

# THE POOP SCOOP

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#### **VOLUNTEER SPOTLIGHT**

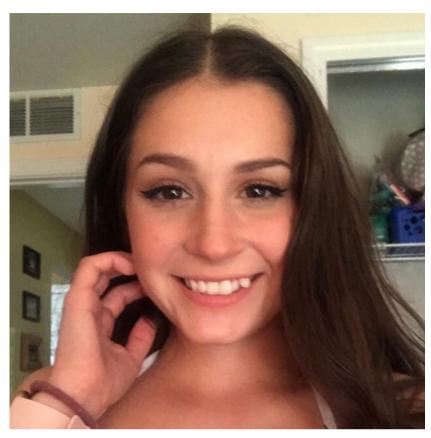
If you follow us on social media you've seen the incredible photos of our adoptable animals. Sherri Krams is the amazing volunteer behind the camera. Sherri began her relationship with HSLWR as an adopter six years ago. Sherri and her husband Doug first adopted Zoey and later Roscoe, both Chihuahua mixes who are often on set assistants. Since then, she has donated her time and passion for animal photography. Sherri has also taken responsibility for our Facebook and Instagram pages, now with over 4,000 followers. Sherri's passion and talent grew to launch her professional photography, Moments Unleashed by Sherri Krams Photography. So many visitors mention they've come to HSLWR after seeing the pictures of our cats and dogs. Sherri makes an invaluable contribution to our success.

## **NEWS & UPCOMING EVENTS**

- Over \$3,000 was raised on Giving Tuesday 2020. Thank you to our incredible donors!
- Save the Date: Divas and Dogs on the Cat Walk May 5, 2021 at the Lakewood Ranch Country Club
- Save the Date UPDATE: Putts Fore Mutts & Racquets for Rescues will take place Monday October 18, 2021 at the Ritz Carlton Country Club in Lakewood Ranch
- Save the Date: Corks for Canines and Cats September 18, 2021

#### **MEET OUR TEAM**

Morgan Tinl is Lead Shelter Specialist. She's been with HSLWR over a year. Morgan attended Lakewood Ranch High School and grew up locally on a farm where her Mom passed along her passion for animals and where she learned to care for many different species. Morgan treats our animals as her own getting to know their personalities and making sure they're healthy and happy. Her knowledge of each animal is an integral part of placing them in the perfect home. In her free time she enjoys being outside paddle boarding, fishing and spending time with her own pets Duke and Ammo (Cur Mixes), Trigger (Jack Russell), Blu (Great Pyrenees), and two cats Toulouse and Momma. Morgan is also an artist and spends a lot of time drawing and painting animals.



#### **WAYS TO SUPPORT HSLWR**

As with most charitable organizations, we rely on our donors to ensure the important work we do can continue. Your contributions are needed in order for Humane Society at Lakewood Ranch to meet our monthly and annual expenses. There are so many ways you can help us fulfill our mission and there's usually a method that makes the most sense for you and your family. Some may include:

- Setting up a monthly recurring donation through our website, <u>hslwr.org</u>
- Adopt a lifetime gifting plan
- Gifts of highly appreciated stock
- Beneficiaries of retirement plans, life insurance or bequests
- Funding a Charitable Remainder Trust

Each of these options may provide unique potential tax and estate planning benefits. Please contact Board Member, Angela Carlson at 941-720-0216 to discuss how we may assist you with your planning.

#### **HAPPY TAILS**

Bailey's story has a true happy ending. Daniel, Janeth and their children Giulo and Bella were looking for their first family dog. After meeting Bailey, they knew she was the pup for them. Unfortunately, she was Heartworm positive and had to complete four months of treatment. They agreed to our Foster-to-Adopt program. Following her successful treatment, Bailey is now a permanent member of this beautiful family! We wish you a wonderful life Bailey.







### **HEARTWORM & FOSTER-TO-ADOPT PROGRAM**

Heartworm is a prevalent and potentially fatal disease spread by mosquitos. Foot-long worms live in the lungs, heart and blood vessels which can cause severe lung disease, heart failure and organ damage. It impacts both dogs and cats although dogs are the most common host. Regular testing and preventative treatments are vital for the health of the animal. HSLWR tests all dogs upon entry. Heartworm positive dogs are spayed/neutered and begin antibiotics. Once recovered from surgery they are available through our foster-to-adopt program looking for their forever home. Potential adopters must live in either Manatee or Sarasota County. Once we find the perfect home they stay in foster while undergoing treatment. During this time their exercise must be limited. The adoption is finalized once the dog successfully completes four months of treatment. While in foster HSLWR supplies the preventions and anything else that animal needs. Please contact us if you'd like more information about our program.

#### **Contact Us**

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