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Hobo Hotel

For Cats

Mewsletter

Our Mewsletter

Our Mewsletter is published quarterly 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 EVENTS:

- Feb 13 6th Annual Sweet Art Silent Auction
- April 2 Garage Sale
1801 Common St.

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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6th Annual Sweet Art Silent Auction

Mark your calendars: Saturday, February 13th we'll host our 6th Annual Sweet Art Silent Auction at the Imperial Calcasieu Museum from 11am to 2pm just in time for Valentine's Day. 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 a handmade item, please bring it by the shelter during adoption hours any day in January.

Are you a great baker? We'd like to feature your delicious sweets at the auction. Please email HoboHotelNews@yahoo.com to sign up to donate a sweet treat for the silent auction.

MEMBERSHIP DRIVE: SIXTEEN YEARS AND GROWING

For sixteen 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. A dedicated supporter has provided us the use of a building to house the cats. Now, as we reach our "Sweet Sixteen" year, it is time to grow to the next level. We need to build a membership base whose donations will help us to meet our considerable annual budget, and stabilize our cash flow so we can continue to do our job for the cats we love and the community which recognizes the value of our effort. Our newest members of Hobo Hotel as of time of printing are listed on the next page. Our drive will continue for a few months so please mail your donation to P.O. Box 810, Lake Charles, LA 70602 or send through PavPal.com via our email address: HoboHotelNews@yahoo.com. Meow!

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.

ANNUAL HOLIDAY OPEN HOUSE HELD

On November 15 we held our annual Holiday Open House and Social. The two-day event featured a preview sale and boutique shopping on Saturday, November 14 and the Social and Open House the following day on Sunday, November 15 during which visitors enjoyed refreshments, door prizes, shopping and tours of the shelter. Meows to all of you who attended and/or donated during this event.



Pack 3 of St. Margaret Catholic School held a supply drive for Hobo Hotel. They delivered all the goodies, toured the shelter and played with the kitties.



PetSmart Adoption Weekend

Pictured above are volunteers Arlene Avery and Jean Smith at the PetSmart National Adoption Weekend on November 14.

PICS WITH SANTA

Santa Claus visited Petco December 12. Meows to all who stopped by to have your pets' pictures taken with him.



CAT YOGA FUN-RAISER

The Yoga Center hosted a 'Cats on the Mat' yoga class December 6. The fun-raiser featured a yoga class followed by social time with some of our adoptable kitties. Thank you to all who participated and/or made a donation.

Painting with a Purpose We held a painting fun-raiser at Painting with a Twist on November 1st. Participants painted and took home a one-of-a-kind holiday print and enjoyed delicious hors d' oeuvres and good company.

HOBOTEL MEMBERSHIP DRIVE: NEW MEMBERS

CORPORATE MEMBERS (\$1,500):

Cookie Roberts, Carolyn Rouyer

GOLD MEMBERS (\$500):

Tanya & Bobby Alsobrook, The Gilmore Family: Richard, Melissa, Jamie, Skylar & Rikki; Dustin & Lauren Granger; Ron & Cindy Lewis, Joe Stark, Bette Talbot, Howard Trotter

SILVER MEMBERS (\$250):

Linda & Bill Berchey, Cathy Chapman & David Brown, Corporate Housing, Inc., Dr. William P. Harper, Ron & Roni Kemerly, Laura McDaniel, Barbara and J.T. Milford, in memory of Holly, Maureen & C.A. Miller, Jean Smith

PATRON MEMBERS (\$100):

Chris Alcock, in honor of Collie Rouyer, Jane Alcock, Christopher Allen, Pamela & Tom Allison, Cameron Baggett, Caroline & Francis Draves, Charles & Lavonne Finney, Pat Fletcher, Michelle Frazer, Randal Hoag, Jennifer Jones, Brenda Kelley, Drs. Susan Kelso & Peter Dant, Vicky Landry, Charlotte Langston, Jerri Lott, Weston Mancil, Kay Noble, Martha & David Parnell, Fred & Dorothy Sahlmann, Hunter Perrin Insurance Agency, DeLaney Stone, Ernest & Kerry Tam, Nanette Territa-Prejean, Deborah Watts, Greg Wise, Krishana Zaveri

FAMILY MEMBERS (\$50):

Mr. & Mrs. James Boyer, Jeanne Broussard, Tara Bufkin, Courtney & Robert Dampf, Frances & Charles Ferguson, Jennifer Hammack, Lindsay & Eric Henrich, Kay House, Doretta Landry-Ancelet, Sam Liprie, Nadine & Bill McCall, Carmen Medellin, George & Dayna Mowbry, Virginia Pruitt, Judith Smith, Tam Cat Family, "Possum" Territa-Prejean, Louise Weil

INDIVIDUAL MEMBERS (\$25):

Jacquelyn Alexander, Mary Ann Booth, Nanette Cagney, Phyllis Cagney, Elaine Cameron, Doyle Crager, Sue Dorroh, Elizabeth Doucet, Betty Dufrene, Deborah Frank, Judy Guidry, Cynthia Hubbs, Bill Iles, Linda Jenkins, Kellie Kolde, Charlotte LaBove, Eva LeBlanc, Linda Lueckenhoff, Dr. Son Mai, Judy McCoy, Cissie McLeod, Rita Pourteau, Inge Prather, Willy Sandblom, Nancy Sanner, Shelia Scalisi, Shemie Scalisi, Anna Silverstein, Melanie White, Carol Williamson, Debbie Winn



Thanks to Bette Talbot and Collie Rouyer we have yard signs back in stock! If you are a Hobo Hotel supporter and want a sign for your yard, come by the shelter and pick up one-- they're free.

\$5,000 GRANT RECEIVED

Hobo Hotel was awarded a grant from the Bernice Barbour Foundation for \$5000. The money will be used for spay/neutering and vaccinations. Meow, meow!



← McNeese club 'Cowboys in Action' spent time at the shelter cleaning and scrubbing and got to put in a little TLC time with the kitties as well.



CONGRATULATIONS TO DR. STARK

Meows to Dr. Joe Stark for being voted "Best Veterinarian" in Lagniappe's *Best of Southwest Louisiana 2015*. Congratulate Dr. Stark and the staff of Lake Area Animal Hospital next time you visit. →

2016 UPCOMING EVENTS:

Feb 13: Sweet Art Silent Auction
Imperial Calcasieu Museum

March 5 or 12: Kitten Bowl
Prien Lake Mall

April 2: Garage sale
1801 Common St.

April 30: Sam's Club Table

May 15: Kitten Shower
Hobo Hotel for Cats

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

Aug 1: Blue Dog raffle begins

Sept 27: Hobo's Tailgate Party
(fall auction) Civic Center

Nov 8: Blue Dog raffle drawing

Dec 3-4: Holiday Open House
Hobo Hotel for Cats

Petco Foundation recently presented two separate donations to Hobo Hotel. The first was from their "Together We Can" in-store campaign. We benefit every year from the generosity of Petco stores and their partners and customers. The second was from their "Tree of Hope" fundraiser in which we will be receiving \$3,305.95! These in-store campaigns raise much needed monies for animal rescue groups across the country. Thanks to all of our supporters who shop at Petco and donate to these fundraising campaigns.

Big thanks to Wal-Mart in Moss Bluff for your recent donation of canned Friskies cat food and many other items!

EDS STUDENT VISIT

Troop 2632 from Episcopal Day School visited Hobo Hotel to learn all about pet care to earn their pet badge. They also made cat toys for the kitties.



Gillis Elementary BETA Club collected lots and lots of goodies for our kitties. →

DONATE VIA PAYPAL

You can easily make monetary donations to Hobo Hotel via PayPal.com. Just visit the site and send money via our email address
HoboHotelNews@yahoo.com.
It's that easy to help the kitties!

AMAZON SMILE

Do you shop on Amazon? When you shop at AmazonSmile, Amazon donates 0.5% of the purchase price to Hobo Hotel! Bookmark the link <http://smile.amazon.com/ch/51-0588755> and support us every time you shop.

PetSmart National
Adoption Weekend
February 12-14

Petco Local
Adoption Saturdays
Feb 13, Mar 12

Cat Stats!

	OCT	NOV	DEC	2015
Altered for Adoption	25	22	35	317
Bouree's Outreach (Tame)	5	3	6	76
Bouree's Outreach (Not Tame)	12	1	11	202
Total Spayed/Neutered	42	26	52	595
Adopted at Care Center	24	21	34	235
Adopted at PetSmart	12	6	4	82
Adopted at PetCo	0	6	3	20
Total Adopted	36	33	41	337
Rainbow Bridge	2	0	5	32



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Jessica & Colin Jeffords, Ron Johnson, Sue Kincannon, Kroger Community Rewards Program, Vicky Landry, Debra & Troy LeDet, Rebecca Malone, Coco Marek, Danielle Martin, J. Ted Meinscher, David & Diana Moore, Petco Foundation, Petco Prien Lake Road, Petco Tree of Hope Fundraiser PetSmart, Bobbie Pousson, Shelia Ranier, Kathleen Roush, Libby & Everett Schneider, Mary Shaddock, Ken & Dale Spears, Wal-Mart Moss Bluff, Lauren & Sherman Young, Cindy

Sponsorships: Wilborn & Carol Poole (3); John & Juliet Emerson (2) in honor of their pet Clyde and in honor of Stephanie Spain's birthday; Cathy Martin for Rusty's medical needs; Amanda Dean; Betty Henry; Stella Nesanovich; Michael Tsiang in honor of his friend Vincent Foret; Jacquelyn Alexander in memory of Figaro who passed at age 16; Virginia Pruitt (6-month)

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

In Memory Of...

Claire, our devout faucet drinker and hall manager -Collie Rouyer, -Debbie Watts
Buster, beloved pet of Sonja & Mel Raley, -Claudia Dyle
Tiger & A.J, Howard Trotter's long-time pets -Angie Quienalty
Sunni, pet of Dr. & Mrs. Brian Clements -Missy & Wade Shaddock
Sabrina, Mary Louise O'Grady's friend and cat for 20 years -Yvonne McLease
Barbara Reiser -Wade & Missy Shaddock

In Honor Of...

The Care of Nelly Belle -Angie Quienalty
Kippy Greicar -J.P. Webb

Kitty Wish List

Donate items any day during adoption hours!
Iam's Adult & Kitten Food, Fresh Step Litter, Laundry Detergent, Cleaner & Paper Towels, Bleach & Wipes, Hand Soap & Sanitizer, Disposable Gloves, Scratchers found at: www.stretchandscratch.com

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:

- Sponsorship \$120 MeowShip (6-month sponsorship) \$60 General Donation
- In Memory of _____ **OR** In Honor of _____

Please send notification of my gift to:

Name: _____
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City, State, Zip: _____

Acknowledge the gift from:

Name: _____
Address: _____
City, State, Zip: _____

Mail your tax-deductible gift to: Hobo Hotel, Inc., P.O. Box 810, Lake Charles, LA 70602

We are all connected.

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- Gold Membership \$500
- Silver Membership \$250
- Patron Membership \$100
- Family Membership \$50
- Individual Membership \$25

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