



# HPPL Newsletter

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Homeless Pet Placement League Spring/Summer 2014 Newsletter

## 25 Years of Helping Animals



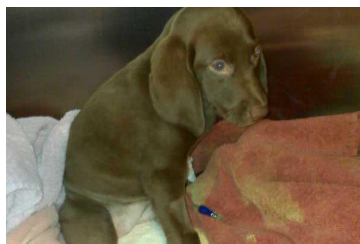
**Can you believe it?** In 2014, HPPL celebrates 25 years of amazing work. In 1989, seven shelter volunteers decided they could do more to save animals. Daily, they observed animals with easily remedied issues facing certain death. Why should a dog with heartworms not be treated, why would having mange be life threatening, why would being a homeless mother with a litter put you on the "list." So, with a pocket full of change and a black Lab named Lucy, these folks decided to create a new way of saving animals: no one in Houston was doing it, but they knew it would work. It was called foster care. Just take the "fixable" animals and care for them in a home environment while the problem was remedied (adding in TLC), then vaccinate and alter them. Thankfully, at the same time, PetSmart and PETCO wanted to start their mobile adoption programs. HPPL was off and running!



Through the years, **HPPL has saved thousands of animals** with easy mends and sometimes amazingly difficult, costly ones. Broken bones are repaired, tumors are removed, chemotherapy is given, and damaged limbs have been amputated. No price is too great to save a life! In addition, every enrollee receives basic medical care before adoption day. HPPL also offers free spay/neuter services for dogs and cats of people who can't afford it and assists feral cats through TNR education, equipment loans and underwriting of surgery costs. In recent years, HPPL has partnered with other organizations who work in different ways because it's our belief that it takes all of us to make a difference for our four footed friends.



**So thank you** to the founders, to the fosters, to the volunteers, to the leaders, to the donors, to the adopters, to the clinics, to the incredible number of people who support HPPL in so many ways. As you look at these pictures of the pets, the people, the partners, know that the passion that drives **HPPL will continue!**





### In Honor of Pets

Pearl • Fred & Pat Quell

### In Memory of Pets

Nicki • Don & Joy McCormack

Copper • Ivana Chiang

Gerri • Nanette, Paul & Daisy Romanick

Santa Fe, Foodrick & Checkers • John & Suzette Deckert

Florence • Norma Richardson

Tejas, Suzy, Boomer & Mittens • Tessa Lesley

Kiwi • Norma Richardson

Molly • Norma Richardson

Kobie • Debbie Penner & the Lawson Family

Miss Ellie • Norma Richardson

Brodie • Norma Richardson

Cholee • Laura Nagle

Neko • The Destouet Family

### In Honor of People

Kathy Bernhardt • Myrna Smith

Ted Scafe • Leslie Lakes

John Linscomb • Mike & Cindy Newlin

### In Memory of People

Susan Ponce • David King

James P. Egan • Meredith Egan

Bruce Cohen • Laurie & Rick

Bruce Cohen • Suzette Hanson

Cheryl Moncrief • Norma Richardson

## HPPL's Been Busy

January 1 – June 11, 2014

Intake: 62 • Adoptions: 90

Community Spay/Neuter: 233

Major Medical Procedures: 14

## Come One, Come All

Look at all the events coming up July through September. Details are posted on [www.hppl.org](http://www.hppl.org). We need volunteers at the dog show and the Macy's Shop for a Cause and we **REALLY** need participants for Strut Your Mutt. This fun-filled event can be an enormous fundraiser for the animals. So walk and fundraise or donate. Tell everyone about TEAM HPPL!!

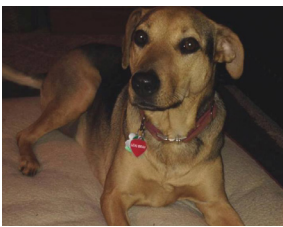
## Facebook Friends

Become a friend of HPPL on Facebook!

[www.facebook.com/HomelessPetPlacementLeague](http://www.facebook.com/HomelessPetPlacementLeague)

## In Our Mailbox

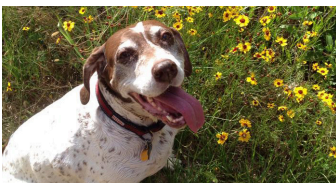
### Welcome Home, Lexi!



Dear HPPL, This is long overdue but I wanted to say thank you. This sweet girl is Lexi (was Gretchen). I adopted her a few years ago and it was the best decision ever. She is a sweetheart, playful, and loves to cuddle. She loves taking our daily walks, riding shotgun with Dad in the truck, and sitting in Dad's lap to sleep while he

watches TV. Thank you all so much for what you do and for saving Lexi and all the other pets. She has found her forever loving home. Sincerely, Todd

### Welcome Home, Gretyl!



Dear HPPL, I thought you all would appreciate a picture of my baby Gretyl who I adopted from HPPL 12 years ago. She has been the best dog ever and I can't imagine my life without her. - Jessica

### Welcome Home, Audrina!



Hi HPPL, This is Audrina, the great cat I adopted last October. She is very loving, active and a true friend. We have been in touch with the foster parents and they loved catching up on her new life. - John

### Welcome Home, Bogey!



Dear HPPL Family, We just wanted to tell you that Bogey (JJ) has turned out to be the best dog with the sweetest funniest personality. We love him so much.

He brings us such happiness. He is so well behaved, gets his walks each day and then he goes to play day once a week. He has really worked out well for us and he is a happy dog. Thank you, Stefanie and John

### Welcome Home, Zelda Zelightful!



Hello HPPL, Zelda Zelightful won't win a beauty contest, but put her in a Miss Congeniality Contest and she'll win hands down. She's so love-

able, but is also very quiet and happiest when she has someone to sit by who will scratch her chin and pet her. Thank you for my second wonderful pet from HPPL. Sincerely, Norma

## A Fond Farewell

### Forever in Our Hearts - Kobie



Hello, In 2000 we adopted a puppy, Kobie, from HPPL. He was very energetic and smart and learned quickly, but he had a lot of things to learn, so our fuzzy buddy needed a bit of work. He grew to be a great dog who fit into our family perfectly. He loved to play ball and loved getting his ears rubbed. In the summer, he liked to chase squirrels and get in the pool. On Halloween, he always got excited about dressing up and greeting the children at the door. After 14 years with us, stomach cancer got the best of him. He passed away in April without ever catching a squirrel. He was a good dog, and we miss him very much. Linda, Greg, and Ali

## HPPL MEMBERSHIP

Each summer, HPPL asks supporters to become official members. Your membership allows us to continue saving animals throughout the summer months when the need is ever increasing. Please fill out the form or visit [www.hppl.org/renew.aspx](http://www.hppl.org/renew.aspx) to help HPPL move into another year of providing stray animals a second chance. The membership drive ends **August 15, 2014**. Help us answer the calls that keep coming.

☐ \$25 Basic Membership ☐ \$50 ☐ \$75 ☐ \$100  
☐ \$250 ☐ \$500 ☐ Other \$\_\_\_\_\_

☐ I am a current member making an additional donation of \$\_\_\_\_\_.

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