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For Cats

Mewsletter

Our Mewsletter

Our Mewsletter is published every other month 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.

UPCOMING EVENT:

Feb 7 Sweet Art
Silent Auction

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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Sweets & Art Up for Bid at the 5th Annual Sweet Art Silent Auction

Mark your calendars! Saturday, February 7th the 5th Annual Sweet Art Silent Auction will be held at the Imperial Calcasieu Museum from 11am to 2pm. This free event, which is open to the public, will offer many items for bid including sweets from local bakers and bakeries as well as a wide variety of art ranging from paintings, water colors, and photography to hand-made items, pottery and hand-crafted jewelry. Hors d'oeuvres and punch will be served.

Calling all artists and crafters of any kind! We are searching for works of local art for this event. If you are able to donate items, please bring them by the shelter during adoption hours any day in January.

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.

Holiday Open House Held November 16

The annual open house was a meowing success. We had tours of the shelter, meet and greets with the adoptable kitties and many hand-crafted gifts available for purr-chase.



Sowela's Illumination Series
Renee and Debbie were invited to speak about animal rescue topics at Sowela's Illumination Series for faculty and students. Pictured below are Renee Smith, founder of Lake Charles Pit Bull Rescue; Mary Frances Sherwood, Director of Library Services at Sowela; and Debbie Watts with Hobo Hotel.



PetCo Adoption Day
Arlene Avery volunteers for the adoption day at PetCo on Saturday, January 3rd.



Baby Jenny: A Happy Tail by Donna Mead

While doing weekly cleaning at Hobo Hotel a year ago, I remember hearing a high pitched cry. I discovered a small torti kitten who climbed on the bars of the cage when I walked in. She was so tiny and had blood on her head and back and I thought it was from her rubbing off medicine. Later on when the other workers came in, they told me Jenny had been burned, but no one knew how. She required a lot of extra care during the next week to bring her back and forth to the vet for anesthesia and cleaning of her wound. Since she was still there the next week, I decided I would like to foster her so I could nurse her back to good health. She settled in to "her bedroom" right away and loved having her butt rubbed since it was one of the areas that was 'safe' to touch. She also liked to ride on my shoulder with her legs dangling while purring loudly. My two dogs, Ada and Ranger, eventually accepted her as just 'another cat' in the house. Jenny took interest in Ranger too; she would lick his eyes and nose and he reciprocated by licking her wound. This would become their routine. After he would lick the wound, I would then put medicine on the area. Soon, Jenny's wound became itchy and she encouraged Ranger to scratch the area with his tongue. This eventually became a problem because her skin began to bleed. So I found a solution...baby clothes...and soon Jenny became the "best dressed Hobo." Now Jenny's wound is healed, she still wears her dresses and the best part is Ranger gave Jenny a forever home. (Jenny pictured right wearing her baby dress →)



I was stranded on 7th St. in Lake Charles and someone rescued me and named me Seven. My grandma fostered me for 2 months until my parents fell in love with me, adopted me, then took me to Houston to live with them. I have so many brothers and sisters there. We all get along and I love being held. Molly, their dog, doesn't mind me laying with her nor do the others. I even get to watch my father play games on the Xbox. Thank you Hobo Hotel for rescuing me and finding my forever home. Oh they changed my name to Kissyfur...I guess because I'm so lovable.
(Pic below)



DEAR HOBO HOTEL...



I have the sweetest, most loving cat in this world, Nike. Thank you so much for suggesting him to me. He is awesome! He and my puppy play all the time together! And he cuddles with me so well.
-Samantha Clary



We adopted Julia last summer and she's been a joy to our family. My boys Rocky and Duke love her. She lives in inside but loves to walk around on the deck and play with her new family. -Karen Miller



← Meows to Allie Stroder who had a birthday party and asked her guests to bring gifts for Hobo Hotel. We received cat food, litter, toys, cleaning supplies, cash and a gift card!

Meows to Sam Houston High BETA Club for collecting 349 cans of food for the Hobo kitties! Club members earned one BETA service hour for each donation worth \$5. Pictured with the donation is faculty sponsor Sara Jolie and her son, Jack Owen. →



← Gillis Elementary School BETA Club students did an awesome job collecting items for Hobo!



Melissa, Bianca and Hailey visit with the kitties. Bianca is a regular TLC'er and brought along fellow members of the McNeese Women's Softball Team. (pic above)

FRESHSTEP PAW POINTS Meows to our Facebook followers Lisa, Katie, Leslie, Debbie, Diana, Elizabeth, Shaun, Robin and Tara: Hobo Hotel has reached its FreshStep goal of 5,000 paw points. We will redeem our points for free bags of litter. We have reset our goal to 10,000 points and are already one-third of the way there. To help, go to your online FreshStep Paw Points account and designate Hobo Hotel as your preferred shelter then donate a (required) min. of 200 points.

PetSmart National Adoption Weekend
Feb 14-16

PetCo National Adoption Weekends
Jan 3-4

Cat Stats!	OCT	NOV	DEC	2014
Altered for Adoption	26	28	34	296
Bouree's Outreach (Tame)	6	7	1	69
Bouree's Outreach (Not Tame)	13	8	20	144
Total Spayed/Neutered	45	43	55	509
Adopted at Care Center	20	11	26	175
Adopted at PetSmart	6	7	16	83
Adopted at PetCo	5	2	6	36
Total Adopted	31	20	48	294
Rainbow Bridge	2	2	5	49



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Theresa Hicks, Lou Hidalgo, Imperial Calcasieu Museum, Kroger Community Rewards Program, Stephanie Landry, Cathy Martin, Diane McCarty, Donna Mead, George & Dayna Mowbray, Avis Musgrove, Anna Nelson, Our neighbor Mr. Carl, Mary Patterson, PetSmart, Robert Radomski, Shelia Ranier, Susan Reed, Al & Brenda Robinson, Collie Rouyer, Shirley and Marvin Self, Debbie Smith, Ken & Dale Spears, Aimee Stawecki, Anthony Streva, Allie Stroderd, Bette Talbot

NEW SPONSORSHIPS: Barbara Rose to sponsor Cassie for one year, Wilborn and Carol Poole to sponsor three cats for 2015

Thank you to the following who have Hobo donation jars at their businesses: Prien Pines Nursery, Lake Area Animal Hospital, PetCo, Harrington Gallery, Downtown Animal Hospital, Bayou South Animal Hospital, Betsy's Frames by Design, A Daisy A Day Flowers & Gifts, Southside Animal Hospital

Give the Gift of Care We are all connected.



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:

Sponsorship \$120 MeowShip \$60 General Donation

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In Memory Of...

Amy Draves Jokish

-David Alan & Mary Dugan

Myron J. Palermo, who took home every stray cat and dog -DeLaney Stone

Carol Cain, friend and mentor

-Debbie Watts

Pat Gardner -B.W. & Debbie Cain

Gabby, beloved cat of Elaine Cameron

-Wade and Missy Shaddock

T-Tom, who died at age 22

-Faye Crowell

Jinx, beloved cat of multi-family in

Norwalk, CT -Scout, his Lake Charles sister

Dollie Fletcher, David Fletcher and Bobbie F. McGaha

-Patsy Fletcher

Mary Beth Prudhomme

-Mrs. Thomas Cameron

Jimmy & Ann Rouyer-Jane Alcock

In Honor Of...

Collie Rouyer -Jane Alcock

Kitty Wish List

Donate items any day during adoption hours!

Iam's Adult & Kitten Food, Fancy Feast

Canned Food, Fresh Step Litter,

Laundry Detergent, Cleaner & Paper

Towels, Bleach & Wipes, Hand Soap &

Sanitizer, Disposable Gloves,

Scratchers found at:

www.stretchandscratch.com