## THE HOPE HERALD

#### OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER OF HANDS OF HOPE RESCUE



# Hands of Hope Rescue

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#### **About HOHR**

We are a foster-based all breed dog rescue dedicated to helping save the lives of dogs in desperate situations. Hands of Hope Rescue is a state-licensed rescue and incorporated charitable organization, so all donations are tax deductible. As a foster-based rescue, HOHR does not have a facility, and does not function like an animal shelter. We receive dogs from across the region, and save as many as possible by relying on an amazing group of volunteers offering space in their homes until the dogs get a chance at the forever families they deserve.

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### **Adoptions and Intakes**

Found their forever homes in February(13): -Addie -Marlie -Bindi -Mojo -Buddy -Otis -Daisy -Ralphie -Doc -Rudy

-Dolly -Layla

Who to watch for (new dogs in the rescue):

-Zeke

-Anna Belle & 5 puppies	-Gunny	-Millicent
-Atlas	-Harley	-Ralphie
-Beatrice	-Hazel	-Raven
-Dakota	-Jake	-Rosie
-Danny	-Lakota	-Ruby
-Dodger	-Leia	-Sailor
-Drew	-Lena	-Tia
-Elliot	-Lila	
-Emmy	-Madeline	
-Evee	-Marlie	



Madeline waits to meet potential adopters at Petsmart West.

### Monthly Adoption Events

The last Sunday of every month we hold a meet and greet at Petsmart West in Wichita from 12:30pm to 3:30pm (533 S Tracy St). On February 25 we were able to bring only 2 dogs: Madeline and Danny. This is a time where potential adopters can meet the animals to see if they would be a good fit for their home. It is also a good way to socialize the dogs and spread our message to the community.

If there is a specific dog you would like to attend a meet and great, let us know! We will do our best to get that dog to the event. Contact us for more information about events or dogs at:

handsofhopegb@cox.net or by following us on Facebook.

### Meet and Greet the last Sunday of Every Month

### **February News**

February was an exciting month! All but 1 dog that was listed for adoption in February was adopted and allowed us to take in 33 new dogs including Anna Belle and her new born puppies and two other litters of young dogs. We also participated in the Wichita Women's Fair and doggy fashion show with the Kansas Firefighters Alliance. This was a great event where 20 HOHR current dogs and alum were able to be showcased to a large audience. Dogs wore items provided by AllPaws Pet Center. It was a fun event and we hope to do it again next year!

This month we have also been preparing for our Pins for the Pooches event! Don't forget to form a team to help collect some money for the dogs and have fun at the same time! This is sure to be a lot of fun!!! We have lots of great items for the silent auction, 50/50 raffle, and prizes!! We are also hosting a fundraiser to "Egg my House" for Easter! For \$20 a dozen, HOHR volunteers will fill eggs full of candy and hide them around your house so they are ready when you wake up in the morning.

We have had lots of of medical cases this month as well. We are in desperate need of donations. Please read about our needs below.



## Meet Beatrice!!

Bea is a 1 1/2 year old female dachshund mix. She is a sweetheart who loves to follow you everywhere and curl up right next to you on the couch. Her favorite game is fetch, so she needs an active home that will keep her moving. She does good with dogs and cats, but doesn't show much interest in playing with them. She would do better in a home with older children. Bea is up to date on shots and medications, house and kennel trained, microchipped and heartworm negative, just waiting for her forever family. To apply to adopt Beatrice complete an adoption application on our website



# ADOPTABLE DOGS

## Meet Dakota!!

Dakota is such a smart boy! For still being a puppy (est. around 9mo-1yr old), he sure has caught on fast. He potty trained very quickly. Dakota is a boxer mix. He has found a love for toys, playing with other dogs, as well as cuddling with his foster parents. He is crated trained, however, would much prefer being with his humans/ siblings. He is currently working on sitting as well as other commands. He would do best with kids over 10yrs old as he's still figuring out his size. This boy has so much love to give to the right family. Dakota is neutered, UTD on shots, microchipped, heartworm negative and on monthly prevention. To apply to adopt this boy complete an adoption application on our website.





A friend recently mentioned her dog got heartworms. Have you heard of these before? What are they? What can I do to keep my dog from getting them?

Sincerely, Worms of the heart

Dear Worms of the Heart,

Luckily heartworms are easy to prevent, unfortunately they are difficult and costly to cure.

Heartworms are caused by the bite from a mosquito and it only takes one bite of any infected mosquito to cause it. It takes about seven months, once a dog is bitten by an infected mosquito, for the larvae to mature into adult heartworms. They then lodge in the heart, lungs, and surrounding blood vessels and begin reproducing. Adult worms can grow up to 12 inches in length, can live 5-7 years, and a dog can have as many as 250 worms in its system.

There are monthly pills, monthly topicals that you put on the skin, and there's also a six-month injectable product. The damage that's done to the dog and the cost of the treatment is way more than the cost to prevent heartworm disease.If your dog does contract heartworm though the treatment can cost upwards of \$500. The main symptom of heartworm is a cough as the worms infect the heart and lungs.

So don't forget to pick up your monthly heartworm preventative from your veterinarian!

Good Luck!



desperately need donations to be able to continue to save more dogs!

- This month we took in Elliot, a 1 year old terrier mix with a front leg that had been broken at the growth plate and he needed surgery to rebreak and pin the bones to heal properly, this surgery cost \$2500.
- We also had Drew, a 2 month old Chihuahua who's legs were bowed and he needs physical therapy and braces to help him walk.
- We had a litter of German Shepherd puppies(3) who acted normal on arrival but soon developed symptoms and tested positive for Parvo (~\$950 each).
- We have 3 dogs being treated for Heartworm currently. Sailor, a German Shepherd who had pelvic weakness and needs physical therapy to regain strength.

Millicent, one of the bloodhound/boxer puppies had to visit K-State for testing on her eyes to diagnose glaucoma in them. They will be removed later this month to help her feel better. We just pulled a sweet doxie mix from a shelter that was heartworm positive as well. We found out when she started coughing on transport that she also has a diaphragmatic hernia that will cost around \$3000 to fix.

HOHR needs your help!!! The medical bills are pilling up and this is all on top of our normal veterinary costs! WIthout additional funding we will not be able to continue to save these dogs in need! Please help us and thank you for all the support you have given us in the past!!



New HOHR pup, Elliot visited K-State on 2/26 and received surgery on 2/27 about a bad right front leg likely caused from a break in the growth plate.

### What is transport?

How do the dogs get from the shelter to the foster? Or to a vet appointment? To an adoption event? It is all thanks to amazing transporters!

We are a state wide rescue so we often have dogs needing to travel around the state or from surrounding states shelters. We are always in desperate need for people to volunteer to drive these dogs to where they need to go! How long is the drive? It depends, generally we try to break it up into hour long segments but if you can go further you are more than welcome!

What do I need? A dependable vehicle. We can provide crates or leashes to help get the dogs safely to their destination.

When do you need transport help? We need transport help all of the time! Sometimes we can work around your schedule and sometimes we need specific times. We will post when we need help.

Visit the website and fill out a volunteer application to become a transporter.

Can't transport? We would love to have you join us as a volunteer or foster!!! Visit the website for more information.



Past HOHR dogs Buddy, Beau, Marlow, and Maisy make the drive to their foster homes.

## **Pins for the Pooches**



WHO: People of all ages and bowling abilities are welcome (start forming a team now) WHEN: Sunday, March 18th from 6:00-8:00pm\* WHERE: Northrock Lanes - 3232 N Rock Rd, Wichita Lace up your bowling shoes and get ready for a night of fun with Hands of Hope Rescue! Create a team(or we can create one for you) of 5 bowlers of all ages and ability. Please register by emailing names and email addressed to kay\_amy2001@hotmail.com. Event information and a donation form will be e-mailed to each participant when they register.

We ask each participant to raise or donate (by age group) at least: Adults 18-65 years - \$50, College Students & Seniors +65 years - \$35, Children under 18 years - \$25. Various prizes will be given out for competitions throughout the games. You don't have to be good at bowling to win prizes! Game examples: bowl opposite handed, granny bowl, backward between the legs, hit a specific # of pins etc.

We will also have a silent auction and a 50-50 raffle with the drawing towards the end of the 3rd game.

Follow the event on Facebook for most recent information on prizes, auction items, and dogs you are helping.

#### **MARCH 2018**

## **Volunteer Spotlight** Kathryn B.



Kathryn is a volunteer for HOHR. She joined Hands of Hope as a volunteer about two years ago after adopting a dog from HOHR and has been a great help! Kathryn lives with her two dogs. She is always willing to help wherever needed! You can see her at countless events, handling dogs, transporting items, or working a booth, she is willing to do whatever HOHR needs! We are so grateful to have wonderful volunteers like Kathryn!! Please put your paws together for Kathryn!!

## Happy Tails

Two years ago, the Norris family went searching for a friend for their boxer, Athena. They came across some HOHR puppies on the Rescue Me website but by the time they had contacted us, those puppies had already been adopted. As luck would have it though, there was one puppy left that had not been listed yet, Zayne. They adopted Zayne and have loved him every day since. Fast forward two years and unfortunately Athena passed away, Zayne was lonely and the Norris's went searching again for a friend, but this time for Zayne. They reached out to Zayne's foster and learned of Greta, a boxer puppy in HOHR care. The decided to give it a try and Zayne's old foster, Bren, drove Greta to meet them. The two were instant best friends!

The two's parents describe Zayne as "the court jester and a big loveable lump". He has had some medical issues but they wouldn't have him any other way!

Greta is a "goof", she was scared of deep voices at first but she has adjusted well. "She is smart as a wip, she learned bell training to go outside in just



two days!" her adopters described!

The two absolutely love each other! They eat out of the same bowl, Greta sleeps on top of Zayne, and she cries if he goes outside without her.

Congrats to the whole family! We love seeing two HOHR kids in such a great home!!

Want to update us on your pet? We'd love to hear from you! Send us a response at https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/8BNTBYK

### How to donate:

Do you like to shop!? How about shopping for one of our amazing HOHR rescue dogs! We have an Amazon Wish List that you are welcome to browse and select items that will be sent directly to Hands of Hope! All the HOHR kids greatly appreciate when they receive goodies from the wish list! Hands of Hope Rescue is a 501(c)3 nonprofit organization. All of our dogs are based in foster homes with food, toys, bedding, kennels, leashes, collars, and medical expenses paid for by the rescue. We rely on donations to allow us to continue getting dogs out of shelters and off death row and get them into loving homes instead. Other ways to donate include attending our events as well as PayPal, Amazon Smile, Facebook, and iGive. Use our new paypal page to donate fee-

free https://www.paypal.me/HandsofHopeRes cue

Fosters, Volunteers, and Transporters are always needed as well!



A few of Anna Belle's puppies enjoy an after dinner nap on a donated blanket!

# Upcoming Events

March 16: Pins for the Pooches, 6-8pm, Northrock Lane, 3232 N Rock Rd, Wichita, Kansas 67226

March 25: Petsmart Meet and Greet, 12:30pm-3:30pm, Petsmart West Wichita

March 31: Egg my House, available in multiple towns across Kansas, visit our website or facebook page for more information

April 14: Paint for the Pooches, 3-5pm, FetchBistro, Wichita

#### April 29: Petsmart Meet and Greet, 12:30pm-3:30pm, Petsmart West Wichita



HOHR winter 2017 painting event with HOHR alum Daisy and Lily