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Spring 2017

News and Happenings from Our Cat House to Yours

# Hobo Hotel

For Cats

## Mewsletter

### Our Mewsletter

Our Mewsletter is published by volunteers of Hobo Hotel. If you'd like to volunteer to help at Hobo Hotel, please call our message service at 439-2428 or email us at [hobohotelnews@yahoo.com](mailto:hobohotelnews@yahoo.com).

### UPCOMING EVENTS:

April 22 Kitten Shower  
@ Hobo Hotel  
April 29 Kitten Bowl Event  
@ Prien Lake Mall

### ADOPTION HOURS:

Monday	10am-5pm
Tuesday	10am-5pm
Wednesday	10am-5pm
Thursday	10am-5pm
Friday	10am-5pm
Saturday	2pm-5pm
Sunday	Closed

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## 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Community Membership Drive

For seventeen years our organization has provided shelter, rescue, food, neutering, shots and emergency medical services for homeless and displaced cats in Lake Charles and the surrounding community. Our volunteers help staff our facility, and our many friends and supporters have sponsored cats, donated food and supplies, and adopted our feline friends. Meows to all of our new members for helping us grow into our eighteenth year by helping us to do our job for the cats we love and the community which recognizes the value of our effort.

### PLATINUM MEMBER \$1,500+ Cookie Roberts

### GOLD MEMBERS \$500+

Ron & Cindy Lewis, Donna & Rick Richard (2 Golds), Carolyn "Collie" Rouyer, Dr. Joe Stark, Bette Talbot, Howard Trotter

### SILVER MEMBERS \$250+

Ann Alexander, Linda Bannon, Ron and Roni Kemerly, Maureen and C.A. Miller, Diana L. Moore, Janice and Carl Perkins, Denise Rau, Fred and Dorothy Sahlmann, Jean Smith

### PATRON MEMBERS \$100+

Steven Abrahams, Jane Alcock, Pam and Tom Allison, Arlene and Leo Avery, James and Brigitte Booth, Tara Bufkin, Bill and Linda Berchey, Nanette Cagney, Stephen DeLaunay, Carollne and Francis Draves, Amy Dunn, Claudia and Curtie Dyle, Sally Fenet, Charles and Lavonne Finney, Pat Fletcher, Dean and Ronnie Fontenot, Reva Gags, Charles Molbert and Gall Tucker, Shanna Garofolo, Melissa Gilmora, Janis Granger, Betty Henry, Keith and Pam LeBoeuf, Jennifer and Eric Manuel, Carol Martin, JT and Barbara Milford, Virginia Pruitt, Kay Noble, Nancy Sanner, Deborah Smith, Judith Smith, Delaney Stone, Nanette Territa-Prejean, W. Thomas and Tina Barrett, Deborah Watts, Laurie Williams, Kelli Young, Victoria Skold

### INDIVIDUAL MEMBERS \$25+

Jaquelyn Alexander, John and Laura Biedgoe, Jeanne Broussard, Elaine Cameron, Jo Clifton, Doyle Crager, Faye Jones Crowell, Mary Degraw Solmami, Anne Dorgant, Sue Dorroh, Betty Dufrene, Jan Eacelman, Monette Enright, Deborah Frank, Frederika Gorum, Judy Guidry, Nancy Herington, Cynthia Hubbs, Bill Iles, Shelley Johnson, Bev Jones, Brenda Kelley, Paul and DaDa Labove, Dr. Son Mal, Judy McCoy, M.V. and Monika Menzelli, Diana Moore, Mary Ann Morgan, Yvonne Prather, Inge Prather, Cassie Price, Willy Sandblom, Susie Soalla, Sheila Soalici, Sherrle Soalici, Anna Silverstein, Tina Talbot, Mary Tipton, Vernice Waggoner, Jacob and Melanie White, Debra Winn

# Happenings at Hobo Hotel

*These are some of the activities the purr-fect volunteers at Hobo Hotel have been helping with to raise moola and/or promote Hobo in the community.*

## SWEET ART: A SWEET SUCCESS

### SOWELA EVENT

*Collie Rouyer and Debbie Watts handed out info about Hobo to students at SOWELA encouraging them to volunteer.*



The kitties applaud all who donated, volunteered or shopped to make this year's event a success on February 11th!



*Special Fall Auction guest, best-selling author Gwen Cooper, enjoyed her visit to Hobo Hotel.*

← Congrats to Charlene Bennett who won the raffle for the George Rodrigue print, "Cat Tie."



### AUCTION PROMO

*Robin and Teddy did great on KPLC promoting the Auction!*  
←

*November 12th, Hobo Hotel and other area rescue groups were out in force to participate in PetSmart's National Adoption Weekend. Hobo Hotel provided free hotdogs, soft drinks and desserts through donations by Sam's Club, Coca-Cola and shelter volunteers. Special thanks to Jean Smith and Arlene Avery for manning the Coke truck.*



**PETSMART DONATION**  
*Thirty-six buckets of litter-that's almost 1000 pounds! Meow PetSmart!*



First grade students from Brandi Felice's class at Westwood Elementary visited Hobo Hotel to practice their reading skills by reading to the cats. For more information about our new "Cat Tales" program and to view more pictures, visit our website and click on the volunteer tab.

### Volunteer Spotlight: Dasia May

Dasia is 17 years old and has been a regular at Hobo Hotel for four years. She is the daughter of Shimeka Woods and the granddaughter of Lou Chretien. Dasia is a senior at St. Louis Catholic High School where she maintains a GPA of 3.76. She is a member of the cheer squad, show choir, National Honor Society and Ambassadors. She plans to start attending LSU in the Fall 2017 semester and wants to major in education. While on school breaks, she plans to continue her volunteering at Hobo Hotel. She is a big help at the shelter. She spends a lot of time with the cats and is very knowledgeable about them. She is a great helper to the adoption coordinators and doesn't hesitate to pitch in with shelter chores such as setting up and cleaning cages. Dasia loves cats but hasn't been able to have one of her own, so she fulfills that love at the shelter. She says, "Everybody really cares for the cats. Hobo does awesome stuff for them, especially the disabled ones." Thanks, Dasia, for a job well done.

In December, we got word that Petco Foundation approved Hobo Hotel for a grant for \$10,000 to will extend efforts to save more animal lives in Southwest Louisiana! MEOW, MEOW!

Dear Hobo Hotel,  
Thank you for your good work. Although I retired to Texas over 28 years ago, I support Hobo Hotel because of my friendship with Howard Trotter. I have known him since he was a teenager and I am so proud of him.  
--Delaney Stone



## 2017 UPCOMING EVENTS:

June 10: Sam's Club table

Jul/Aug (TBA): Paw Stars @ Prien Lake Mall

Aug 29: Hobo's Tailgate Party (fall auction) @ Civic Center

Nov 11-12: PetSmart Adoption Weekend w/ Coke Truck

Dec. 3: Holiday Open House @ Hobo Hotel for Cats

### AMAZON SMILE

Do you chop on Amazon? When you chop at AmazonSmile, Amazon donates 0.5% of the purchase price to Hobo Hotel! Bookmark the link <http://smile.amazon.com/oh/51-0688766> and support us every time you shop.

### Kroger Community Rewards

Meows to our supporters (the 69 households) who shopped at Kroger between May and February. You helped us secure a donation of \$348.56! If you still need to sign up, visit [KrogerCommunityRewards.com](http://KrogerCommunityRewards.com) to link your shopping discount card to Hobo Hotel.

### SPECIAL MEOWS

Thank you to Chris Alcock and his mom, Jane Alcock, for doing the lawn and landscaping at the care center.

Petco Local  
Adoption Saturdays  
Apr 1 | May 6 | Jun 3

PetSmart National  
Adoption Weekend  
May 5-7

Thank you to the following who have Hobo Hotel donation jars at their businesses:  
A Cut Above Pet Spa, Cotton's Downtown, Prien Pines Nursery, PetCo, Harrington Gallery, Downtown Animal Hospital, Bayou South Animal Hospital, Betsy's Frames by Design, Southside Animal Hospital, Stellar Beans

**DONATE VIA PAYPAL**  
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It's that easy to help the kitties!

Want to send us a letter or picture of your rescued Hobo Hotel kitty?  
Email [HoboHotelNewsletter@yahoo.com](mailto:HoboHotelNewsletter@yahoo.com)

Cat Stats!	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	2016	JAN	FEB
Altered for Adoption	40	32	29	32	28	21	321	26	14
Bouree's Outreach (Tame)	3	8	8	9	3	3	48	2	3
Bouree's Outreach (Not Tame)	34	20	17	16	22	28	240	47	34
Total Spayed/Neutered	77	80	62	68	63	60	607	74	61
Adopted at Care Center	29	20	18	12	16	33	227	22	20
Adopted at PetSmart	8	11	6	7	12	11	80	1	4
Adopted at PetCo	3	8	2	2	1	2	31	0	0
Total Adopted	41	37	23	21	28	48	338	23	24
Rainbow Bridge	0	1	1	2	2	2	11	1	1



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Iam's Adult & Kitten Food, Fresh Step  
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Sponsorships Ann Hoffpauir (6 month);  
Fred & Dot Sahmann in Memory of Mac & Mabel Laney O'Blanc

**In Memory Of...**

Grace Reeves -Jean Smith, Barbara Gratsky, Verna George, Edith & Gene Harris, Colie Rouyer, Bette Talbot, David & Joyce Barclay, Debbie Watts, Court of Appeal and COA Criminal Staff, David & Ginger Beningo Harold Cornett -Janis & Alvin Martin, Bill & Troyce Thomas Bonnie Case Bono -Tom Clancy, Cynthia Abadie, Amy Westfall, Fred & Marian Bock, Teri Bono, Tom Clancy, Curtis & Claudia Dyle, Niffie Brown, Janet & J.B. Postell, Jo Dee & Marcus Musselman, B.J. Belew; Spring Branch Texas Teachers Donald & Mildred Blocker and Alice Patton; Charles & Charlotte Sweeney Ghost & Harley, our across the street friends -Duke & Duchess Francis Dressler -Bette Talbot and Colie Rouyer Silly Girl, beloved cat of Harold Cornett -Brenda Kelley Greta Danyell Giovanni -Black Cats RULE! Bobby Bianco -Peggy Nelson; Jackie & Richard Butler Heidi -Kirsty Miller Delilah, Bonnie, Nina, Vespa, Traveler, Cloud, Artemis & Thor -Debbie Watts Margaret "Margie" Heard -Mary Dinger, Lori Benoit, Eloise Pruitt, Hannah Stevens, Stacy Simien, Jamie Fiero, American Press Foundation, William & Nadine McCall, David & Glenda McCarty, Prien Lake Animal Hospital, Bette Talbot, Colie Rouyer Bob Cat -Don & Connie Scmemi and their cats Andrew "Drew" Garofolo -Ashley Smith, Rebecca Nunez, Ingrid Garofolo, Katie, Esther & Tim Pennington, Colie Rouyer, Debbie Watts, Roni Kemery; Barbara Wyman Montgomery, Joe & Mary McFatter, Dixie Yorks, Bette Talbot, Ariene Avery, Carol & Jim Seifridge Louise & Sabrina O'Grady -Yvonne McNease Ann Tyler -Lou Chapman, Brenda Kelley Toby, beloved poodle of Billie and Mitchell Kyle -Vemice Waggoner Ann G. Sim -Peggy Yelvington, Colie Rouyer Little Cat -Angie Gulenalty

**In Honor Of...**

Howard Trozer's birthday -Angie Gulenalty Isabelle Moreno for helping her Aunt choose Hobo Hotel for a donation - Evelyn Anderson Xavier Burchfield -Tina Talbot Barbara Milford and her love for Hobo Hotel -Melissa Mason Cooke Roberts' love of cats and her appreciation for the work of Hobo Hotel -Santa, Lisa, Paul, Palasha & Buddy Bette Talbot -Christina Talbot

**Give the Gift of Care**

If you are fortunate enough to have a healthy, happy cat, consider helping a rescued kitty at Hobo Hotel.

Please select one and print clearly:

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- Gold Membership \$500
- Silver Membership \$250
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- Family Membership \$50
- Individual Membership \$25

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