FREEMAN-FRITTS VET CLINIC & SHELTER

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The Animal Welfare Society of Kerr County, Texas is a 501(c)(3) Non-Profit Organization and relies heavily on donations and support from the local community. Keep in mind that you can extend your support by remembering Animal Welfare Society in your estate plan. All donations are tax-deductible!

AWS Freeman-Fritts Animal Shelter & Clinic
515 Spur 100, Kerrville TX 78028
830-257-4144
Clinic Hours: Monday - Friday, 7:30 – 12:00 and 1 - 5:30
Shelter Hours: Monday - Friday, 10:00 - 11:30 & 1:00 - 4:30
Or by appointment

The **Animal Welfare Society of Kerr County's mission** is to reduce the number of homeless, unwanted animals through spay/neuter programs, to shelter and promote adoption of homeless animals, and to provide education in the responsibilities of pet care and ownership. All donations are tax deductible and are used to provide care and services to our shelter animals while awaiting a forever home.

MARCH 2021

Happy St. Patty's Day!

COVID-19 Open Texas 2021

We will continue to operate as we have for the past several months, and until further notice. We ask that you contact the shelter to coordinate visits and adoptions, etc. Please check our website for updates, or call or email with any questions!

New Sponsors!

Carolyn Dreyer for Autumn
Jackie Williams for Michael
Gina Romero for Lucky

We are SO LUCKY!!!

Doggies:

Lola
Gus
Sparky
Ella
Custard
Junior
Toto
Leo
Lil Bit
Asher

Kitties:

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Freeman-Fritts still needs Humans!!!

We still have Full-time and Part-time Positions Available!
Must be reliable and willing to work weekends.
Call us at 830-257-4144 if interested!

COVID Visitation Status: We are still limiting foot traffic in the shelter. Walk-ins are still not permitted. Adoptions may take place with approved applications.

COVID Policy reminders: See page 4 of this newsletter
COVID Updates: https://www.freemanfritts.com/post/covid-19-update-1
Clinic Services/Question: email info@freemanfritts.com

Current Adoption Process

The shelter remains closed to the general public and walk-ins. If you are interested in adopting a pet, please visit our website (www.freemanfritts.com) to see those available for adoption. You can request an application or ask any questions by emailing info@freemanfritts.com Please list the name of the fur-baby you wish to adopt in the subject line of your email. We will contact you after your application has been reviewed.

Sponsor Kitty Spotlight - Bella Needs Your Support!

Bella was born and raised here in the shelter, where she has been loved daily. She loves her big bed and watching the birds. If approached with a high-pitched whisper "Bella, Bella", you will get but a sweet squeak in return. She can, however, be quite fierce (in a cute, cat way, of course!), which is why she has remained here for 11 years.

Bella has a cute crinkle in her left ear. Her mother had the same crinkle, but in the right ear! Bella is like "The Thinker" statue – pensive and still. It's a little hard to tell, but we guess that she is contemplating her next nap. Bella deserves her very own sponsor. Someone who will VIRTUALLY adopt our sour patch kid (first she's sweet and then she's sour!).

Volunteer Spotlight: Meet Carrie!

I am a born and raised Houstonian, who vacationed in Kerrville for many years as a kid, and then with my own kids. I taught Physical Education/Health Education for 26 years in Houston, retired in 2011. Moved to Estes Park, Colorado in March 2014. Worked for the YMCA of the Rockies until Mar 2020. Moved to Kerrville March 2020.

I love birds, animals, gardening, and being outdoors. REALLY looking forward to meeting people after COVID, and finding other ways to serve the community.

Thank you, Carrie, for helping us out at the shelter – keeping kitty areas clean and sparkly keep us keep the kitties happy and healthy! Thank you!!!

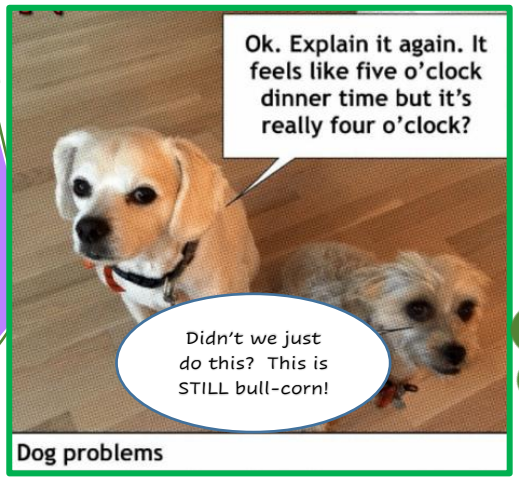
The Nine Lives of Captain!

Captain is a handsome tuxedo kitty that was recently found and brought to Freeman-Fritts. It seems that Captain's human had been told several years ago by someone else that he had died. Captain's story was featured on the website of Fox 29 (link to full story below) and Channel 4 News. This poor guy had been thought dead for 4 years before being found on the side of the road. Freeman-Fritts did a little chip-checking and social media research, and found that his human, Butch Meister, who had been deployed overseas for several years, had move to Arkansas. Since then, it is believed that Captain ran around with a feral colony/cat gang near the Whataburger in Kerrville.

Captain is now hanging out with the crew at Freeman-Fritts, awaiting transport to his dad in Arkansas. Ahoy for Captain! How lucky is he?!

https://foxsanantonio.com/newsletter-daily/cat-thought-dead-for-more-than-four-years-found-on-side-of-road

REMINDER!!!
Daylight Saving Time (DST)
is Sunday, March 14th
It affects non-humans, too!
Wake-up times! Walk times!
Meal times! Bed times!
You know, since they don't watch the clock and all!



Pooch and Purr of the Month! Make it a lucky month!

The shelter is still closed to the general public.

If you are interested in adopting, please email us at info@freemanfritts.com for more information and to request an application.

Pooch of the Month: Meet Winnie!

Winnie is a big, one year old, VEEERRRYYY scruffy girl who has lots of energy to run and play- ALL DAY! If you need a jogging partner, or just love being active, hiking, frisbee Winnie will be the perfect companion! She plays fetch with a ball and a frisbee, too. She might even become a frisbee master.

Winnie knows tricks like sit and shake, and is ready to learn even more tricks from you. She's a smart cookie, eager to learn, and requires a home where she can be the only pet, which gives you more time to love and spoil this sweet girl.

Purr of the Month: Meet Cody!

Another little lover kitty looking for his forever home! Cody is a very handsome buff and white kitty! He is only 9 months old and so sweet.

Cody was a stray brought into animal control. He was thought to be feral but this sweet guy was just scared. Can you blame him? The big world can be very frightening. Cody is shy but nothing a little TLC won't cure! Now he happily makes love biscuits as he waits for his forever home! 👇 Cody deserves a chance at a life of absolute happiness! Let us know if you want to give Cody some love!

MARCH PET DAYS/WEEKS/MONTHS

All Month Long:

- Adopt a Rescued Guinea Pig Month
- Poison Prevention Awareness Month

Weeklong Events:

- March 7–13: Professional Pet Sitters Week
- March 21–27: National Poison Prevention Week

Special Days/Holidays:

- March 1: National Pig Day
- March 1: National Horse Protection Day
- March 3: If Pets Had Thumbs Day
- March 6: Iditarod Trail Sled Dog Race Begins
- March 8: International Women's Day
- March 13: K-9 Veterans Day
- March 14: Daylight Saving Time Begins
- March 14: Learn About Butterflies Day
- March 14: National Save a Spider Day
- March 17: St. Patrick's Day
- March 17: St. Gertrude of Nivelles Day ("The Cat Lady of the Catholic Church")
- March 20: World Sparrow Day
- March 23: National Puppy Day
- March 23: Cuddly Kitten Day
- March 27: Passover Begins
- **March 28: Respect Your Cat Day**
- March 30: Take a Walk in the Park Day

Ode to My Cat Marty

I now have a cat named Marty,

He's often the life of the party,

A little weight he's put on,

Wish that weight was long gone,

But Marty's appetite is just too hearty!

ITEMS WE CAN USE!

Reminder that we can ALWAYS use supplies to care for our residents!

Yum

- Meow Mix Dry Cat Food
- Fancy Feast or Friskies Gourmet Canned Pate Cat Food
- Pepperoni Dog Training Treats
- Gerber Stage 2 Chicken Baby Food for kittens
- Fancy Feast Dry Cat Food

Clean as a Whistle

- Fabulosa - any fragrance
- Dawn Dish Soap, Clorox Bleach, Clorox Wipes
- Paper Towels, Hand Towels, Bath Towels
- Large Covered Litter Boxes, Litter Scoops

Other Necessities and Warm Fuzzies

- Dog and Cat Beds
- Baby Blankets
- Bath Rugs with Rubber Backing
- Dog and Cat Toys
- Small and Medium Dog Collars and Leashes
- Breakaway Cat and Kitten Collars

COVID-19 POLICY REMINDERS - Until Further Notice

If any of the following apply to you, please reschedule your appointment in order to keep our staff healthy and our clinic open:

- If you are sick, have a fever, cough, sore throat or flu-like symptoms
- If you have recently traveled out of the country, to the East or West Coast, or any other areas with high rates of COVID19 infections
- If you have been in contact with someone that is ill or is in quarantine please

We also ask that you keep the number of family members accompanying your pet to our clinic to a minimum to reduce chances of exposure.

We are offering the following services at this time:

Curbside Care: We ask for you to remain in your car and call the clinic at 257-4144 to check in for any appointments or to drop off pets for boarding. We will come out to your car to get your pet and bring them into the clinic.

- Cats must be in a secure carrier and dogs must be on leashes.
- Credit cards can be taken over the phone and cash can be collected curbside.

- Support Our Shelter While Shopping: Don't forget that you can support our shelter when shopping at Amazon. Go to https://smile.amazon.com, which offers the same selections and prices, and designate Animal Welfare Society of Kerr County Texas as your charity of choice. Amazon will donate a portion of the proceeds to our shelter.
- DONATE STUFF! Visit https://www.freemanfritts.com/wish-list-donation to see our Wish List(s)!
- Make a contribution for a specific shelter need such as the spay/neuter fund, which helps defray the cost of surgery.
- Remember us in your estate planning!

Want to Volunteer?

If you have some extra time to spare and want to help, please come in and fill out a volunteer application (the application is also available on our website).
We'll take all the help we can get!

- Socialize the dogs and cats
- Help at off-site adoption or fund-raising events
- Maintain building and grounds
- Do you have any special skills or talents that might help us in other ways? Let us know!

Freeman-Fritts Spay & Neuter Program!

The Freeman-Fritts Vet Clinic has a limited dog and cat spay/neuter fund available. This fund allows us to offer FREE spay/neuter surgeries (including Rabies Vaccination) for your cat or dog. Call for an appointment 830-257-4144. Some restrictions may apply.

Surgery Reminders!

- If you are unable to keep your surgery appointment, please call to cancel as soon as possible. This will give us an opportunity to schedule another client.
- NO FOOD after your pet's evening meal, preferably no later than 6 p.m. Water is acceptable.
- Please have your pet on a leash or in a carrier!