

# <u>ARFhouse</u> penings

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# Spring Forward with ADOPTIONS



"Frankie" is finally at home with the Cohn family. They love him, and he's a perfect dog!



Colton, Mike with Zoey, Cody and Sarah Helena holding "Cadillac's" leash. This big 93 lb. boy has been an ARFhouse resident for over a year, and today (3/10) was his lucky day.



"Pete Puggles" found a home with Chad Cornelison



Jessie Barnes, Tricia, and fiance', Scott Bell. Beautiful couple loving their new girl.

#### **Our Adoption Sites**

We are grateful to the following PetSmarts that allow us to present our animals for adoption: **McKinney 2nd Sunday and Prosper 4th Sunday** (Exceptions in April, so be sure to check our website if you're planning to drop by one of the stores.)





Son, Will is holding Derby, the Corgi mix, next is Marty (wife) and Patrick Allen holding "Little Ricky".

### **More ADOPTIONS**



The Graytan family: Our "Jack", Emily, Maria, Juvio and Ricardo. Jack has a great Justine Auger and "Pinto" back yard, a family that adores him.





Austin and Maggie Wells with "Tyler".



Kirk Fetterman and Charley (daughter) with "Joanie"



"Buster", on the left, (a senior ARFhouse dog) with Melissa Armstrong & "Sugar".... his new friend.



Wes and Megan Maimone with our "Onyx" (on the right)



"Gordon" was a stray in Gordonville, found by a lady who posted on Facebook and searched for his home for weeks.

#### **UPDATE \*\* ADOPTED\*\***

Rhonda & Mike Lowe fell in love with "Gordon" when he wrapped his paws around her.





"Little Dude" with and Jake and Kristen

## 2nd Annual Golf Tournament June 10, 2019 Tanglewood Golf Club, Pottsboro, TX

Friends of ARFhouse, we are happy to announce that we will hold our 2nd annual golf tournament at Tanglewood Golf Club. Last year was a huge success for us. It was our single biggest fundraiser ever and it was great fun for all participants. If anything made us happier than that, it was the money we raised for the dogs of ARFhouse. You know that everything we do, we do for the dogs. They are the beneficiaries of all of your support, and we could not do what we do without you. Thank you!

Please consider supporting this tournament. There are many ways to support it and multiple levels of sponsorship. All of the information is posted on our website and on our Facebook page. There are sponsorship levels from \$5000 to \$150 and everything in between. Of course, there is golf. The format is a 4 person scramble with handicaps (calculated per team), and our entry fees are \$80 per individual or \$300 for a team registration. Entry fee includes breakfast and lunch plus beverages for the day. We will have a putting contest with potential cash to be won, and we will award 1st, 2nd and 3rd place prizes for the top 3 teams. In addition, there is a prize for longest drive and closest to the pin for both men and women participants.

If you would like to support us by donating items for silent auction or raffle, please email golf.arfhouse@gmail.com. You may drop off items for auction or raffle at the Liz O'Brien Adoption Center or arrange for us to pick up your items. Some items such as gift cards can be easily mailed.

Please see our website or Facebook page for a registration form or sponsor form. Any questions you have will be answered if you email the golf.arfhouse@gmail.com address.

Come out and join us for a day of golf for a great cause on June 10 at Tanglewood.





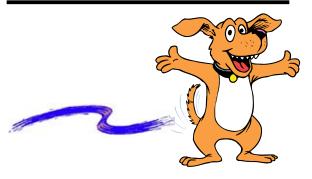
# DO YOU SHOP AT AMAZON? If so, please go to: smile.amazon.com so that the dogs of ARFhouse will receive a donation from your order!

# Thanks To the people who help our dogs

Stacey & Dr. Clay Morris
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Staff
Canyon Creek Pet Hospital
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Deb Blakeney
Carla McBride



## **NEWCOMERS**





Our staff person, Roxanne, found "Roxie" on HWY 82. She was reluctant at first to hop in the van, but after a few minutes Roxanne was able to coax her in and she climbed in the front seat to be with her. Sweetest dog ever.

#### **WISH LIST**

Items needed for our garage sale in Pottsboro on April 26th (letter to follow to North Texas Residents)

Postage Stamps

Canned Pedigree Dog Food

Nexgard flea/tick "chewables"

Office supplies

Cleaning supplies

Large metal spoons

Commercial grade water hoses (any length)



"Little Ricky" and his mother, "Big Lucy", were found outside the entrance gate to ARFhouse one morning.



"Tucker" was abandoned near ARFhouse and a neighbor found him and called us.



"Janie" was found under a man's mobile home by a contractor who was doing some repairs for him. The occupant didn't know that she AND her 9 puppies were under his house! As you can see, she had lost her eye in her previous life. She gets along with all our dogs and has perfect house manners (except for a minor habit of taking food off the kitchen counter when no one's looking).



Little Dude! Found as a stray in Gainesville. He was in a ditch off the highway in the rain.



Piccolo was a stray that came up to a residence in Durant. Very sweet and looks like she's had a few pups in her short lifetime.



"Goose" was found on a country road and brought to us by a lady who saw him.



"Copper" & "Cinnamon" were abandoned dogs, picked up by the Rowlett shelter. They were scheduled for euthanasia and we agreed to take



them. We will occasionally do this (when we can find space) to help another shelter AND naturally to save the dogs that we believe are adoptable. These two are so sweet, we've taken them to some events. They will eventually find a home.

#### "What I've Been Up To"

by: Jenna Glover

Things are in full swing! With the passing of the holiday season, we have seen a spike in our adoptions. The power of social media has been good to us; many of our adoptions this year have come from our online presence.



A large part of my work days are spent with the dogs (no complaints!). We have had many, many intakes this year, which means taking time with each, getting them ready to be placed into their new homes. It's a neverending task, but it just might be my favorite!

# THANKS TO EHOB, INC. and their representative, REBECCA LEWIS!

"We love getting packages here at ARFhouse. We especially love getting packages with sweet little messages written for the dogs!! The kind, animal-lovin' people at EHOB, Inc. and a very special lady, Rebecca Lewis sent us SEVEN boxes filled with pee pads!! And not just any pee pads...MONSTER-SIZED pee pads! We can use the pee pads in larger areas, or we can cut them into smaller sizes! As you all can imagine, we go through A LOT of pads.

EHOB, Inc. is a medical equipment manufacturer focused on pressure injury prevention. Not only do they do great things for our fellow man, they help out our four-legged friends in the process.

THANK YOU for the pee pads, EHOB Inc.!! And thank you for putting a smile on our faces when we read your notes on all the packages!"



In our fall newsletter, we'll be acknowledging and thanking all the wonderful people and companies that collaborated on making our new senior center a reality. We'll also be announcing an open house in hopes that our local friends will be able to attend. But we'd like to thank the following two people who donated (and installed) our sign: "The Margie and John McCain Senior Center".

Sarena Michaels & Thad Nelson have a company: "The Graphics Group", located in Little Elm. They are a sign company, but do many other jobs: custom wraps, dimensional lettering, vinyl graphics, sign refacing, etc.

They wanted you to know that for the first 2 weeks in May, they'll be donating 50% of their profits to ARFhouse!



from Martha Hovers

Almost three years ago our adoption coordinator, Deb Blakeney, wrote a letter to Chewy asking them if they would consider donating food to our organization. She described in detail what we do and the number of dogs we feed daily; feeding over 100 cans of wet food and 350 lbs of dry. I received a call from their representative shortly thereafter saying they'd be happy to help us. We began sending a semi to their south Dallas location monthly to pick up a large quantity of product. It was like Christmas here every month! We had a friendly relationship with our contacts at Chewy and this was a Godsend for our animals. Last year their staffing changed and overnight they stopped giving. In January of this year a mass e-mail was sent to rescues from Chewy stating that they had changed their giving to charities and that each rescue should fill out information on a form they were sending in order to receive from a "food bank". We've done this, but have heard nothing in response to that "application". I'm reporting this to you NOT to disparage Chewy. We appreciate the donations they made to us for two plus years. As "they" say: "All good things must end". However, if you read our Facebook page you've seen that we've repeatedly asked for canned food. Many of you have generously sent cases to feed our senior dogs and those on meds. We are grateful for your response to this plea. If we do not find another source for canned food, I wanted you to understand why this is now a regular appeal.

We're doing more than ever before for the abandoned dogs in north Texas; occasionally accepting dogs from kill shelters, taking dogs that are left when their guardians pass away or enter care facilities, and naturally picking up any stray we find in our "travels" around this area. We have 13 employees who work daily, rain or shine, Christmas or Thanksgiving and all holidays in between, making certain our animals are fed, watered and live in clean spaces. Our robust adoption program is thriving and we appreciate having two great sites to present our dogs: PetSmart in McKinney and PetSmart in Prosper.

We can do none of this without your support. YOU make it possible for us to do what we love. Please continue to give what you can so that we can continue to rescue those that rely on us and on you.

#### Brakebill Veterinary Hospital Made The Following "In Memory" Donations

"Coco" Margaret Avard & Bryan Clark

"Pickles"
The Gunnels family

"Falcor" Monica Dell

"Emma" Bill & Vicki Horne

"Houdini" Christy Gambill

"Sabrina" & "Midnight" Karen Tierney

"Little Chuck" Kelsi Greenwood & Emma Curry

"Harlie" Mr. \*& Mrs. Lee Logston

> "Buddy" Argentine Malone

"Onyx" Andrea Migura & family

> "Ginger" The Lopez family

> > "Chloe" Amy Alvarez

"Patty" Dawn Mongognia

"Bruiser" The Haston family

"Sugar" The Holt family

"Annabelle" Mr. & Mrs. Tom Matthews

> "Poe Bear" Marilyn Whorton

"Mia" Mr. & Mrs. Leroy Brack "Mikey" & "Raven" Richard Taylor

> "Libby" Alma Gentle

"Buster" The Stann family

"Doggy"
Natalie Meismer &
Cody Braudrick

"Sasha" Gina Sheffield

"Sierra"
Kirkpatrick & Davis
family

"Jenna" Mr. & Mrs. Bob Devoll

> "Malvin" Joe Pennock

"Harley" Krystal Dodson

> "Peanut" Jan Lain

"Sammi" Becky & Bennie Hall "Tia" Susan Worthington

> "Boo" Tasha Knowles

"Kiwi" Elizabeth Phillips

"Chip" Jennifer Lanci

"Bear" Michell Clark

"Daisy" Olessia Silakova

"Max" Monty Cooper

"Dixie" Randy & Patricia Moore

"Curly" Mr. & Mrs. Wes Shelton

"Heidi" The Chapman family

"Rufus"
The Hawkins family

"June" Sara McKee "Zeke" Mr. & Mrs. David Ellis

> "Patty" Larry Cox

"Whiskers" Karen Bounds

"Bailey" Mr. & Mrs. Jim Barnes

"Hammer" Mr. & Mrs. David Plyler

"Lulu" Karen & James Mutz

"Clyde" Michelle Langley

> "Tootsie" Phyllis Hiles

"July Johnson" June Hartpence

"Dirk" The Noltensmeyer's

> "Jasmine" The Cline's

"Stinky" The White family "Blue" & "Sebastian"
The Armstrong family

"Bentley"
The Bell family

"Smokey" Keith & Christi Hutson

> "Zena" Xavion Doty

"Ada"
The Cornelius family

"Leo" Jason Boston

"Lina" Erika Balderas

"Fluffy" Carol Hughes

"Alex" Carol Cloud

#### Canyon Creek Animal Hospital Made The Following "In Memory" Donations

"Max"	"Buster"	"Mozart"	"Ginger"
Seastrunk family	Gray family	Sams family	Regina Ramey
"Buttons"	"Pogo"	"Chunk"	"Marvin"
Pena family	Carnett family	Smith family	Terry Brewster
"Hank"	"Bernie"	"Chancellor"	"Annie"
Grady family	Hughes family	Benson family	The Cline's
"Pepper"	"Fuzzy"	"Ardmore"	"Gracie"
Gann family	Williams family	Ryan Lewis	The Reynolds'
"Gracie"	"Zoe"	"Sadie"	"Chris Tinkle"
Horne family	Soper family	Brenda Marr	The Wright's

#### In Memory of Beloved Pets

"Millie" Blankenship by: Mark & Joan Blankenship

"Gidaet" by: Gerri Thomen

"Yubee" by: Celeste & Mitch Malicoate

> "Belle" by: Betty & Bobby Rice

"Gimenee" "our very special short tail yellow cat" by: James & Donna Pennell

> "Dinker" by: Julia McCullough

"Romo" by: Tom & Joanne Fowler

"Wink" Donovan Lewis' beloved pet by: Ashley Wilkerson

"Anna" by: Kathy & Stacy Caudell "Charita", "Gigi", Queball, & Callie

by: Susan & Bob Slagle

"Biscuit" by: Elna Terry

"Molly" (adopted from ARFhouse) by: Paul & Linda Bowers

"Bailey" by: Kathy & Stacy Caudell

"Napoleon" by: Diana & Larry Pryor

"Max" by: Beverly Nelson

"Barney" for "his people", Fred & Linda Chauvin

"Max" handsome Belgian Tervuren & faithful companion of Kathy & Bob Hill by: Beverly Nelson

#### To Honor Animal Lovers & Beloved Pets

Jane Wilson by: Paul Wunderlick

Greg & Angela Ray by: Wendy Duerr

**Brakebill Veterinary Hospital** by: Anonymous Donor

Carolyn & John Erfurth by: Cindy Boling

Mrs. Norma Carney by: Lee & Jeanne Gregory

> Chantal Gage by: Jann G. Knotts

Sue Collins & family by: Frieda Phillips

Margaret Bourke by: granddaughters: Victoria Boll & Margaret Gant

Trey Spradlin by: Debbie & Robert Douglas

> Judy Sloan by: Kathy Butler

Molly & Neal Wilkinson by: Leah Diane Edmonds

Mr. & Mrs. Jerry Huffman by: Andy Williams

> Tom Huffman by: Andy Williams

James & Shirley Melton by: John & Bobbie March

Jack Phillips by: Frieda Phillips Margaret Bourke by: Hank & Yvonne Bourke

Margaret Bourke by: Todd & Shelley Cranford

Andy Williams & Kay Greenwood by: Gerda & Jerry Huffman

LuRuth Taylor by: James Phillip Smith

Greg & Kim Calhoun & "Hank" by: Peaches Calhoun

Margaret "Peg" Bourke by: her daughter, Kelly Renfro

> Nana by: Shelley Cranford

> Sue Collins & family by: Frieda Phillips

Andy Williams on his birthday by: Mom & Dad (Gerda & Jerry Huffman)

> Gerda Huffman on her birthday by: Andy Williams & Kay Greenway-Williams

#### In Memory of Animal Lovers

WAYMON MCMACKIN beloved husband by: Sharon McMackin

Margaret Melvin by: Stan, Sherry, Scott & **Summer Simmons** 

June Vaughn by: Gretchen Coyner

Leldon Cox by: Gretchen & Becky Goss

**Hoppy** Joiner "a member of our organization who truly loved animals" by: Tuesday Study Club

Julie Thompson by: Alice Sue Wilson Scibek

Suzanne Chapman by: Susan & Bob Slagle

Barbara Dean Evans by: Danny Luedecke & Taylor Walcik

Patricia Geraghty Falligant by: Danny Luedecke & Taylor Walcik

> **Curtis Oppermann** by: Aleta Oppermann

Cal Baker by: Nick & Sue Keating

Mary K. Secrest by: Nick & Sue Keating

Shirley Melton & her last beloved companion "Buffy" "my mother & pet lover" by: Joy Melton

> Dan Thomas Johnson by: Jane Gowans

> > Jack Phillips by: Frieda Phillips

James "Sandy" Beach by: Garrick Linn & Carrie Beach

The following made a memorial donation in memory of RUSSELL DARLING Bess Seigler Karen Nyguist Glenna Havill Marsha Powers & K. Powers Linda & Mike Tarzis Paula Yager Betty & Charley Fleming James & Barbara Mullens "his 4-legged kids" --"Sophie", "Blue", & "Sissie" by: Barbara (Basham) Darling

Marilyn Sanders "She loved & cared for many animals." by: Barbara Sanders

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Becky O'Brien by: Jeanie Stokes Animal Refuge Foundation 3377 Spalding Rd. Sherman, TX 75092

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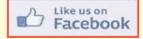
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#### Mission Statement

ARFhouse is dedicated to improving the lives of animals through rescue and rehabilitation, spay/neuter and placing into homes with loving guardians.

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