Jeanne Selph
Samantha Sharp
Rowena Solt
David Thomas
Kathleen Verret
Lynn Wittie

WELCOME BACK TO RENEWING MEMBERS OF OUR PACK

Donnell Call
Eunice Cotton
Mary Davis
Carmel Foret
Jeanine & Ken Gardner

Dorothy Griffin
Barbara Harding
Doris Harding
Dr. Corky Henneman
Cindy Hughes

Becky Johnson
Fran Kraus
Rick & Laura Ronzello
Paul & Leisel Wabnig
Rosemary Wilson



HEALTHY TIPS ABOUT OUR FURRY FRIENDS

☛ Xylitol, a sugar-free sweetener commonly found in candy and gum, could quickly cause low blood sugar, impaired muscle coordination, and seizures in dogs. Seek immediate medical attention if you suspect your dog has ingested this substance. To avoid a trip to the vet, keep bags, backpacks, and the other places you stash xylitol-sweetened treats out of reach.

☛ A dose of pet companionship may be just what the doctor ordered. More and more research shows that time spent with pets can be therapeutic. In a recent study, brief visits from dogs helped brighten the moods, calm the fears, and improve the cardiopulmonary function of patients hospitalized for heart failure. Next time you are recuperating from illness, boost your well-being by spending time with your favorite furry friend.



DECEMBER 2007 – FEBRUARY 2008 ADOPTIONS

Roux (aka Kobe), now has a new loving family in Algiers.
Mona, a Pointer, now has a new home in Albany.
Pape', a Maltese-Poodle went to a happy little girl for Christmas in Slidell.
Kandi, a Rat Terrier, now has a new home in Baton Rouge.
Muffin, a Wire-Haired Terrier, now has a new home in Mississippi.
Piper, a Wire-Haired Terrier, now has a new home in Mississippi.
Sugar, a Boston Terrier, now has a new home in Westwego.
Kameran, a Siberian Husky, now has a new home in Ponchatoula.
BJ, a Brown Shephard mix pup, now has a new home in Ponchatoula.
Tracker, a St. Bernard mix pup, now has a new home in Ponchatoula.
Buddy (aka Canon) & Zeus, two Shepard mix pups, now have a home in Baton Rouge.
Chelsie, a Calico cat, now has a new home in Springfield.
Nikko, a black Shepherd mix pup, now has a new home in Ponchatoula.
Noelle, an adult female black lab mix, now has a new home in Raceland.
Ellie May, an adult female mix, now has a new home in Walker.
Sissy, an adult Walkerhound, now has a new home in Loranger.
Chleo, a female Beagle, now has a new home in Abita Springs.
Cinnamon, a St. Bernard mix pup, now has a home in Mississippi.

HELP WAG OUR TAILS: PLEASE VOLUNTEER OR DONATE

- ☛ We will be holding a HUGE Garage Sale sometime in May to benefit the Tangi Chapter of the Humane Society of LA. We would appreciate your donations of goods to this event to sell at the Garage Sale. Please let us know if you have any items to donate, and we will be sure to get them from you.
- ☛ We need a volunteer to help us research local shelters, sanctuaries, organizations, and services that either help or accept feral cats.
- ☛ One-time donations are always welcome, and can be made payable to: Humane Society of Louisiana-Tangipahoa Chapter, P.O. Box 1743, Ponchatoula, Louisiana 70454.



RESCUE TAILS

"Just follow the yellow brick road" from Kansas to Ponchatoula; that's exactly what this adorable pup named Sharlee did. She knows nothing about a good witch or bad witch, a spinning house or red magic slippers. What she does know is that a kind, loving lady named Charlene Rowland rescued her mom from the roadside before she and her four other siblings were born. Had that not happened, who knows what her young life would be like today. After receiving an email from her friend in Emporia, Kansas, Sharlee was adopted on January 12 by Jackie & Tom Wharton.

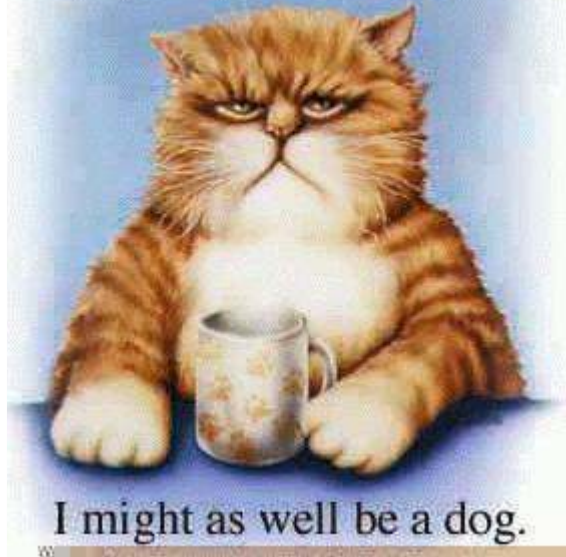


"There's no place like home," for this lucky little munchkin!

If you have a cute photo that you would like to share along with a short description, please contact: Jackie Wharton at: jackentm@bellsouth.net or Teri Gegenheimer at: terihg@gmail.com

HOWL OF THE MONTH

Before my morning coffee...



I might as well be a dog.



PURRFECT QUOTE OF THE MONTH

“Until one has loved an animal, a part of one’s soul remains unawakened.” (Unknown)

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