

FREEMAN FRITTS

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Clinic Hours: Monday - Friday, 7:30 – 12:00 and 1 - 5:30

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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.

March 2018 Newsletter



St. Patty's Day Kitty Limerick #1

"Feelin' lucky in my shamrock scarf!"

Cat in Shamrock Scarf by Flickr Creative Commons

Felix was quite a tough guy,
But car-riding made that cat cry;
And his people would say,
It would all be okay,
But he meowed like he thought he would die.

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Special Kitty Plug – Say Meow to Andy!



Howdy! My name is Andy. I'm a 6-month old black domestic short haired cat (super-cute!). I may be young but I'm pretty strong and courageous, as I am a Hurricane Harvey survivor. I was found with my six other siblings and brought to this lovely animal shelter where we were bottle-fed, loved and still very well cared-for. Even though it's really nice here, my 2 brothers were recently adopted and now I'm feeling really lonely and longing for a loving home, as well. I may be slightly cross-eyed, but I can still focus all of my love on you and your family! I'm cuddly, playful, and very loveable, so please come see me today! Oh, and before I

forget, I am available for adoption! And I'm great with little ones, which can come in handy when you're making those Saturday morning pancakes! Yum!

Can't wait to meet you guys! Looking forward to those late night and/or early morning snuggles.

Till then, Love, Andy

THE BIG GIVE SA!!!

The Big Give SA is coming up on March 22nd, so mark your calendars! The Big Give is a 24 hour opportunity that allows the community to contribute in a way to do amazing things! Here is the link for the Big Give donation page come March 22nd: <https://www.thebiggivesa.org/organizations/animal-welfare-society-of-kerr-county-tx-freeman-fritts-animal-shelter>

All the funds go to The Elsa Fund! This is a fund we've created to help us defer the costs for helping those in most need, just like our very own Olaf at Olaf's World. We've seen a huge increase in cases that require extensive medical care. Elsa is just one of so, so many. Her owners discovered Elsa very sick and didn't know what was wrong. After a visit to the vet and several extensive and expensive tests later they saw that she had a gotten into string, causing obstruction. We saw Elsa's owner's plea for help on Facebook. They had used all their savings on tests, and when it finally came down to surgery, had no money left. They lived hours away from us, but, thankfully, we had someone who could meet them to get the kitty so we could try and help. We got her into surgery, but, unfortunately, Elsa just could not recover from so much of the damage of the obstruction. These are the cases we want to help. We are now her voice to help save more like Elsa!

Since last year, the increase for these animals in dire need has increased significantly, and The Elsa Fund has depleted most of its funds.

Grayson, a handsome Russian Blue is one of our most recent cases. He was with a potential adopter through "family fit" with animal control. While with the family, his leg was shut in a drawer and was fractured. They returned him broken. His future was euthanasia had animal control not reached out to us. Luckily, he was able to get the major surgery he needed. We also have Joey. His front leg, back leg and pelvis broken, and he was only 6 weeks old. His surgery alone was very costly. During the aftermath of Hurricane Harvey we received several animals in severe shape. A sweet Sheltie Mix now known as Stumpy had traumatic injuries that resulted in the amputation of both back legs. An emaciated boxer, Eden, who came to us with a broken leg, dislocated hip, tick disease, was heartworm positive, and very pregnant. Her treatment for all these problems is still in progress, and funds are still desperately needed for her treatment and care. *These feline and canine friends require so much care and attention that we need your financial assistance so we can help more in need! Those listed above are just a handful of the special ones we try help!*



BARK of the Month – Meet Allie! 🐕



Who is the sweetest girl ever?! That's me - Allie! I'm currently looking for a quiet home and a nice, warm lap. I'm as gentle as can be and would make the best companion! I am about 4 years old and life has definitely not been easy. I am a Hurricane Harvey survivor, so last year was a bit of a tragedy for me. I lost everything, so I'm now really quite ready to be in my forever home! I'm a very elegant Chihuahua/Dachshund, and, as you can tell, my coat is not perfect, but it's getting there every day. They still say I'm beautiful - I really hope you think so, too!

MEOW of the Month – Meet Ivy! 🐱

Ivy here! I'm about the cutest and sweetest kitten you will ever meet! I mean, just look at me – I'm precious! They say I'm a dilute calico and I'm only about 4 months old. I'm just a playful ball of fur and purrs! I was found as a stray on the streets of Kerrville, so I sure am ready to have my very own person. I get along with others, too! Currently my roommate is Chyna. We both love to have visitors, so come on by and say hello! One of us just might be your purr-mate for life!

Photos by S J Derby



We're so very LUCKY to have Uber-Special Volunteers!

Freeman-Fritts is blessed with volunteers who add to the quality of life of all the animals in our care. Having consistent contact with loving human volunteers gives our animals more play time and loving attention than the staff, outstanding as it is, could ever give. This helps much faster, and they are much better pets once they are adopted.

Meet some of the people who faithfully walk and play with our pooches, and pat and play with our kitty-kats!

Robert and Marsha have volunteered for many years and spend time with many of the cats, but two of their favorites are long-time resident tabbies, Felicia and Rue, that are usually happier than they look here!



Charlotte walks dogs every day, rain or shine. Here she is hangin' with Bobby Mac and Dory.



Jeff and Sandy love all the dogs. Here they are holding Lulu and Daisy, a bonded pair of 8 year olds that were recently surrendered to the shelter.



Suzanne and Carolyn love playing with the cats in the visitation room, which is complete with a princess castle and baskets full of toys that roll, squeak and fly. Suzanne with calico Angela and Carolyn with grey Monkey.

If you can see yourself in a role as a friend and socializer of our dogs and cats, kittens and puppies, please give us a call!

Bless Our Lucky Shamrocks - We've Been Adopted!

Meows: Cj, Cammy, Milo, Max, Jayne, Lil Bug, Pluto

Bow-wows: Curly, Lisa, Kal, Lulu, Daisy, Emma, Missy



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 <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

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St. Patty's Day Kitty Limerick #2

"Where's the party?" Kitten in Green Hat by Shutterstock

**Oreo found himself bitter,
With cats who kicked out all the litter;
Fluff couldn't care less,
And kept making a mess,
'Cause no one could call him a quitter.**

