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Hobo Hotel

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.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS:

Sept 28 2nd Annual Magnificent Meow Mile Kickoff Party at Central School

Nov 2 MMM Grand Finale @ 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



2nd Annual Meow Mile Kickoff Party September 28

Everyone is invited to join us at **Central School in Lake Charles from 11am-2pm at on Saturday, September 28** for the kickoff of the 2nd Annual Magnificent Meow Mile, our largest fundraiser of the year. Our goal is to collect a symbolic mile of quarters as we track our progress while Hobo the cat walks the 'mile.' The event will begin with the silent auction Kickoff Party and conclude at the Prien Lake Mall November 2 for the Grand Finale. If enough quarters are collected to measure out the length of one mile, we will

reach our goal of collecting just over \$15,000 to help continue the rescue efforts of homeless cats and kittens. The Kickoff Party will feature a variety of items for silent auction including works from local artists, gifts from various local businesses, handmade jewelry, college team items, some unique local packages and more. This year's kickoff event will also feature a cake walk! Tickets are only \$5 and include sandwiches, punch and a chip/dip bar. Tickets are available for purr-chase at the shelter anytime during adoption hours. Me-vow. we can't wait!

Some of the Fabulous Items Featured in our Silent Auction:

Knitted Bib Gift Basket by Bobbie Kirkland	Christmas Lights Champagne Tour	Round of Golf for 4 donated by L'Auberqe	Cake Pop Tray donated by LiLi's Gris Gris
Haunted Halloween Tour	Scrapbook Your Pet by Jessica Fontenot	Handmade Pottery Pieces by Ruth Nagel	Hydroponic Plant Trio by Robin Anderson

Upcoming & Past Events

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.

Hobo Hotel Gains National Recognition And A Surprise Purrfect Ending!

Hobo Hotel was one of only ten finalists, out of 325 nominees nationwide in a shelter makeover sponsored by The Vertical Cat. All finalists competed with votes for the top prize of a room makeover and phone consultation with Jackson Galaxy, cat behaviorist (the "My Cat from Hell" guy), and Kate Benjamin, founder and designer for hauspanther.com. We had an overwhelming show of support for the Catification Makeover sponsored by The Vertical Cat. At the final count, Hobo Hotel placed 6th with 1,663 votes! Even though we didn't win the \$1,000 grand prize, we will receive a neat cat shelf and some designer cat toys as prizes. And now we have some great ideas for catifying our shelter too! Special Thanks to Heather Partin of 92.9 The Lake and Lee Peck of KPLC-TV for helping us get the word out and do so well in this contest! The recognition for us was very nice, but we really wanted that room makeover. Since we didn't win the contest fabulous Hobo fans Rick & Donna Richard decided we should get that makeover anyway! They have donated \$1,000 to provide neat catification elements to our care center! But wait, there's more... Dale and Ken Spears donated another \$1,000 in memory of their son Shane Spears which will allow us to do a total makeover of the shelter! So find those screwdrivers, sharpen up those saws, pull out that sewing machine because Hobo Hotel is getting catified. We'll be announcing plans and a schedule soon. Get ready for catification! Many meows to you Rick, Donna, Dale and Ken!

Donate to Silent Auction
To donate your tax-deductible new items or a service, or if you'd like to ask a business for a donated item for the kickoff party silent auction, or to purchase tickets or sponsorships, please call 439-2428, or email us at hobohotelnews@yahoo.com. The deadline for donations is September 20th.



McNeese Teaching & Learning
McNeese College of Education hosted their annual Teaching and Learning Conference for educators and other education professionals on August 1-2. Hobo volunteers Vernice Waggoner, Barbara Rose, Bette Talbot, Collie Rouyer, Amanda Wilhite and Teresa Devillier represented and distributed information about Hobo Hotel.



L'Auberge Volunteers

←Volunteers from L'Auberge Casino and Resort spent the day at Hobo Hotel on August 5th. They rolled up their shirt sleeves and pitched in to help scoop litter boxes, sweep and mop, clean windows, blinds and baseboards, wash food and water bowls and fold laundry. They brought donations of food, litter and cleaning supplies and even found time to give lots of TLC to the cats and kittens who loved all the extra attention. Thanks to Taylor LeBlanc, Jessica Hayes, Vikki Shearman, Kristin Broussard, Megan and Penny Curry, Emily Parker, Megan Gavlick, Julie Ragusa, Samantha Bartlett, Jennifer Nardinger, Derryon Esprit and Alexia Drener. Meow!



Jean Smith and Arlene Avery volunteered for Hobo at Tractor Supply's adoption event on August 17. We had t-shirts and cupcakes for donations. (pic above)

Dear Hobo Hotel...

Enclosed is a donation in memory of Lila Rose (her pre-adoption name was Karmel). Lila purred her way into kitty heaven on Monday, July 29. Lila was the best lap cat God ever created, and I am comforted by the image of Lila sitting contently in the lap of God. -Bobbie Yellott



This donation is in memory of our Tom Cat. -Craig & Bill Shaddock →



Jack is doing great; he settled in to his new home very quickly and is happy. We renamed him Crawford and he likes his new name. Thanks to everyone who helps out to make Hobo Hotel a success. -Ann Tobola & Bobby Dower

In loving memory of our beautiful Magnolia (Maggie) who passed on June 4 at the age of 23. We were blessed to hand raise her when her mother was killed at the hands of a heartless young man. Maggie was a gift every day of her life and never a problem of any kind. She loved her big sister Bootsie, big fluffy powder brushes, catnip, and her daddy. Such a little girl leaves such a big hole. Heaven is graced with her spirit. To everyone at Hobo Hotel for maintaining our "world's most spoiled pet" program so well and for helping all of the little ones who have no one else! We are proud to be associated with such a wonderful organization. -The Tam's (Ernest & Kerry)

Fourteen-year-old Claire Landry of Lake Charles recently celebrated her birthday. In lieu of gifts, she asked guests to bring items for Hobo Hotel! We received food, litter, toys, gift cards and cash. Many purrs to Claire and her guests. (pic below)

KROGER COMMUNITY REWARDS PROGRAM: Donate to Hobo Hotel just by shopping at Kroger. Last year you earned Hobo \$1571. This year, cards must be registered online in order to help Hobo. Please register your cards online by visiting the website krogercommunityrewards.com Hobo Hotel's organization number is 80645.



**PetSmart
National
Adoption Weekend
September 13-15**

**PetCo
National
Adoption Weekends
Oct 5-6 & Nov 9-10**

Many, Many Purrs to PetCo!

Meows and purrs to PetCo in Lake Charles for raising \$1,750 from their Spay/Neuter Drive for Hobo Hotel! Thanks to Ed, store manager, and all his hard-working assistant managers and employees who helped obtain donations at the register! In addition to this, over the summer, PetCo has donated over \$750 in dry cat food and on other recent occasions has donated canned cat food and litter. Our paws applaud you PetCo!

National Feral Cat Day: Oct. 16

"A feral cat is a cat who has either never had any contact with people or her contact with people has diminished over time. She is not socialized to people and survives on her own outdoors." Find out more information on what you can do to help feral cats by visiting <http://nationalferalcatday.org>

Cat Stats!	JUL	AUG	2013
Altered for Adoption	19	25	129
Bouree's Outreach (Tame)	7	9	51
Bouree's Outreach (Not Tame)	7	11	84
Total Spayed/Neutered	19	45	250
Adopted at Care Center	8	16	71
Adopted at PetSmart	12	11	40
Adopted at PetCo	0	1	12
Total Adopted	20	28	123
Rainbow Bridge	2	0	12



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 Claudia Dyle, Tammy Forbis,
 Exxonmobil Foundation., Judy
 Guillory, Tammy Hebert,

Joan Heller, Leslie Hinton family,
 Brooke Johnson, Brenda Kelley,
 Colleen Lambert, Ann Lindsay,
 Yvette Lormond, Deltra Meyers,
 Diana Moore, Lynette Morgan,
 PetCo, Elizabeth & Rachael
 Phillips visiting from N. Carolina
 donated the contents of their piggy
 bank, Brett Radzikowski, Collie
 Rouyer, Ken Spears, Bette Talbot,
 Ann Tobola & Bobby Dower,
 Vernice Waggoner, Sherman &
 Lauren Young

Sponsorships are only \$120 for one cat per year!
 • Coco Marek • Ken Spears
 • Bill & Linda Berchey in honor of Toby
 • Cory Cochran in memory of Kristen Konieczny Cochran

Thank you to the following who have Hobo donation jars at their businesses: Luna Bar & Grill, 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:

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In Memory Of...

- Magnolia** -Ernest & Kerry Tam
- Aunt Carol Cain and Troy**
-Nancy Huffine
- Mysti, beloved kitten of Susan Kelso & Peter Dart** -Bette Talbot & Collie Rouyer
- Jake & Biff, beloved dogs of Greg Wise** -Bette Talbot & Collie Rouyer
- Lila Rose** -Bobby Yellott
- Tom Cat** -Craig & Bill Shaddock
- Lila Rose** -Bobby Yellott

In Honor Of...

- Libby Schneider**
-Wade & Missy Shaddock
- Jennifer Sarvaunt's Birthday**
-Collie Rouyer

Kitty Wish List

Donate items any day during adoption hours!

- Iam's Adult Food
- Iam's Kitten Food
- Fresh Step Litter
- Laundry Detergent
- Surface Cleaner
- Canned Cat Food
- Paper Towels
- Bleach
- Trash Bags