The Furr-side Chat

Summer 2014

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#### Helping Animals in Need

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



#### **PHASE II CONSTRUCTION**

Goal: \$300,000

- \$130,000: Part A, Community Areas: Kitchen, Conference Room, Office, File Room, Laundry, Reception area, two handicapped bathrooms, water heater and heat/air
- \$170,000: Part B Cat Area

Part A,
Areas:
Inference
ice, File
dry, Reica, two
bathr heater

This will allow us to move in and operate in our new facility and put up our current facility for sale. We may also be required by the City to pave the parking lot although construction will not be complete until Phase III construction of the Dog Area and the lagoon area is finalized.

Part A, Community Area, construction will be starting soon.



#### ADOPTION AND OCCUPANCY STATS

#### **ARF Occupancy:**

Felines: 28 + 5 in foster

Canines: - 3

Adoptions to Date: 842

Spay/Neuter: 4,796 Felines: 2,698

Dogs: 2,098

#### March Adoptions:

Dogs-

Cats — Nutmeg, Asia, Ivy, Sugar Bear & Simba, Tux & Tiara and Scarlet

#### **April Adoptions:**

Dogs-

Cats— Trinity, and

Grady

#### **May Adoptions:**

Dogs— Cats—



#### **100 MILE GARAGE SALE**

ARF will participate in the 100 Mile Garage Sale this year. We will be located on the corner of Hwy 75 and Road 2400 across from No Limit Powersports. We will be accepting donations of good, usable items at our current location (127 NE Washington) Monday through



Saturday from 1—4 p.m. No clothes please.

This year the sale will be Friday and Saturday, September 12 and 13. All proceeds from this sale will go towards Phase II construction of our new facility.

We hope you will come to the sale!

#### WHY DOGS LOVE CAR RIDES

Trips With Pets.com

We've all seen it - a dog with his head tilted up, the breeze blowing through his fur, with an unmistakable look of pure iov on his face as he takes a ride in his favorite person's car. The sight is enough to bring a smile to anyone's face. Everyone can identify with that feeling of unadulterated bliss. But what is it about car rides that makes dogs so happy?The truth is, we'll probably never know for sure, because they can't tell us! But we've dug into the mystery a little bit, and found five plausible reasons for this curious phenomenon.

- 1. They like adven**tures** This doesn't apply to every dog, of course some dogs are shy and crave comfort -- but in general dogs are highly curious by nature and really enjoy any kind of adventure, from taking a new hiking trail, to meeting a new canine friend, to exploring that interesting-smelling crawlspace under the house. A car adventure is as good as it gets-it's novel, unprelonger dictable, than many walking adventures, and offers all kinds of opportunities for an exciting time. Where will we go today? Who will we see?
- 2. There's a smorgasbord of smells in the air Dogs are all about smells, and for good reason. According to Nova's website, scientists have determined that dogs have about 3,000,000 olfactory receptors in their noses compared to our paltry 30,000. Dogs' sense of smell overpow-

ers our own by orders of magnitude—it's 10,000 to 100,000 times as acute. What does this mean, exactly in terms of the difference in our abilities? as dog-cognition researcher Alexandra Horowitz explains in her book *Inside of a Dog*, while we might be able to sniff out a teaspoon of sugar in our coffee, our pooches can detect a teaspoon of sugar in a million gallons of water. So, when you crack open the car window, you're cracking open a whole fascinating, unseen world for your dog full of novelty and intrigue that could keep him entertained indefinitely. If he's happy sniffing out familiar scents in your backyard, imagine how delighted he is to sort out thousands of new smells every minute, from the scent of flowers in bloom, to the smell of food cooking at restaurants, to lingering traces of a deer that ran by two hours ago.

- 3. There's something new to see everywhere Dogs are easily stimulated by visual cues. You've probably noticed this if your dog's ever gone manic at the sight of a squirrel or rabbit in the yard, or if he sounds off each day as soon as he spots the mail truck. On a car trip, there's no end to the things that can catch your dog's attention, from squirrels to pedestrians, to other doggie passengers. Unlike their human travel companions, who are busy trying to get where they're going, dogs have the luxury of gazing out the window throughout the whole trip.
- **4. They're comforted by the close presence of their "pack"** A car creates
  close quarters and this
  makes dogs feel secure.

They can see you, smell you, and be near you, while still getting all kinds of sensory stimulation they wouldn't at home. In a sense, you are a pack on an adventure together -- just the way things would be in the wild. Except you're traveling in a familiar vehicle, with comfortable spaces your dog can curl up in if he gets tired of looking at the scenery.

5. It triggers their hunting instinct Kevin Behan of Natural Dog Training believes that dogs love car rides because it puts them in the same state of euphoria that hunting does. The idea is that the motion of the car causes synchronized movements among the "pack members," as they sway along with the twists and turns of the road. These synchronized movements trigger a feeling in dogs similar that of moving in unison with a pack on the hunt. In addition, to your dog the objects outside the car appear to be moving quickly, which can trigger his instinct to give chase. Of course, it's important for dogs to be safe during car travel. Their heads and paws should stay inside the car at all times, and they should be properly secured for their safety and the safety of other passengers. This doesn't mean they will enjoy the ride any less - they can still see the sights, sniff the wind and feel the excitement of a new adventure. It just means you'll enjoy the ride even more knowing that they're both happy and safe they can still see the sights, sniff the wind and feel the excitement of a new adventure. It just means you'll enjoy the ride even more knowing that they're both

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

## DONATIONS ARE TAX DEDUCTIBLE



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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 summer 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.

#### PAWS IN THE PARK





Fabulous Fido winner Fozzy FitzRoy Grant









Doggie Treat Walk

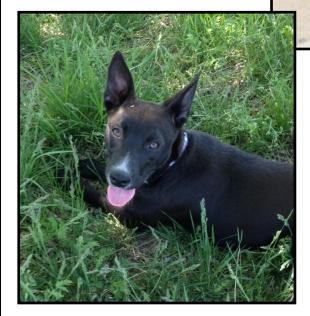
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#### **OUR NEWEST RESIDENTS**



Dakota, Aurora, Brooklyn (M) and Lindsay (with white) are siblings. They are 4 months old and have been spayed and neutered.. Dakota is the spunkiest and Lindsay is the shyest.

Phoenix arrived with the four siblings and was their babysitter after mama disappeared. He cleaned them, slept with them and kept them out of trouble. He is a hand-some 7 month old neutered male.



Jackson is a 4 month old Terrier mix. He is neutered and current on shots. He is loving and playful. He walks well on a leash and loves to ride in the car. He will be medium size as an adult.



Layla was caught in a leg hold trap and her right front leg had to be amputated. She is spayed and less than one year old. A lap cat! 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 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.

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#### **DECLAWING**

Declawing a cat is nothing like a manicure. The procedure typically involves removing the last bone (or at least part of the bone) in each toe of the paw. Like any surgical procedure, declawing is painful and requires time and care to recuperate.

Before resorting to surgery, it's important for cat owners to remember that scratching is a natural feline behavior. Clawing at surfaces is how cats mark their territory and sharpen their nails. However, when those surfaces are rugs, furniture, and other household items, it's easy for owners to get frustrated.

Several steps can be taken to prevent destructive scratching. Staying on top of nail trimming will lessen a cat's need to scratch. If you're not comfortable trimming cat's nails yourself, you can make an appointment with a veterinarian. It's also essential to provide plenty of appropriate places for your cat to scratch. Place scratching posts in multiple locations around your home so that your feline companion always has an appropriate alternative to your furni-

If this is not enough, you may want to try applying an <u>anti-scratch product</u> to furniture and carpet. Remember, never resort to physical punishment. If you catch your cat in the act, say "no" and carry your cat to a scratching post. Cats are very capable of learning appropriate

# In Memorium

Bagger

Beloved cat and good friend

of

Jimmie & Darla Howe

- Doug Freeman

In Memory of

In Memory of Patches Beloved cat of Sophia Aung & Min Soe - ARF Friends

In Memory of Bella Beloved Chihuahua of Glenda Garrison - Candia Freeman In Memory of

Tang

Beloved cat of the

Pope Family

In Memory of
Tamar
Beloved cat of
Sheila Taylor
- Vicki Adams
- Kay Housman

In Memory of
Reebok

Beloved ARF cat of
Carol Murphy

and Beulah Frakes
- Sheila Taylor

- Vicki Adams

- Vicri Uaams

- Kay Housman

In Memory of Piglet Beloved dog of Sylvia & John Ratcliff - Ralph & Lois Bergstad

In Memory of Bob Ferguson - Howard & Jayne Ferguson

In Memory of Gus Beloved Maine Coon of Sam & Glen Mason - ARF Friends

In Memory of
Sargeant
Beloved Dobie of
The Smith Family
- ARF Friends

#### **ADOPTING AN OLDER PET**

If you're involved in animal rescue, you're probably repeatedly disappointed when potential adopters skip right over some of the sweetest pets simply because they're not so young anymore. Below are five fantastic reasons to adopt an older animal, please pass them along!

1. There are fewer surprises! An older animal's size, personality, and

needs are pretty set in stone. You won't be shocked when your 15 lb. puppy turns into a 75 lb. dog!

- 2. Training isn't as intense: Many older pets have potty training down. Also, since they've had homes before, they're typically more able to figure out what humans are asking of them.
- 3. Fewer chewed up shoes. Puppies are known for making messes. If you opt for a

more mature dog, you're also opting for less of a headache.

- 4. They're full of love: It's pretty obvious how grateful senior pets are for a happy home and they're glad to repay you with unconditional love.
- 5. You'll save a life! Senior pets are some of the last to be adopted. If you choose to open your heart and home to one of these loving animals,

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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!

And, please do not leave cans at our site on Hwy 60. We are not set up for collection there. Please bring them to 127 NE Washington behind our building.

Contributions from ConocoPhillips and Phillips 66
employees or retirees of \$50 or more will be
matched by your company.
Thank you!

Correction for Tori video: http://youtu.be/t7zZKg8FISI

#### **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

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

- **\*** Jackie Dover
- **\* Leon Holbrook**
- **\* John McLaurin**
- **Delbert McCarter**
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