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# HPPL

# news

## Fall 2007

## COLA AND HER FOREVER HOME

Cola finally got her happy ending! What makes this so wonderful is the fact that Cola was one of our special needs cats. Many people only see a burden taking care of a cat with special needs. Those people would say "they won't live long, they look a little funny, and I will have to give them medication." Then a person comes along who sees past that and knows what a gratifying experience it can be to care for, and give a home to, a special needs pet. A wonderful relationship develops then between the animal and it's guardian. That is what makes that person special and it is what makes **HPPL** special. **HPPL** will go the extra mile for any animal no matter what it's needs may be. We are in it for the long haul and will do our best, regardless of the animal's requirements or condition. This was one of the founding principles of **HPPL**.

Cola is a beautiful Russian blue with gorgeous yellow eyes. Although she was a long term adoptee, her parents were no longer able to care for her and she was returned to HPPL. Cola was eleven years old at the time of her return.

Since she had no foster parent in the beginning, she was placed in boarding. After a year, she became depressed and no longer felt like playing or grooming. Our Program Manager decided to take her home and foster her and Cola improved in mood immediately.

She was once again quite the beauty. Cola only required a special diet and she became healthy and happy, though she never enjoyed going to the adoption sites. One day, a wonderful person came in, took one look at Cola and knew this cat was the one for her.

Cola found her forever home.

We all wish you happily ever after!



## Do You Have Room in Your Hearts for Us?

### Foster or Forever Homes Needed



Obie



Cowboy



Billie



Edie



Rocket



Flash



Bear



Darling



Atticus



Trouper



Lady

## The Tribute Fund

The Tribute Fund of HPPL can be used to honor living person: 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

- (1) The rehabilitation and foster care of stray and 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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**Editor:** Connie Peacock



**Obie is still looking for his forever home. Until then, he needs a foster home. If you are able to foster Obie please call HPPL. Obie just underwent surgery on his ear and is doing well. He needs surgery on his other ear later this year. If you could sponsor Obie that would be a big help! Thanks to Jersey Village Animal Hospital for taking care of OBIE!**  
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## Tribute Fund—August 2007

### In Memory of Pets:

Tejas.....	from Charlotte & Sherman Robinson
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Rosco.....	from Sharon Killough
Mimi.....	from Diana Fleming
Tejas & Boomer.....	from Tessa Lesley & Carl Stutts
Arthur.....	from James Edward Maloney
Lucy.....	from Joanne Smith
Granny.....	from Joanne Smith
Lexie.....	from Nanette, Paul, Gerri, & Daisy Romanick
Jodie, Kadie, Reeses, Harley, Zach, & Cooper.....	from L & K
Pebbles.....	from James T. Fox
Mandy.....	from Nancy Davidson, Nancy Antle, & Debby Ryan
Georgia, Goo, Bentley, Reese, Chili & Lucy.....	from Pet Tenders
Rose.....	from Nancy Davidson
Cookie.....	from Tom, Myrna, Bryan, Christina, & Meloney
Bitty.....	from Linda Allen
Reba.....	from Debby Ryan, Nancy Davidson, & Nancy Antle
Daisy.....	from Kenneth & Susan Carlson
Foodrick.....	from John & Suzette Deckert
Winston.....	from Ken & Sue Carlson
Lucy.....	from Dana Cupit
Dutchess.....	from Bart & Nancy Antle
Malcolm.....	from Pet Tenders
Frank.....	from Pet Tenders
Rumple Teazer.....	from Pet Tenders
Lucy.....	from Pet Tenders

### In Memory of People:

Floyd Sharpia.....	from Norma Richardson
Marsha Thaggard.....	from Bettye Epperson
Marsha Thaggard.....	from Joyce Warnick
Billie Wilmesmeier.....	from Nadira Lorin
Billy Sadof.....	from Norma Richardson
Ann Slemmons Young.....	from Joanne Goff
Scott Johnson.....	from Don Nell & Tom Rushing
Lewis W. Smith, Jr.....	from Verna Gilliam
John G. Fugler.....	from Jill Phillips
Irene Johnson.....	from Norma Richardson
Jack Vandagriff.....	from Norma Richardson
Lawrence Gundy.....	from Arnold & Mary Le Johnson

### In Honor of Pets:

Bailey & McKenzie.....	from Deborah Ingram
Zesty.....	from Mark & Shana Richardson
Suzy & Tyana.....	from Tessa Lesley & Carl Stutts
Spike and Rowdy.....	from Irene Langehenning

### In Honor of People:

Tessa Lesley.....	from Ardith Richter
Dr. Michael Shawhan.....	..from Madeline Hammerstein
Angie Ping.....	from Alan Ping
Ryan Van Domelen.....	from Mark Van Domelen
Ardith Richter.....	from Lena & John Herce
Anne Black.....	from Norma Richardson





## FAMILY FUN AND COSTUME CONTEST

**The fair market value of the ticket is approximately \$25 per person. All contributions are tax-deductible**





## HPPL Membership



### Yes, I want to help.

☐ I want to become a member of HPPL and have checked my membership gift below.

☐ \$1000 Sponsor

☐ \$100 Associate

☐ \$25 Basic Membership

☐ \$500 Patron

☐ \$50 Affiliate

☐ Other \$\_\_\_\_\_

☐ I am **already** a member and I would like to make an additional donation of \$\_\_\_\_\_

☐ I want to mail in monthly gifts, **Send** me designated envelopes.

☐ I want to **make** automatic monthly gifts with my credit card (**MC** or **Visa**).

☐ **Check** ☐ MasterCard ☐ Visa Account #\_\_\_\_\_ Expires \_\_\_\_\_

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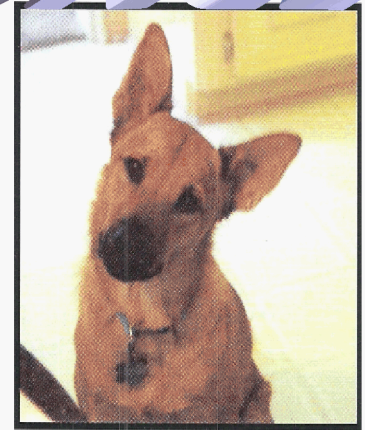
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Send to: Homeless Pet Placement League ♦ P.O. Box 273027 ♦ Houston, TX 77277

# MASCOT MESSAGE

Well, I really enjoyed hearing the news that my friend Cola got adopted. She was a special needs kitty since she had some kidney problems. I don't like to mention it too often but I am a special needs pet also. My mom found out from the vet that I had diabetes not too long after she found me. My mom checks my sugar level, makes sure I eat the right food and get plenty of exercise. There you go, I am fine and dandy just like Cola will be! The most important thing to do is try to treat us as normal as possible. We are so healthy and happy because of the people that love us.

I wanted everyone to know that the bond between a special needs pet and our loving humans is very strong and made stronger by the fact that we may need a little extra attention now and then. There are more special needs pets that I am keeping my toes crossed for, as far as the adoption department goes. There is Billy who needs lots of love and patience. There are the beautiful kitties Dulce, Toffee, Jag, Mickey, and Jules who are just too nervous at the adoption sites, so people do not get to see their sweet personalities. All of them are wonderful in their own special way and will be great pets for anyone willing to accept them and love them as they are. I am here to guarantee that!



Colbye

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homeless dogs and  
cats!**



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Thank you Hollywood Frame Gallery for organizing and hosting **The Bow Wow Luau**. Many thanks go to Jim Tweedy for his donations, and charming presence.

Thanks also go to all the HPPL friends for their help, attendance and generous food donations.

The Winner of the **Bow Wow Luau** prize drawing was Carol White of Bellaire.

**Congratulations!**



**10,000 Villages - 2424 Rice Blvd. Houston, TX 77005**  
**713-533-1000**

[www.villageshouston.org](http://www.villageshouston.org)

**Save Holiday shopping for Friday, December 7th -**

**6-9pm A % of sales goes to help HPPL's dogs and cats! Ten Thousand Villages Houston is a nonprofit, fair trade gift store open seven days a week and located at 2424 Rice Boulevard in Rice Village.**

Barnes & Noble Gift wrap along with Santa photos of you and your four-legged ones November and December - see website for future details



The Management, staff and customers of the Barnes and Noble, Champion's Village, for hosting the Mother's Day and Father's Day gift wrap event. Thanks also go out to the **volunteers**, both two legged and four legged, that staffed this event.

Many thanks to the volunteers, both two legged and four legged that spent July 20th through 22nd staffing the HPPL booth at the Reliant Dog show. You did a great job!

**October 13& 14, 2007 - You and your pet come visit HPPL's booth at Old Town Spring Pet Fest!**

<http://www.petfestoldtownspring.com/>

**Saturday - 10-5pm Yappy Hour 6-9pm**

**Sunday - Noon to 5pm**



Pet Fest 2007 is a weekend event in Old Town Spring, Texas dedicated to finding homes for the many wonderful animals in shelters and rescue groups across the Houston and surrounding areas. We invite you to grab your furkids and join us for this fun-filled festival of entertainment and education while helping raise money, volunteers and foster homes.

There will be contests, demonstrations, seminars, music and even a "Yappy Hour" from 4pm-8pm to keep you and your pets entertained. Come see the latest in pet fashions, shop with all the vendors and the pet friendly stores in Old Town Spring, and find out what your pet is thinking with Houston's favorite Pet Psychic, Lisa Greene!

October 13, 2007 - **Macy's Shop for a Cause** - \$5 shopping passes - can be purchased on line! See website for future details.

A special thanks goes to Tami Papke, our Program Services Manager, who will leave HPPL after 7 years of service. Tami has decided to pursue her higher education goals on a full time basis, however will continue helping the organization as a volunteer in her spare time. We appreciate the many years of hard work and dedication, and wish Tami the very best in her future endeavors. A warm "hello" and WELCOME to our incoming PSM, Breihnn McDevitt. "B" comes to our organization with years of experience in the animal care field, most recently with Jersey Village Animal Hospital.

## We Got Adopted!!

Inky Hailey ENSTEN Patrick Eli Grace  
FRANKLIN sienna Duke Lily Stevie Zoe  
chloe Charles CLIVE claire Rocky tony  
Sara Cadence Melody Fuzzy Marigold Stormy  
Nick-a-roonie CHENCHA Annabelle Trixie  
Sarah Lilly

**Volunteers Needed!** Mobile adoption volunteers walk the dogs, maintain the cleanliness of the site and talk with people who are considering an adoption.

Must be 18 years to participate in direct contact with the animals. [IWantToVolunteer@hppl.org](mailto:IWantToVolunteer@hppl.org)

Do you have a cute photo of an adopted HPPL Pet? Please email to [cutehpplpets@aol.com](mailto:cutehpplpets@aol.com)

Interested in going Green? If you would like to receive your newsletter via email please contact HPPL at:

<http://www.hppl.org/emailsiynup.htm>

Ruby, Guido, and Reba

We will hold you in our hearts forever.

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## updates

Dear HPPL,

Stuart is doing great.

He's getting the schedule down and will 'fetch' us for his walks. Also, he understands our walking trail. Every morning we make the rounds and people are always stopping us so they can talk to and rub him. Some are giving him treats too! I can let you guess as to what Stuart thinks of that.

He loves the deer that we have here. They are used to people and walk right up to you and Stuart is learning to take advantage of this. He sits beside us and watches them. If he has a little too much energy, he whimpers but stays put. Next to the treats, this is the best part about walks.

In the house, we have 3 beds and he doesn't know which is his favorite. There's one in the den which he favors but then there's one in the master bedroom and of course he has to be where his people are. Then there's the one in the office and since I'm in there a lot he needs to be in there a lot too.

He loves his bones so we went out and got the biggest bone we could find - vet. approved of course. So far he hasn't been able to gnaw it down but it's a challenge to his liking. He also has a frisbee that he loves to catch, a soft toy to cuddle, and a few toy balls that are safe for chewing.

One night, we were watching The Mummy on TV and it has a bird in it. Well, whenever this bird would make a noise Stuart would immediately go to the TV to try to find where it was coming from. By the time the movie was over Jeff and I had tears in our eyes from all the laughter. After that we bought one of those bird videos that they make for animals and played it for Stuart to hear. You have never seen anything so cute and funny! He just tilts his head back and forth while walking around the TV sniffing. We love it!

All in all, Stuart is doing wonderful! We are so happy he's here. We miss Fluffy still and will always miss him but Stuart is filling the void we have felt since March. We love him and can't imagine life without him. I'm so happy we chose to go to Petsmart that day.

Thank you so much for making this possible.

Have a great day!

Lea

