The Houston Humane Society is a non-profit organization dedicated to eliminating cruelty, abuse and the overpopulation of animals.
Dear Friends,

Hard to believe another year has past. I am proud to report the HHS was able to make a difference to many animals in 2005.

In February more than 200 animals were seized from horrendous conditions in a puppy mill. Most were given lengthy intensive care in our Animal Wellness Center, and then adopted into permanent, loving homes. Thanks to our R.A.I.D.E.R. program many more animals were seized during the year and are now safe and sound in new environments.

We succeeded in raising the monies needed for a $1 million dollar grant to move forward on a much-needed new facility. The Audrey Jones Beck Adoption Center will be completed late this year and we will have our Holiday Open House in December 2006.

In late summer we were pushed to the limits by Hurricane Katrina, and a few weeks later we were again in disaster mode when threatened by Hurricane Rita. All of our resources were demanded when we sprang into action rescuing animals left behind and threatened by these devastating storms. The R.A.I.D.E.R. team went to the storm-ravaged areas, loading up the HHS rescue truck with animals from both private homes and from humane organizations. For weeks cats and dogs were being brought to the HHS Shelter resulting in hundreds of owned and stray animals getting free medical evaluations, treatments, food and care in our Animal Wellness Center.

One big misconception on the part of many was that donations given to HSUS (Humane Society of the United States) would end up, at least partially, at the HHS. The HHS does not and did not receive any operating funds, the donations from many of you enabled us to aid all evacuees from both hurricanes seeking help from the HHS. In preparation for future disasters, the HHS has set up the Animal Relief Fund (ARF). Your support of this ongoing fund will ensure that the Houston Humane Society can continue to provide care for these animals and any animals left in need by future emergencies.

Through partnerships with Reliant Energy and General Growth Properties and other aggressive programs, the HHS adopted almost 1,000 more animals in 2005 than in 2004. With the addition of our new adoption center, new and continued partnerships, population growth in our area and our pro-active programs, we hope to far exceed the 2005 numbers and find many more permanent homes for our wonderful animals.

That the Houston Humane Society persevered through many adversities is a testament to the strength of its shelter staff and volunteers who are committed to preserving the life of each and every animal who comes through the doors.

We look forward to 2006, The Year of the Dog, being our best year ever. We are more determined to weather the storms and make the Houston area a better place for all animals. Please come to the shelter or check our website to follow the progress of our new addition. If we do not see you before, Burnie, Flash and I hope you will all make plans to be at our Grand Opening Celebration in December.
The H5N1 Bird Flu

Are we in for an influenza pandemic? The answer is maybe. There has been a lot of media attention regarding Bird Flu. I feel a pandemic will undoubtedly occur at some point in our near future, but we don’t know which virus that will be.

The H5N1 Bird Flu virus looks like a good candidate; however it might never, ever become a pandemic virus. This virus has been around for a very long time; the main problem is that it has the ability to mutate, as most viruses do every year. Smugglers could introduce an array of disruptive viruses to the country. Cock-fighting organizers are thought to have introduced Exotic New Castle disease into the United States in 2002, resulting in the loss of millions of birds and a national boycott of U.S. poultry products.

Migratory waterfowl appear to be the main vessels for spreading the disease. Some fear migrating birds from Asia could cross the Bering Strait into North America. Random testing of wild geese has been instituted in northern laboratories to help monitor this situation. The commercial poultry raisers keep their flocks inside and closely monitor them.

It is advisable to people that own some backyard poultry or small flocks of poultry to build a coup and start keeping those birds indoors. When allowing access to the outside, it should only be for a short period, and food and water should be covered.

This situation will pass as we learn more about virus replication and the path that certain diseases can follow. In the meantime, just use common sense!

Dr. Timothy Harkness

Thanks to your support The HHS Wellness Center is the first and only clinic in town to offer such a wide variety of services to the animals and the people of our community.

Please notice the sponsors and supporters throughout this newsletter that have helped us with our events and donated needed items. Patronize them as much as you can. Be sure to tell them you are doing so because they helped the homeless animals at the Houston Humane Society and hope they will continue to do so.

The Houston Humane Society is a non-profit organization dedicated to eliminating cruelty, abuse and the overpopulation of animals. Located at 14700 Almeda Road, the Houston Humane Society provides a wide variety of animal welfare programs to Houston and Harris county residents and their pets including acceptance of all animals, pet adoptions, humane education and Houston’s only $30 Spay/Neuter Clinic which is open to the general public. With your help, the Houston Humane Society cares for more than 30,000 animals every year.

The Houston Humane Society relies solely on donations from friends and supporters, monies earned from special events and projects, and donor mail outs. The HHS receives NO local, state or federal government funding. While being a member of numerous animal related organizations, the HHS is a private organization, and is NOT affiliated with and DOES NOT receive funding from any national animal welfare organization.

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If you suspect someone is abusing an animal, call the Houston Humane Society at (713) 433-6421 or visit www.houstonhumane.org.

2006 begins the 4th year the Houston Humane Society has funded 100% of the salaries for law enforcement to investigate animal cruelty cases on a full-time basis through the R.A.I.D.E.R. program (Rescuing Animals In Danger Education Resources). As of yet, no other humane organization in Texas has made this commitment of fighting animal cruelty by empowering law enforcement to concentrate solely on the crimes committed against animals. Through the only contract of its kind, HHS formed a partnership with Constable Victor Trevino of Harris County Precinct 6 which not only investigates animal cruelty in Harris County, but all surrounding counties when requested by law enforcement agencies, humane organizations or animal control agencies. Constable Trevino has the only law enforcement agency in Texas that has personnel dedicated solely to the investigation of animal cruelty.

From day one of this program the unlimited capability of law enforcement has proven to be valuable not only for seizing and saving the lives of thousands of animals, but for concurrent cases involving elderly individuals suffering from mental illness, children living in deplorable and unsanitary conditions, spouses who suffer abuse at the hands of partners, recovery of stolen property, investigation of narcotic and weapon activity related to dog and cock fighting, and the cleanup of environmental situations that have been ignored for years if not decades.

The commitment of creating partnerships to combat animal cruelty and promote animal welfare issues with local law enforcement agencies, animal control agencies, humane organizations, environmental services and numerous other government and community organizations is a priority for the HHS and HCCO Pct. 6. This commitment was proven in the wake of Hurricanes Katrina and Rita when hundreds of hours of manpower were dedicated to the rescue of thousands of animals. Thirty-one years in law enforcement and a never ending commitment to people gave Constable Trevino the knowledge that only highly-trained law enforcement personnel could move so expeditiously into an area so devastated, and would also have the ability to coordinate and work with other organizations to aid in their relief efforts. The HHS is still receiving animals from Louisiana as of January 2006 and will continue to support efforts to rescue, house, provide care and seek homes for these animals.

During my eleven-year tenure with HCCO Pct. 6 I have had the opportunity to supervise many of their unique programs, but the R.A.I.D.E.R. Program has been the most challenging by far because of the demands law enforcement agencies, government agencies, humane organizations and the public has placed on this program to address animal welfare issues that have gone ignored. HHS knows that animals are the evidence needed to prosecute individuals for animal cruelty and HHS understands that law enforcement agencies are not equipped to transport, house, feed, care for, and provide expert veterinarian witnesses required to prosecute and win these cases. I always joke with officers and ask, “Will your agency allow you to check that horse into the property room as evidence, and do you think you can get your sergeant to care for that horse until trial?” HHS has always stepped up and covered all the costs associated with the care of these seized animals during animal cruelty cases both in the civil hearings and the criminal prosecution.

Other areas that have placed a demand on this program involve the investigation of dangerous dog cases, both in the investigation and the serving of court-issued papers, stray animals causing public concern, collectors of animals and breeders of animals causing environmental issues, and the increase in dog and cock fighting.

HHS and HCCO Pct. 6 will answer all these demands in 2006 and continue to listen to the concerns of all in an attempt to develop more understanding about animal welfare issues and assist all in the investigation of animal cruelty.

The R.A.I.D.E.R. deputies in 2005 investigated more than 450 animal cruelty cases, involving over 3,900 animals. An astonishing 840 animals were rescued through civil court seizures or animal turn-ins and all these animals were awarded to the HHS. In addition to animal cruelty investigations over 3,700 individuals were instructed on animal welfare issues during 230 hours of community educational programs.

Shaping the future through Humane Education

IF YOU WANT TO PUT AN END TO ANIMAL NEGLECT AND ABUSE, PLEASE SEND IN AS LARGE A DONATION AS POSSIBLE TO HHS “R.A.I.D.E.R.‘ PROGRAM.

Their cries are being heard, but we need your support to stop the suffering.
Animal Cruelty Stories

1. Case 050110-996

A utility worker working in southwest Houston observed a horse in a junkyard, became concerned with its overall appearance and reported this animal cruelty case to the R.A.I.D.E.R. deputies. The horse was seized immediately by Sgt. Timmers and taken to the Houston Humane Society. Dr. Harkness determined this young horse to be severely underweight, infested with internal parasites and bleeding from numerous open wounds. A civil seizure hearing was held in Justice Of The Peace Court 6-2. Honorable Judge Armando Rodriguez, and after Sgt. Timmers and Dr. Harkness presented testimony the horse was awarded to HHS and the owner ordered to pay $500 in compensation to HHS for veterinarian care, housing and feed. After the seizure hearing Sgt. Timmers presented this case to a Harris County Assistant District Attorney who accepted Class “A” misdemeanor animal cruelty. The defendant in this case pled out prior to court and was assessed a fine, probation and can no longer own/posses animals for the period of his probation.

2. Case 050218-336

An urgent call came into HHS from Constable Fuller in Tyler County who was newly elected. Constable Fuller’s constituents told him that a dog breeder in his precinct was operating a facility for the last ten years that was so filthy they could smell the stench of dog feces and urine from the roadway. Sgt. Timmers and HHS Chief Veterinarian Dr. Harkness immediately visited this operation along with Constable Fuller. After observing the deplorable conditions of the animals Dr. Harkness advised Sgt. Timmers a seizure warrant was needed immediately, and for public health reasons, all animals removed should only be released to a facility with a licensed veterinarian. Dr. Harkness advised that the cruelty issues existing were despicable and were due to the inaction of the owners/caretakers and that these actions were not just cruelty, but acts of torture.

A civil seizure warrant was obtained a day after the inspection and a seizure was executed the following day. Over 230 animals were removed from this dog breeding facility. Law Enforcement found a minor child living in a trailer on this property and immediately contacted Children’s Protective Services who took custody of the child due to very poor environmental living conditions. At the seizure hearing all the animals were awarded to the HHS. A Tyler Grand Jury heard testimony and observed digital photographs taken at the dog breeding facility and returned a Felony Indictment of animal cruelty on the couple that owned and operated this facility. The minor child was monitored by the court and could not return to her parents until conditions of the court were met.

3. Case 050108-882

Sergeant Timmers received a call from the president of a townhome civic association who were concerned for the welfare of a continuously barking dog and an elderly gentleman. The information provided stated that a dog had broken a second floor window and they were concerned for the elderly gentleman living there alone who had not been seen in weeks. Numerous people had contacted other humane organizations, law enforcement, city inspectors and animal control, but no solution to the barking dog had been resolved. After arriving Sgt. Timmers immediately became concerned for the safety of the elderly gentleman and made exigent entry into the townhome. Sgt. Timmers found an elderly gentleman weak, malnourished, disoriented and in need of immediate medical attention. The elderly gentleman was immediately transported to the hospital and released to a nursing home because of severe dementia. Several dogs were removed from a locked second-floor bedroom. Out of hunger, these dogs had eaten the mattress off the bed, the carpeting and drapes, and broken the window in an attempt to escape.

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4. Case 050708-420

An HPD officer and Inspectors assigned to the Neighborhood Inspection Division out of Assistant Chief Lumpkins’ office contacted the R.A.I.D.E.R. deputies about an ongoing neighborhood problem with a collector/hoarder of cats in the Heights. Sgt. Timmers had dealt with numerous collectors/hoarders of animals but never to the extent of a homeowner moving out of a house because of the deplorable environmental conditions inside, and living in a tent in the backyard. Because these conditions were so shocking both inside and outside this house, a seizure warrant was obtained while this investigation was being conducted. Sixty-eight felines were removed from this collector/hoarder and the house was deemed uninhabitable by city inspectors. All the cats were awarded to the HHS, the house was demolished by City Of Houston within weeks after the seizure hearing, and the property was cleaned up because of the environmentally hazardous conditions existing for the public.

5. Case 050920-193

HPD patrol officers in the East End alerted Sgt. Timmers to a location where an American Bull Terrier was tied on a short leash in a yard with no shelter, food or water. The officer explained the neighborhood was in fear of the man who lived there who had been terrorizing the neighborhood for years. HPD Neighborhood Inspection had issued numerous citations for city code violations and now needed the help of the R.A.I.D.E.R. deputies to rescue the dog from this environment. After arriving Sgt. Timmers observed that the dog was gasping for air and that its neck and head were swollen, indicating a restricted airway. After entering the property Sgt. Timmers observed a rope tied around the dog’s neck which was restricting both air and blood, causing the dog to gasp for air and causing its head and neck to swell. Prior to removing the rope that was around this dog’s neck, Sgt. Timmers attempted to place at least one finger between the rope and the dog’s neck but could not accomplish this task. The dog was at least 20 lbs. underweight and displayed very little fat or muscle mass. Also disturbing was the old scarring on the face, muzzle and entire body, indicative of injuries obtained from engaging in the criminal act of “dog fighting.”

The dog was seized as evidence in a criminal case and transported to the HHS Wellness Center for immediate veterinarian care. After a seizure hearing the dog was awarded to the HHS and the owner ordered to reimburse $1,325 for transportation, feeding, housing and veterinarian care. Sgt. Timmers presented this case to a Harris County Assistant District Attorney who accepted the criminal charge of Class “A” misdemeanor animal cruelty. A To-Be warrant was issued for the arrest of this individual.

Did you know?

Cats step with both left legs, then both right legs when they walk or run. The only other animals to do this are the giraffe and the camel.

I just wanted to say “thank you so much” for helping me in my adoption of my Chinese Crested Hairless doggie, Sushi! He is a sweetie and I love spoiling him! Thanks for all you do...

Jan Barr
The Houston Humane Society invited animal lovers to dance the night away at the “Humane Heroes” gala on Saturday, October 1st, 2005. The evening, held at the Houston Marriott Westchase and sponsored by the Marriott and KPRC Local 2, was initially conceived to raise funds for the R.A.I.D.E.R. animal cruelty investigation program.

Precinct 6 Constable Victor Trevino was honored at the gala for his work to help found the R.A.I.D.E.R. program. Gala attendees were given the opportunity to meet Radar the Weather Dog, have their pictures taken with KPRC Local 2 anchor Dominique Sachse, and dance to the sounds of the Ricky Diaz Orchestra. The evening was capped off by visits from HHS mascots Flash and Burnie, as well as a “before-and-after” slide show of some of R.A.I.D.E.R.’s animal success stories, happy and healthy in their new homes.

Happy Tail

“Miss Bella May”

Here are a few pictures of Miss Bella May. As you can see, she is doing quite well. We have seen her flower into a happier and more confident dog every day that goes by. She has turned into a “baker”, she loves to bake in the sun and spend time outside in our backyard. It’s quite funny considering the fact that we couldn’t get her to go outside when we brought her home almost a month ago. I started taking her outside and teaching her how to potty outside while on a leash. Now, she doesn’t need it, she goes on her own. She is incredibly affectionate and loves people, she loves to be in your arms cradled like a baby. She falls asleep in no time and snores up a storm!! She has certainly enriched our lives. We absolutely adore her, and all of our friends love her.

Rocmo A. Gonzalez
The Houston Humane Society was blessed with beautiful weather for the 16th annual Par “FORE” Pets Golf Tournament on Friday, October 28th at Sienna Plantation Golf Club. The tournament kicked off with a putting contest and box lunches at the start of the course, and by the 18th hole our golfers were more than ready for a steak dinner, silent auction, raffle drawing and event prizes. Silent auction items included autographed sports memorabilia such as baseballs signed by Astros Craig Biggio and Jeff Bagwell, and a wine tour and tasting for 20 guests at Messina Hof Winery.

The Par FORE Pets tournament helped the Houston Humane Society support the nearly 800 animals brought through its doors by Hurricanes Katrina and Rita.

The Houston Humane Society’s 2005 K-9 Fun Run & Walk was a spring celebration for four-legged runners and their owners. The event, dubbed “Radar’s Pooch Picnic”, was held Sunday, March 20th, 2005. The Fun Run/Walk is one of the largest canine fun runs in the country, and this year’s run had close to one thousand pets putting their best paws forward.

Race day featured a Frisbee dog demonstration, free food and drinks from Starbucks, James Coney Island and ColdStone Creamery, a live band, a clown and moonwalk, and appearances by Radar the Weather Dog and Sara Allen from KPRC Local 2.

The 2006 Fun Run is scheduled for Sunday, March 19th at Sam Houston Park on the edge of downtown. KPRC Local 2 personalities and Radar the Weather Dog (an HHS alum) will come celebrate New Orleans-style at our “Mardi Paw-ty” event. The fun-filled day is a great way to help Houston’s homeless animals. For more information, visit the HHS website at www.houstonhumane.org.
AstroWorld once again played host to the HHS for the annual Pooch Parade costume contest on Saturday, October 15th. The Halloween event awarded prizes to well-dressed pooches in five categories, and plans are underway to find a new location for the 2006 Pooch Parade.

Animal owners in Houston now have a new excuse to party with their pets. “Paws on the Patio” was held at the Canyon Café on Saturday and Sunday, November 19th and 20th. Dog owners brought their pets to this outdoor dining spot for a meal, while the dogs enjoyed their own three-course dinner. The event, planned by Canyon Café and mobile grooming spa Bark, Bathe and Beyond, raised money for the HHS shelter. On Saturday, October 22nd, Bark, Bathe and Beyond also hosted a “Yappy Hour” at the shelter, with food, games and even a moonwalk. The two groups have more events in the works for our four-legged friends: A Doggie Date Day is being planned at the Canyon Café for February.

HHS supporters flocked to the Toyota Center for fundraising night with the Houston Rockets basketball team and the Houston Aeros hockey team this year. On April 13th, fans cheered on the Houston Rockets, and on November 11th they rooted for the Houston Aeros. A portion of designated ticket sales from the evening’s game went directly to the Houston Humane Society. More fundraising nights with the Houston Aeros and the Houston Rockets are planned for 2006, so check out our website at www.houstonhumane.org for updates.

HHS staff and animals also appeared on a float at the Pride Parade on June 25th, 2005, greeting supporters and enjoying the festivities. This year’s Pride Parade is scheduled for Saturday, June 24th.

Did you know?

Neutering a cat extends its life by two or three years.

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This year, almost 800 people shared their hearts and hands to better the lives of Houston's homeless animals at the HHS shelter and during fundraising and community awareness events. Whether it is putting on lipstick for a Gala, rolling up their sleeves to tend to the 200 sick and scared animals rescued from the Tyler County puppy mill, or opening their homes to foster little fur balls, our volunteers are unsung heroes and we cannot praise them enough.

Puppy Mill: Both volunteers and staff were shocked to see the physical condition of the rescued animals from the Tyler County puppy mill as they unloaded the kennels from trailers that carried them to their new home at the HHS shelter. Volunteers Michele Becker, Kelly Bleeker, Kimberley O'Neill Pirog, Vanessa Pagan, Shirley Lindsey, Steve Lowenkrön, Kelly Holland, Amanda Gardner, Jennifer Engle, Winston Polley, Debra Hoadapp, Mark Crawford, Sandy Session, Shanya, David and Taylor Medina, Renata Moura, Tony Bannard, Harrison Stonesifer, Kim Jaros, Robbie Lopez, Jana Hutchinson, Betty and Jocelyn Escoto, Melanie and Rebecca Frank, Ken Foster, Malea Williams, M'liss Evans, Nancy Kroning, and Jacque Gaston spent Tuesday, February 22nd at the shelter giving the rescued animals the first baths, medical care, and most importantly, the first cuddle and loving touch in many of these little ones lives.

K9 Fun Run: A big round of appaws goes out to Cynthia Hunt, Sara Greer, Lee Jolly, Janet Barrington, Karen Thibodeaux, Emily Baker, Claire Poff, Chelsea Grosskopf, Jackie and Jessica Instone, Renata Moura, M'liss Evans, Gabriela Henricz, Paula Akins, Cheryl Spring, Kelly Bleeker, Christin Scott and the volunteers from Bellaire High School, Martha Pena, Stephanie J. Martinez, Lisa Guthier, Jessica Guthier, James Blake, Lindsay Barr, Michelle Daniel and friends, Maryanne and Kyoko Flashk, Mark Crawford, Edie and Jacob Tannenbaum, Benda and Mindy McDuffie, Anita Eckhardt, Rosemary St. John, Mona Hobby, Pio Davila, John Schiem, Nancy Shafer, April Schmidt, Linda Varnado, Cary Lindsay, Kelly Holland, Hope Nora, Laila Miller and the volunteers from Benedictine College, Aris and Leonard Strickland, Debbie Zepeda, Deborah Herron, Frank Roe Jr., Kathy Holly, Michael Adler, Rachael Melciorwitz, and Sarah Soeldner for their help with the K9 Fun Run on race day. Special thanks to Girl Scout Troop 4766, Dianna Nickel, Kelly Marcus, Gena Oliphant, Paula Akins, Michele Becker, Zora Becker, Steve Hartwig, Billy Dodd, Nancy Kroning, M'liss Evans, and Shirley Lindsey. Your help with packet preparations, passing out flyers and using your muscle for day of the Fun Run ensured the event was a success.

Pet-A-Thon: HHS volunteers April Schmidt, Linda Varnado, Jennifer Engle, Pio Davila, Paula Akins, Carl Wilson, Michele Becker, Zora Becker, Karen Thibodeaux, Billy Dodd, Sandy Session, Shirley Lindsey, Beverly Brannan, Nancy Kroning, Suzanne Goldman, John Mcdonald, Martha Mcdonald, Jan Bulawa, Lynda Shimek, Judy Stevens, Kelly Holland, and volunteers from Precinct 6, Morgan Stanley, Starbucks, and Cold Stone Creamery spent the day at KPRC's studio flashing their pearly whites at the cameras and answering phones to help raise money and promote adoptions during the Pet-a-Thon.

Mobile Adoptions Team: On Saturdays, barking dogs and meowing cats take center stage in the shopping hustle and bustle at Baybrook and First Colony Malls. Thanks to Reliant Energy and General Growth Properties 90 orphaned pets have found their forever homes at the custom-made mobile pet adoption kiosks. Volunteers Lisa Guthier, Jessica Guthier, Suzanne Ortiz, Susan Lewis, Kenneth Foster, Kelly Marcus, Kimberley O’Neill Pirog, Jennifer Engle, Mark Crawford, Shirley Lindsay, Linda Chestnut, April Schmidt, Linda Varnado, Kathy Holly, Rachael Adler, Elana and Samantha Spector, Gabrielle, Griffin and Lindsey Davis, Terese Zoller, Madeline Volek, Jennifer Logsdon, and Dianna Nickel can pat themselves on the back for a job well done.

Also special thanks to Laney Vazquez, Sarah Frazier, and the rest of the Houston Young Lawyer Association's Animal Welfare Committee for helping dozens of adoptables find their forever homes at adoption events at our Animals' Kingdom store at The Shops at Houston Center.
Hurricanes: Thanks to all the kind individuals who donated time and money to the shelter during Hurricanes Katrina and Rita. Concerned strangers turned into supportive friends as they showed up to lend a helping hand. Volunteers of note during this crisis were Nancy Kroning, Gabrielle Davis, Natalya Sumner, Patty Wilson, Debbie Michelli, and Paula W. Whyte who sorted and delivered pet food to Katrina evacuees’ best furry friends; volunteers from the Toronto Humane Society who spent a week assisting our animals and shelter staff; and Tayrn Taylor, Jacque Gaston, Rose Kendrik, Deena Colburn, George and Anne George Flournoy and Les Rodriguez who continue to spend countless hours making sure our newest residents are exercised and happy.

Gala: Hope Nora, Pio Davila, Tami Hiraoka, Paula Akins, Dianna Nickel, Nancy Kroning, Paula Akins, Cary Gordon, Billy Dodd, M’Lisa Evans, D avid and Natalya Sumner and Chris Frank rose to the occasion to help the HHS staff make sure that the 2005 Humane Heroes Gala was a successful fundraiser for the R.A.I.D.E.R. department and the Animal Relief Fund (A.R.F.). HHS volunteers are beautiful inside and out.

Pooch Parade: Pooch and person alike strutted their Halloween spirit around AstroWorld at the last AstroWorld Fright Fest Pooch Parade. Lane and Wayne Franklin, Linda Chestnut, Shirley Lindsay and Cindy Kelleher were there to help with the spooktacular event.

Par “Fore” Pets: Shell employees, Thomas Bui, Scott Babcock, Tiffany Hsuen, Rick Fowler and Sunita Patel, greeted Par “Fore” Pets golfers at the beautiful Sienna Plantation golf course for a lovely day of golf. Natalya and David Sumner, Michele Becker, Steve Hartwig, Allison Falconer, Beverly Brannan, and Paula Akins assisted staff to make sure that golfers were happy and that money was raised at the silent auction and delicious dinner that followed.

Holiday Gift Wrapping: Bellaire High School students helped raise money and humane awareness volunteering their time wrapping gifts at area Borders and Barnes and Noble Bookstores throughout the month of December.

Special thanks to H.E.B. Pantry, Starbucks, Panera Breads and Alamo Draft House for helping us make our Volunteer Appreciation Party so special.

If you are interested in volunteering with the Houston Humane Society, please contact our Volunteer Coordinator, Jennifer Williams at volunteers@houstonhumane.org or 713-341-3309.

The Houston Humane Society was recently awarded Charity Navigator’s highest ranking, four stars, for the second year in a row. Less than 12% of charities receive this honor in consecutive years. Charity Navigator is an independent agency that evaluates non-profit organizations and awards recognition based on sound fiscal policies.

Organizational Efficiency
Program Expenses 90.1%
Administration Expenses 0.4%
Fundraising Expenses 9.5%
Fundraising Efficiency $0.19

Did you know?
Cats can have three kinds of hair in their coats – down, awn, and guard. The down is the shortest, finest, and softest hair. The awn is the coarsest, and the guard (sometimes called primary hairs) is the longest. Not all cats have all three varieties. The Sphinx has only down hairs, and few of these. The Cornish Rex has only awn and down. The awn hairs are usually shorter than the guard hairs (and longer than down), but when awn and guard hairs are the same length, as in the Russian Blue, the cat is called double coated.
Our friends at KPRC Local 2 lent a huge “helping paw” this year. Since so many animals find good homes through the Sunday Pet Project, Local 2 decided to start featuring “Radar’s Pet Pals” each weekend, so more animals can make their way to forever families. In particular, Pet Pals gives larger animals, who couldn’t go to the NBC studios, a chance to show off their sweet faces to Local 2 viewers.

As always, Local 2’s Dominque Sache has been the Houston Humane Society’s strongest, sweetest, and most vocal supporter. She is constantly thinking of ways to help the animals of Houston, and we are so grateful for her support. Special thanks to Nancy Shafran, Sarah Greer, Anthony Yanez, Erica Young, Holly Nielsen, and the entire KPRC team for their kindness, creativity, and willingness to assist in every way they can. Hugs to Radar and Rick McFarland, for showing Houston residents how lovable and wonderful Houston Humane Society adoptables can be! Thanks also to volunteers Evette Hernandez, Ashley Batelle, Rosemary St. John, Jackie Hendler and Kelly M arcus for their terrific appearances on the Local 2 Sunday Pet Project.

A huge round-of-paws to all of our supporters over at FOX 26/KRIV. Every Thursday our phone lines are flooded with viewers calling in to adopt a cat or dog they saw on TV that morning. We are so grateful to M att Lawine, Mike Iscowitz and Christy Moreno for all their work on that tremendous segment. Thanks also to Lanny Griffith and Gil Warwick for the segments they hosted at the HHS shelter this year, helping us promote shelter events and showing off more adoptable animals.

Lisa Foronda’s Animal Attraction Pet Blog has become one of the top places for animal lovers in Houston to get their four-legged news. Lisa tirelessly posted information for concerned pet owners during Hurricane Katrina and Rita, and she helped keep all of Houston informed of the activities going on here at the Houston Humane Society. Thanks also to Michelle M antor and Susan Broker for their articles on the Houston Humane Society, our hurricane relief efforts, and photo aids of our adoptables.

Thank you to Envy Magazine and the Houston Press, particularly Tamara Banda, for helping the Houston Humane Society get more animals adopted by featuring photos and bios of our cats and dogs whenever they can.

Burnie wants to send a special “bark-out” to the generous people at Gulf Coast Veterinary Internists. They offered her numerous tests and other medical help during 2005, and she is now happy to be back up on all four feet and riding in the police truck with Sgt. Timmers again. Thank you all so much for the gift of Burnie’s health this year.

This year our adoptables hit the road in a big way, with mobile adoptions happening at Baybrook and First Colony Malls on alternating Saturdays. Reliant and General Growth made these successful adoption days possible, with special help from volunteers. Bear hugs to the Shops at Houston Center, who donate the space for our Animals’ Kingdom store, and also host quarterly mobile adoptions staffed by Houston’s Young Lawyers Association. Thanks to all of these groups for bringing our homeless animals out into the community to find new families!

Paws together for the employees of Halliburton, whose generous donations after our raid of a Tyler County puppy mill assisted the HHS in providing food and medical care for these abused and neglected animals. Special thanks also to our friends at Executame, who hosted a donation drive for doggie beds.


October was a busy time at the HHS, with our gala kicking off the month and our golf tournament heralding the end. Special thanks to everyone who made our “Humane Heroes” gala a glittering success: chairwoman Alison Malkhasian, our hosts at the Marriott Westchase, Constable Trevino and Precinct 6, and committee members Michael Easley, Tracy Zacek, Gary Baumann, Sherry Ferguson, Gary Poon, and Melanie D ood. Thank you to our sponsors Nancy Shafran and KPRC Local 2 Television, Alara Racing, Tour-nific of Texas, Kwik Kopy of Kingwood, Occasions of Kingwood, Kingwood Animal Hospital, Element Garden, Realm Realty, Prentice Foundation, Bernstein Realty, Webster Veterinary Supply, Campaign Hayle Marie, Chase Bank, Pat & Ray’s Studio, Turismo Houston, Michael Easley Designs, and Karen Thibodeaux.

The weather was perfect for this year’s golf tournament, and so were our sponsors and supporters! Thanks to chairwoman Kelly Ansley for all of her help, and to Sienna Plantation for playing host to the day’s events. We appreciate the help of the Fred Arnold and M unite M aid, Jennifer Qualis of Ford Dodge Pharmaceuticals, Animal Hospital of Westheimer Village, Little Friends Pet Memorial, Benefit Concepts, Inc., John R. Ray and Sons, Inc., Lone Star Pet Lodges, M L F, Inc., The Grilling Network, Atlas Comfort Systems USA L P, Davis-Penn Mortgage Co., Garuda, U.S. Inc., H. Hill Associates, Inc., Lester and Lucille Phillips Family Foundation, VIRBA Corporation, Pet Vet Animal Hospitals, Barke, Bathe and Beyond, The Clerky Watkins Group, and Gray Electric. We can’t wait to tee off with all of you next year!

21 bark salute to Jim Burwell and the team at Rover Oaks for all of their help this year. Jim’s training of Natalie, a deaf Australian shepherd, allowed her to find a wonderful home, and his support in all HHS efforts is very much appreciated.

Pampered pooches and cuddly kittens were given many chances to strut their stuff out and about in Houston this year. Six Flags Astroworld hosted the annual Pooch Parade, where well-dressed pups could compete for awards in five categories. Thank you to Houston Rockets Power Dancers Heather Medlock, Stephanie Goin, and Cara Chess, A Hounted Heroes Sonic Boom Dancer Alice Guirid, and Dan Boutréura, Cliff Owens and Derek Devore from the Houston Aeros staff for judging our fur-tastic event.

HHS, along with other animal groups, hit the Houston scene for our October “Yappy Hour” hosted by Bark, Bathe and Beyond, and our November “Paws on the Patio” event held at the Canyon Cafe. Huge thanks to Christina Rinyu from the Canyon Cafe, and Jody Pratt, Nicole Pratt and Roxanne Martinez-Fisher from Bark, Bathe and Beyond for all of their hard work making these events the places to be seen in Houston.

The Houston Humane Society is grateful to the Shriner’s Hospital for Children for their annual food drive held in our honor. Despite the long hours they spend healing children, they constantly amaze us with their dedication to the Houston Humane Society. We are proud to have their friendship and generosity.

And finally, words can’t express our feelings for everyone who donated their time, resources, and attention to the Houston Humane Society this year. Whether you donated to our newly-created Animal Relief Fund to aid in disaster relief efforts, befriended a lonely puppy at our shelter, purchased a gift at our Animals’ Kingdom store, or helped further our profile in the community by telling your friends about the Houston Humane Society, we need and appreciate your support. We would not be able to save the lives of our wonderful animals without you.
HUMANE HAPPENINGS

This calendar is updated throughout the year. Call our Special Events line for more information about upcoming events.

January
- 2nd-Happy New Year Day for Cats
- 5th-National Bird Day
- 14th-Dress Up Your Pet Day
- 22nd-National Answer-Your-Cat’s-Questions Day

February
Prevent-a-litter Month/Pet Dental Month/National Wild Bird-Feeding Month
- 5th-Sponsor a Shelter Pet Day
- 6-13th-Have-a-Heart-for-Chained-Dogs Week
- 12th-Help a Stray Donation Day
- 14th-Pet Theft Awareness Day
- 20th-Love-Your-Pet Day
- 22nd-Walking the Dog Day
- 23rd-International Dog Biscuit Appreciation Day
- 24th-Spay Day USA

March
- 1-7th-National Pet Sitters Week
- 3rd-What-If-Cats-and-Dogs-Had-Opposable-Thumbs Day
- 19th-25th-Annual Houston Humane Society K-9 Fun Run and Walk “Mardi Paw-ty”

April
Prevention-of-Animal-Cruelty Month/World Habitat Awareness Month/National Pet First Aid Awareness Month
- 4th-Tag Day
- 15th-Sponsor a Pet Day
- 18th-Pet Owner’s Independence Day
- 20-26th-National Pet IDs Week
- 27th-National Hairball Awareness Day

May
Be-Kind-to-Animals Month
- 1st-Save a Stray Donation Day
- 2nd-Humane Sunday
- 2-9th-National Pet Week
- 3rd-Hug-Your-Cat Day
- 3rd-Mayday for Mutts 3-9th-Be Kind to Animals Week
- 16th-Animal Disaster Preparedness Day
- 17-23rd-National Dog Bite Prevention Week

June
Adopt-a-Shelter-Cat Month/Adopt-a-Cat Month
- 5-9th-HHS Companion Camp
- 5-11th-Pet Appreciation Week
- 7th-World Pet Memorial Day
- 18-24th-Take Your Pet to Work Week
- 19th-Take-Your-Dog-to-Work Day
- 21-27th-Animal Rights Awareness Week

July
Dog House Repairs Month
- 31st-Mutts Day

August
7-11th-HHS Companion Camp
- 14th-Chain-Off Day (to help chained & penned dogs)
- 15th-National Homeless Animals Day

September
National Save-the Tiger Month
- 13th-National Pet Memorial Day
- 20-26th-National Dog Week
- 20-26th-National Deaf Dog Awareness Week

October
Adopt-a-Shelter-Dog Month/Adopt-a-Dog Month/National Animal Safety and Protection Month/HHS Par Fore Pets Golf Tournament
- 4th-St. Francis of Assisi’s Feast Day/World Pets’ Day/World Animal Welfare Day
- 4-10th-World Week of Prayer for Animals
- 5-11th-Animal Welfare Week
- 16th-National Feral Cat Day

November
Adopt-a-Senior-Pet Month
- 7-13th-National Animal Shelter Appreciation Week
- 18th-Santa Paws Pictures at HHS
- 27th-HHS Par Fore Pets Golf Tournament

December
- 2nd-Open House at HHS’s new Adoption Center
- 9th-Santa Paws Pictures at HHS

Join us for one of the above humane happenings. For specific dates and times, call 713.433.6421 or email at mail@houstonhumane.org. For Volunteer opportunities, call 713.433.6421 x309 or email volunteers@houstonhumane.org

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If you were born in 1922, 1934, 1946, 1958, 1970, 1982, 1994, you were born under the sign of the dog. All babies born in 2006 will be “dogs,” as well.

According to Chinese legend, the rat was given the task of inviting the animals to report to the Jade Emperor (the ruler of Heaven, according to Chinese mythology) to be selected for the zodiac signs.

All the animals lined up on the bank of a river and were given the task of getting to the opposite shore. Their order in the calendar would be set by the order in which the animals managed to reach the other side. The cat wondered how he would get across if he was afraid of water. At the same time, the ox wondered how he would cross with his poor eyesight. The calculating rat suggested that he and the cat jump onto the ox’s back and guide him across. In the middle of the river, the rat snuck up behind the unsuspecting cat and shoved him into the water. The ox was steady and hard-working, and did not notice the commotion on his back. Just as the ox came ashore, the rat jumped off and finished the race first. The lazy pig came to the far shore in twelfth place. And so, the rat got the first year named after him, the ox got the second year, and the pig ended up as the last year in the cycle. The cat finished too late (thirteenth) to win any place in the calendar, and vowed to be the enemy of the rat forever.

People born in the Year of the Dog possess some of the most admirable traits in human nature. They have a deep sense of loyalty, are honest, and inspire other people’s confidence because they know how to keep secrets. Dog people make good leaders.

According to the Chinese zodiac, the Dog person is a giving, compassionate personality. He offers kind words, support and advice to friends and family. He is a listener, always available to lend an ear or a shoulder to a friend in need. Often Dogs know more about their friends than their friends know about them or even themselves! Dogs are incredibly attentive.

Money and status don’t matter to the Dog. He is more concerned with the welfare of his family and friends and will do whatever it takes to help them out of a tight squeeze or a rough spot. Once Dogs determine a subject of interest, they usually master that before taking off for a new adventure. They like to finish what they start. They are honest and trustworthy people, ethically strong and morally kept. They make loyal friends and companions.

Do any of these traits seem to apply to a four-legged friend in your life? Friends and family may let us down, but our canine companions are always there for us. In 2006, the year of the dog, let us try to remember our four-legged companions and be as generous to them as they have been to us. This year let all of us try to be more canine in our actions. If we all work to be loyal, unselfish, grateful for blessings and forgiving of sins, a caregiver to those in need, and blind to wealth or poverty in our judgments, we may one day be as good as our most loyal companion: the dog.

My husband and I adopted an English Bulldog June 9th, 2005, she is now known as “Mango”. We flew back to Canada with her on June 13th. She was greeted by all Air Canada staff with love and affection. When she was picked up in Halifax, Nova Scotia there were six Air Canada employees surrounding her crate wanting to meet the beautiful girl. Of course Mango greeted them with excitement. She has now settled into routine here in Nova Scotia and we just wanted to take this opportunity to thank you and your staff.

Thanks again for our new member of the family. We will continue to keep in touch.

Sincerely, Mango

Dr. Amir Behboudi and Katie Deveau
“Annie’s Angels”

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We are very pleased to include the memorials and honorifics in the newsletter and appreciate all of your donations. Due to printing costs and limited space, however, only donations of $20 or more will appear in the newsletter. We apologize if your memorial or honorific was not printed in this publication, and do appreciate all donations, regardless of amount. Please print memorials and honorifics clearly and specify if pet or person.

HHS will acknowledge all donations so please include name and address where you would like acknowledgment sent.

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Vickie Peacock
Wade Vinson
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William L. Kenney
Yvonne Hanes
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The Houston Humane Society
Tree of Life
The Houston Humane Society Tree of Life is a permanent way to memorialize a special pet, friend, or event. The beautiful tree is mounted on the wall at the shelter. Each brass leaf can be engraved with your message. So, in lieu of standard birthday, holiday, or thank you gifts or standard memorial remembrances, give a gift of life.

Tree of Life
In Honor of:
Helen Blair and Tuffy Cat Leslie Upham
Nikki Meyers Loved Unconditionally Elizabeth Meyers
Mitzi Levy and Roxy Goodfriend Rachel Waldman
Aspen Waldman Rachel Waldman
In memory of Irene Easling, Friend of Cats Susan Nash
Remembering Hogan, Beloved Friend Ana Lopez

Given by:
Leslie Upham
Elizabeth Meyers
Rachel Waldman
Susan Nash

Road to Recovery
In Honor of:
For Cary Blank, Love Always Mom & Dad Carl & Gail Blank

Given by:
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R.A.I.D.E.R. STATS
3,886 animals were investigated by HHS R.A.I.D.E.R. Officers in 2005.

- 1,235 Canines
- 1,655 Fowl (roosters)
- 351 Horses
- 432 Felines
- 136 Non-Domestic Animals
- 77 Other Livestock

Help Wanted!

Needed: A Few Good Animal Friendly Folks!
Experience: Helpful hearts & hands
Salary: All the love you can handle
Benefits: Making a difference one heart at a time

Volunteer at the Houston Humane Society and get memories that will last a lifetime

Call 713.341.3309
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Working together we can make a difference

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It has a few more miles left in it for the Houston Humane Society.

Car donations are easy!

- **Pick up is free!** When you donate your car to HHS, we come to your home or office and take it away... running or not.
- **Tax deductible?** You bet! Our auto donation center provides you with all the documentation and receipt.
- **No Paperwork Hassle!** Avoid confusing Department of Motor Vehicles paperwork or smog hassles. We do it all: DMV, smog, etc.
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- **No more placing expensive ads, taking phone calls, scheduling appointments and meeting with strangers in your home or price haggling with a dealer.**
- **Save Money On Car Bills**
- **Avoid repair, insurance and registration costs by donating your car.**
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CRITTER’S WISH LIST

Shelter List
- Bath Mats and small Rugs
- Dog & Cat Shampoo
- Dog Brushes
- Cat Food
- Kitten Food
- Kitty Litter
- Leashes & Collars
- Newspaper
- Small Animal Feed and Bedding (Guinea Pigs)
- Sturdy, Washable Cat & Dog Toys
- Bath Towels
- PetCo and PetsMart gift cards

Administrative List
- Batteries (all sizes)
- Calculators
- Card Stock
- Colored Paper
- Copy Paper
- Digital Cameras (4.0M) for high resolution
- Double-sided Tape
- Jump/Flash Drives 128MB +
- Laminating Pouches
- Markers (dry erase, permanent)
- Paper Towels
- Pens (black)
- Photo Paper
- Plastic Storage Bins (18 gallon)
- Printer Cartridges (HP 27, 28, 56, 57)
- Printing Labels
- Printing Services (Kinko's etc.)
- Scotch Tape

Clinic Needs:
- Sam's Gift Cards
- Bleach
- Odo Ban (at Sam's Club)
- Cotton Swabs
- Disposable Latex Gloves
- First Aid Kits
- Hand Sanitizer
- Hydrogen Peroxide
- Rubbing Alcohol
- Scrubs (Sizes S, M, L & XL)

Livestock Needs:
- Binoculars
- Dust Pans
- Feed (horse, pig, poultry, goat)
- Hay
- Horse Trailer
- Landscaper
- Lawn Equipment

RED ALERT!
Items in Red are desperately needed.
- Bath Mats & small washable rugs
- Cat Litter
- Leashes/Collars
- Newspaper
- Paper Towels
- Bath Towels

Even the smallest donation makes a difference.