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# FREEMAN FRITTS

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Or by appointment



**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.

 **BOO!!!** 



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**ATTENTION!  
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**Effective January 2020, we will no longer print and mail hard-copy newsletters.  
This will help Freeman-Fritts save on print and mail expenses!**

If you would like to receive the newsletter electronically, please send an email to [contact@freemanfritts.com](mailto:contact@freemanfritts.com).  
You can also visit our website at <https://www.freemanfritts.com/newsletter> to see current/previous newsletters!

## PET SAFETY TIPS FOR HALLOWEEN: COMMON SENSE REMINDERS!

[www.themeowplace.com](http://www.themeowplace.com) (edited)

### #1 – DON'T DRESS UP YOUR PETS IF THEY DON'T LIKE IT

Most cat owners know this all too well. Many dogs are far more tolerant of costumes than cats are, but they can still get stressed out. The best thing to do if you want to have your pet wear a **Halloween costume** is to start young. Kittens and puppies can grow up liking **pet clothes**, but it's much harder to train an adult pet to tolerate it.

### #2 – WATCH FOR DOOR DASHERS

Hosting a Halloween party may not be a good idea if you have door-dashing pets. Cats are quite sneaky and can get **spirited away** before you realize they're gone. Dog owners need to beware, too; dogs may not be as stealthy, but they can run fast! Be sure your pets are secure and not able to escape if you expect to have trick-or-treaters!

### # 3 – HALLOWEEN CANDY IS A NO-NO!

This is one of the most important pet safety tips, as Halloween candy can be deadly to pets. **Chocolate is toxic to cats and dogs.** If they ingest enough, it can be fatal. This is because of the amount of theobromine in chocolate. Even **non-chocolate Halloween candy** can be toxic to pets, so it's best to keep it well out of their reach.

### # 4 – KEEP YOUR BLACK CAT(S) (OR ANY CATS) INSIDE!

Some still hold onto the **superstition that black cats are cursed**, or bad luck, and some just toy with them and use them for pranks. This is why a lot of animal shelters don't adopt out black cats in the weeks before or around Halloween. Even if your black cat is an outdoor cat, it's best to bring them in for the night (and even nights prior to Halloween) and make sure they can't get out.

### # 5 – ONLY TAKE THE MOST TOLERANT OF PETS TRICK-OR-TREATING

If your pet is even the slightest bit uncomfortable about trick-or-treating, kids, or being around lots of strangers, noises, screaming, etc., **don't take them out on Halloween.** You may think it's cute to parade your little darling up and down the street in costume, but to your pet, it could be terrifying. There's also the possibility of someone **harming your pet**, either accidentally or on purpose.



## We're Super -Duper Special!

Meet some of our special-needs furry friends! They need a little extra care, but they are SOOO worth it, and they are so ready find their furever homes!



**Say howdy to Ruger!** Ruger is an outgoing little guy who loves to go on adventures. His age has never held him back! He's always up for romping around, rolling on his back, and simply having a grand ole' time. He is a very happy boy who enjoys the simple things in life: tennis balls, walks, and just the company of his human friends.

Ruger is a handsome Schnauzer! He is 9 years old, fully vaccinated, heartworm tested negative, neutered, and microchipped. He gets along well with other dogs, too.

He does have a medical challenge, which includes a congestive heart condition, but this is being easily managed with proper meds. And not one bit of it changes Ruger and his adventurous spirit. Come by and meet him today! ♥

### Meet Arwen! She's Pawsitively Purrfect!

She is one of our Feline Leukemia positive kitties who is looking for a forever home with someone who understands that FeLv+ cats can live healthy, happy lives despite the positive diagnosis.

Arwen is 12 weeks old and is a sweet and snuggly girl who just wants to be around people. She will need to be an one-kitty house-hold and live her life strictly indoors, being extremely spoiled! Choose to adopt a FeLv+ kitty and share your love with a kitty in need!



## POOCH of the Month – Meet Izzy! 🐾



Meet Izzy! Sweetest little Izzer you will ever meet! She is the spunkiest of Chihuahuas at only 4 pounds and 3 months old. She loves to play and loves to play with people. Izzy makes you think she's timid at first but she does not have a shy bone in her body. She gets along well with other dogs, kids, and let's be for real, most cats are double to triple her size!

I promise, Izzy will not disappoint! She loves toys, treats and lots of snuggles, too!

Come by and meet this cutie-pooch today! ❤️❤️❤️



*Photos by S J Derby*

## PURR of the Month – Meet Ash! 🐾



Meet Ash! Born in 2015, Ash was found as a baby kitten after a man pulled him and his sister from a burn pile which had caused third degree burns. Ash was then bottle-raised and off to new adventures, once old enough to be adopted. Unfortunately, he was given away and ended up lost. Luckily, he was found and brought back to us. Now, he's on the search again for a REAL forever home!



Ash is all about the pet cat life! He lets you know he wants to roam the cat shelter floors and do his daily inspections. He's always hoping to run into his forever human.

Ash is a handsome 4 year old brown tabby. He is neutered, fully vaccinated, felv/fiv negative, and microchipped. Come meet him today!



That's right – we got the best TREAT ever!!!

POOCHES	PURRS
Sadie	Romeo
Noel	Tasha
Corn	Paul
Marley	❤️❤️❤️
Cucumber	❤️❤️❤️
Gwen	❤️❤️❤️
Mae	
Huckleberry	
Nani	
Rylee	



## Regular Reminders!

### 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.



### Ways You Can Help!

- ♥ Remember or honor your friends and pets with a donation to the shelter itself or by buying a brick for our memory walk.\*
- ♥ 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.

The Animal Welfare Society of Kerr County's mission is to reduce the number of homeless, unwanted animals; 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.

\* **"In Memory of" or "In Honor of" bricks** can be purchased for \$50. Each brick is laser engraved with whatever you would like to have inscribed on it. All proceeds benefit the shelter animals. Call us for more information.

### Want to Volunteer?

Want to help the animals? Have a few hours to spare and share? If you think you can offer a few hours once a week, once a month, or even once a year, 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.

## And then there are the gifts that keep on giving - things we can always use!

### Cat & Dog Necessities

- Puppy Pee Pads
- TidyCats – Scoop – for Multiple Cats
- TidyCats – Non-Clumping
- Baby Food (Gerber Stage 2 Chicken)
- Meow Mix, Fancy Feast Dry & Canned (Pate)
- Friskies Canned – Pate
- Pupperoni
- Dog & Cat Beds, Baby Blankets, flannel throw blankets
- Large Cat Trees & scratching posts
- Break-away Cat Collars (both cat & kitten sizes)
- Dog collars & leashes (small & medium preferred)
- Cat Toys, Dog & Puppy Toys (ropes, stuffed toys, and Kongs)

### Cleaning Items

- Dawn Dish Soap
- Clorox Bleach
- Clorox Wipes
- Fabuloso (Citrus & Fruits, Ocean Paradise)
- Paper Towels
- Bath towel – gently used
- Bath mats – gently used

