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Our Mews-letter 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:

- Nov 15 *PetFinder Volunteers Workshop: Lafayette*
Dec 2 *Christmas Open House & Boutique 2-4pm*
Dec 8 *PetCo Santa Pet Pics*
Dec 15 *PetSmart Santa Pics*

ADOPTION HOURS:

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



Hobo The Cat Crosses The Rainbow Bridge

Hobo: April 1, 1986 - October 18, 2012

When Carol Cain and Carolyn "Collie" Rouyer (co-founders of the Hobo Hotel for Cats) chose to name their rescue efforts after a cat named Hobo, they couldn't have picked a better namesake.

Not only did the name suggest their mission of rescuing and adopting stray or homeless cats ('Hobo' means homeward bound) but Hobo the cat turned out to be a willing and loving ambassador at many Hobo Hotel, Inc. functions. Oftentimes cats are shy or easily spooked around crowds but not Hobo. She graciously allowed children and adults to pet her, hold her and pass her around from person to person. to purr for everyone. Even when she became blind she was affectionate and willing to purr for everyone. This Hobo cat, this wonderful ambassador for the mission of Hobo Hotel, Inc. died on Oct. 18, 2012 in the company of her grateful "people" (they say no one owns a cat; they own us!). Hobo was 26½ years old, about 123 in people years. She was healthy and happy until her very last day when an episode of vertigo or maybe a stroke proved to be too much.

It seemed important to inform the community of her death and to express appreciation to all the supporters who have petted and held her over the years.

Upcoming Events

CHRISTMAS OPEN HOUSE *by Clovis*

Our annual Christmas boutique and open house will be Sunday, December 2 from 2-4 pm at the care center. You're invited for holiday shopping, tours of the shelter, meet and greets with Hobo's adoptable kitties and lots of food and good company. Meow!

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.

MAGNIFICENT MEOW MILE

Our first Magnificent Meow Mile has been a purring success! At the Kick Off Party at Central School on September 22, we had a dip bar contest, a silent auction and the annual Quinella St. Frances and Director's Awards. Our Meow Mile concluded with the Grand Finale at the Prien Lake Mall on November 3rd. Browse more photos from the event on Hobo Hotel's Facebook page!



Sam's Club Set Up

We had a great day at Sam's Club Saturday, September 8th. We had donations of \$414.69 and five bags of cat food and one bucket of kitty litter. Volunteers Jean Smith and Arlene Avery worked the event (pictured left).

Still Awaiting My Furr-Ever Home

I'm Ladybug and I'm 3 years old but still awaiting my furr-ever home. I'd prefer to be the only cat at your home with no kids. I'd be okay outside but prefer to be cozied up inside. I'm set in my ways and can be a little temperamental if things don't go my way. I want to rule your roost! Adopt me: call 439-2428.



CRAFTS NEEDED

Do you make homemade crafts such as ornaments, jewelry, wreaths, seasonal decor or other items we could sell in the boutique? Please start sewing, cutting, gluing, painting, decorating, hammering or creating because we could use some nice items to sell! Email Roni at qm4xtras@yahoo.com or drop by the shelter from 2-5pm any day during adoption hours to donate your tax-deductible items.

SAVE THE DATE

Our Annual Sweet Art Silent auction will be Saturday, February 23, 2013 at the Imperial Calcasieu Museum

RAFFLE TIME

TWO exciting raffles are happening right now!

GOURMET BASKET

1st Prize: Gourmet Food Basket
2nd Prize: Christmas Cookie Tray
Tickets are now on sale for \$2 each and the drawing will be held at our Christmas Open House on December 2.

BLUE DOG PRINT

SIGNED SILKSCREENED LIMITED EDITION PRINT OF GEORGE RODRIGUE'S 'THE THREE AMIGOS'

Tickets are now on sale for \$5 each and the drawing will be held at the Sweet Art Silent Auction on Feb. 23! Only 1000 will be sold, so be sure to get yours early before they sell out!

Dear Hobo Hotel...

Early this year, my friend, Barbara Milford who works with your organization, sent me a Hobo Hotel cat calendar. With each picture she gave a brief remark about the cat's personality and I've enjoyed the use of this calendar. I am pleased to send a donation for the good works you're doing for kitties. --Joe Sartor, Morehead, KY

I wasn't able to attend the Meow Mile event but please take these dollars and convert them to quarters for me and my six cats. They have been dropped off on my lawn over the years, the latest about three weeks ago. Thanks and I hope you get that mile of quarters. --Ruth Walker



This gift is in honor of the great feline lady, Hobo. May her legacy continue and her presence be with you all forever.

-Scott & Melissa Greenwell, Austin, TX

I am sending this to you in memory of Hobo. Look at all of the forever homes that you found for cats who needed them. Plus, you found Suzie and Zane Gray for me. Please accept my sympathy.
-Julie F. Fulton

About 1½ years ago a calico tabby kitten name Missy found her forever home with Ethel Fontenot. She is now a beautiful mature cat and loves her home and her human Mom. Ethel tells me that she rules the roost. This is a perfect match and we want to thank Ethel for giving Missy a loving home and caring environment to live out her life. →



\$10,000 PETCO GRANT AWARDED TO HOBO HOTEL!

We were all bouncing off the walls and high fiving our furry paws when we heard this news. Hobo Hotel was just awarded, you read right, \$10,000 for our ongoing efforts to rescue, spay and neuter homeless cats! We are thrilled as this will help us to spay/neuter and vaccinate about 100 rescued cats. MEEEE-YOWW!

Thank You Volunteers & Cleaners

Did you know? Hobo has adoptions at PetCo every Saturday. The following people volunteer and/or clean for Hobo Hotel at PetCo.

Maurice Murrell, Linda Leuckenhoff, and Vernice Waggoner (all pictured below) along with Katie Casanave, Francis Kaough, Jean Smith, Shannon Andraki, Donna Mead, Christi Pundt, Cynthia Hobbs & sister, Erin Wilson

Cat Stats!	SEP	OCT	2012
Altered for Adoption	27	TBA	208
Bouree's Outreach (Tame)	8	TBA	90
Bouree's Outreach (Not Tame)	15	TBA	159
Total Spayed/Neutered	50	TBA	457
Adopted at Care Center	9	TBA	89
Adopted at PetSmart	10	TBA	82
Adopted at PetCo	5	TBA	25
Total Adopted	24	TBA	196
Rainbow Bridge	1	TBA	17



PetCo National Adoption Weekends
Nov 17-18 & Dec 1-2

SHOUT OUTS to...

...Sam Houston High School Beta Club: they raised \$216.80 for the Magnificent Meow Mile!

...PetCo for the donation of \$352 for their Spay & Neuter Drive!

Many, many purrs to Betty Bergeron who folds, and folds, and folds some more.

Betty folds about 1500 Mews-letters every issue and we COULD NOT do it without her!

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:

In Memory of OR In Honor of _____

Please send notification of my gift to: *Acknowledge the gift from:*

Name: _____ Name: _____

Address: _____ Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____ City, State, Zip: _____

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

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

Donations

Albertsons Community Partners Program, Bob Anderson, Kenneth Bellard, D. C. Bounds, Niffie Brown, Mrs. John Carte, Sean Cinquemano, John Derosier, Tiffany Devlin, Betty Dufrene, Claudia Dyle, Lavonne Finney, First Federal Bank, Lauren & Dustin Granger, Dr. and Mrs Pat Harper, Susan Hebert, Kroger Neighbor to Neighbor Program, Jessica Larson, Lois Lueg,

Michael Meagher, Willie Mount, George & Dana Mowbray, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Myrick, PetCo Foundation, PetCo L.C., PetSmart L.C., Pro Plan Rally to Rescue, Shelia Ranier, Carolyn Roberts, Barbara Rose, Collie Rouyer, Estate of Joy Rowland, Sam Houston Jones High School Beta Club, Joe Sartor, Elizabeth Schneider, Ken Spears, Sylvan Special Systems, Bette Talbot, Vernice & Gary Waggoner, Ruth Walker, Peggy Yelvington, Sheri Zampiello

In Memory Of...

Sarah Flanagan
- J. T. and Barbara Milford

Allan House
- Nathan & Carrie Dondis

Bobbie Fletcher McGaha
- Patsy Fletcher

Hobo
- Judith Smith
- Lake Area Animal Hospital
- Julie Fulton
- Scott & Melissa Greenwell

Judge Jerry
- Donna Mead

In Honor Of...

Robin Bellard
-Kenneth Bellard

Bobcat and Teddy
-Niffie Brown

All the Hobo Caregivers
-Mr. and Mrs. Ed Mvrick

New Sponsorships...

Sponsorships are only \$120 for one cat per year!

-M. C. Hogan, Las Vegas, NV
-Rick & Donna Richard (2 cats)



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