

# FREEMAN FRITTS



## November 2015 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.

## Christmas Market

Please join us on Saturday, November 7<sup>th</sup> at Freeman-Fritts, 515 Spur 100, for our Christmas Market. We have many gift items to purchase for all the animal lovers and pets on your Christmas list. **Saturday, Nov. 7<sup>th</sup>, 9 am - 1 pm.**

### **The 20 Most Important Facts Dog Lovers Must Never Forget. The Last One Brought Me To Tears...**

Dogs are so loyal that they love us no matter what we do. But if we want to provide the best life possible to these wonderful animals, we have to remember they have complex thoughts and feelings, too. Here are 20 that we must never forget.

**Don't be upset when I jump for joy when you come through the door.** I only live for ten or fifteen years. You are what makes that time enjoyable. It's hard on me when you go away.

**Give me time to understand what you want from me.** I don't always get it right on the first try, but I promise I'm trying as hard as I can.

**Give me your trust.** Just like I trust you, I need you to trust me.

**Don't be angry with me for too long. And please don't lock me up to punish me.** You have your friends and family to keep you happy and entertained. I just have you.

**Take me inside when the weather gets bad.** The backyard doesn't have air conditioning or a heater. You don't have to let me on the couch, but a small part of the kitchen is much better than sleeping in the snow.

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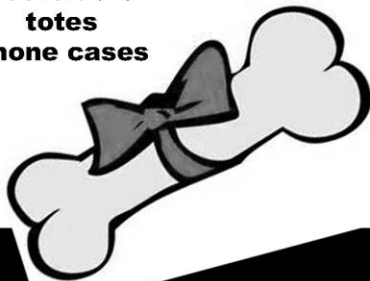


# Christmas Market

## Freeman-Fritts Animal Shelter

Gift items  
for all the  
animals and  
animal lovers  
on your  
Christmas  
list!  
(in the  
cutest  
dog and  
cat fabrics!)

pet beds  
pull toys  
stockings  
catnip mice  
placemats  
aprons  
potholders  
totes  
phone cases



*Order your all natural  
homemade dog treats now  
for pickup December 23rd!*



Marley

**"Meet the Mascot"**  
10-12 only  
Come shake hands  
with Marley



Sneak a peek  
at the new  
shelter!

iPad cases  
coasters  
pillowcases  
microwave  
bowl holders



**FREEMAN-FRITTS  
ANIMAL SHELTER**

**515 SPUR 100  
(LEFT AFTER THE VA  
HEADED EAST)**

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## The 20 Most Important Facts Dog Lovers Must Never Forget. Continued from page 1

**Talk to me.** Sure, we don't speak the same language, but the sound of your voice brightens my whole day.

**Comfort me when I'm scared.** You know a lot more about loud noises, strange people and new places than I do. I need to know that you'll protect me from them. I always feel safer when I'm with you.

**Remember that I'll never forget how you treat me.** Teach me that humans are made of love, not pain. And don't ever let me forget it.

**Come outside with me.** The sights, sounds, and scents of nature are some of my greatest pleasures in life. I don't care if we play, go for a walk, or just sit under a tree together . . . I want you to experience them with me.

**Let me make new friends.** Introduce me to other dogs, cats, or even bigger animals. We might not get along in the end, but having some more friends that look and smell like me makes my life that much brighter.

**Give me a treat every once in a while.** Food is one of my greatest pleasures in life. I know you want me to be healthy, so I understand when you don't share your own meals with me. But giving me a dog biscuit when I've been good or mixing tasty vegetables mixed in with my dinner is guaranteed to make me wag my tail extra hard.

**Please don't hit me.** I have teeth that can crush bone. Instead, I cover you in sloppy, wet kisses. Just as I choose not to hurt you, please make the choice to not hurt me.

**Understand when I need my alone time.** I love you more than anything, but even though it is rare, I don't always want to play or cuddle. Don't be sad if I'd rather sleep on the cold tile floor instead of your bed on hot summer nights, and be understanding if I don't want to play as much as the years go on.

**Show me your world.** The house and yard might be the only places I ever see unless you let me come with you. A trip to the pet store, the park, or even just a ride in the car is exhilarating for me. I can't wait to see what you want to show me.

**Teach me new things.** Learning new tricks keeps my mind active, but most of all, it gives me a way to impress you. I love showing off for your friends, looking up at you, and seeing how proud you are of me.

**Let me get dirty once in a while.** Your world is inside, but I thrive outdoors. Sometimes I find a lot of mud or a lake that smells like all its fishy inhabitants. I understand if you don't want to wash all that stuff off every day, but as long as it's safe, let me go back to my wild roots every now and then.

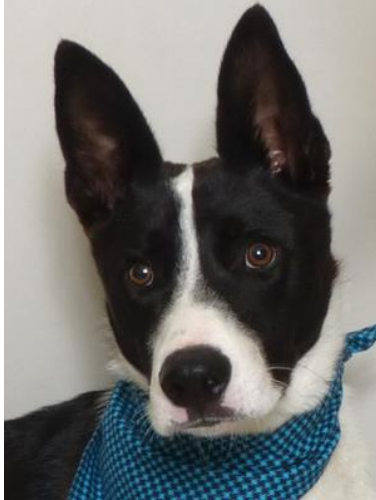
**Touch me.** Nothing makes me feel more loved than when you take time out of your day to rub my ears or scratch that itchy spot on my back I can't reach. I can't understand your words, but I definitely understand the feelings behind a hug.

**Pay attention if I don't seem like myself.** It might seem like I'm being lazy or stubborn, but I might not be feeling well. I can't get help for myself, and I need you to look out for me.

**Love me when I'm old just as much as you did when I was young.** I might not be the cute puppy that I was once was, but I still love you just as much as I did then. Please take care of me when my body doesn't work like it used to.

**Come with me on my final journey.** I know it will be difficult, but I need you by my side when the time comes for me to leave this world. Every moment down to my last breath is easier if I have you with me.

With deep love and affection,  
Your Forever Friend



## Dog of the Month

Do you want a puppy that wants to please, learns fast, gives kisses and can do tricks? Then you're thinking about me, **Oliver**. You just need to teach me the commands. No one is more eager to learn than I am- I get it the first time (well, sometimes the second). Have other dogs? I love 'em. Cats? They're fine with me. Like to play ball? So do I, and I return the ball. Read? I lie quietly at your side. Take walks? Let's go! Within a day I'll be your best friend (doesn't take longer than that though I start out a little shy). I'm still a puppy, but gently playful, and I have lovely manners, just haven't been trained. I don't bark at stuff, don't beg, or do any of those other irritating things. Come meet me today! *Photo by S J Derby*

## Cat of the Month

An extremely handsome Lynx Point Siamese, **Biscuit** is one of our many rescues from Kerr County Animal Services. As so often happens when a friendly cat lands there with an injury, they called for our help with him. Upon picking him up we saw he was missing a rear foot; it looked like a dead-trap injury, and though partially healed it was still a bloody mess. With cage rest and ointment, it first developed a scab, then a callous, and after much deliberation we decided not to amputate the rest of the leg. Because of his adventurous nature and outgoing personality, he gets a lot of freedom to wander loose here at Freeman-Fritts, and when running around he uses the injured leg like a ski pole to push off and skid around corners. He considers himself fully functional, and we can't argue.



Biscuit has the interesting Siamese crossed eyes, and beautiful swirled markings. Knowing he would fit in perfectly with our shelter, when he was neutered he got the full workup, including microchip. He has since graduated to the large cat room where four other cats live, and there was virtually no adjustment period; he was immediately accepted. He is also best-playmate with one of our favorite shelter dogs, Rufus, so he seems to have no species prejudices. Biscuit has BIG personality, and is a joy to be around.

Shortly after moving in with us, when he could see that he was safe from the mean, hard world, and had all the amenities, he began kneading his bed with pleasure; thus the name Biscuit. I truly hope you'll come meet him. You won't be disappointed. *Photo by S J Derby*

**Adopted since last newsletter: Dogs:** Olan, Kiwi, and Josie  
**Cats:** Bubba, Skinny Kitty, Bruno, Brooke, & Sky

