

MARCH 2022 NEWSLETTER



Spring is Coming!



Believe it or not, spring is right around the corner! March 20th can't get here soon enough for many of us, but that means that flea and heartworm prevention is more important than ever. In Texas, fleas and deadly mosquitos are a year-round problem and the importance of prevention cannot be understated. If your pet is not on a monthly heartworm preventative, the risks of contracting a potentially fatal disease are significantly increased. It takes only one heartworm-carrying mosquito to infect your pet. Worst of all, adult heartworms can survive in dogs for up to seven years, and in cats, they may survive from a few months up to several years. And fleas, well we know how they can make our pets miserable! Be sure to visit your vet to ensure your pet does not already have heartworms before starting on preventatives, as this could be very dangerous for your furry loved ones. Although it's estimated that 95% of dogs diagnosed with heartworms are treated successfully, according to the Food and Drug Administration there is currently no effective and safe medical treatment for cats infected with heartworm disease.



Volunteers Needed!



We love our volunteers! Here are some of the things you can do:

- Play with dogs or cats and brush them so they will be more adoptable
- **Transport** animals to rehabilitation or other shelters
- Work our booth at Market Days, or make things for us to sell there or in the clinic
- Assist at off-site adoption events
- **Help** maintain our buildings and grounds
- Aid in fundraising efforts
- **Share** your special skills or talents

Interested? Email us for a volunteer application at info@freemanfritts.com. We'd love to meet you!





Sponsor of the Month





Meet Casey! Casey is a beautiful white and tabby girl with a heart of gold! Unfortunately, her life story hasn't always been a pretty one. Casey came to us declawed, abandoned outside with no defenses. We tried to locate an owner, but none was found. Casey is so charming and didn't deserve the life she was dealt. We quickly began the extensive care she deserved, and she began to realize how loved she was. We knew she couldn't handle a change again. Casey would remain here in our care, loved and cared for daily. Casey loves everyone she meets, and with her sweet meows, she will greet you in her favorite spot on the counter. Casey is one of our very special kitties available for sponsorship. Her sponsorship would help provide the special foods and yummy treats she loves and for her yearly care. With sponsorship, you become her sponsor mom/dad, and with that, you get monthly updates on your special kitty! Sponsor today: https://www.freemanfritts.com/sponsor-form

Adoptions!

Adler Charmin Bubba Perdita Downy Kiki Finley Ileana Cupid Zoe Tucker

Yoga with Kitties Success!

Yoga with Kitties was a huge success and so much fun for all! Thank you to all who came and joined us and a HUGE thank you to Kathryn of Uniquely Kind Yoga for your amazing class.

Look for another class soon! Stay Tuned....

March Meowness is here and we have some exciting news!

An anonymous donor has generously offered us a challenge by **matching donations up to \$1000!** Can you believe it? We have the chance to double every dollar donated instantly up to \$1000! The much needed monies will go directly to help our shelter animals! Please help us attain the **"Pot O Gold"** and donate today! Every dollar counts and no amount is too small! We are so excited and forever grateful.

Many ways to give: Online: PayPal.me/freemanfritts

Mail: 515 Spur 100 Kerrville, Tx 78028

Call in donation: 830-257-4144

PETS OF THE MONTH

PONGO



Meet Pongo! Pongo is a handsome, 9-month-old all American mix with perfect Dalmatian dots, weighing around 30lbs. Pongo is a very sweet gentleman who is a little timid at first. He is super playful and smart; he knows sit, down, and is learning to shake. He loves chew toys, big sticks, and stuffed Kongs, too.

Pongo is made to be your BFF to go on adventures and then chill when the day is over. He is perfect for that, and is ready to begin his new life. He needs you as much as you need him!

Interested in adopting please email: info@freemanfritts.com or come by and see Pongo Wednesday-Friday from 1-4 pm.

Cindy Lou Who

Cindy Lou Who is waiting for her purrfect home! She is a very spunky and courageous kitten and loves nothing more than to play, play, play, and zoom, zoom!

This little lady is an irresistible grey tabby. At only 15 weeks old, she has tons of love to give! Cindy Lou Who adores belly rubs and even gently asks for more ear scratches. Her sweet purr machine is always on as long as your near. Cindy Lou Who has an incredible personality that will make a PURRFECT addition to your family!

If interested in adopting, please email: info@freemanfritts.com or come by and see Cindy Lou Who Wednesday-Friday from 1- 4 pm.



Market Days is back! Come see us at our booth on **March 5** at the Ag Barn and support our FF mission. Can't wait to see you again!

AWS Freeman-Fritts Appointment Procedures

Our clinic is open in our reception area for appointments to keep you and your pets safe from waiting outside. We are pleased to return to normal operations and are looking forward to serving you. If you prefer curbside service, please let our receptionist know when you check-in. We will continue to help ensure the safety of both you and your loved ones.

★Shelter Hours:

The shelter is open for viewing the animals for adoption on Wednesday - Friday from 1:00 pm-4:00 pm only.

If you have any other questions, please email info@freemanfritts.com



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!

The Animal Welfare Society of Kerr County, Texas is a 501(c)(3) NonProfit 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 1:00 - 5:30. Shelter Hours: Wednesday - Friday, 1:00 - 4:00.

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.