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PUPS is now on Facebook at PUPS Prevent Unwanted Pets! Check it out often to see upcoming events, animals for adoption and lots of other information.



ONE LIFE AT A TIME

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Another benefit to fostering is that you get to experience many different animals. We had border collie mixes, puppies (great breath, lots of poop), Dachshunds, labs, Chihuahuas, and mixbreeds last year. What a blast!

Start with one and see how it goes. Contact any of the shelters listed in this newsletter and see if you can foster an animal for them. Get a dog from your local animal control: chances are, those animals don’t have many days left. Call us – we get requests to take animals all the time, but are not a shelter and can’t take them. We still euthanize 3-4 million animals a year in the U.S. You can save them one at a time.

Cheryl Mellenthin

P.S. If you like something more exotic, many horses and donkeys need to be fostered too. Look up your local horse rescue group or True Blue Animal Rescue at 936-878-2349.

FUN READS

Try “New Tricks” by David Rosenfelt. USA Today says, “Packed with shootings, explosions, murder, and gritty courtroom drama.....a treat.” But the best part is it has a Bernese Mountain dog pup and a Golden Retriever in the plot. This is a fast paced book by the author of “Dog Tags”, “Play Dead”, and “Bury the Lead.”

SAVE THE DATE!

May 21st will be the PUPS fundraiser at Mustang Alley Antique store in Cat Spring. We will have food catered by Gwen Reichardt, raffle items, silent auction items and fellowship with like-minded “animal people.” More information coming soon!

MAXED

The New Year’s party was in full bloom
Bowl games on a continuous reel
Countless teams bashing each other
A social engine of chardonnay, beer, pinot noir
fueling our efforts to scale the midnight peak.
Max, the decrepit Weimeraner, slowly ambles through
the spotless room,
oblivious to the toxic gas trailing in his wake
the pungent odor setting off alarms, houseplants wilting:
Where is it?
An extensive search uncovers nothing
A wary calm descends as I foolishly remove my hand painted “Christmas” shoes
revealing bright red socks.
I stand and feel something more liquid than carpet
It’s a Max.
Howls of tipsy laughter greet my slippery misfortune
while Verna and Cheryl frantically eradicate the oozy droppings.
I’m now barefoot and free - for a while.
I step on another mine on the way to the kitchen.
No injuries sustained, but Messiah-like my feet are washed
and I’m crowned shit magnet for a night.

Mark Chapman



“Our dog chews his poop. Absolutely disgusting. I go to the vet and say: What can I do to keep this dog from chewing on his poop? The vet tells me to put something on it that doesn’t taste good. So I called my mother-in-law to see what she was cooking for dinner.” Gid Pool