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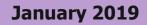
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Clinic Hours: Monday - Friday, 7:30 – 12:00 and 1 - 5:30 Shelter Hours: Monday - Friday, 10:00 - 11:30 & 1:00 - 4:30

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 New Year, from your friends at Freeman-Fritts!

If you still receive this newsletter via USPS, please consider receiving this newsletter electronically! Send your name and email address to <a href="mailto:awsfreemanfritts@gmail.com">awsfreemanfritts@gmail.com</a> to request e-delivery, or simply visit our website to see previous and current newsletters! Thank you!

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# Paws by the River: A Day for You and Your Dog... and other doggies, too - benefiting local dog rescue shelters!

Join us for a fun and active morning while you participate in healthy activities for both you and your dog. This special day will begin with a dog walk on the newly finished Kerrville River Trail at the Dietert Center, then you will have the opportunity to either participate or just watch and enjoy a mini agility course, a talent show, a costume contest and finish the morning with a Dancing Dogs Performance. Throughout the morning we will have individuals from Freeman Fritts Animal Shelter, Ralph's Ranch Dog Rescue, Cailloux Humane Society, VA Dogs of Texas and many more. You will learn and have fun with this exciting event and help support many of the local shelters and Dietert Center all at the time. Everything listed above is included in your registration! Thanks to the Hill Country Camera Club, you will also have the opportunity to have a photo taken of your dog (and even you) for an additional \$10!

Please note that ALL participants must provide proof of shots for all dogs, dogs must be on a standard 6 ft. leash at all times (retractable leashes are not allowed!). A few leashes will be available for sale if you need one. Once registered you will be notified by one of the committee members to sign you up for the events you are interested in participating in.





o am - Begin sign-in for Dog Walk on the Kerrville River Trail at Dietert

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!



call 830-792-4044
for registration,
requirements and
more details

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



Love dogs but don't own one? That's o.k.! We will have stuffed friends for you to take on the walk.



Go to ClubEd website – <u>Registration Here (clubed.net)</u> or call <u>830-792-4044</u>. Rain date is Saturday, March 30th. Email for more information: pawsbytheriver2019@gmail.com

Register for Paws by the River and take him or her walking, try out agility, and enter costume or talent contests! Or both of you can just enjoy the entertainment together on a nice spring morning!

#### Paws by the River - Costume Contest!

Enter our costume contest and win free entry to the Paws by the River event benefiting local dog rescues, being held on March 23rd!

- What to enter: a photo or photos in the following categories: dog or dogs in costume whether homemade or bought, dog and owner (whether adult or child) in costume.
- ➤ When to enter: Any time between now and January 21st
- ➤ <u>How to enter</u>: email your photo or photos to <u>pawsbytheriver2019@gmail.com</u> You may enter as many times as you wish.
- ➤ <u>Prize</u>: Free entry for you and your dog to the **Paws by the River** event on March 23<sup>rd,</sup> includes the dog walk, talent contest, costume contest, dancing dog demonstration, and all educational opportunities such as meeting service dogs. \$20 value.

By entering the photo contest you give us permission to use your photos to show people what **Paws by the River** event is all about. We hope you will find this event worthy of your support and join us on the day to participate with your dog in one or all of the events offered, whether you are a contest winner or not.

Follow and share our Facebook page Paws by the River and our Instagram account **#pawsbytherivertx** for updates between now and March and to see your photos. We will be having a contest for the talent show in February, so get your poochies ready!

#### Pooch of the Month – Meet Pancake! 🦮

My name is Pancake! I am a friendly, engaging little lady. One of my favorite things is being with people, although I am shy at first! I especially enjoy walks and I love to play fetch! I am a Chihuahua Mix, mostly white, but have the most gorgeous red markings. I'm still quite young, only about 2 years old. I was picked up as a stray on a very cold night, and my previous people never came for me. I keep thinking... what did I possibly do so wrong?! But everyone here tells me that I am the perfect little lady, sweet as can be, leash-trained, possibly potty-trained, I get along well with others and love with all my heart too! I am really hoping to start the New Year in my very own home!



#### Purr of the Month – Meet Johnny! 🎷



Hi there! Johnny here! Whatever my sister said about me, don't believe her! I'm four months old and am not shy one bit! My foster mom had an older kitty that I loved to play with! I would sometimes just put my paws on her face and play with her. Oh, and whenever my foster mom held me, I would sometimes put my paws on her chin! I love to be loved, and I would love for my very own home where I could be spoiled rotten! If I'm visiting you in our visiting room, I might jump on your lap or start crawling on you, that's my signature move to win you over! What are you waiting for? Come meet me... and my sister, Mavis!

#### **Regular Reminders!**

#### 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 <a href="https://smile.amazon.com">https://smile.amazon.com</a>, 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!

## RECYCLE ADOPT A SHELTER PET

#### 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



#### Happy Tails Adoption Update: Max now Maxwell Jay Cody

Max was picked up by animal control as a stray, and was terribly matted! The mats caused him so much pain that just barely touching him he would scream. He was very timid and afraid to trust for a while, but could you blame him? Lots of TLC was needed to help this little guy. He was then adopted and returned, through no fault of his own. But then came a wonderful adopter giving him the most unconditional love and here's how he's doing today...

It's been 14 months, but it feels like Max has been with us forever! In fact, we almost were not going to be his parents. We waited too long and by the time we checked back, Max had already been adopted. Good thing that we stayed in touch with Sonia at Freeman-Fritts, because she called back in



This is me before my make-over!

October 2017 to let us know that he was back. At that point, we had the feeling that Max was meant to be part of our home.



member again real soon! -- Traci, Austin, TX

And this is me after ...! Yav!

My husband and I made the road trip from Austin to Kerrville. Max was a bit shy at first, but immediately took a liking - no, a LOVE - for my husband, John. He literally jumped on John's lap and only wanted to be with him. He truly was enamored and he wasn't going to let John go. So, it goes without saying that John said; "I think we have a third dog for our happy home."

When we arrived home, Max was immediately greeted by our toy poodle, Diesel, and our Mini-Poodle, Roxy. They, too, were rescues. Max instantly got along with them and became their new little brother. Max is now about two years old. He is playful, energetic, loves to snuggle and enjoys spending time with us. He has trained well and has learned various commands. He's a smart little guy and knows what to do to get the treat of his choice: cheese! He's adapted well to our home and loves to go on walks and explore. I think he learned about the fun walks from Jay and Cody at Freeman-Fritts. In our appreciation to them, we affectionately refer to Max as "Maxwell Jay Cody". I'm sure we will come back for a visit and adopt another four-legged family

Have you adopted a cat or dog from us? Tell us your pet's story! Your submission could become part of our Happy Tails, a compilation of inspiring stories that will encourage others to adopt, or even share lessons-learned in your search for your perfect rescue! We will also share your story with the agency from which you adopted - so you needn't limit your story to Freeman-Fritts adoptions. Any adoption is a good one! Please send your story, along with pictures and/or videos to freemanfritts@yahoo.com, or post them directly on our Facebook





