



HPPL

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news

Please join us for HPPL's Annual Dinner/Fundraiser May 19th

- ★ great silent auction & live auction items
- ★ guest appearance by Lisa Foronda
- ★ t-shirts with your pet's photo
- ★ animal communicator
- ★ details inside!

Finding homes for the homeless: That's what HPPL does, but there are some of us who have a greater need than other HPPL dogs and cats. We're the ones who've been boarded in a kennel for various reasons: maybe our foster home had to let us go—sometimes fosters can't do it forever, and we didn't find a forever home in time; we were returned from an adoption, and our foster had already taken in new foster pets and had no room for us; a few of us were rescued from Katrina's aftermath, and although HPPL got us out, there weren't enough fosters for us. **HPPL never turns away an animal they've committed to, but sometimes they have to be creative about housing us.** They pay for us to stay here but we would really like to be in a home. **Our first choice is to find our forever home; our second choice is to find a foster home.** Please read our stories and pass them on. *We'd be so happy if even one of us found a home this month.*

spotlight HPPL dogs in boarding...



I'm Mabel—HPPL believes I'm just over 2 years old. This means that I am a young girl and will be able to be your companion for a long time! I am a shy (and very cute!) red heeler mix, but I like to keep my family all to myself and not share well with other dogs or cats. My manners are excellent—I am housetrained, can be crated and love to walk on a leash. Oh, and I weigh about 50lbs. Are you reading this and thinking you could be my forever family?

I'm Drea—If you find me here at the kennel and adopt me as your family, you'll later find me in your lap — because that's my favorite place! I'm a young girl, approximately 2 year old tan & white terrier mix. I weigh about 40lbs. I've still got puppy in me and am so longing to learn the best of manners in my new home. I'm not perfect yet, but I'm learning to be housebroken and crated. Please be patient with me and keep me busy. I love to play and my favorite games are "fetch" and "tug of war". I am also good with the other animals and children in your family. Will you come see me? You'll love me and I'll love you even more!



I'm Atticus—Well. What can I say about me? I am a big young pup of mixed breed, but mostly Boxer and Mastiff. HPPL believes I'm about a year and a half old. I'm brown in color and weigh 70lbs. Actually, I'm really liking the Houston area. It sure beats the Katrina flooding where some wonderful rescue folks found me. But, I would like Houston even better if I found my forever family and had a yard and some grass to play in. I am a friendly and happy boy but HPPL thinks that I should also be an only boy. I am here just waiting to meet you!

I'm Wolfie! If you like BIG, you're gonna love me! I'm a perfect almost 4 year old boy and a gray and white malamute mix weighing in at 98lbs. Just look at my sweet face! And I like action! You'll want to keep me busy. Although they're hard to come by in this temporary home, I would absolutely love to be YOUR walking partner. We could have so much fun! I'm a little on the cautious side, while I'm getting to know you, but after that I will adore you!



I'm Missy. I'm a beautiful black and brown rottweiler girl and weigh in at about 70lbs. We all think that I'm about 5 years old. That should be perfect for my new family because I'm not a pup, nor am I an oldster. I'd love to have another dog in my forever home so I could continue building the trust and confidence I need. I probably wouldn't do well with small children though. And, I'll be your best playmate and walking companion. Would you please come check me out and take me home? I will love you for it!

The Tribute Fund of HPPL can be used to honor living persons and pets or to memorialize those who have passed on, while donating to help animals in distress. After receiving your tribute donation, an appropriate card of acknowledgment will be sent to the person you indicate.

The HPPL Mission

The HPPL Mission includes:

1. the rehabilitation and foster care of stray & abandoned dogs and cats with placement into qualified permanent homes;
2. the spay/neuter of pets belonging to owners unable to assume the cost of surgery;
3. humane education to increase the public's compassion for animals in order to prevent future animal suffering and neglect; and
4. support to other animal welfare organizations.

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mascot message



Well, I intend to jump on the bandwagon with my team **HPPL** this month to talk about dogs and cats in our program who have to be boarded because no foster or forever home is available for them. Even though I'm a lucky boy now, that wasn't always the case. There was a time when I was waiting on my forever home, too. It's really hard for us to do that waiting thing - even in a foster home.

My friends being boarded in kennels have it doubly bad. Not only are they waiting for their forever homes, but they don't even have a nice comfortable home to stay in like most of us do, until they find their forever home. This means that they are sadder, more bored and restless than my friends with foster homes and forever homes. There are less humans to play, touch and care for them. Their space is confined, there are no long walks and fun toys for the most part. Of course it goes without saying that the best possible thing that could happen to an HPPL dog or cat that is being boarded is that they would find a loving home through being permanently adopted. But, short of that there are other ways that our human friends can help...

Foster Homes. Even just providing a foster home until a kenneled dog or cat can be adopted can

be extremely beneficial for that pet. Being in a loving and caring foster home gives me the chance to keep my good housebreaking and crate training skills, a chance to be social with other dogs and cats and (of course) our human caretakers.

Designated Donations. If you're not able to physically care for any of us, it would still be helpful to us - and more importantly, to HPPL - to receive a donation that's marked especially for the care of the kenneled animals. That way HPPL knows that it can spend that same amount of money on other important projects like spaying and neutering those cats and dogs that enter our program who haven't yet been altered.

Food Donations. You can also help by providing dry food donations. My friends in the kennels really like the Iams adult dog and cat food.

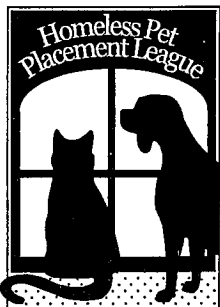
So please, all of you HPPL supporters and volunteers, can you find a little time or support for us now? **Believe me, we ALL thank each of you for all you do for us!**

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success stories

In this issue of the newsletter we'd like to feature follow-ups from some of our former kennel dogs. It may have taken them a while to find a home, but what great homes they got when they did find them!

THE Junebug

Photo of Junebug and comments submitted by Breihn McDevitt.

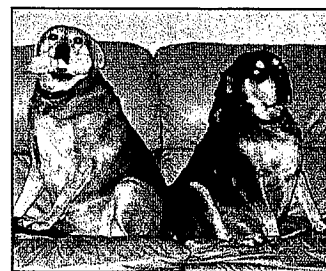
The moment she stepped her perfect paws into Jersey Village Animal Hospital I knew she was there for me. Boarding with us for over 6 months (promising her every single day I'd never let anything happen to her) & boarding at other facilities for ... well, it was too long to tally; returned to HPPL more than once. My husband and I wanted and waited on her for almost 2 years. Not even two weeks into marriage, buying a house and moving in, our baby came home. Our life is practically built around her. **Thank you HPPL. She was born for us. -B**



and doesn't like many other animals. He looks pretty relaxed in this photo with his **beloved girl!** His mom reports that he now has a cat buddy, too.

Ben & Zach

Dear HPPL: Two and a half years ago we were adopted by some humans called Diane and Robert. We were boarded for quite some time before we found our new home. What a find that was. **We are glad they wanted both of us.** We could steal bread off the table. We could take the turkey off the counter. We go for walks every day. We can sleep on the bed. We have bones and toys. And that Robert sure is a great hunter. He comes home with food every day. They do make us play which interferes with our 12 hour naps. Diane is always hugging on us. I guess a good tummy rub is worth it. We sure do love them anyway. Our human companions, Diane Lewis and Robert Sobel, sent in the photo above.



Toby

Photo of Toby and Emily submitted by Glay Posch. **Toby** was with us in the kennel for quite some time because he is a nervous guy

