

FREEMAN FRITTS



March 2016 Newsletter

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Clinic Hours: Monday thru Friday
7:30 - 12 and 1 - 5:30

Shelter Hours: Monday thru Friday
10 - 11:30 & 1 - 4:30

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. All donations are tax-deductible.

Market Days – March 5

Please stop by and visit us at the Kerrville Market Day's new location, the Hill Country Youth Event Center. The new location combines The Market Days and The Hill Country Swap meet. There should be something for everyone. This new venue is located at 3705 Texas Highway 27, and the hours of operation are 8 am to 3 pm. Please stop by and say hello.

The Big Give S A – May 3

The Big Give S.A. is a 24-hour day of giving that brings donors and nonprofits together by creating a shared region-wide experience and connecting people to the causes that matter to them the most. Please consider sharing with us during the Big Give. For more information visit <https://thebiggivesa.org/>.

Just a Reminder:

We have a limited number of appointments that we schedule to provide full attention to our clients' needs. Unfortunately, these time slots do fill up quickly. Please be mindful of that when scheduling your appointments or spay and neuter surgeries. Call our office as soon as you can if you need to reschedule. Someone else could use your spot. Thank you.

4 Reasons You Should Definitely Volunteer At an Animal Shelter

Written by Samantha Tungul *This article is excerpted from **BarkPost** and can be read in its entirety at <http://barkpost.com/good/reasons-you-should-volunteer-at-animal-shelter/>.*

These are my four favorite reasons why I get sincere fulfillment from volunteering, and why you might want to consider donating your time too.

1. You feel connected to your community: This may seem obvious, but volunteering is a fantastic way to get to know your neighbors! In today's world most of us stay connected via the internet, and folks tend to keep to themselves. By stepping from behind my screen for a few hours, I've met so many incredible, kind, and interesting people through the shelter. It's a great way to connect through a shared dedication to a common cause, and everyone's also really happy, because we all *want* to be there; if we didn't, why would we volunteer? Being part of a positive team with a shared vision strengthens community ties so much more.

2. You lead by example and encourage other people to volunteer: This was one of my favorite outcomes, and a pleasant surprise. Simply by volunteering myself, I've recruited some of my friends to start volunteering in their own ways as well. One of my friends knits blankets for our foster animals, and another friend is a foster parent. One friend volunteers her time in our cat community room, and one friend adopted her dog from the shelter. When people see you doing good things in the community, it inspires other people to get involved too! We can all contribute something, and the more good we can spread, the better.

3. You learn you have so much to give, and want to do other good things: I've decided volunteering is a great way to learn about other interests I have. I applied the same concept in other areas of my life, and started to volunteer for projects at work. The results were the same: I met new people, learned new things I didn't know before, and became more aware of my daily environment. I volunteer for writing opportunities, events, and help with other great causes when I have the time. If you want to do it, ask someone and volunteer. Who knows what opportunities will come out of it, or what doors it might open.

4. You make a real difference: I can't stress this enough, but when I volunteer I know I'm helping make a difference, not just to the homeless animals, but to the people who visit our shelter. Whether they're looking for a new furry family member, turning in a stray animal, or surrendering a beloved pet, I do my best to make sure people and animals alike know the shelter is a safe place, and they'll be taken care of. Being that bridge of trust gives me the warm fuzzies on the inside.

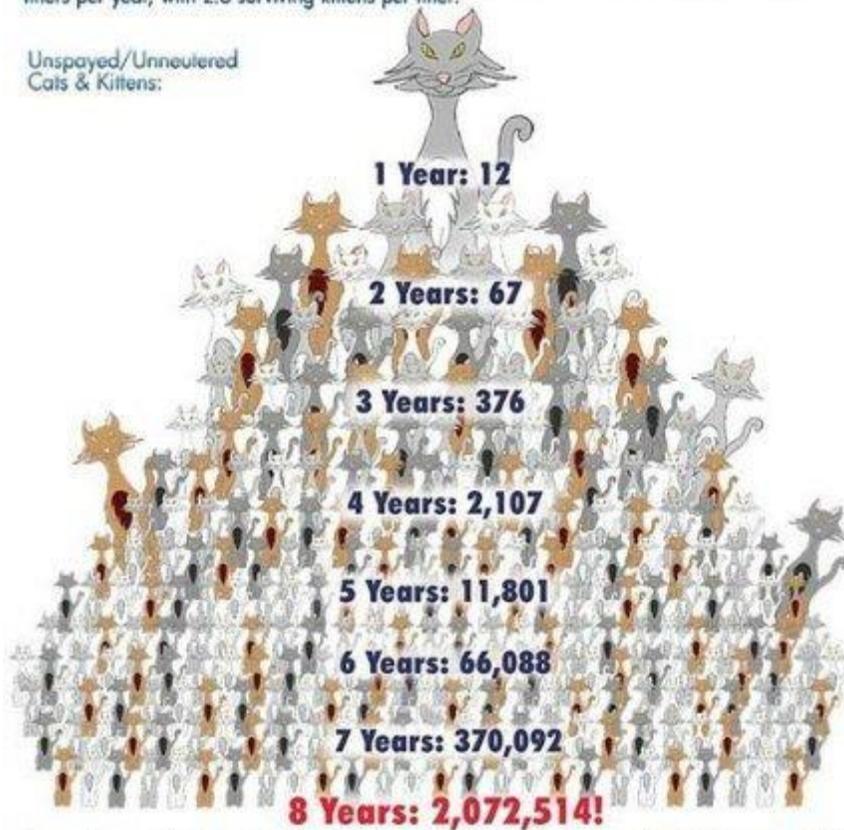
Those who can, do.
Those who can do more, volunteer.
— anonymous



SPAY AND NEUTER YOUR CATS

This chart represents one unspayed female, her mate and all of her offspring, producing 2 litters per year, with 2.8 surviving kittens per litter:

Unspayed/Unneutered
Cats & Kittens:



By spaying and neutering just one male and one female cat, more than 2,000 unwanted births can be prevented in just four years – and more than 2 million in 8 years!

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FREE Spay/Neuter Surgeries

Due to the generosity of a kind donor, Freeman-Fritts Vet Clinic has a feline spay/neuter fund available. This fund allows us to offer FREE spay/neuter surgeries (including Rabies Vaccination) for your cat. Call for an appointment 830-257-4144. (Any thank you notes received are forwarded to our donor.)

Prices for dogs vary from \$50 - \$120 depending on the type of surgery and the weight of the dog. The breakdown can be found on our website <http://www.freemanfritts.com/services/>.





Cat of the Month

Meow! I'm **Michone!**

Gorgeous is my nickname. Just look at me, I have swirls of colors all over. I'd say I'm fancy! The main question I have regarding my requirements for my forever home is do you have time to love me? Cause have I mentioned I'm a love bug? Also, do you know how to do chin scratches? Cause those are my favorite and a must for my new home.

Photos by S J Derby



Dog of the Month

Bobby Mac here! I'm a fun-loving boy just looking for my forever home! I'm just a puppy so I need to be taught how to be the best dog I can be. I look big in this picture but I'm actually only 12 lbs and I won't get much bigger. I'm just all legs. Oh and did you see my sparkling green eyes. You know you're in love, now you just need to come meet me.

Photo by S J Derby

Adopted since last newsletter:

Cats: Cooper, Paisley, Treeanna, Vienna, Mystique, and Chevrolet

Dogs: Layna, Merlin, Ember, and Jimmy Bob

CAN YOU HELP???

We are in desperate need of towels and flannel blankets.

