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Thor's Forever Home

SPCA Shelter Hours of Operation

Mon thru Fri
10:00 am-6:00 pm

Saturday
10:00 am-2:00 pm

Sunday
Closed

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We engrave pet tags
while you wait \$7

Dear Hill Country SPCA friends-, This is your buddy Thor or “Baby Boss” as my mom affectionately calls me. 2013 has turned out to be quite a year for me. In January it looked pretty bleak for me being at a high kill shelter. I was hungry, underweight, heartworm positive, and both my rear legs needed surgery.

Then my friends at the SPCA rescued me and brought me to my temporary home. My legs hurt me and I could not walk on all 4 without pain medicine. Then in the Spring, my Mom, being an SPCA supporter found out I needed surgery. She promptly arranged for the first leg surgery in May. Boy did it hurt for a few days afterwards. But guess what? I began to walk on it and it didn't hurt! Then, in July something really great happened. Not only did I receive my second leg surgery, but my parents decided they wanted to give me what's called a “permanent home”. Mom said I would never have to worry about living on the streets again. And I have my wonderful brothers and sisters (the canine variety) to love me. And I love them. My big brother greeted me with a big slurp! When I want to feel more secure, I stand under him. Adjusting to my new home was not hard. My parents carry me around and give me lots of kisses. We spent our days playing in the morning in our yard, then I help Mom with her computer work, of including grading papers-she's a teacher. And as you can see, I also write. Shelter animals have lots of hidden talents. I have lots of toys, treats and love. I even have a girlfriend who especially loves to play with me. At night, I sleep with everybody under the covers next to my parents. And, I am now heartworm negative and have no leg pain. In fact, I run so fast Mom could hardly get a good picture of me! I would like to tell everybody reading this newsletter to not be afraid to adopt a shelter dog with special needs. We are especially grateful.

Medically or psychologically challenged animals can be diagnosed and treated and often live normal life spans with just a little extra help. Please stop by the shelter and bring someone special home! And thank you for saving my life!



Thor



Wish List

We are always in need of supplies for animal and facility care . The following are some of our current needs:

cat beds /baskets
scratching posts
Copy paper
Kitty litter
(he) laundry detergent
Kuranda Dog beds
Kuranda Cat beds
bleach
Paper towels
Postage stamps
Used towels/blankets
*sorry, we no longer except pillows

Dream List

Large Dog scale
Garden tools
New riding lawn mower
Locking Medicine Cabinet

2013 YTD Stats

Cat Adoptions = 54
Dog Adoptions = 134
Total = 188

Cat Spay/Neuter = 90
Dog Spay/Neuter = 107
Total = 197

Mission Statement

Because every single animal has value, Hill Country SPCA is dedicated to: Preventing cruelty and neglect of domesticated animals in the Texas Hill Country; Reducing the number of homeless and unwanted companion animals; Eliminating euthanasia of unwanted animals; Fostering responsible pet ownership; Providing shelter and placement services.

We need volunteers

Save the date

Paddy's Party 2014 will be held Saturday March 29th at Pat's Hall in Fredericksburg. Dinner will be catered by My Own Chef , Cactus Country will provide the live entertainment, and we will have a live and silent auction. So, if you are looking for a fun filled way to support the animals at the Hill Country SPCA, we would love to see you there! If you are interested in volunteering on our Paddy's Party committee or would like to provide sponsorship, please contact Tina at: 830-990-9085 Paddy's Party is Hill Country SPCA's only fundraising event.

Did you know?

ASPCA and other National Groups Do Not Save Animals in our Hill Country! When you see the impressive TV Spots for ASPCA and other national groups, you need to know that they do not send money to Fredericksburg. Every SPCA organization is totally independent and must raise its own funds. If you want to save lives in our Hill Country, we hope you will send your donations to us. **Donations are our only source of funds.**

Thank you!

WHAT WOULD YOU DO IF YOUR PET WAS LOST?

Each year millions of dogs and cats are lost and are taken to local Animal Control Shelters. Some of these animals never make it home because they can't be identified. Micro chipping offers pet owners the only truly permanent method of identifying your pet and linking the animal back to you, the owner. Collar tags can break or become unreadable and tattooing can be illegible. So, if you want to improve your pet's chances of getting home fast and safe in case they were to go missing, micro chipping is your best option.

4 Reasons to Microchip Your Pet

- **Only true permanent method of pet identification**
- **Best chance of your pet returning to you after going missing**
- **Quick and painless procedure, similar to vaccination**
- **Lasts for the lifetime of you pet**

Hill Country SPCA will micro chip and register your dog/cat for \$25 each!

Ways to Help

Become a Hill Country SPCA Guardian Angel by sponsoring a dog or cat pen. We will put a Guardian Angel Sponsor sign on the designated cat or dog pen with your name and the dates of your sponsorship. You will also get a *HCSPCA Guardian Angel Sponsor* bumper sticker. Your donation is tax deductible.



Cat - Guardian Angel Sponsorship

(select one)

- 1 Month\$35.00
- 3 Months\$100.00
- 6 Months\$ 200.00
- 1 Year\$400.00



Dog - Guardian Angel Sponsorship

(select one)

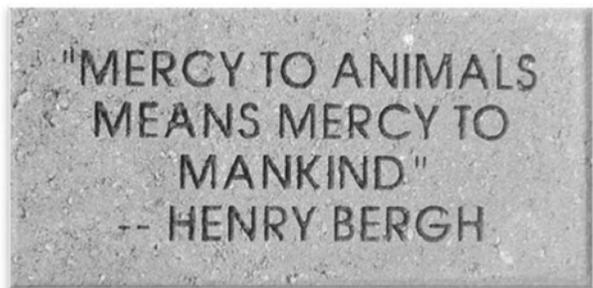
- 1 Month\$50.00
- 3 Months\$140.00
- 6 Months\$ 275.00
- 1 Year\$550.00



Purchase a Brick Paver

Your personalized message will be engraved on your paver and placed in the Truchard Memory Garden, central courtyard, at the Hill Country SPCA.

The **4X8"** paver has three lines with a maximum of 12 characters per line. One character per box. A character is a letter, number, space, or punctuation mark. No special characters. **\$75 each**



The **6X12"** paver has four lines with a maximum of 128 characters per line. One character per box. A character is a letter, number, space, or punctuation mark. No special characters. **\$175 each**

If you are interested in becoming a dog or cat Guardian Angel or in purchasing a brick paver, please stop by and see us or you can find both these forms at www.hillcountryspca.com under donate.



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because every animal has value



***YES!** I want to donate to help with care and feeding of pets
waiting for their forever home.*

Name _____

Address _____

City/State/Zip _____

Phone _____

*Please accept my tax deductible donation to the Hill Country SPCA,
in the amount of:*

_____ \$25 _____ \$50 _____ \$75 _____ \$100 Other \$ _____



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