Angie's Friends

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Spring 2013 Newsletter

Many heartfelt thank yous are in order. **Thank you to all of you wonderful supporters who have sent in donations.** You are, in fact, saving dogs. Your gifts allow Angie to buy dog food and supplies and get medical treatment when needed for her many babies that are available for adoption. Thank you to Amanda for her dedication in taking Angie's adoptables to many adoption events. Thank you to all of the rescue agencies that have helped Angie when she finds strays or receives owner surrenders that she cannot take in herself. Thank you to Dr. Wood at Mission Clinic and the vets at City Vet who are always helpful. Thank you to Ryan for keeping Angie's website up-to-date. Thank you to Mary S., Maeleska F., Rekka, Betty B., J.P., Tamara, Jonnie E., Beverly, Bob, Larry, and Karin for all of your help and support. I'm sure I have left someone out—just know that you are all invaluable to Angie. There have been several dogs recently that have needed extensive medical assistance. Some donations have been made directly to City Vet to help Angie.









Rupert

Gigi

Nurca

Jack

Rupert is a young Maltese who was attacked by a large dog. He has some broken ribs but seems to be getting well. Gigi was taken to the eye specialist for her bulging and red eye. She has a problem that will never fully heal but the eye has responded very well to drops. Nurca has been receiving treatment for a tumor on her front leg. Jack was diagnosed with glaucoma and has had to have his right eye removed. He will have to have drops in the left eye always in the hope of preventing blindness.

Housekeeping

We would like to offer our supporters the ability to receive emails that let you know about adoption events and fundraisers. Recently, the management at Chipotle (Forest Lane at Hwy 75) offered coupons that could be brought in when purchasing food and part of the proceeds went to Angie's Friends. We do not have a data base of email addresses so we were not able to let you all know of the opportunity to help Angie. Another fund raiser with Chili's is in the works. If you would like to be added to a list to receive such updates, please send your name and email address to nina.lynn@att.net. Also let me know if you would prefer to receive the newsletter via email.

Adoptions

Cassidy was adopted by a great family in Mesquite in November. She has a wonderful playmate named Chase. The day we went for the home visit, the two dogs had such fun chasing each other around the back yard. Julie and Timmy were accepted by the SPCA in January. Brandy and Star were taken in by Operation Kindness. On February 2nd at an adoption event held in Highland Park Village, Henry was adopted by a lady who was in town visiting family. Henry went to his new home in Phoenix the next day. Oliver was adopted also as a result of the HPV event. Whiskey and Sparky were adopted together the end of February.



Moose and Frankie

You may remember the story of Zeus who is now Moose. He was adopted by Dr. Sue and she recently sent a wonderful picture from their cabin vacation. Sue reports that Moose now sometimes shares his bed with her cat who he really wanted to chase at first. I bet that is an adorable sight. Frankie was with Angie for quite a long time and we wondered if he would ever be adopted. He was a sweet hefty black lab mix. He is still sweet but not so hefty. His new mom reports, "Frankie is extremely happy with Eric and I! He is quite fancy strolling around Uptown Dallas most days. The big guy runs with me every morning and has a pretty solid 5K time and has lost 13 lbs. Eric and I both work full-time and used to have to crate Frank all day but he is so good we just now let him lounge about the apartment all day so no more cages for Frank. His favorite thing in the entire world is his tennis ball—he likes to rip all of the yellow fuzz off of it until it's a clean rubber ball. Frankie is also learning quite a few tricks, he didn't know anything when we got him but now he can sit, stay, lay down, heel, and roll over-he caught on pretty quickly too. Eric, Frankie, and I also went on a road trip for Christmas and went through 12 states and Frankie had his first snow sighting- which he tried to eat (typical)

and met several members of my family. Frank-the-Tank as we like to call him, now spends most of his days running early in the morning, lounging, and chewing toys all day, and then playing ball with Eric and sitting next to us at night. He is also starting obedience school next week! We couldn't imagine our lives without him." We all love to hear these happy stories of dogs that Angie has rescued that have found their forever homes. Please keep sending your updates!



Frankie and Eric



Dr. Sue and Moose



Frankie chilling with Dad and tennis ball.

A day in the life....

Besides feeding over 25 neglected dogs (dogs that have owners who refuse to give them proper care) every day, Angie gets calls from people who have sick or injured dogs or have found a stray. On April 2, 2013, Angie got a call from a friend who had told her about a momma dog and baby. The momma dog was very aggressive to all but the friend as she wanted to protect her baby. The friend was able to catch the momma dog and baby for Angie so that they would not be wandering the streets. Angie has named the baby, a male German shepherd mix, Sampson. He may be fostered soon by another friend who rescues. Also on this day, a man called Angie about two dogs he had that he could not care for any longer. One of the dogs was about to have babies and the other, named Fluffy, was badly in need of grooming as its coat was very matted. Three babies were born that day in the back of Angie's truck as she made her rounds. Fluffy, the mama dog, and babies were taken in by a rescue group.



Mama and babies



Sampson

More Owner Surrenders

Clara was not being well cared for by her owners and when Angie stated her concerns they said she could just take the dog. Clara was recently adopted from Angie by a loving family. Rocky was given to Angie by a homeless man that Angie saw walking along using a bandana as a collar and tied together plastic bags for a leash for the dog. The man really did not want to give up the dog but realized it would be best. Rocky has gone for a home visit and may be adopted soon.







Rocky

Sunshine and Trampus

Sunshine and Trampus were also surrendered to Angie by their owner because he was moving and could not take the dogs with him. Both are older dogs and Angie was not told of their health history. Angie called me late one Sunday night to say that Sunshine was ill—coughing blood. She also had not eaten well for several days. A friend and I went to get Sunshine and take her to the emergency clinic. She was dehydrated and had a high white blood cell count. Her liver and kidney enzymes were off as well. The vet was thinking it might be Leptospirosis. Sunshine stayed overnight at the emergency clinic and then I took her to my vet the next day. She was in need of a blood transfusion so I took her to another better equipped 24-hour critical care clinic. As it turned out, Sunshine had severe heartworms and began having respiratory problems. She had to be given oxygen and really was declining quickly. Angie, the doctor and I made the decision to let her go to heaven. In this short span of time, she really did tug on my heart. I was with her giving her as much love as possible when she passed away. We have since found out that her buddy, Trampus, is heartworm positive. It appears that someone is interested in fostering Trampus for Angie and we will see about getting him treated for the heartworms. Trampus is listed on the adoptables page of the website.



Sweet Sunshine



Trampus

Lucy

Lucy is a streetwise dog that Angie helped catch. She had a prolapsed uterus and bladder and her rescuers got her medical help. Unfortunately, Lucy escaped and was on the run for 78 days. A Facebook page was created to let people know about her and to assist in trying to find her. There were many sightings, but the many people who tried to find her had no luck. Finally, she was spotted by a Dallas Police officer who had seen a flyer posted at Starbucks by Love Field. Lucy was sitting in front of a house on Empire Central. The officer and her partner talked to the owner of the house and were told that the dog was a stray that had showed up 2 months previous. Lucy had a collar with a name tag that the officer was able to get close enough to read but then Lucy took off. After a brief foot and car chase and with the help of a couple more officers, they were able to catch Lucy and get her into the squad car. They got in touch with the owner by getting the contact info from Lucy's Facebook page. Needless to say, the owner, a long time dog rescuer was very thankful. Angle and Beverly have been so relieved that Lucy is safe and back where she belongs! Thank you Dallas Police officers that took the time to care and help!



Miss Lucy

Goodbye Dear Friends

Since I last wrote, Angie has said sad goodbyes to three dogs she fed daily on her rounds and one that lived with her. Ace was allowed by his owner to eat turkey bones (even though Angie always tells owners not to feed these bones to dogs) and developed a blockage of the intestines. He was the sweetest boy and loved to play ball. Chico was poisoned. Apollo was found by Angie dead in his dog house one morning. We don't know what happened but think he may have had cancer or heartworms. Cleo was a miniature Pinscher that belonged to a friend of Angies who passed away a couple of years ago. So, Cleo has gone to heaven to be with Mark. She was getting quite old and her kidneys were failing.





Chico





Cleo

More Neglect

On Easter Sunday Angie found a German shepherd not far from Dallas Animal Services. He was lying on a sidewalk and at first, she thought he was dead. Like so many in that part of town, this dog was very skinny, not well, and exhausted. She was able to feed him and lure him into her car and he is now on his way to a good life. Around April 17th Angie noticed a puppy in a back yard whose ears were covered in ticks. She reported the neglect to the city and then on the 20th found the dog roaming the streets. It is her belief that the owners chose to let the dog go rather than face a fine from the city because they could/would not provide the proper care. We have named him Shadow. All of the ticks and fleas are gone and we are hoping to find him a good home. Interested? Two month old male lab mix with no tail! Crystal was spotted by Angie tied to a porch with no water, food or shelter. She is very skinny, medium sized and deserves a good home.



Shadow



Crystal

Angie wanted me to tell you about some Chihuahua's she has taken in recently. Bonita was trapped in the Design district. She had gotten so weak that it wasn't too hard to trap her. Iris used to walk up and down the sidewalk with her owner. The owner died and Angie saw Iris walking on the sidewalk one day. She had been left to fend for herself so, of course, Angie took her in. She is black and tan so she may have some miniature pinscher in her. Sassy has a bite wound on her thigh that her owners were not able to get medical help for so now Angie is caring for another injured baby. As you can see, it never ends.

From Beverly—Please keep Angie in your good thoughts and prayers. She is the only hope for so many abused, neglected and forgotten animals.

Donations to: Angie's Friends, 1208 Richland Oaks, Richardson, TX 75081 or by Paypal at www.angiesfriends.org. Thank you!!!