

THE POOP SCOOP

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VOLUNTEER SPOTLIGHT

HSWLR was extremely fortunate when volunteer, Sue Ann Miller, Ed.D. moved to Florida in 2016 from suburban Philadelphia. In the spring of 2017, at the recommendation of Woofdorf Astoria's kennel owner, Sue began volunteering at HSLWR on the Friday night shift. (Now she works the Sunday noon shift.) "When I moved to Florida, I decided I wanted to work with animals, especially dogs. I've always felt their kindred spirit and admired their loyalty and bonding nature."

When asked about her favorite volunteer stories, Sue says, "We all have stories to share from Shannon nipping our toes, watching the pups get rid of their energy by doing zoomies, and seeing the love in the eyes of adopters when that perfect match is made. How rewarding is that? And we make connections with humans too. As a new resident volunteering provides an opportunity to make new friends as well as give back."

Along with Board Member Cindy Jackson, Sue writes grants that bring funds into the shelter for medical needs. To date the Cindy and Sue team have been awarded close to \$70,000 in grants for HSLWR! Because she loves agility, Sue built the jumps, weave poles, tire and has purchased other equipment for our training field. "Agility is a great way to create a relationship and bond with a dog and it tires them out too."



That's not all Sue contributes to our community. Sue is president of the Friends of the Lakewood Ranch Library and promotes organ and tissue donation via LifeLink. She is a heart transplant recipient (2002). She holds a Bachelor of Science and Master's Degree in Elementary Education, Early Childhood Education and Language Arts and a Doctorate Degree in Reading from Lehigh University. Sue's career of 35 years included elementary school teacher, reading specialist, Supervisor of Reading and Language Arts, and Director of the Reading Specialist Program at Chestnut Hill College in Philadelphia.

Sue resides in the Bridgewater Community, Lakewood Ranch with her 11 year-young Welsh Springer Spaniel, Griffin.

We can't thank you enough for your incredible contribution to HSLWR and promoting our mission!

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Giving Tuesday: November 29th, 2022 Universal Day of Giving
- Divas and Dogs; A Royal Affair: Friday March 31, 2023
- Pickle For Pets: COMING 2023
- Putts Fore Mutts & Racquets For Rescues: Monday October 23, 2023

Subaru Loves Pets 2022

Conley Subaru generously chose the Humane Society at Lakewood Ranch to partner with for Subaru Loves Pets. Throughout October, they donated \$100 for every dog or cat adopted. On October 20th Conley Subaru hosted an Adoption Event at their dealership. Subaru has a specific focus on Underdogs needing forever homes. Bubba is a special young hound mix tripod.







Bubba was brought into Manatee County Animal Services as a stray with a broken leg and severe wounds. They removed his leg and we immediately brought him into our shelter. Bubba was adopted by an amazing family! His new family loves him so much. He is doing great with the children. They love adopting special needs animals. Bubba has a blind cat as a buddy.





We cannot do what we do without the support of the community! Thank you so much Conley Subaru and Subaru Loves Pets!

PUTTS FORE MUTTS & RACQUETS FOR RESCUES

The 9th Annual Putts Fore Mutts & Racquets for Rescues was a smashing success. We could not have asked for better weather as our guests participated in a fun day of golf and tennis and an amazing evening of celebration and events. So many hours over the course of months go into this event. We cannot thank our sponsors, donors, volunteers, vendors, participants and guests enough. Please enjoy a small sampling of photos from the event and visit our website hslwr.org for the full album.

Thank You Event Sponsors Top Dog Maverick Title Sponsors Jeffrey Roberti & Hamilton Aurelius



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Special Thank you to Grayson Tullio for his dedication to saving our shelter dogs and cats. Grayson participated along side friend and volunteer, Monika Oberer and his HSLWR rescue, Panda.



On October 29th, 450 runners and walkers participated in the annual Boo Run to support both Another Day for Gray and the Humane Society at Lakewood Ranch. It was a great community event with runners and walkers participating with their furry friends along with local vendors and costume contests. HSLWR staff and volunteers brought along some of our incredible adoptable dogs who loved the opportunity to spend the morning out of the shelter.

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Jeff Boudrie has been a Member of the Professional Golfers' Association of America since 1999. Also a licensed Realtor, he has a Masters Degree from Georgia State University and has run his own golf business since 2003. Jeff is also a member in good standing with his local chapters.

HAPPY TAILS



In February, as direct result of a \$9,500 Animal Welfare Grant from the Robert Parker Fund of the Community Foundation of Sarasota County we were able to save Jolene. Sarasota Animal Services reached out with an urgent request to accept a very pregnant dog. Not all shelters have this capability and the grant was provided to support Emergency/Surgical Care and Foster Kits so we agreed.

It was obvious Jolene had not had an easy life. She immediately received gentle care from our team. Within a few days, she gave birth to nine small puppies. She was such a wonderful Mom, but sadly three did not survive the first 48 hours. We felt it was important for Jolene and her puppies to have 24-hour monitoring. She was placed with an amazing foster family. The Foster Care portion of this grant covered the cost of supplies. Three of the puppies were urgently taken to the ER with respiratory issues, one on oxygen for days. The Emergency Care portion of the grant covered these life saving costs.





All of Jolene's puppies thrived and found forever homes. Jolene waited patiently for her human to find her. We cried tears of joy when Kinsley recently came in to meet Jolene and it was love at first sight. There could not be a more perfect end to this Happy Tail!

A very special thank you to volunteer, Sarah Bennett and family for providing weeks of a safe and loving foster home



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