

FREEMAN-FRITTS VET CLINIC & SHELTER





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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! AWS Freeman-Fritts Animal Shelter & Clinic 515 Spur 100, Kerrville TX 78028 830-257-4144 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's mission is to reduce the number of homeless, unwanted animals through spay/neuter programs, to shelter and promote adoption of homeless animals, and to provide education in the responsibilities of pet care and ownership. All donations are tax deductible and are used to provide care and services to our shelter animals while awaiting a forever home.



COVID VISITATION STATUS: We are still limiting foot traffic in the shelter. Walk-ins are still not permitted. Adoptions may take place with approved applications.

COVID Policy reminders: See page 4 of this newsletter COVID Updates: <u>https://www.freemanfritts.com/post/covid-19-update-1</u> Clinic Services/Question: email <u>info@freemanfritts.com</u> The shelter remains closed to the general public and walk-ins. If you are interested in adopting a pet, please visit our website (www.freemanfritts.com) to see those available for adoption. You can request an application or ask any questions by emailing info@freemanfritts.com Please list the name of the fur-baby you wish to adopt in the subject line of your email. We will contact you after your application has been reviewed.

A Huge Thank You to our April Special Sponsor, Frances Pooser!

Frances donated in honor/memory of her beloved cat, Jacob! She also donated to sponsor a cat in need of our choice! She is a true Angel 😇 We now have a huge selection of food, baby bottles, kitten and puppy milk, blankets, beds, collars and toys, toys and MORE TOYS!

Thank you, thank you, from the bottom of our hearts!

A special thank you to our volunteer **Garland Crabtree** for working on our riding lawn mower and getting it up and running for spring mowing!

Your time and expertise are greatly appreciated!

Paws up $\stackrel{\mathfrak{B}}{\Rightarrow}$ for those that show up for animals in need!

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Keep Pets Alive - #KPA! - was proud to present the Golden Paw award to these local #heroes for their efforts to keep #kerrpets safe during the Winter Storm Uri events in February!

Thank you for your hard work and dedication to the critters!



L to R: Carol Twiss (Ingram Chief of Police), Nicole Golden (KCAS), Mario Ruiz (Ingram PD) and his dog "Dogger," Lieutenant Jonathan Cline (KPD) Phyllis Allen (Freeman Fritts), Lucy Wilke (Kerr County DA), Sheriff Larry Leitha (KCSO), and Pastor Del Way (Calvary Temple). #kerrvilletx #kerrpetsalive #kerrcounty #kerrvillekind

April Pet Days/Weeks! And there are a LOT of them...

All Month Long:

- Canine Fitness Month (Active Dog Month)
- National Adopt a Greyhound Month
- National Frog Month
- National Heartworm Awareness Month
- National Pet First Aid Awareness Month
- National Pet Month (UK)
- Prevent Lyme Disease in Dogs Month
- Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Month

Weeklong Events:

- April 1–7: International Pooper Scooper Week
- April 1–7: National Raw Feeding Week
- April 11–17: National Animal Care & Control Appreciation Week
- April 11–17: <u>National Dog Bite Prevention Week</u>
- April 17–24: National Pet ID Week
- April 18–24: Animal Cruelty/Human Violence Awareness Week
- April 23-29: National Scoop the Poop Week

Special Days/Holidays:

- April 1: April Fool's Day
- April 2: National Ferret Day
- April 3: Every Day Is Tag Day
- April 4: Easter
- April 4: World Rat Day
- April 6: National Siamese Cat Day
- April 8: National Dog Fighting Awareness Day
- April 10: National Hug Your Dog Day
- April 10: National Siblings Day
- April 11: National Pet Day
- April 11: Celebrate Shelter Pets Day
- April 11: Dog Therapy Appreciation Day
- April 12: World Hamster Day



EVEN MORE Special Days/Holidays:

- April 18: Pet Owners Independence Day
- April 19: <u>National Cat Lady Day</u>
- April 21: Bulldogs Are Beautiful Day
- April 22: Earth Day
- April 23: National Lost Dog Awareness Day
- April 24: World Veterinary Day
- April 25: National Pet Parents Day
- April 25: World Penguin Day
- April 26: National <u>Kids and Pets</u> Day
- April 27: National Little Pampered Dog Day
- April 28: International Guide Dog Day
- April 30: National Tabby Day
- April 30: Adopt a Shelter Pet Day
- April 30: National Therapy Animal Day
- April 30: Hairball Awareness Day

REMINDER: The shelter is still closed to the general public.

If you are interested in adopting, please email us at <u>info@freemanfritts.com</u> for more information and to request an application.



POOCHIE-POO of the Month!

This gorgeous girl is the perfect Lab! Bree is 9 years young and 86 lbs. She is full of spunk and full of life, even though she has likely been tossed around her entire life from home to home. She is definitely ready for a forever home. A real furever commitment!

We have yet to discover a toy she likes to play with but we do know she has an abounding, wonderful energy and we know she'd enjoy a big back yard to romp around in! You got a yard for her?!

Putty-Tat of the Month - Meet Jodie!

Jodie is a beautiful 4 month old long-haired gray tabby with the cutest white socks! Just look at that prettiness!

Jodie is an absolute love bug who enjoys all the attention she can get. Once you get her purring, that purr box is nonstop!

Would you like to be her new best furever-buddy?



SPONSOR HIGHLIGHT: Brandy

Brandy, pictured, came into the shelter with her mother and her sister, Cider. Their mother was not socialized, and the kittens never learned to be comfortable around people. To this day they still run from everyone. You can kind of see the fear in her eyes...

We have reluctantly determined that, although they are only 2 years old, they will not be adopted out due to their lack of social skills. We are hoping to find them some FF Kind Heart Sponsors to help with their long term care and comfort! Let us know if you can help!



ITEMS WE CAN USE!

Reminder that we can ALWAYS use supplies to care for our residents!

Yum

- Meow Mix Dry Cat Food
- Fancy Feast or Friskies Gourmet Canned Pate Cat Food
- Pepperoni Dog Training Treats
- Gerber Stage 2 Chicken Baby Food for kittens
- Fancy Feast Dry Cat Food

Clean as a Whistle

- Fabulosa any fragrance
- Dawn Dish Soap, Clorox Bleach, Clorox Wipes
- Paper Towels, Hand Towels, Bath Towels
- Large Covered Litter Boxes, Litter Scoops

Other Necessities and Warm Fuzzies

- Dog and Cat Beds
- Baby Blankets
- Bath Rugs with Rubber Backing
- Dog and Cat Toys
- Small and Medium Dog Collars and Leashes
- Breakaway Cat and Kitten Collars
- Support Our Shelter While Shopping: Don't forget that you can support our shelter when shopping at Amazon. Go to <u>https://smile.amazon.com</u>, 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.
- ♥ DONATE STUFF! Visit <u>https://www.freemanfritts.com/wish-list-donation</u> to see our Wish List(s)!
- Make a contribution for a specific shelter need such as the spay/neuter fund, which helps defray the cost of surgery.
- Remember us in your estate planning!

COVID-19 POLICY REMINDERS - Until Further Notice

If any of the following apply to you, please reschedule your appointment in order to keep our staff healthy and our clinic open:

図 If you are sick, have a fever, cough, sore throat or flu-like symptoms

🕱 If you have recently traveled out of the country, to the East or West Coast, or any other areas with high rates of COVID19 infections

🕱 If you have been in contact with someone that is ill or is in quarantine please

We also ask that you keep the number of family members accompanying your pet to our clinic to a minimum to reduce chances of exposure.

We are offering the following services at this time:

Curbside Care: We ask for you to remain in your car and call the clinic at 257-4144 to check in for any appointments or to drop off pets for boarding. We will come out to your car to get your pet and bring them into the clinic.

- Cats <u>must</u> be in a secure carrier and dogs must be on leashes.
- > Credit cards can be taken over the phone and cash can be collected curbside.
- > Telemedicine: We may be able to provide some medical care via phone/texts/etc. for certain conditions that would alleviate the need for a

Want to Volunteer?

If you have some extra time to spare and want to help, 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!

Freeman-Fritts Spay & Neuter Program!

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.

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!