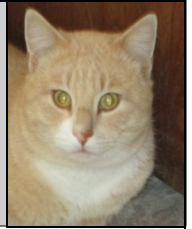




Helping Animals in Need

- 🐾 Provide Care
- 🐾 Report Abuse and Neglect
- 🐾 Promote Spay and Neuter
- 🐾 Educate on Animal Welfare
- 🐾 Promote Adoption



ARF HOLIDAY OPEN HOUSE

Please mark your calendars for Sunday, December 9th, from 2—4 p.m. to attend our annual Open House. Come meet our feline residents, visit with friends and enjoy some refreshments.



Again this year we will be collecting dry and canned food for area animals in need. Treats and sturdy toys are always welcome as well to make their holiday a little brighter.



ADOPTION AND OCCUPANCY STATS

ARF Occupancy:

Felines: 24
Canines: - 0

Adoptions to Date: 779

Spay/Neuter: 4,199

Felines: 2,398
Dogs: 1, 801

September Adoptions:

Dogs—
Cats — Ouzo, Jackson, Logan, Bonnie and Tig

October Adoptions:

Dogs— Sadie
Cats— Studley, Laz & Tessa, Rebel & Rowdy, Newby and Dolly

November Adoptions:

Dogs— Lacy
Cats— Bunny, Calliope & Tawny, Domino, Cheerio, Hershey, Godiva, J.P., Amaretta and Harry



ANIMAL RESCUE FOUNDATION OF BARTLESVILLE

The Furr-side Chat

President: Regina Diamond Vice Presidents: Sheila Harris Taylor Treasurer: Vicki Adams Secretary: Kay Housman
Debbie Munsell

WAITING AND WAITING

We know everyone is getting impatient and so are we since we have not been able to break ground for our new facility. We are still waiting on the final drawings so that we can get bids. The drawings have been promised by the end of the year. Hang in



there a little longer! Mason still has her hard hat and is ready to get started! She is an expert excavator having perfected her talents digging post holes at ARF Park. She is on standby just waiting for her "dig" command!

FINALLY!

The water features have finally been installed at ARF Park — just in time to shut the water off for the winter. As most of you know, we had a very difficult time finding someone to do the work since no one in this area had done it before. Wes Hadsell of Hadco Services came to our rescue and agreed to give it a try. Can't wait for Spring!



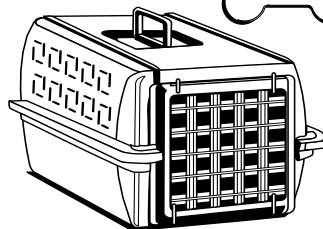
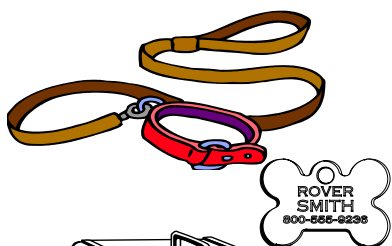
HOLIDAY PET TIPS

Travel: If your pets are accompanying you on your holiday trip be sure to take along vet records, medications, a supply of food, a crate or travel carrier, along with a well-fitting harness or collar and secure leash.

If your pets are staying home or being boarded, be sure that your pet sitter or boarding kennel knows how to contact you and/or your vet in case of an emergency. If boarding, a familiar toy or blanket can make the stay more comfortable. If a friend or family member is caring for your pet, make sure he or she knows what steps to take immediately should your pet become ill, injured or lost.

Whether staying or going, make sure your pet

is wearing an ID tag with a current cell phone number. Your land line number will not help if you are not at home. Microchips are another identification tool—especially if your pet loses his/her collar. This is one of the best presents you can give your pet!

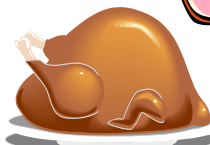


At Home: If your dog has had a bath, replace his collar and ID tag immediately!

Make sure visitors remember to shut doors and gates.

Pets may become nervous with guests so be sure they have a quiet place for them to escape the commotion.

The Big Meal: Resist those big, hungry eyes! No ham, no dark meat from the turkey and no skin. Too much fat can lead to pancreatitis. No cooked bones—ever—that can splinter. Stuffing can cause tummy upsets. Sage is particularly dangerous for cats. No bread dough (yeast will swell) and no dessert (too much sugar and fat)!



White meat only

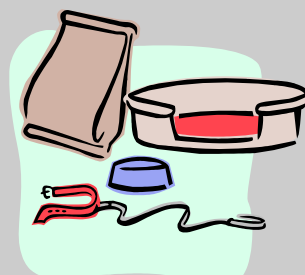


WISH LIST

Animal Rescue Foundation is supported by donations. We are always in need of supplies. Following is our "Wish List" for Animal House:

- ❄ **Volunteers**
- ❄ **Foster Homes for Dogs**
- ❄ **Sanctuary Donations**
- ❄ Purina One dry cat food
- ❄ Dog Food (any kind)
- ❄ Litter box Deodorizer
- ❄ Clorox Wipes
- ❄ Laundry Soap/Dryer Sheets (unscented — we have some cats that sneeze)
- ❄ Plastic Dog Houses (new or used) and straw.
- ❄ Paper Towels
- ❄ Forever Stamps
- ❄ Fancy Feast and Friskies canned cat food
- ❄ Hand Sanitizer
- ❄ AA Batteries
- ❄ Cash, Checks, Visa, Mastercard or Discover are always welcome!!!!

DONATIONS ARE TAX DEDUCTIBLE



Viewing our newsletter online can help ARF save printing/postage costs! Please e-mail us at arfok@sbcglobal.net to provide your e-mail address. You will be notified when our updated newsletter is available for viewing.

SPAY/NEUTER OPTIONS

ARF's \$25 Spay/Neuter Coupons (limited) available at area Vet Clinics

4 the Animals, Sarah Gordon, DVM, low cost spay/neuter — call 918-815-9122

Green Country Spay/Neuter Assistance Program (GCSNAP) - low cost spay/neuter services for dogs and cats to qualifying applicants— call 918-333-5974 or 918-336-1577

Spay OK Clinic in Tulsa—low-income program. Cats \$30, Dogs \$40, www.spayok.org or call 918-728-3144.

NeuterSooner, Inc—low cost spay/neuter program — www.neutersooner.org or call 918-332-6341 for info.

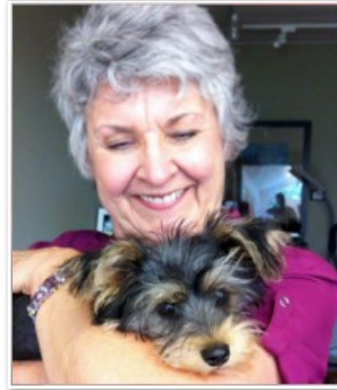
PLASTIC DOG HOUSES

If you have a plastic dog house that is no longer being used, please call us at 918-766-0991 so we can put it to good use! There are many unfortunate dogs in our area that need help to survive the winter storms ahead. We recycle plastic dog houses to provide shelter to dogs in need. We also collect and distribute straw for dogs in need when available. If you see a dog with no shelter, please report the situation to Animal Control at 918-338-4001. If you don't have a plastic dog house to donate, but would like to donate to our ARF Dog House program, please send your donation to ARF at P.O. Box 3292, Bartlesville, OK 74006, with a "dog house" notation.

PAM CASE, PET COMMUNICATOR

Pam Case, the pet communicator who came to Paws in the Park, will be making a return visit to communicate with our companion animals on Sunday, February 10th, from 2—5 p.m. This time she will be at ARF. Appointments are 15 minutes long and cost \$25. You can bring your pet(s) or a picture.

Everyone enjoyed learning what their pets were thinking and Pam can ask them questions if there is something you have always wondered about.



Vicki Adams' dog, Shiner, wanted to know why she had cut back on his food. He told Pam that Vicki worried about him and she didn't need to worry, that he

was just fine. He said that sometimes his shoulders bothered him a little and he would really appreciate more shoulder rubs. He was also quite fond of chicken and wanted more. Needless to say, he had KFC and a shoulder rub that evening. Vicki had also been thinking that he might like to have another dog to play with, but Shiner told Pam he enjoyed being an only dog and living with the household cats.

To make an appointment, call ARF at 918-766-0991

WHAT THE DIAMOND FAMILY LEARNED

Sidney's job in the family is to be "the instigator" and he likes to be first in everything--being fed first, riding in the front seat, he is our Simon Cowell and is comfortable with who he is.

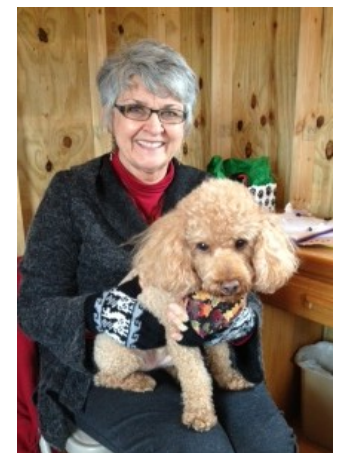
Sophie loves the cheeseburger bites that dad gives her - she LOVES cheeseburgers! Her job in the family is "the comedian"--she makes us all laugh. So true! "She's back"...meaning her spirit has come back to us from a previous life (could have been another dog, a cat or even a person) and that is why she blended with our family so perfectly when we began fostering her and then adopted her.

Gidget told Pam that she had been very sick, but she was better now. True—she has epi-

sodes of upset stomach that lasts for 24-48 hrs which we don't know why. She loves the way mom chops her food up into tiny pieces for her. Her job in the family is to "answer the telephone"--we took this to mean she can be the first one to alert us to something going on in the house or outside. She is a senior and needs to be treated as one.

Our newest member of the pack is Lacy. The day she met Pam was our first day to foster her. Pam told us she would need a lot of touch—physical contact. Pam also told the others that Lacy was going to stay with us for a while so be patient with her. She told us Sidney would be her teacher. It's been over a month and Lacy has come such a long way—she's learned to be a dog and respects her pack members and us as well.

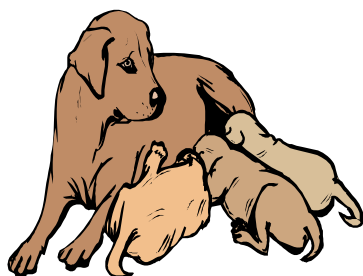
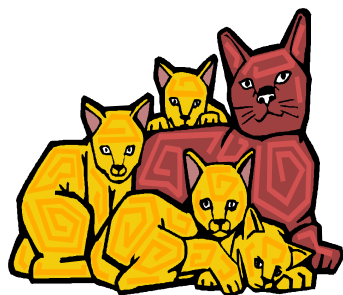
She knows the family routine and has truly bonded with everyone—especially Sophie. We had trouble with her chasing our kitty Bennie, but as of today Bennie can walk all around her purring and we no longer have to separate them. Pam told us to tell Bennie how brave he was and to thank Lacy for not chasing him. It is working!



FEBRUARY IS SPAY/NEUTER MONTH

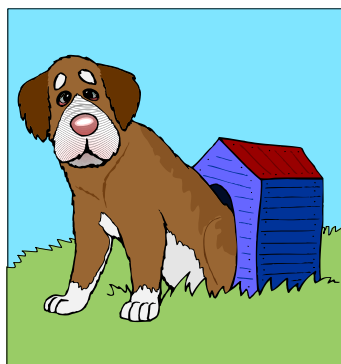
Every year we think things will be better, but every year we are mistaken. Although ARF's Spay/Neuter Coupon Program has helped defray the cost of over 4,100 spays and neuters, there are more puppies and kittens born each year and many of them will not find homes. There are several programs available (see Page 3) at very low cost and occasionally no cost.

Although shelters and rescues spay and neuter all dogs and cats before adoption, many of the "free" puppies and kittens advertised in the newspaper are intact and are not spayed or neutered before they are mature enough to produce their first litter. And so the cycle continues .



Where do all of these puppies and kittens go? Some are fortunate enough to go to a rescue or shelter where they have a chance for adoption and a forever home. Some are given away or just turned out to fend for themselves and to reproduce.

In honor of National Spay/Neuter Month we would appreciate your support. You can provide a spay/neuter coupon for just \$25. We will also have our Big Dog Coupon again this year which provides a \$50 coupon at selected vet clinics for dogs over 60 pounds—the ones that deliver large litters.



Our goal is 20—\$25 coupons and 20—\$50 Big Dog Coupons

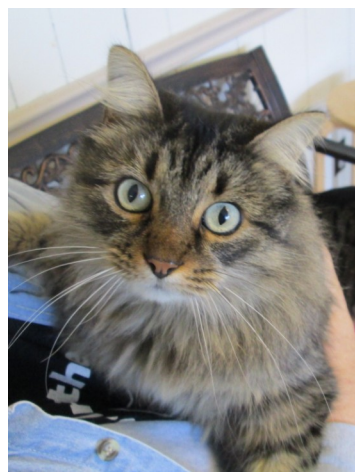
Just mark the Spay/Neuter Coupon box on Page 6. Thank you!

OUR NEWEST RESIDENTS



Murray – Adoption pending

Murray and J.P. are both very mellow and total lap cats. They are both neutered and 3 years old. Murray is a big boy at 14# and J.P. isn't far behind. Murray was turned outside when his family got a new Pit Bull puppy. J.P. has been living in Johnstone Park for about a year and he likes dogs. J.P. has gone to Sand Springs to join Logan, another ARF cat.



J.P. - Adopted

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**NATIONAL
ANIMAL
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877-TIP-HSUS**

**PUPPY MILL
TASK FORCE
877-MILL-
TIP**

**ASPCA
ANIMAL POISON
CONTROL
CENTER**

The ASPCA Animal Poison Control Center operates a hotline 24 hours a day, seven days a week at 888-426-4435 for a fee of \$45 per case. If you call, you should be prepared to provide the following information: name of the poison your animal was exposed to, the amount and how long ago; the species, breed, age, sex, and weight of your pet; and the symptoms the animal is displaying. You'll also be asked to provide your name, address phone number and credit card information.

EMERGENCY!

If you cannot reach a local vet:

Animal Emergency Center Inc.

7220 E 41st Street

Tulsa, OK 74145

918-665-0508

Tulsa's only fully-staffed 24/7 emergency and trauma care center.

In Honor

Happy Birthday,
Elizabeth Hills
From
Robert Hills



How Old Is Your Cat In Human Years?

Cat's Age	Human Age
3 months	9
6 months	13
1	19
2	28
3	30
4	38
5	45
6	48
7	51
8	55
9	59
10	63
11	66
12	69
13	72
14	77
15	81
16	86
17	90
18	95

In Memorium

In Memory of
Fuzzy
Beloved cat of
Jana Estes
- ARF Friends

In Memory of
Tang
Beloved cat of the
Pope Family

In Memory of
Emily
Beloved cat of
Charlotte Leatherland
- ARF Friends

In Memory of
Teena
Beloved cat of
Kelly Fox
- Kelly Fox
- Tammi Johnson

In Memory of
Lyle "Abe" Abrahamson
Beloved husband of
Cloua Abrahamson
- Vicki Adams
- Sheila Taylor
- Kay Housman
- William & Berta Snell
- Shirley & Frank Coble

In Memory of
Jax
One-eyed Yorkie,
A good friend for 16
years and one of the
Three Muskateers
- Vicki & David Koble
- Dr. Gary Funk Koble

In Memory of
Boo
Beloved friend of
Mr. & Mrs. Thurman
Nance
- Douglas Freeman
- Candia Freeman

- Lee Peters
- JoAnn Payne
- Oklahoma Humane
Federation
- Oklahoma Alliance
for Animals
- Frances & Glyn
McFarland
- C.W. & Irma Patricia
Kinstle
- Linda & Joe Finley

In Memory of
Melanie Penny
- Christopher Howard

In Memory of
Titan
Beloved 10 year old Boxer of
Froy Edwards
- ARF Friends

In Memory of
Sandy Yost
Wife of Ken Yost
- Kelly Fox

In Memory of
Willaby
Beloved 17 year old
Cat companion of
Jamie Gutzler
- Bob & Carla Korthase

In Memory of
Ginger
Beloved dog of
Robert & Sue Beall
- Robert & Sue Beall

In Memory of
Callie
Kitty of Karen Ladd
- Jill Noble

In Memory of
Clara Hammer
- Carla Korthase
- Lyn Carpenter

SNIPPETS

Remember to go to The Animal Rescue site (www.TheAnimalRescueSite.com) **every day** and go to Click to Give. Just click and you will provide bowls of food for animals in shelters. It costs absolutely nothing and helps so much!

While you are at this site you can also vote every day for ARF in the Shelter Challenge which runs until midnight December 16th.

Hugs and kisses to all the wonderful people who crush their aluminum cans!!!!



THANKS



SPECIAL THANKS

ARF would like to say a great big Thank You to the following businesses and individuals for their contributions to ARF:

- ✳ **Rex Moore**
- ✳ **Hadco Services**
- ✳ **Donnie Diamond**
- ✳ **Joseph Cole**
- ✳ **Delbert McCarter**
- ✳ **Robin Naylor**



FUNDRAISERS & EVENTS

Aluminum Cans

We continue to recycle aluminum cans to benefit the Spay/Neuter Program. **Your cans have helped save hundreds of lives.** Please keep them coming. Cans are collected in the kennel behind our building.

Cell Phones and Ink Jet Cartridges



We are still collecting these items to help fund the Animal Sanctuary. Drop them by (just inside the front door) during our regular business hours.

Staples Rewards

Remember when you shop at Staples to give them our phone number (918-766-0991). We have a rewards account. Your purchases can help our animals.

To Become a Volunteer, a Member, or Contribute to Animal Rescue Foundation of Bartlesville

Animal Rescue Foundation of Bartlesville is run by volunteers and completely funded by donations.

ARF is a 501(c)(3) organization and donations are Tax Deductible!

Membership:

- Regular \$20 Senior (55+) Student \$10
 Lifetime Pet \$10 Cat ____ Dog ____
 Other ____

I can Help with:

- Fund Raising Ideas/Committees
 Special Events
 Foster Home for Dogs
 Other (Please Specify) _____

I would like to contribute:

- Sanctuary Fund \$ _____
 Spay/Neuter Coupons \$ _____
 ARF Vet Bills \$ _____
 Food/Litter/Supplies \$ _____
 ARF Park \$ _____
 Memorial \$ _____

In Memory of: _____

I would like to sponsor _____

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