



# HPPL NEWSLETTER

32 Years of Helping Animals

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**Q: CAN PETS TRANSMIT THE COVID-19 VIRUS THE WAY OTHER CONTAMINATED OBJECTS OR SURFACES MIGHT?**

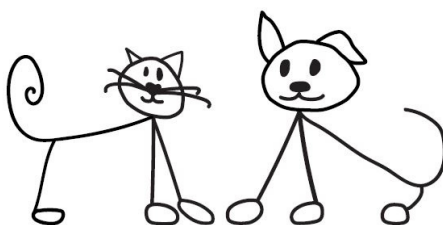
**A:** Because your pet's hair is porous and also fibrous, it is very unlikely that you would contract COVID-19 by petting or playing with your pet. However, because animals can spread other diseases to people and people can also spread diseases to animals, it's always a good idea to wash your hands before and after interacting with animals; ensure your pet is kept well groomed; and regularly clean your pet's food and water bowls, bedding material, and toys.



## Going Forward

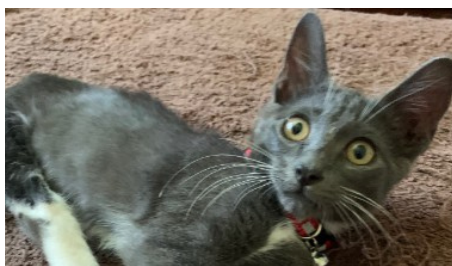


Through the years HPPL has saved many animals with easy mends and sometimes amazingly difficult, costly ones. Every enrollee gets basic medical care before adoption day. HPPL has been busy! HPPL adopted out many animals. The Spay/Neuter program operated under the auspices of HPPL assisted in the altering and vaccination of these animals. In recent years HPPL has partnered with other organizations who work in different ways. It is our belief that it takes all of us to make a difference.



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**TRIPOD CAT SOCKS**

What is a tripod cat? A tripod cat is an amputee cat missing one or more limbs due to a birth defect, injury or illness. all though the loss of a limb sounds catastrophic to people, three-legged cats adapt well and are usually as agile and active as four-legged cats. Meet SOCKS! One of HPPL's special needs success stories now in his furever home!"



## Introducing New Pets

Introducing a new pet into the home may end up being very easy, or it may be a delicate process that takes some time. How quickly your pets adjust to one another depends on their personalities. Allow your new pet to familiarize itself with its new home. Give them time - don't force them together. Introduce your pets indoors in controlled situations. Praise, praise, praise - and give lots of rewards. When introducing a cat to a dog, do NOT hold the cat in your arms. Give your pets separate food and water bowls, in separate spaces. Be especially careful introducing dogs or cats to caged animals. Always supervise your pets until you are absolutely sure they get along.

## HPPL TRIBUTES

"Michaela" Mike and Cathy Fowler

"Elle" Eileen Akerson

"Thomas (Alexa)" Nancy Anderson

"The Deckert Cats" John and Suzette Deckert

"Margay" Robert Henson

### How You Can Help

Help make a difference for HPPL's homeless dogs and cats! For detailed information on any of the following items, please call (713) 862-7387.

Active opportunities:

Fostering dogs and cats

Helping with cleaning and upkeep of the Adoption Center Get (make) blankets and toys for the cats and kittens in the center Set up a donation jar. Hold an HPPL benefit for your birthday or other special day Like and share HPPL's posts.

On hold due to Covid-19:

Help with mobile adoptions Set up / tear down site. Help with the animals Work toward becoming an adoption counselor Work at an HPPL booth at an event. Solicit auction items for HPPL fundraisers..

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### 60 Miles Away

A 5-year-old black cat Ruby ran away from her home in , United Kingdom, in April 2018. The house was close to a truck stop., which made Ruby's owner believe that she went away on a truck. Some two and a half years later, she has been reunited with her unsuspecting owner after being found around 60 miles away. Volunteers scanned her microchip, it turned out the cat wasn't a stray by any means! Microchips work!



### Aging Cats

(NewsUSA) - Cats' health needs change as they get older, but unlike aging humans, they can't vocalize complaints about aching bones and stiff joints. It is important for cat owners to exercise extra vigilance when it comes to caring for an aging cat. \* Stay current on vital vaccinations.

As a cat grows older, it is essential to keep Cat Flu and Feline Infectious Enteritis in check. Though sometimes tempting to overlook, an older cat has a less efficient immune system and is thus more susceptible to disease. Most older cats will only require booster shots. However, if no vaccinations are on record for a cat, or if you are unsure, you can begin vaccinations at any age. \* Don't hold your breath on oral health care. According to the American Veterinary Dental Society, 70 percent of cats have some form of oral disease by age three -- by age 10, it's safe to presume that cats' mouths can be rife with infection.

\* Eliminate pesky parasites. Fleas are the most common skin parasite of cats, leaving many cats with an itchy reaction. Always check with your vet for the best possible treatment program.

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