

March 2019 ♣

# FREEMAN FRITTS

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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



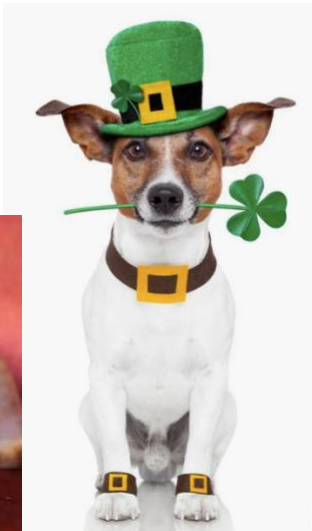
**The Animal Welfare Society of Kerr County, Texas is a 501(c)(3) Non-Profit Organization** and relies heavily on donations and support from the local community. Keep in mind that you can extend your support by remembering Animal Welfare Society in your estate plan. All donations are tax-deductible.

## ♣♣♣ Happy St. Patrick's Day! ♣♣♣

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MARCH 23, 2019 @ Dietert Center

\$20 per person for the day!

**Sorry, folks. Paws by the River has been canceled!** ☹

**PAWS BY THE RIVER**

8:00 am - Begin sign-in for Dog Walk on the Kerrville River Trail at Dietert  
 9:00 am - Dog Agility - Let someone show you and your dog what agility is all about  
 10:00 am - Talent Contest  
 10:30 am - Costume Contest  
 11:00 am - Dancing Dogs Performance

All Day - Photo Booth \$10 per Photo (Digital only-printing will be extra) Family portrait or just your pet!

Go to [www.clubed.net](http://www.clubed.net) or call 830-792-4044 for registration, requirements and more details

DIETERT CLUB ED

Proceeds will help Ralph's Ranch Dog Rescue, Freeman Fritts Animal Shelter and Dietert Center

**The Big Give SA 2019!**  
**It's that time again! 24 hours of online giving!**  
**March 28<sup>th</sup>, 12:00 AM - March 29<sup>th</sup>, 12:00 AM!**

Some of our focus this year will be on our newly created Happy Tails Rescue & Transport Fund for the cats and dogs of Kerr County. We have seen the need in our community, and are pushing forward to make a difference by taking a more active role in lowering the numbers of animals that lose their lives at animal control. There are always still many animals in need and we are restricted by physical space. We have decided to make an impact on more animals and thus Happy Tails Rescue & Transport fund was born. We've saved hundreds so far but we are only just beginning. Our goal is to be able to rescue many more dogs and cats from Kerr County this year!

This fund will allow us to double, maybe triple, the lives we save! We get them spayed/neutered, fully vaccinated, felv/fiv/heartworm tested, and transported to their forever homes through relationships with rescue partners all over the United States. Unfortunately, our previous funds are already depleted. In order to continue, we need your help! Here's how you can help:

- ♥ Make a donation directly to our Big Give goal on March 28<sup>th</sup>: <https://bit.ly/2qiehK4>
- ♥ Spread the word!! Invite your friends to this event and share so everyone knows to support Freeman Fritts! during Big Give SA 2019 this year.
- ♥ Make a donation to not only impact a life or two, but to be a part of our Big Give SA goal! Together, we can change lives.



### Pooch of the Month – Meet Jasper! 🐕

Meet Jasper! He is a 3 year old Terrier, and he's just a bit hungry for attention, but can you blame him! But it's really just because he really loves people, and he's eager to meet his new pooch-parents! Jasper would make a great lap dog and he gets along great with other dogs, too! Jasper was rescued from our local animal control. He is currently learning to fetch and his favorite thing is peanut butter filled kong. If you are currently looking for a best friend, then Jasper is the friend for you! ♥♥



### Purr of the Month – Meet Farrah! 🐱

Hi! Farrah here!! I was born in September of 2013, brought to the shelter in January of 2014. I'm going to be 6 years old this year and have spent a good chunk of my life in the shelter. The kittens at the shelter have an edge - I'm a little more plain looking as a simple gray tabby, I'm an adult, and lastly, I'm shy! I'll admit I'm not a huge people-person, but the people here seem to think I would shine and be a different cat if someone would only have the patience to work with me and give me time. I would also be great feline for you if you work long hours and are worried a kitten would get bored without you, 'cause I know how to chill! Please come meet me and give me time to meet you! I am the Farrah-est in the land! ♥



*Photo by S J Derby*

### Happy Tail – A Tail of Two Kitties

They might have initially been named Hopeless and Despair. Not spoken names, but written in invisible ink, birthed into a "House of Hoard" until being rescued by the sweethearts of Freeman-Fitts. Freeman-Fritts poured love and care into 8 legs of fur and purr, rescuing them from a life of doom and gloom into the safe, loving Freeman-Fritts environment. These hero saviors calling their two little rescues Sundae and Parfait during their forever life-changing 2nd leg of life.

Still suffering from the grief of losing our beloved Cinco, who fairly recently succumbed to cancer at age 13, I was startled to see Sundae's adoption picture on Kerrville Breaking News. He was a Freeman-Fritts kitty who looked just like a baby Cinco. Still too raw from his loss, we were not yet looking for a new kitty, and certainly were not looking to "replace" Cinco. Upon showing Sundae's photo to my husband, he surprised me when he said "call and see if the kitten has been adopted".



The next morning we went to meet Sundae, and there was an immediate connection! We also noticed Sundae having the time of his life playing with his sibling, Parfait. Jay, at Freeman-Fritts (aka Uncle Jay), told us that the two "share a brain". We simply couldn't think about separating them!

Once we were approved to adopt, we rushed to kitten-proof our house. Since their arrival at our home, the fun, love, and joy has not stopped. This second stage of magic in our home transitioned them to the 3rd round of names. Sundae, who is a totally laid-back, lovable, snuggly teddy bear, now is known as Teddy (with 2 alternating middle names: Boy and Bear). Teddy's name also fits since that was the name of our daughter's imaginary friend as a child, and, her now-vacant room has become their first kitty nursery, their room before being allowed access to other rooms. Parfait, who, to us, looks like an ocelot/bengal, was more than a sweet little "Parfait" dessert. While looking closely at him, I thought to myself "what is your name?", and it was as if he said "Hey, I'm Savvy!" And he is so very savvy, clever, funny, and loyal. His mission in life is to make us laugh. He also wants to be the helper-kitty. He's so helpful that we try to clean his litter box when he is not around, so he does not take over. And whenever I say "Savvy, give me a kiss", he shortly begins "headbutting" me in the face, and giving me his sweet kitty kisses!

Coming out of their previous hoarding situation, the brothers had to overcome some sniffles and sneezing. When Teddy Boy even starts to sneeze, Savvy runs over, places his arm (leg, paw, you get the idea... ) around him, sometimes even trying to look up little Teddy Bear's nose! Little Dr. Savvy does the same to me if I sneeze!

Our family so appreciates the angels at Freeman-Fritts! The level of love and care the animals receive is remarkable. Our family has always been blessed with super-special pets, which comes from love and positive reinforcement. These



Fritts kittens, after having been rescued only 3 months before we adopted them, are amazing! With previous kittens, I had to work to train, nurture, and shape them. With our prior kittens, we had to teach them not to play with their claws out, often taking up to 1 1/2 years. That is not the case with our Freeman-Fritts rescues. Quickly they learned what a kitty post is, and they prefer that over furniture. In the mornings, when allowed to go outside into their enclosed kitty park, I just open their door to let them out, and they go straight through their kitty door into the kitty park, and return promptly when we're ready to get them back inside! While we have a history of cats minding us exceedingly well, we are amazed that young kittens actually came this way! We attribute this awesomeness to the special love and care from the angels at Freeman-Fritts, along with some unseen angels from above!

**Have you adopted a cat or dog from us? Tell us your pet's story! Your submission could become part of our Happy Tails!**  
Send your story, along with pictures and/or videos to [freemanfritts@yahoo.com](mailto:freemanfritts@yahoo.com), or post them directly on our Facebook page [www.facebook.com/freemanfritts](http://www.facebook.com/freemanfritts).

## Regular Reminders!

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### **REMINDER!!! Freeman-Fritts Spay and Neuter Grant Program!**



Due to the generosity of a kind donor, 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.  
*Note: Any thank you notes received are forwarded to our donor.*

### **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.

### **Important 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.



## 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!



## As always, the gifts that keep on giving!

### 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



There once was a Boxer named Pete,  
Who had an obsession with feet;  
And when he sniffed toes,  
He dove in with his nose,  
'Cause nothing ever smelled quite as sweet.

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