



# Homeless Pet Placement League

A NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATION DEDICATED TO THE RESCUE AND REHABILITATION OF STRAY AND ABANDONED ANIMALS

## February 2010 eNewsletter

### HPPL Greetings

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Dear Friend,

After many gray, gloomy and chilly days, we are all looking forward to some sunshine in our lives. But no one is looking for brighter times more than Humphrey.



HUMPHREY

When he arrived at HPPL intake, Humphrey could stand for only a few minutes (that's why he is lying down in the picture). He was so weak that standing was too much of an effort. After an initial examination by the veterinarian, it was clear that this guy had serious medical concerns.

Not only was Humphrey completely malnourished so that the rib bones were showing, but he had the highest level of heartworms possible and he had bite wounds on his face that needed immediate care. So off, he went to the full service clinic for blood work and much needed medications to boost and heal his system.

A month later, Humphrey is doing better. He was severely anemic and had an elevated white count from infections. HPPL already knew how bad were the heartworms. He was placed on iron supplements, antibiotics, and good food.

After three weeks, he was able to be neutered and is feeling well enough to socialize in his foster home. But the hard part is just around the corner with the heartworm treatment beginning next week. If all goes well, he will be ready for a new home by the beginning of May. On that day, there will be plenty of sunshine in everyone's life.

If you want to help with Humphrey's ongoing care, [CLICK HERE](#) and sponsor his veterinary bills that continue to mount.

### eNewsletter Spotlight

In January 2010, HPPL was able to accomplish the following:

**Heartworms Treatments**  
5 dogs

**Spay/Neuter & Vaccinations**  
11 dogs and cats

**Major Medical**  
1 orthopedic surgery  
1 severe mange and ringworm

**Adoptions**  
6 dogs and 10 cats

**A Big Thank You from HPPL!  
And from the Dogs & Cats!**

### Acknowledgments and Events



#### A HUGE PAT ON THE BACK.....

To all the hardworking volunteers at the Spring Prize Drawing Mail out preparation. This job is one of the biggest of the year and so many hands are needed. Once more, you answered the call as we had one of our greatest turnouts ever. So if you were one of the people that made this task go as smoothly as possible, HPPL's animals offer a four paw salute!!

#### SPEAKING OF THE PRIZE DRAWING...

You know Spring is here when you receive the HPPL Spring Prize Drawing tickets in the mail. Look out for yours to arrive within the next week or two.

This year's first prize of **two roundtrip airline tickets** ought to inspire you to fill in and mail those ticket stubs right away. The next two prizes are special too. You can download books, magazines, newspapers and much more to the **Kindle Reader** in just minutes. What is really wonderful about it is that you can carry it with you anywhere and download books globally. Finally, you decide what you want with the third prize of a **\$200 Visa Gift card**. Spend it all in one place or spread it around.

Remember this prize drawing helps raise revenue for the costly care that HPPL provides to animals that otherwise would not have a second chance. If you need more booklets for yourself or to entice co-workers, family members, neighbors and friends, [CLICK HERE](#) to buy more tickets online or call our office at 713-862-7387 and more will be heading your way!

### Volunteer Events

#### Houston Shell Open - March 29 to April 4, 2010 at Redstone Golf Club

Next month, HPPL has the opportunity to work concession stands at this prestigious annual event. The work entails preparing, selling, and serving food and beverages. The need is great as the tournament goes all week and the attendance is high. There are options for jobs, stands, and times. More details are available on our [website](#) or by contacting [hpplvolunteering@gmail.com](mailto:hpplvolunteering@gmail.com). Remember, if you register and click on Give and Get at [www.disneyworld.com/celebrate](http://www.disneyworld.com/celebrate) and work at this event, you can receive a **free Disney World or Disney Land pass**. So as you can tell the incentive to help is great; not only do you save the lives of abandoned dogs and cats, but you have a special Disney bonus too.

### Adoption Highlights

#### Fritz (HPPL Tag Number A4707)

Fritz was one of those stray cats that just hangs around, wants to eat, and eventually is taken in by a kind person so that he can live a better life.



Fritz (~2 Years Old)

Oftentimes, a cat like him might not be as outgoing and sweet as Fritz is, but he heard that if you want a new, loving home, you need to cultivate some basic skills like purring and sitting on the lap and getting along with others.

Oh yes, he has also figured out how to play with toys! Fritz has met all of the requirements of being a top notch adoption candidate and so he is ready for his final destination: his forever home.



For other wonderful dogs and cats needing homes, please call us at **713-862-7387**, or view them on our website at [www.hppl.org](http://www.hppl.org) or go to [www.petfinder.com](http://www.petfinder.com) and search for HPPL.



### Happy Endings

**Read on to learn about one of our recent success stories!**

#### Olive

Ryan and Audrey wanted HPPL to see how happy their girl is:

"Here's a few pictures of Olive formerly Blondie. She is pretty close to full grown and not nearly the size anyone thought she would be. We have been taking her on some camping trips which she enjoys thoroughly. At home, she has way too many toys, but gladly accepts new ones. She can take more room on the couch than the two of us combined, but she knows the command 'off' and will obediently move to the floor when we ask. She has dog friends that she gets to visit from time to time and play until she is completely exhausted. Altogether, I think she is very happy and I am sure she doesn't remember the recycling bin she was rescued from. So, Olive wanted to say thank you for finding her a happy home."

You're welcome, Olive!!



**We Love Happy Endings!**

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