



PET PARADE

HUMANE SOCIETY OF GREATER MIAMI ADOPT-A-PET

SEPTEMBER 2012

Meet Your Mate **Right On Time** at the **ASPCA®** 2012 **MEGA MATCH-A-THON** **'Round The Clock 24 Hour** Pet Adoption Event

HOMES WERE FOUND FOR 288 DESERVING PETS!

You've heard of Match.com. Now there is Mega Match-A-Thon, a time when you can find the perfect dog or cat companion and give him or her a needed forever home.

Mega Match-a-thon was a non-stop, amazing, animal adoption event that ran for 24 straight hours. There were hundreds of dogs and cats to adopt from the Humane Society of Greater Miami, Miami-Dade Animal Services and the Cat Network, Inc. and many other local rescue groups. There was an impressive turn out of people lining up at midnight to be the first ones in to adopt a puppy or kitten. More than 4,000 people, including families with children and their pets, visited the event. The great news is that more than 288 animals were adopted and given forever homes at this first-of-its-kind event. Miami was one of 55 communities nationwide to receive grant funding to participate in this ASPCA "Mega Match-a-thon" event. The ASPCA® (The American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals®) granted nearly \$500,000 to support large-scale adoption events like this. Imagine how many animals living in shelters were rescued that day; it's both mind boggling and a reason to feel good!

This event was not just for the animals. Adults, children and families were encouraged to attend and they enjoyed food and refreshments, a fun entertaining program, children activities, DJ's and live bands performing on stage. Among the many names supporting the event were: Food Trucks Invasion, Avenida Zero Band, Robbie Elias and the Revenge Band, Roky Sofi Band, DJ Uneeq, National Pet Chamber of Commerce, Commissioner Heyman's Coffee Truck and many, many more. Art Studio Miami and Radio Disney provided great entertainment for the young ones, while Subaru of Miami, Yester Year Classic Car Club and Gables MotorSports showcased a variety of vehicles for all car and motorcycle enthusiasts.

"The ASPCA Mega Match-a-thon was a great success. Finding homes for that many animals in one 24 hour period is amazing," said Donna Tallon, Executive Director of the Humane Society of Greater Miami. "Working together with Miami-Dade Animal Services and The Cat Network in the future, we can save thousands of animals and enrich the lives of new, adopting families."

For more information about the next mega adoption event scheduled for October 27, 2012, email david@humanesocietymiami.org or call 305-749-1818.



Mission Statement

The Humane Society of Greater Miami Adopt-A-Pet is dedicated to placing every dog and cat in our care into a loving home, and to promoting responsible pet ownership and spay/neuter programs.



Adoption Guarantee Shelter

a·dop·tion guar·an·tee

[uh-dop-shuhn gar-uhn-tee]

- noun

1. Time is never an issue.
2. Safe from euthanasia.

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LETTER FROM THE CHAIRMAN

Dear Fellow Animal Lovers,

WOW! Things are busier than ever at the Humane Society of Greater Miami. Whoever said that nothing happens in the summer in Florida hasn't seen our staff and volunteers at work. Everyone is busy doing what they do best: saving homeless and abandoned animals and finding them loving and forever homes. We were very excited to learn that we were named the "Best Charity of 2012" in the Best of Miami 2012 issue of the Miami New Times. I am so honored to be Chairman of such an outstanding organization!

Adoptions! Adoptions! Adoptions! That's what it is all about at our Humane Society. In addition to more than 150 dogs and cats that are surrendered to us each month, we save 100 animals monthly from being euthanized at Miami-Dade Animal Services. Our goal is to adopt out 3,000 animals this year and we are on track to exceed this goal. To date, we have already found homes for over 1,700 animals; this is twice as many adoptions from a year ago.

This year, for the first time, we joined forces with Animals Services and The Cat Network to present MEGA-MATCH-A-THON, a 24 hour marathon of adoptions, sponsored by the ASPCA. More than 4,000 people attended and 288 animals were adopted. We give all the people who adopted an animal our heartfelt thanks. Due to its amazing success, the next mega adoption event will be held on October 27, 2012.

In addition to increasing adoptions, we are expanding both of our clinics in order to provide spay or neuter surgeries and preventive healthcare vaccines for twice as many cats and dogs as we are doing now. Responsible pet ownership and helping to control the serious pet overpopulation problem in Dade County are very important initiatives of our organization.

And believe it or not—PAWPURRAZZI, our biggest fundraiser, is right around the corner. It will take place on Friday evening, January 25, 2013, at Jungle Island. Last year, the event raised more than \$500,000 and six shelter dogs were adopted. I predict that this will be the best Pawpurrazzi ever and raise the most money for the animals.

But don't forget about our Brunch for the Animals, Lights for Hope, Paws for Art, Walk for the Animals, just to name a few of our other very exciting and fun events. Because we are a not-for-profit animal welfare organization that is not government funded, we need all of your support. Our events are the best and most fun in town and loved by both humans and canines. The details for all events are on page five.

So you love animals and want to help the Humane Society. What can you do? Of course, donating money is always good; so is volunteering your time, or getting your company to become one of our sponsors, or fostering an animal until he can go back to the shelter for adoption. We are always looking for help and new and exciting ways to bring in much needed funds. Remember that everything you do is for the animals - they can't tell their story by themselves. With your help, together, we will be their voice and speak for them.

Pat Wallace, Chairman



Pat Wallace, Chairman
of Board of Directors

The Humane Society of Greater Miami is a private, not-for-profit, 501(c)(3) organization that prides itself on its limited admit/adoption guarantee philosophy. Because we take care of all pets surrendered to us for as long as it takes to find them loving homes, we unfortunately often cannot accept new animals until the ones we have are adopted. The more we adopt, the more we save!

Your understanding and support of our mission is very important to us - help us spread the word about adoptions and donate today so we can carry on our mission! Financial support for the Humane Society of Greater Miami programs and services is provided solely by donations from individuals, corporations, and foundations.

Have you ever thought about how your business, or the company you work for, could help animals in need?

MONETARY DONATIONS:

- ✿ Make a tax deductible **financial contribution**.
- ✿ Sponsor a **Match-A-Gift program**.
- ✿ Have a day, weekend, week, or monthly **promotion where a portion of proceeds is donated** to our Humane Society.
- ✿ Display our **donation boxes** in your office, and business.
- ✿ **Workplace Giving** – Your employees can make a tax deductible donation to our humane society through monthly automatic payroll deductions. **Combined Federal Campaign: code 26141**, and **United Way Campaign: Humane Society of Greater Miami**.
- ✿ Raise money by sponsoring a **“Jeans Day”** or **“Bring Your Pet to Work Day”**.

IN-KIND DONATIONS:

Goods and services are essential to our everyday operation and fundraising programs. Here is a list of some of the most needed in-kind donations:

- ✿ Professional services **“Executive-on-loan”** program
 - o **Marketing; Advertising, Legal, and Photography**
- ✿ **Electronics:** computers, cameras, printers, etc.
- ✿ **Supplies for cats and dogs:** pet toys, pet beds, etc.
- ✿ Items for **silent auctions** at our fundraisers:
 - o **Gift certificates, Tickets, Art, Jewelry, Cruises, and other travel packages**
- ✿ Visit our **wish list** for more options:
www.humanesocietymiami.org/donate/wish-list



BECOME A SPONSOR:

The Humane Society of Greater Miami offers sponsorship opportunities through our **EVENTS**. There are different sponsorship levels for each event that bring many benefits to your organization. In addition, throughout the year we hold many promotions for our programs and services. Each promotion provides a variety of ways to help from financial, to securing advertising opportunities, to designing mission focused campaigns, and:

- ✿ **CONTESTS** – sponsor prizes for our social media contests and raffles.
 - ✿ **MEDIA ADVERTISING** – sponsor our radio, TV or printed media advertisements. Your company will be acknowledged for the sponsorship on the ad.
 - ✿ **MARKETING** – participate in the sponsorship of various items we use for adoptions and shelter services (pens, folders, clipboards, customer shopping bags). Be a sponsor on our e-newsletter, Facebook timeline and Facebook ads.
 - ✿ **HUMANE EDUCATION** – sponsor “leave behind” pieces for children, and adults of all ages.
- contact: Laurie at 305-749-1815, laurie@humanesocietymiami.org or Dani at 305-749-1825, dani@humanesocietymiami.org

EMPLOYEE VOLUNTEER PROGRAM:

Allow time for your employees to volunteer with us annually, or on any frequency, as a group. Projects can include dog walking and socializing, cat socializing, toy sorting and distribution, and grooming, to name a few. To learn more on how your company can get involved in our volunteer program, contact us at 305-749-1843 or e-mail maureen@humanesocietymiami.org.



WHY PARTNER WITH OUR CAUSE:

- ✿ Your donations and gifts make a difference.
- ✿ Your donations are tax deductible.
- ✿ Enhance your corporate image and reputation.
- ✿ Increase your company’s exposure in our print and broadcast media, our events related marketing, e-marketing, and our social media.



Corporate Partnership Program

GET INVOLVED.
Lend a hand to help a paw.

FUN "TAILS" FROM THE HUMANE

SpankyFest

Like their slogan says "party like animals for animals," SpankyFest participants did just that! This year's SpankyFest was a great success; over 200 people of all ages (21 and over) showed up to take part in the pub crawl benefiting the animals at the Humane Society of Greater Miami.

We cannot thank event Founder, Hernan Cespedes, for a third great SpankyFest. You up for a fourth Hernan?



MEET THE FOSTERS! at the Humane Society of Greater Miami!



The Founding Fosters and Society of Fosters posed for photos with adorable adoptable pets at its Fabulous First Anniversary celebration at the Soffer and Fine Adoption Center in North Miami Beach. Ellen Joseph just couldn't give lucky Chloe back and adopted her on the spot! The dynamic group is dedicated to raising funds to support crucial fostering needs at the Humane Society. First-time guests were impressed during their guided tour of the remarkable facility, a must-see for all animal lovers. They were treated to a preview of the 2013 Paws for Art

Project by the project's Creative Director, Clara Poupel, and enjoyed delicious hors d'oeuvres and cocktails. Five new Founding Fosters were welcomed and many pledged to continue their support in the newly formed Society of Fosters.

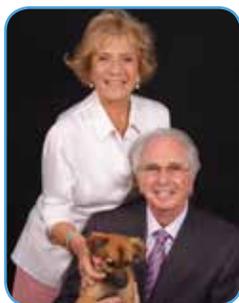
For further information on becoming a Founding Foster, taking a tour, or a photo op as a member, contact Director of Development Ricki Diamond or Bella Goldstein at 305.749.1814.



Bella Goldstein,
Founder & Chairman



Ellen Joseph with Chloe
(adopted that night)



Sandra and Aventura Vice
Mayor Billy Joel with Maya



Honorable Malcolm &
Doree Fromberg



Suzanne Bezahler



Kathy Simkins

FIRST BARK AT THE PARK AT THE MARLINS BALLPARK WAS A HUGE SUCCESS

The organization raised \$7,000 from the sales of doggie tickets

More than 650 dogs and their owners attended the first Bark at the Park event in the brand new, spectacular Marlins Park. Many people who had never been to the ballpark before were dazzled by the beauty of the facility.

This was a time when baseball fans and their families can take their dogs to the ballpark and enjoy the game together. All proceeds from the purchase of the doggie tickets went directly to the Humane Society of Greater Miami—we raised \$7,000.

"We were thrilled with the turn-out," said Donna Tallon, Executive Director of the Humane Society of Greater Miami. "Both the owners and their dogs had a wonderful time, and we raised money so we are able to better care for the animals at our shelter. We are very grateful to the people who supported this event."

Many of the dogs came in style wearing Marlins t-shirts and bandanas, which can be purchased at the ballpark. The Marlins have expanded their line of doggie-ware so check it out next time you go to the Park!

In addition, Marlins pitcher Mark Buehrle and his wife Jamie, founded a program called *Buehrle's Buddies*, and they asked fans to donate any new or gently used dog toys, blankets and beds. The response was very generous.



Dogs large and small, everyone came out to support the Marlins.



Craig Stevens, anchor with WSVN, with Jack and Casper, doing a PSA promoting Bark at the Park! We love WSVN!



Mark and Jamie Buehrle promoting Bark at the Park. Thanks guys!



Dressing up your dog in Marlins gear was the thing to do!

SOCIETY OF GREATER MIAMI

DOGGIES & DIVAS

A fashion and entertainment event benefited the Humane Society of Greater Miami's young professional group, PetNet



It was a packed house for "Doggies & Divas," a special night of fashion, beauty and entertainment that benefitted PetNet, the young professionals group of the Humane Society of Greater Miami. Fashionistas gathered at the fabulous South Beach club, Bamboo, and began the evening with complimentary cocktails provided by Tequila Alacran.

Next came a one-of-a-kind fashion show for both canines and humans. Celebrity designer, Kiki Hamann, presented items from her Canine Summer Collection 2012 "Destination." Eva Danielle and Gabbita showcased clothing for the humans, as did noted designer Zella Machado, who presented her swimwear from the Special Swim and Resort Wear Fashion Week. Perry Ellis and *MIAMI* Magazine sponsored this very unique runway. Models looked exquisite with make-up by Hi-Tech the School of Cosmetology - Paul Mitchell and top styling by Maria Polanco Arias.

Just when you thought the evening couldn't get any better, Tiffany Miranda of American Idol rocked the house with her live performance, as did Ariel Rose, Color Queen Joey Mugica, and Anastasia THE GREAT. Serving as Masters of Ceremony was CW Network's Jessie Alexander; Vice Mayor of Miami Beach Michael Gongora, who presented a Proclamation naming it Doggies & Divas Day; Miss South Florida 2013 Gianina Acevedo, and Tiffany Perez of "Tiffany on Air."

"This event kicks off our special PetNet membership drive and we were thrilled by all those who came out in support of PetNet at this super event." said Chairman Ben Wilson. PetNet is a diverse membership group of young professionals united by a love for animals who "party with a purpose" to create awareness about responsible pet ownership and raise funds for homeless pets at the Humane Society of Greater Miami. PetNet meets at different Miami hot spots for *yappy* hours, mixers, and themed get-togethers.

For membership and event information, contact Ricki Diamond at 305.749.1814 or email ricki@humanesocietymiami.org. Additional information can be found at "PetNet Miami" on Facebook.



Miss South Florida 2013 Gianna Acevedo,
PetNet Chair Ben Wilson, Photographer
Monika Zdziebkowska



Miss South Florida 2013 Gianina
Acevedo, CW Network's Jessie
Alexander, and Mr. USA 2010
Dr. Ivan Rusilko



Smooch for a Pooch
in Kiki Hamann
Fashion Show



Celebrity designer Kiki Hamann
of Kiki Hamann Canine Couture
and Amy Cohan



Live performance
Tiffany Miranda of
"American Idol"

UPCOMING EVENTS

Mega Adoption Event & Kids Fest

Friday, October 26, 11:59PM through Saturday, October 27, 11:59PM at Tropical Park. Call David at 305-749-1818 or email david@humanesocietymiami.org for more information.

Brunch for the Animals

Sunday, November 18, 11AM – 2PM at The Village of Merrick Park. Call Laurie at 305-749-1815 or email laurie@humanesocietymiami.org for more information.

Lights for Hope

Our first annual holiday lighting celebration – Thursday, November 29, 5:30PM – 7:30PM at the Humane Society's Soffer and Fine Adoption Center in North Miami Beach. Call Laurie at 305-749-1815 or email laurie@humanesocietymiami.org for more information.

Pawpurrazzi, Presented by South Motors

Friday, January 25, 2013, 7:00PM – 11:00PM at Jungle Island. Call Laurie at 305-749-1815 or email laurie@humanesocietymiami.org for more information.

Walk for the Animals, Presented by Pet Supermarket

Saturday, February 23, 2013, 8:30AM – 12:00PM at Bayfront Park. Call Dani at 305-749-1825 or email dani@humanesocietymiami.org for more information.

Paws 4 Art

Thursday, March 7, 2013 at Aventura Mall. Call Ricki at 305-749-1814 or email ricki@humanesocietymiami.org for more information.

ASPCA® Awards Much Needed Funds to the South Atlantic Region

Founded in 1866, the ASPCA works to rescue animals from abuse, pass humane laws and share resources with shelters nationwide. They are the nation's premiere humane organization, providing local and national leadership about responsible pet care and ownership, positive solutions for at-risk animals, and serving victims of animal cruelty. In the first three months of 2012, the ASPCA granted multiple animal welfare organizations in the South Atlantic Region, including the Humane Society of Greater Miami, \$1,263,876. Funding and guidance from the ASPCA has been vital to the growth of our Humane Society.

Thanks to the generosity of the ASPCA®, the Humane Society has received the following grants which will help fulfill our mission in a variety of ways.

- **Cat Rescue** – A \$3,800 grant was given to the Humane Society to assist the ASPCA's Field Investigations and Response (FIR) team rescue more than 700 cats from deplorable conditions at a Madison County cat sanctuary. The operation included locating, triaging, and photographing and documenting the cats for evidence, as well as crating cats for transport. The removal required more than 100 responders.
- **Education** – \$7,000 - Executive Director, Donna Tallon, and Chief Medical Officer, Dr. Maureen Swan, were awarded a grant to attend the HSUS 2012 Animal Care Expo in Las Vegas. The conference included more than 70 workshops, as well as exhibits and seven daylong certificate courses. More than 1,800 local leaders from animal shelters, rescue groups, and animal care agencies attended the training conference.

Marketing and Corporate Development Manager, Dani Kandra, will attend the 7th Annual Bridge to Integrated Marketing & Fundraising Conference, thanks to the ASPCA. This conference will concentrate on marketing channels and the donor pyramid.

Other Grants Awarded

Emily Vernon Foundation for Abused and Homeless Animals: A \$10,000 grant was received for our Second Chance Fund which provides specialized medical care for the animals in our shelter waiting for their permanent home.

The key mission of the Emily Vernon Foundation is to care for homeless and abused animals. It provides food shelter and medical care for many animals, including, but not limited to horses, goats, dogs, and cats.

Even when economic times are tough and we feel financially strapped, it's important to be charitable - as the gift of giving is far more rewarding. The cats and dogs at the Humane Society of Greater Miami depend on generous people like you while they wait for their permanent loving family to be found. In appreciation of your generosity, your gift will be forever memorialized on our legacy wall and recognized on behalf of all the animals you saved.

Planned giving is an area of fundraising that refers to several specific gift types that can be funded with cash, equity, or property. There are many different programs under the Planned Giving umbrella that can all be tailored to your financial and philanthropic desires.

According to PlannedGiving.com, "While some planned gifts provide a life-long income to the donor, others use estate and tax planning techniques to provide for charity and other heirs in ways that maximize the gift and/or minimize its impact on the donor's estate.

Thus, by definition, a planned gift is any major gift, made in lifetime or at death as part of a donor's overall financial and/or estate planning."

- **Name the Humane Society of Greater Miami as a beneficiary** – Leaving a specific sum or a percentage of your estate for the animals can be a huge help after you are gone. This gift can come in a variety of forms: cash, securities, real estate, homes or apartments, or personal property such as art or jewelry.
- **Charitable Gift Annuities** – The charitable gift annuity pays you a fixed annuity for life on a monthly, quarterly or annual basis in exchange for cash, real estate or marketable securities (stocks, bonds, mutual fund shares). Annuity payments are tax-free partial returns of the donor's gift based on actuarial tables of life expectancy and you may avoid paying capital gains tax if appreciated capital assets are used to fund the gift. Through the transfer of assets, you are giving a gift to help animals while guaranteeing income for yourself at the same time.
- **Deferred Charitable Gift Annuities** – this version of the annuity has the payments to you beginning at some future date (at least one year from date of gift). By deferring payments, younger donors can secure an immediate income tax deduction for almost the whole amount transferred and avoid capital gains tax if appreciated assets are used to fund the gift.
- **Retained Life Estate** – A retained life estate is a gift that allows you to donate your home or vacation home to a charity (upon your death) while retaining the right to live in it for the rest of your life. While living in the home, you are still responsible for all routine payments, expenses, insurance, property taxes, repairs, etc.
- **IRA's, 401k's, 403b, Retirement Plans** – All these plans can name the Humane Society of Greater Miami as a beneficiary and the value of these accounts will not be subject to inheritance tax or income tax upon death.

• **Ways to Give at Work** - Many workplaces coordinate charitable giving campaigns for their employees and often have Matching Gift programs. These campaigns allow employees to donate to charities of their choice through one-time gifts and regular payroll deductions. When a company matches your gift, this often doubles your contribution!

As with all major gifts to charities, please seek professional advice from your legal and financial advisors about how naming the Humane Society of Greater Miami Adopt-A-Pet as a beneficiary will impact your insurance and retirement distributions, as well as your tax liability.

KIDS KORNER

Every year the Humane Society of Greater Miami helps sponsor two educational contests. See below for this year's winners.

H.O.P.E. CONTEST – HELP OVERCOME PET EUTHANASIA

2012 Topic – Benefits of Pet Ownership

As a result of the hard work and efforts of many students and teachers, the 17th Annual H.O.P.E. Contest was successful. The judges had a difficult time selecting the winning entries because there were so many outstanding projects. Thanks to Dr. Martin Karp, Contest Coordinator, and Lisa DePriest, Humane Society of Greater Miami Humane Educator, for their efforts in making it all happen.

Below are the winners from each category.

Elementary School Team Division



1st Place: Everglades K-8 Center / Ms. Belinda Camba

Students: Margaret Borrajero, Jorge Dominguez, Amber Hunter, Valeria Perez



2nd Place: Norman S. Edelcup/Sunny Isl. Beach K-8 Center / Ms. L. Morosco

Students: Danyella Morgan, Elena Rapaport-Goldman

Elementary School Class Division



Winner: Norma Butler Bossard Elem. / Mrs. Armand and Ms. Padron

Students: Jaylynn Acosta, Zaria Afanador, Theodore Berkowitz, Dana Chanouha, Alissa Duarte, Giovanni Dubon, Casey Eduarte, Aishley Fuentes, Lorenzo Montero,

Sofia Montoto, Isabella Naranjo, Daniela Parolis, Gabriella Pedomo, Randy Placencio, Gian Rodriguez, Kayla Rodriguez, Nikolas Ruiz, Alan Warfield, Maryann Padron, Anthony Martinez

Middle Team Division



1st Place: Highland Oaks Middle School / Ms. DeSilva

Students: Ilana Herman, Eliza Morton, Stephanie Morton, Marina Osos



2nd Place: Highland Oaks Middle School / Ms. DeSilva

Students: Vanessa Bahamondes, Brandon Holcman, Hayley Piper, Dannielle Zachary

BE KIND TO ANIMALS CONTEST

Be Kind to Animals Contest is an annual contest that honors the unique relationship between animals and humans. For the past 12 years, we have been encouraging our young community to learn about animal issues and to be especially kind to animals. The contest is for 9th through 12th graders who must be students of Miami-Dade County, currently attending public or private school.



Lisa DePriest, Malika Jones 3rd Place, Demetrius Grissom 1st Place, and Brenda Sanchez 2nd Place. These students are from Ms. Romero's 11th Grade class at Miami Lakes Education Center.



Assistant principal, Ms. Bernal, AP Norland Senior High School, with winner, 12th grader Jessica Victor, and Lisa DePriest

AMAZING EFFORTS FROM THE KIDS OF OUR COMMUNITY!



Ten year old Ana Macedo and her friends raised \$136 by doing a raffle for a large teddy bear.



Aktion Club, a group sponsored by the Kiwanis Club, collected items for the animals and presented them to us after an informative tour of the shelter.

Donate Online

To help the animals today, go to www.humanesocietymiami.org and click the donate button.



"The world is hugged by the faithful arms of volunteers."

- Everett Mámor

Thanks to all the volunteers who dedicate their time, in and out of the shelter, to help us help the animals. We love to see all the "green t-shirts" (our volunteer uniform) in the shelter every day, every hour we are open. We are looking to double the number of volunteers that we have, so please help us spread the word and encourage others to volunteer. Check out all details on our website: humanesocietymiami.org.

COMING SOON! Our **Junior Volunteer Club** for kids 9-13 years old! Call Maureen at 305-749-1843 for more information.

HAPPY TAILS

Thank you to all the wonderful new canine and feline parents who have adopted from us. We are well on our way to exceeding our 2012 goal of finding homes for 3,000 well deserving pets! Help us save more animals by adopting today! To see all of our pets available for adoption, please visit our website: www.humanesocietymiami.org, and **make adoption your only option!**



RILEY

Karen wrote to us about her new boy Riley:

Riley, originally known as Luis, has become the love of our life. We had a wonderful experience at your shelter adopting him. Dayle, the woman who helped us with the adoption, was amazing. We sent in a donation in her honor. We love our boy and we tell everyone we meet that he came from your wonderful organization.



MARU

Noemi tells us about her new pet:

Maru has been a great addition to our family. He loves to play fetch with his toy mouse and chase almost anything that is put in front of him. He is a very social cat that enjoys being around kids and being around us at all times.

We will recommend to anyone to adopt a pet since our experience has brought lots of fun and joy.



ANNIE

Virginia wrote:

She's a joy, a little rambunctious but at almost 11 months that's to be expected. She did not know her name so I changed it to Annie. I was the second family to adopt her so I thought Little orphan Annie was a perfect name. She has a big yard to play in and loves to chase lizards, but is an indoor dog. Thanks for checking on her.



HONEY & SUKI

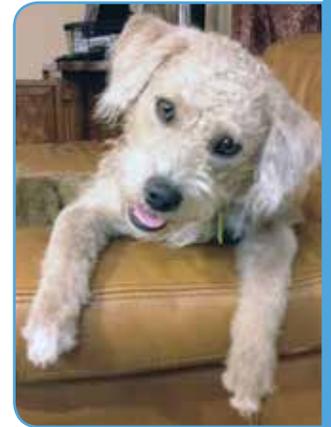
Thanks for your email. We actually brought Honey and her sister Suki home with us that day! And they are both doing great!!! Wish we could bring all the cats home with us!!

Thank you, Morgwn & Janette

WOODSTOCK

Joanie Bechard and family told us about their new addition, Woodie:

Woodstock (Woodie) has added so much fun to our home. We are so glad to have found him. Our experience at your facility was great. All of the staff were attentive and wanted to help us to find the perfect dog for our family. One of your volunteer staff even gave us her cell number in case we needed it! Your staff is wonderful and we have recommended your adoption services to some of our dog loving friends. Thank you for all that you do for our community.



FLINT

Julia wrote:

Flint is doing SO well! He is growing quickly and loves his kitten treats. He actually plays fetch. We will take a paper ball and throw it, he'll bring it back in his mouth and drop it off in our hands for another round. It's the cutest thing ever. He's like a dog almost! We love him so much already.

Thanks for letting us adopt him!



SOX

Cindy says:

Sox has not only made himself comfortable in our home, he's also making himself comfortable in the dog's "home".



A FREE, "People Only" Workshop for All Dog Owners!

Join us at our Soffer and Fine Adoption Center, 16101 West Dixie Highway North Miami Beach, 33160, every 4th Saturday of the month for a workshop to learn about common canine problems, such as chewing, biting, digging, and begging - just to name a few. For more information, call Canine Counselors at 305-264-0027, Monday - Friday, 8:30 AM - 5:30 PM.

We would like to extend a super huge heartfelt thanks to Peter Arencibia and his team for all they do for the animals. Peter is always helping our animals, our staff, our volunteers, and our adopters, and we can't thank him enough for all he does.

