The Furr-side Chat Summer 2013

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Helping Animals in Need

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

BREAKING GROUND!

We have broken ground for Phase 1 construction of our Sanctuary. Pictured are Vicki Adams, Treasurer, Robin Naylor, ARF Park Manager, Sheila Taylor, Vice President and Regina Diamond, President. Not pictured is Kay Housman, Secretary, who was taking the picture. Helping us are Mason and Sophie. Mason decided to let us do the hard work while she took a day off from digging.



ADOPTION AND OCCUPANCY STATS

ARF Occupancy:

Felines: 34

Canines: - 1

Adoptions to Date: 797

Spay/Neuter: 4,356 Felines: 2,485

Canines: 1,871

March Adoptions:

Dogs— Zorro & Bitsy, Bear and Penelope

Cats — Mr. Whiskers

April Adoptions:

Dogs-Cats**May Adoptions:**

Dogs— Snickers &

Sparky

Cats— Sage, Evie



FREE DAY AT ARF PARK

Time: Noon - 4pm Bring your dog(s) and enjoy an afternoon at ARF's membership dog park on Saturday, June 15, from Noon - 4pm (weather permit-No aggressive ting). dogs or dogs in heat **please!** This is your opportunity to check out our dog park. Your dogs can run off-leash.

meet other dogs, try out the agility equipment and enjoy the splash pads (or the creek—bring a towel!). Membership applications will be available if your dog approves. We hope to schedule a "FREE DAY" every month during the summer with our ARF Park GRAND OPENING on

September 28th during our 7th Annual Paws in the Park Event.



WHERE YOU LIVE

Some dogs sleep outside and guard the house. Others have wardrobes and spend their day in a purse. A new study shows that dogs and cats have a better chance at a long, healthy life in some states than in others.

Louisiana and Mississippi offer the shortest average life span for dogs and cats, while pets in Colorado and Montana live longer, according to the 2013 State of Pet Health Report released by Banfield Pet Hospital, the world's largest veterinary practice.

Experts say states with the longest-living pets also have the highest neutering and spaying rates, more pets living inside and fewer regional infectious diseases.

It's all about lifestyle, what your pet means to you and how you take care of them," veterinarian Sandi Lefebvre says. "There are different attitudes, different levels of education, and they tend to cluster in certain areas of the country.

Cats live the longest in Montana, Colorado,

Rhode Island, Illinois and Nebraska. Their life spans are shortest in Delaware, Ohio, Louisiana, Kentucky and Mississippi.

States with the longest life spans for dogs are South Dakota, Montana, Oregon, New Mexico and Colorado. As for the shortest: Mississippi, Alabama, Louisiana, Delaware and Massachusetts. Southern states have high rates of heartworm because of heat and mosquitoes. Northeastern states are most likely to have Lyme disease because of the ticks there.

In warmer states, more pets live outdoors where they are susceptible to diseases. If they haven't been neutered or spayed, they will have more aggressive behaviors. Lefebvre says "They are out roaming, fighting, looking for partners."

Because of the roaming, nonneutered dogs are more than twice as likely to be hit by a car or bitten by an animal than neutered dogs. Non-neutered cats are four times more likely to suffer an animal bite, the study shows.

In the North, pets are more likely to be indoors. "You

do not want a sexually intact cat in your home," Lefebvre says. "It howls, pees all over the place, so spaying and neutering is obviously important."

Adonica Jones-Parks, 45 of Cincinnati, says she learned the hard way. "When I had my first cat, I did not have him neutered, and he was spraying everywhere, and then he ran off for a few days. Now I know it calms them down.

Nearly 20% of the cats in Louisiana and Mississippi aren't spayed or neutered. In Montana and Colorado, states with the longest life spans, that number is closer to 8%.

Neutered male dogs live 18% longer than non— neutered males, spayed female dogs live 23% longer than unspayed female dogs, according to the report. "But even if a pet is spayed or neutered, it still needs shots, training, nutrition, dental care and parasite control to live a long health life, "Lefebvre says.

Natalie DiBlasio USA TODAY

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
- 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, AAA & C Batteries
- Cash, Checks, Visa, Mastercard or Discover are always welcome!!!!

WORK IS UNDERWAY!





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.

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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

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

Spay OK Clinic in Tulsa—low-income program. Cats \$ 3 0 , D o g s \$ 4 0 , 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 spring storms ahead. 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.

MEMORIAL BONZ

Remember your best friends with ARF Park Dog Bonz

For \$75 you can create a lasting memorial for your best friends with a full color decal imprinted on a 9" x 20" weather resistant acrylic dog bone. Dog Bonz plaques will be displayed along the fence at ARF Park. You can in-

clude a color photo and message (character limit 100 characters including letters, numbers and spaces). Email photos to ARF as a JPEG with plaque message to arfok@sbcglobal.net or bring your photo to ARF for a color scan and pay with check or credit card. You can also mail photo, plaque information, your name/phone # and

payment to P.O. Box 3292, Bartlesville, OK 74006. Order forms will soon be available on our web site: www.arfok.org. Orders will be submitted to the vendor with a minimum of 15 orders. Processing will take 12 – 15 business days after the order to vendor is submitted.



FOSTER DOG

Tali is our new foster puppy. She is a Pom/ Terrier mix and is about 4 months old. She has been spayed and is current on shots and on heartworm preventative. Little Tali is a livewire! She is crate trained, gets along with other dogs and She is almost cats. housebroken. If you are looking for a little bundle of energy, call and make an appointment to see her.



THE FURR-SIDE CHAT

OUR NEWEST RESIDENTS



Calvin, M



Keifer, M



Lizzie, F

These five kittens were born to Amelia on 3-21. They have been S/N'd and are now ready for adoption. Evie has already been adopted. Amelia has also been S'd and is ready for adoption.



Trevor, M

Katze, F



Basil, M

Nutmeg, F

Rosemary, F

Juniper, F



Pepper, M

These kittens were born to Jasmine2 on 3-18. They have been S/N'd and are also ready for Their sibling, adoption. Sage, has been adopted.

The four kittens below were born to Gabriella on 3-15. They have been S/N'd and are ready for adoption. Gabriella was feral. She has now been spayed and returned to the great outdoors where she will be much happier.



Lucas, M

EMERGENCY!

of your pet; and the symptoms the animal is displaying. You'll also be asked to

provide your name, ad-

dress phone number and credit card information.

HSUS NATIONAL ANIMAL **FIGHTING TIP LINE** 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 vour animal was exposed to, the amount and how long ago; the species, breed, age, sex, and weight

If you cannot reach a local

Animal Emergency Center

7220 E 41st Street Tulsa, OK 74145

918-665-0508

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



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Jake, M

Rigby, M



Quinn, F

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PREPARING YOUR PETS FOR **A TORNADO**

Pets have little chance of surviving a tornado outside. They will likely panic and not know where to run for safe cover.

Grab your pets and take them with you to your safe place. If one is not available, lay in a bathtub holding them, or close them in a small area towards the center of the house such as a closet, stairwell or bathroom.

Have enough crates on hand for each of your pets. If there is time, lock the animals into crates and secure the crate as well as you can

kits should Storm placed in your safe place. You should have canned food, a can opener, blankets, a storm radio and extra batteries, first aid kit, pet food, and plenty of water.

Your pets should also be wearing identification.

Don't assume that your pets will take cover with you willingly, especially when stressed. It's a good idea to practice where you will go and teach your pets to come on command.

Even though storms can be scary, try to be calm when dealing with pets. Your reaction to the situation can add to their uncertainty and could cause them to panic, even run away.

Act with a clear head and try to make the best decisions in the shortest amount of time.

In Memorium

In Memory of Cheri

Beloved dog of the Sims Family

- Candia Freeman

In Memory of Barley Beloved dog of Jan and Jim Spear - Candia Freeman

In Memory of Lucy Beloved cat of The Zervas Family - Candia Freeman

In Memory of Prissy Sweet little kitty of JoAnn Payne That is dearly missed, Especially by her brother - JoAnn Payne - ARF Friends

> In Memory of Casey Beloved Sheltie of Ianne Duell - ARF Friends

In Memory of Bettie Cholakian Beloved mother of Stacy Cholakian - Jerry & Darlene Lemen

In Memory of Zip Beloved cat of Mike, Kristi, Mark and Nicholas Stanlis - Kay Housman

In Memory of Tang Beloved cat of the Pope Family

In Memory of Abe Abrahamson - Eva Murray

In Memory of Margaret Cooper - Randy & Sara Stayton - Dr. Bah & Carol Davis

In Memory of Trina Martin Beloved mother of Sheila Taylor - Jimmie Lee Stark

In Memory of Max

Beloved 9 year old cat of Iodi Korthase - Bob & Carla Korthase - Jamie, Brian & Lola Gutzler

In Memory of Tiffany Beloved Yorkshire Terrier of Nancy Mitani - Susan Dick Financial Services LLC Employees

In Memory of Byrnie Boone -Mary Helen & Gary Buttman

In Memory of Bob Wightman - Dr. Bob & Yvonne James

In Memory of Donna Rigdon - Ralph & Lois Bergstad In Memory of Sissy Beloved cat of Lorena Juby

- Floyd & Donna Moody

- Nancy Mitchell

- Dianne Juby

In Memory of Mike Sauter Beloved husband of Marsha Sauter - Donald Diller - Cindy & William Walter - Sheila Taylor - Steve & Nancy Harsch - Robert & Beth **Altenkirch** - Cynthia Leeper & Roger King - Dr. Bob & Yvonne James - Bob & Carla Korthase

In Memory of Max, Eddy and Tess Beloved dogs of Min Soe & Sophia Aung

In Memory of **Janeway** Beloved cat of Min Soe & Sophia Aung

In Memory of Deuter Beloved cat of Kermit & Pat Keeley - Dr. Bob & Yvonne James

> In Memory of Cody

Beloved cat companion of Mike & Marsha Sauter - Bob & Carla Korthase - ARF Friends

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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!

Please note: Our recycler will not accept cat food cans, aluminum foil pans, aluminum foil or tin cans. Thank you!

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



THANKS



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.

SPECIAL THANKS

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- **☼** Doris McCloud
- **☆ Carrie McCuan**
- *** Jackie Dover**
- * Jayne Ferguson
- Sandy Trepka
- * Laura Hines



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Animal Rescue Foundation	of Bartlesville is run by volunteers and	completely funded by donations.
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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)		Phone: 918-766-0991 E-mail: arfok@sbcglobal.net
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