

Guadalupe County Humane Society

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Tail Notes

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THE SUMMER OF MANY CHALLENGES

COVID 19 HAS BROUGHT MANY CHANGES

During this pandemic that began early this year of 2020, most of us are trying hard to practice safe distancing and stay home so we don't spread the virus. So many of us are very tired of not being able to do the normal things that we did every day before the pandemic, and it has affected the way we live. This pandemic has also affected the shelter. We were closed for a while, and only open by appointment. However, our animals were always well cared for and we did continue to adopt out quite a few by appointment only. We also stopped our spay and neuter clinic for a few months, and just recently resumed taking appointments again. This and the cancelling of our monthly garage/rummage sales, has been challenging for us financially, but we continue to manage and are looking forward to getting back to normal when this pandemic is over. If you wish to see the items we have for sale, you can call the shelter 830-372-2055 and ask to make an appointment to go and see what we have for sale and shop. Our community has stepped up and

donated so many of the items we desperately need to take care of our animals, and we sincerely appreciate it!

We have good news to share with everyone which makes it much easier for our friends to make those important and valued monetary donations to our shelter that we appreciate so much! Please visit our new updated automated website at www.gchshumane.com. Our website now includes donation buttons to make online donations using Pay Pal if you do not wish to donate by check. The donations are automatically deposited into our GCHS account. If you donate using the website, please complete the form so we know what your donation is for, and include your address so we can send a thank you. Our other forms have also been automated. This includes the pet adoption application, volunteer form, & lost pet form.



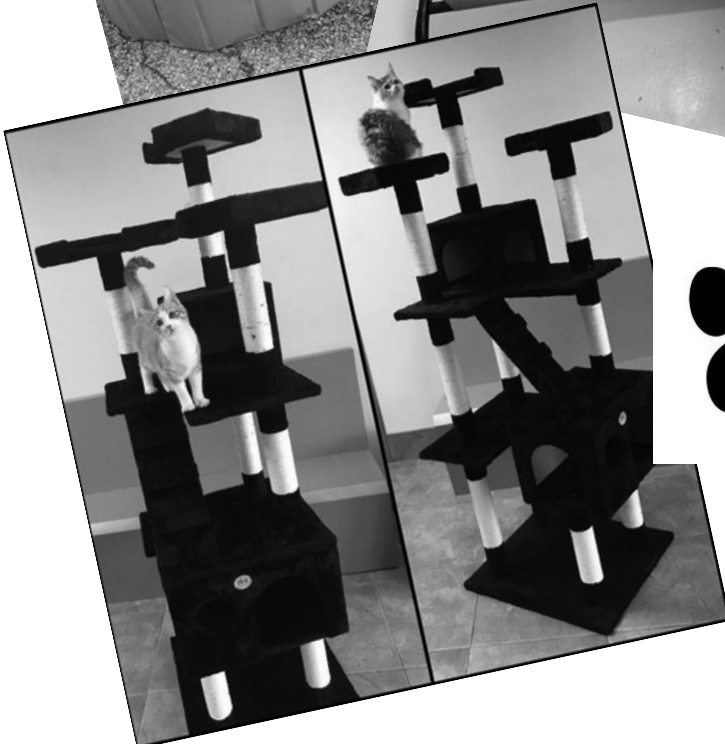
**OUR AMAZING COMMUNITY ALWAYS COMES THROUGH WHEN WE
NEED DONATIONS FOR OUR SHELTER! MANY THANKS TO ALL WHO
COME TO OUR AID!**



**WE COULD NOT EXIST WITHOUT THE GENEROUS
SUPPORT OF OUR COMMUNITY!**



SPECIAL GIFTS TO COMFORT OUR FUR BABIES FROM TWO SPECIAL LADIES!



GCHS is very appreciative for all the donations to our shelter. However, we have two special ladies that donate their time and many, many items continuously to us to help our animals.

These are just some of the items donated by **Bridget Lamme-Kerr** and **Marty Boyd**. Our fur babies are so, so, happy to get these items that add so much to their comfort and makes their time at the shelter more enjoyable for them.

THANK YOU!

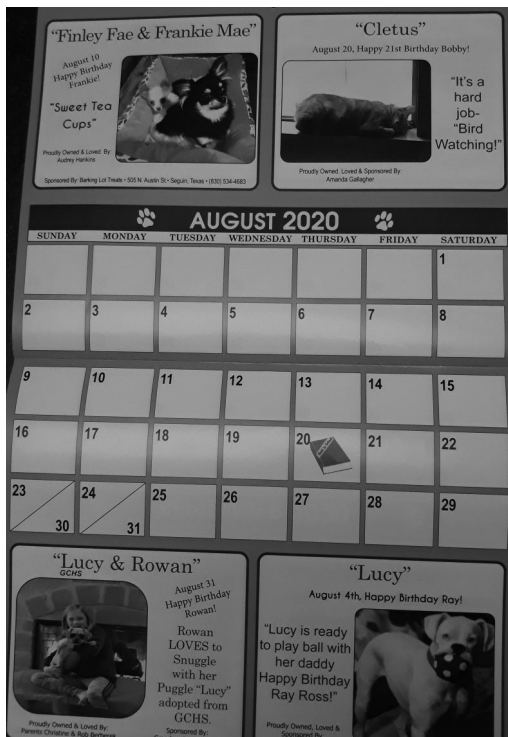


OTHER GREAT WAYS TO SHOW YOUR SUPPORT FOR GCHS

Stop by the shelter and see our great t-shirts. Purchase one for \$10 to show your support for GCHS! We have a variety of sizes, colors, and styles!



Sponsor a PET OF THE WEEK in the Seguin Gazette. GCHS selects one of our fur babies to be in our ad in the paper each week. We always need sponsors. It costs \$25 to sponsor. Please call the shelter at 830-372-2055 if you can help!



Put your pet(s) and children in our annual CALENDAR. Our calendar is available for sale at our Santa Claus event in November. For \$50 you can provide a picture of your pet(s) and children with text of your choice, like Happy Birthday, Happy Anniversary, etc., and it will be in our calendar. Every entry gets 2 free calendars. Please call the shelter 830-372-2055 before October 1st if you wish to participate.

A LOT OF US ARE SHOPPING ON-LINE DUE TO STAYING HOME AND SHELTERING IN PLACE. YOU CAN NOW SHOP FOR US AND DONATE TO US ON-LINE AT AMAZON!

We have created a GUADALUPE COUNTY HUMANE SOCIETY 'WISH LIST' at AMAZON. Here is the link to reach our "WISH LIST" and order specific items that we need for our fur babies. The link is also posted on our FACEBOOK page and you can open it from there.

https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/MBNEGCKKP2RY?ref=wl_share&fbclid=IwAR1_8yvEb1SOr49u8A1TzA0A0f5tCqnuPivFVzxDrG9ICFAPbuh0AQ54644

If you are shopping for you and your family on-line like so many of us during this pandemic, YOU CAN NOW DONATE TO US THROUGH AMAZON SMILE! Amazon Smile is a simple way for you to support Guadalupe County Humane Society every time you shop, at no cost to you.

When you shop at Amazon Smile, you'll find the exact same low prices, vast selection and convenient shopping experience as Amazon.com, with the added benefit that Amazon Smile will donate 0.5% of your eligible purchases to the charitable organization of your choice.

All you need to do is go to www.smile.amazon.com and log-in with your Amazon Account.

Then you can choose Guadalupe County Humane Society as your charitable organization.

Then 0.5% of your eligible purchases made through Amazon Smile will be donated to GCHS.

DONATIONS OF ANY KIND ARE VERY MUCH APPRECIATED!

Sharing Some of Our Recent Wonderful Adoptions



Follow us on our **FACEBOOK** Page at **GUADALUPE COUNTY HUMANE SOCIETY** to see all our wonderful adoptions, help find lost pets reunite with their owners, and get all the latest news about our shelter.

SHARING OUR AWESOME NEWS!

The GCHS Shelter is proud of its 97%(+) adoption rate. Our job is to take in unwanted animals, but more importantly, it is to find them good, loving homes. Since our opening in 1997, we've found homes for over 97% of the animals that come to us. Most shelters struggle to achieve a 15% adoption rate; you can see why we are so proud of our success.

2019 was a GREAT Year!

SURRENDERS

143

ADOPTS

173



Thank you for your continued support.

Let's make 2020 another great year for our furry friends!

FOSTERING IS AN AWESOME WAY TO SAVE AN ANIMAL

Seguin has an amazing Animal Rescue Foundation that also needs volunteers.

Like GCHS, ARF-Texas is a 501C3 non-profit organization that also works in Guadalupe County, Texas. They promote animal welfare by reducing the euthanasia rates at local shelters through adopting,



fostering and rescuing animals. Each year they save approximately 300 dogs and cats. Unlike GCHS, they do not have a holding facility or shelter, and they depend solely on volunteers to foster the animals they rescue until they find a loving, forever home. As a foster, everything that a dog needs are covered by ARF. However, to be clear, some costs may be incurred by a foster.

ARF tries to provide food for all fosters, but sometimes there might not be enough food available. If you are interested in becoming a foster for ARF, please visit their website at www.arf-texas.org. Included in their website is a complete manual for foster families. Their volunteers work with the family in every way possible to ensure a good fit, and if the animal does not work out for some reason, they will find another family for the dog.

Speaking of VOLUNTEERS, GCHS always needs volunteers! We are a volunteer-run non-profit. We need volunteers to work at our front desk, help with the dogs and cats, and we really need help with our garage/rummage sales! To volunteer you must be at least 16 years old. We have a great time doing things for the shelter! If you are interested in helping GCHS, please visit our website www.gchshumane.com and complete a volunteer application, call the shelter at 830-372-2055, or come to the shelter and visit with us and see what we do!

~ DONATIONS ~

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~ IN HONOR OF ~

In Honor of Margaret Svatek, Given by James & Peggy Adam

In Honor of Foy Ray's Birthday, and for Foy Ray's Christmas, Given by Doris Eckley

In Honor of Vanette Stevenson for Christmas, Given by Crash & Yogi Stevenson

In Honor of Deena Dundon for Christmas, Given by DeeJay & Linda Dundon

In Honor of Sheryl McMullen, Sue & Rick Lindley, & Shirley Kluver for Christmas, Given by Alfred Nolting

In Honor of Kay & John Coates & Nancy Hagman for Christmas, Given by Carla & Bob Spalten

In Honor of Dee Willen's Birthday, Given by Darlene Welborn

In Honor of Brad, Allison, Sydney & Ellie Bulyez, Diana Martinez, Mary Salmons, Mandy, Chris, Anthony, Lina & River, Jason, Presley & Jhett Pence, Jon, Shay & Marshall, Martin, Lori & Ina Arce, & Mike, Jennifer & Dayton Obearle, for Christmas, Given by Stephanie Gonzales

In Honor of Sharon Tate for Christmas, Given by Guy Tate

In Honor of Sherrie Powers, Given by Margaret Svatek

In Honor of Karen Chappel for Christmas, Given by Aleta & Jay Sikes

In Honor of the Birth of Kash Magee, Given by Charles & Andrea Magee

In Honor of Darlene Welborn for Mother's Day, Given by Tom, Teresa & Deanna

In Honor of Sharon Tate for Mother's Day, Given by Baeden Wade & Teri Tate

In Honor of Beth Gerhardt, Given by Patricia & Robert McMillan

In Honor of Leigh Harrelson's Birthday Given by Charlie & Terry Gutierrez

~ MEMORIALS ~

In Memory of **Rose Larsen**, given by Donald Larsen

In Memory of **Christel Henry**, given Allen Henry

In Memory of **Ed Berberek**, given by Cheryl Williams & Joy Berberek

In Memory of **Peach York**, given by Linda Dietz

In Memory of **Terry & Ed Lenz**, given by Brenda & Janes Low, Jr.

In Memory of **Mary Sue Gaines**, given by Carol Martin

In Memory of **Irene Hartman**, given by Bobby & Marilyn Schneider & Daniel & Nelda Harborth

In Memory of **Marie Vogel**, given by Greg & Ruth Ander

In Memory of **Mary Ann Anderson**, given by Daniel & Nelda Harborth

In Memory of **Lynn Tate**, given by Donald & Kathryn Brady, Margaret & Tom Svatek, Suzy & Howard Wilson, Kathy Brady, Robert Melton, Barbie Teets & Bunco Babes, Sharon Tate, Jessi Goodson, Daniel & Nelda Harborth, & ViVi Pennington

In Memory of **Pam Burris**, given by M.C. Enright-Karr

In Memory of **Helen Core**, given by Lois Wink

In Memory of **Ken Warden**, given by Brian & Janie Klinksiek, Darrell & Lupe Clapp, Hector & Julie Chaparro, Laura & Fred Alvarado, Dee Chaparro & David Chaparro & Margaret & Tom Svatek

In Memory of **Carol Augustine**, given by Mary Ann Norris

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In Memory of **Lisa Michelle Garland**, given by Theodore & Jacquilin Garland

In Memory of **Clay Trudo**, given by Bobby & Nancy Hollub

In Memory of **Mike Dailey**, given by Kristin & Michael Chiles

In Memory of **Margaret Lou Burges**, given by Melissa Billings & Stacey Alexander

In Memory of **Andrew Fritz & Adrian Fritz**, given by Susan Wuest

In Memory of **Patricia Dickey**, given by Virginia Braddock

In Memory of **Monte Ess**, given by Susan Hubbert

In Memory of **Bonnie Bartels**, given by Margaret & Tom Svatek, Norma Fink, Gene & Donna Hunt, Cathy Brannies, Jackie Ball, Barbara Behal, & Scott & Sheryl Williams

In Memory of **Myrtle Staats**, given by Margaret & Tom Svatek, Edith Lucas, Marion State Bank, Grace Dreyer, Janie Gerth, Dorothy Wosnig, Guadalupe County Farm Bureau, & Tricia & Darryl Wahl

In Memory of **George H. Falk**, given by Gene & Donna Hunt, Cathy Brannies, Amy Leigh Gibbs, Joan & Fred Slayden & Ralph & Ann Schmidt

In Memory of **France Harkins**, given by Daniel & Nelda Harborth

In Memory of **Danny DeLaGarza**, given by Mr. & Mrs. Richard Ludewig & Linda & Mark Williams

In Memory of **Guadalupe Flores**, given by Gilda Mortenson

In Memory of **Carol Fey**, given by Debbie McCullough

In Memory of **Audrey Bormann**, given by Mark & Brenda Kay Vrana

In Memory of **Paul Blanchard**, given by Kathleen Blanchard

In Memory of **Jesse Roy Hart**, given by Daniel & Nelda Harborth

In Memory of **Dora Menn**, given by Bertha Marie Keller

In Memory of **Ernest Hartman Sr.**, given by Bobby & Marilyn Schneider

In Memory of **Alfred James Bacon Sr.**, given by Barbara & Dave Gettig, Jacqueline Anderson, Margaret & Tom Svatek, Donna & Richard Russell, The Jager Family, Mary Ann Norris, Beth & Thomas Raetzsch, Michael & Jenitta Dworoczyk & Molly Kelley

In Memory of **Sandy DeSpain**, given by Johnny & Georgia Scott, Sheri Boos, Charles & Mary Stork, Patrice Goodman, Immanuel Lutheran Church, Laura & Pete Baumann, Gary & JoAnn Baldwin, Sarah Haynes, Margaret & Tom Svatek, Mona Ulbricht, Bob & Sandi French, Linda Duelm, Joe & Carol McElroy, Michael & Beverly Gebhart, Shelley Spalding, Phillip & Edith Spalding, Holt Retiree Club, Edna Mae Fannin, T.J. & Sharon Ross, Joy Berberek, & Hal & Andrea Ketchum

In Memory of **Helen Frost**, given by James Frost

In Memory of **Bob Fields**, given by Linda Fields

Thank you for honoring your loved ones with a donation to our shelter. We are very appreciative of your support which helps us with our mission to provide the very best care to all the animals in our shelter, and to find them good, loving forever homes. Your donation helps to keep our mission going.



~ Pet Memorials ~

In Memory of **"Charli"**, pet of Cecelia Dolezal given by Hughlene Micheli

In Memory of **"Dixie"**, pet of Judy Weaver, given by Judy Weaver

In Memory of **"Katie"**, pet of Linda Villarreal, given by Linda Villarreal

In Memory of **"Miller"**, pet of Linda Henry, given by Linda Henry

In Memory of **"Maggie May"**, pet of Pat & Jack Levtzinger given by Peggy Adam

In Memory of **"Morgan"**, pet of Kelly Caraway, given by Kelly Caraway

In Memory of **"Bosco"**, pet of Charlotte & King Freeland given by Charlotte & King Freeland

In Memory of **"Griffin"**, pet of Julie Chiles given by Julie Chiles, Margaret & Tom Svatek, & John & Becky Magee

In Memory of **"Calvin"**, pet of Dee Willen, given by Darlene Welborn

In Memory of **"Miss Lilly"**, pet Caroline Blumberg, given by Karen Vogel

In Memory of **"Zizi"**, pet of Annette Citzler given by Kris & John Maxwell

In Memory of **"Shadow"**, pet of Layton & Ramona Sample given by Layton & Ramona Sample

In Memory of **"Neah"**, pet of Charles & Andrea Magee given by Jon & Becky Magee & Margaret & Tom Svatek

In Memory of **"Belle"**, pet of Bert Keller given by Margaret & Tom Svatek

In Memory of **"Scout"**, pet of The Oehkle Family given by Margaret & Tom Svatek

In Memory of **"Morrison"**, pet of Jill Donegan, Todd & girls given by Jane Donegan & Buddy Nagel

In Memory of **"Piggy"**, pet of Jacq & Tom Parker given by Jane Donegan & Buddy Nagel

In Memory of **"Jaeger"**, pet of Marc Van Ells given by William & Joan Buss

In Memory of **"Cooper"**, pet of Marie Vogel given by Karen Vogel, Sharon Lawrence, & Margaret & Tom Svatek

In Memory of **"Pinkie"**, pet of Connie & Delton Hendricks given by Connie & Delton Hendricks

In Memory of **"Emma"**, pet of Ashley Matthews given by Ashley Matthews

In Memory of **"Gracie & "Sugar"**, pets of Sandy & Dean Chetkovich given by Betty Owings

In Memory of **"Snoopy", "Toby", "Missy" & "Milly"**, pets of John Blacketer given by John Blacketer

In Memory of **"Summer"**, pet of Sharon Lawrence given by Karen Vogel

In Memory of **"Hershey"** pet of Peggy & Terry Chambliss given by Karen Vogel

In Memory of **"Alice"**, pet of Jean Stout given by Jean Stout

The Rainbow Bridge (inspired by a Norse legend)

By the edge of a woods, at the foot of a hill, is a lush, green meadow where time stands still. Where the friends of man and woman do run, when their time on earth is over and done. For here, between this world and the next, is a place where each beloved creature finds rest. On this golden land, they wait and they play, until the Rainbow Bridge they cross one day. No more do they suffer, in pain or in sadness. For here they are whole,



their lives filled with gladness. Their limbs are restored, their health renewed. Their bodies have healed, with strength imbued. They romp through the grass, without even a care, until one day they start, and sniff at the air. All ears prick forward, eyes dart front and back, then all of a sudden, one breaks from the pack. For just at that instant, their eyes have met; together again, both person and pet. So they run

to each other these friends from long past. The time of their parting is over at last. The sadness they felt while they were apart, has turned into joy once more in each heart. They embrace with love that will last forever, and then, side-by-side they cross over...together.

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Things to DO!

1. Renew Your Membership
2. Volunteer at GCHS!!! We
NEED help, especially strong
guys!
3. Check out our GCHS
FACEBOOK page & our
website
www.gchshumane.com
4. Visit and support our GCHS
Booth at Unique Boutique 218
Kingsbury St, in Seguin TX.
5. Recycle for the Shelter
6. Make sure your pets have ID
tags.

*Thank God everyday for those that
care for and love unwanted animals!*

Join the Humane Society Save a Life Today!

Membership Application/Donation Form

Clip & Mail to GCHS PO Box 1593 Seguin TX 78156-1593

Name _____

Address _____

City, St, Zip _____

Date _____

Phone (____) _____

Membership Class (Please circle one)

\$2 Jr. (under 14)	\$25 Club	\$100 Life Member
\$10 Individual	\$25 Business	\$500 Guardian
\$20 Family	\$10 Non-Profit	\$1000 Humanitarian