









The Greater Huntsville Humane Society (GHHS) proudly presents the 12th Annual Hot Dogs and Cool **Cats Pet Photo Contest!**

The photo with the most votes will be the cover pet for our 2017 Calendar. With 14 featured pets of the month, 70 pets of the week, and 3 Photographers' Choice Awards, that's 88 chances to get YOUR PET in the calendar!

Of course, the real winners will be the shelter animals in our care. GHHS, a no-kill shelter, finds homes for hundreds of pets annually and is supported entirely by public donations. Contest donations allow GHHS to provide a safe haven for homeless animals.

JULY 22 - AUGUST 7

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Important Information

- You can enter online at calendarcontest.org, in person at Parkway Place Mall, or by mail.
- Voting begins online on July 22nd, and in person at Parkway Place on July 29th.
- Each vote costs one dollar. There is no limit to the number of votes a person can cast.
- All pets are welcome! Animals do not have to be rescue or shelter animals.
- The grand finale will feature special overtime voting & door prize. Join us on August 7th at 4 pm at Straight to Ale Brewery!
- More details & guidelines on page 2.



Contest Entry Form

To enter your pet, please mail this form (instructions on the back), or bring this completed entry form to our booth at Parkway Place Mall (July 29-August 6).

Owner Info	
Name:	
Address:	
City, State, Zip:	
Email Address:	
(to receive voting updates)	
Preferred Phone:	
☐ My pet is an HYP pet! (I am between the ages of 21-35.)	

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Pet Info
Pet's Name:
Photo Title:
My pet came from: \square GHHS \square Breeder \square Other
Entry Options: ☐ \$10 for entry (please check one) ☐ \$20 for entry & 15 votes (a \$25 value)
Payment method: □ Check (preferred; pay to GHHS)
☐ Cash (only for mall entry, do not mail) To pay by credit card, please enter online at calendarcontest.org

LIKE US ON FACEBOOK AND ask your friends to vote for your pet!

Prize Brackets

Earn rewards for reaching vote goals! Each item will be personalized with your pet's photo and the contest logo & year (book not personalized).

- **50 votes**: Second Chances book (mailing available at additional cost)
- 150 votes: choice of coffee mug or notepad
- **250 votes**: choice of commuter mug or post-its
- 350+ votes: choice of tote bag or postal stamps

Winning entries will be contacted after the contest closes to confirm prize choice (winners may choose to donate the prize cost to GHHS). Prizes will be shipped directly to winners 3-4 weeks after the contest end.

Grand Finale - New & Improved!

Announcing a new location for our Grand Finale! **Straight to Ale Brewery** has generously offered to host the big event, and we can't wait to bring new activities & displays. Join us on August 7th! More info on our Facebook page, or <u>calendarcontest.org</u>.

NEW FINALE LOCATION AUGUST 7







Contest Rules & Regulations

- People are not allowed in your photo, only pets.
- Your photo may contain more than one pet.
- We cannot accept Polaroid or poor quality photos, or photos with extensive photoshop, noticeable text, or questionable content.
- Your pet does NOT have to be adopted from GHHS to be eligible to enter this contest.
- You may enter as many photos as you like. Each photo requires a separate entry form and fee.
- Photos should be high resolution (3650 pixels x 2740 pixels and landscape orientation is preferred).
 Generally, photos taken with mobile phones are not high-enough quality to be featured as monthly photos.
- Entries can be submitted online starting July 22 12:01am, and ending August 6 at 5:00pm CDT.
- Entries can be submitted in person starting July 29 at 10am at Parkway Place Mall, or by mail, and must be received by 5:00 pm CDT on August 6, 2016.
- Once entered, photos become the property of GHHS to be used for print and marketing purposes.



If mailing, please include:

- ☐ this completed form
- ☐ form of payment
- ☐ your entry photo (8x10 or smaller)

Mail to: GHHS Photo Contest 2812 Johnson Road

Huntsville, AL 35805

THANK YOU FOR ENTERING!

Mailing Notes

- Multiple entries may be submitted, but each photo requires an additional entry fee.
- Photos will not be returned by mail, but may be picked up from GHHS until September 1, 2016.
- Voting begins online on July 22nd, and in person at Parkway Place on July 29th.
- View your pet's standings online at <u>calendarcontest.org</u>

LEGAL DISCLAIMER: By entering this contest you grant GHHS the use of your photograph or copies thereof for any and all purposes. GHHS reserves the right to refuse any photos submitted. Professional photos must include signed permission from the photographer to be printed. Votes are per photo and cannot be combined or transferred. Photos will not be returned but may be picked up at the shelter after the contest. Placement of photos in the calendar is at the discretion of the graphic designer. GHHS reserves the right to re-shoot calendar cover photo. No text, people, or questionable content are allowed in photos.

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Kids & Animals Together for Summer Fun!

It can be hard to keep kids focused on learning during the summer, but it doesn't have to be. GHHS has found a way to combine learning with playing with puppies, and what child can resist that?

GHHS is now offering Paws for Reading, a program where kids ages six and up & adults can spend some time reading to shelter dogs.

"We have a dog here named Stella who is usually very excitable, very jumpy and just last week she sat still and laid down for an hour while this kid read to her from an old Narnia book," says Danielle Eliser, PR Manager.

The program is a win, win. Kids can practice their reading skills and the dogs can get some socialization.

"Kids love it. I have to say about 80 percent of them want to be vets so this really falls into their wheel house. Parents also really enjoy it too, because it's a summer activity that the kids are excited to do but still has some learning elements," Eliser said.

If you'd like to participate, go to ghhs.org/paws-for-reading and complete the online form. Adults are asked to attend an orientation before scheduling reading time.



Lucky (pup) enjoys his special reading time with a Paws for Reading volunteer.

Amazing Adoption Update: Vinny & Theo



Vinny enjoying the good life on the river.

Two dogs entered our shelter last fall, Vinny & Theo. These bonded brothers were absolutely terrified by everything, including their own food bowls. We were sure they would be at the shelter forever.

Instead, the most wonderful home came along. Two generous & patient people fell in love with them & committed to adopting them BOTH.

Here's their 6-month update:

"Vinny is a better dog than I could ever ask for. He is very kind and affectionate and has been no problem at all to train. He still loves going on long hikes but has now found a new pastime in tubing! Thanks so much for the opportunity to make this fur baby my best friend."

And don't think that Theo is missing out! "Theo enjoys spending days running around the massive back yard and going on walks to Market Square. He has multiple blankets and toys which he uses to form a nest every night before bed. He has learned sit, stay, shake and is now fetching like a pro."

We are so, so thrilled to see these guys in such a wonderful home. THANK YOU to these incredible adopters for sharing such an incredible update, and thank you to everyone who has ever taken a chance on a scared dog. You make our world a better place.

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From the Desk of the C.E.O.

I am excited to share some of the activities and events taking place with YOUR Humane Society. We have added new activities for the animals such as our "Paws for Reading", enrichment activities and lots of summer volunteers to cuddle kittens, pat and walk the dogs.

Our "Paws for Reading" Program has already enrolled 36 families enrolled. The children come into the shelter and spend time reading to the cats and dogs. The animals benefit from a quiet home-like activity and the kids get a chance to practice their reading skills.

We have two summer interns, Savanna Carleton and Amanda Palazzo. They are spending a portion of their time shadowing our Clinic Tech, Amanda Sundberg and learning about animal health care. They are supporting all the staff with various activities, including marketing at adoption events, as well as learning the needs and rhythm of shelter care.

I'd like to invite you to stop by and meet our new Director of Operations, Stephanie Wilson. She comes to us with more than ten years of animal care experience. Her energetic enthusiasm and strong commitment to caring for and finding forever homes for our animals make her a great partner on our team.

We are still talking about the great success of our Hike a Hound partnership with The Land Trust and Landers McLarty Subaru. Our adoptable dogs loved being out on the trails and we successfully adopted 4 dogs that day. Watch for the date of our fall hike!



Stephanie Wilson, new Director of Operations

Our busy summer has had our animals at several adoption events. We took dogs to the Providence Farmer's Market, the Aldridge Creek Fair, Pet Sense pet store, and Early Works Museum for "Dog Days of Summer". We enjoyed a morning of doggy cuddles at Adtran's offices. We have also been seen at Blue Pants Brewery and Straight to Ale!

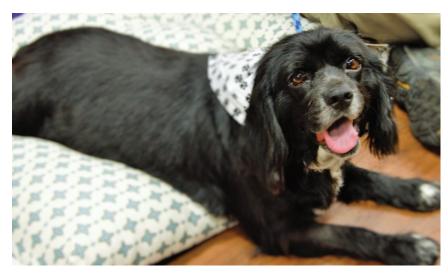
The one point you will note about all of these activities is the people. Our animals depend on us to care for them, advocate for them, and to find forever pet owners. We strive to have the best shelter possible and all of our staff, Board and volunteers work hard everyday to make that happen.

Thanks for your support as well. It does take money to provide the staff and the services that make the shelter run smoothly. But the best part is the place our volunteers fill. They add energy, and a commitment to love our animals that money cannot buy. Join our efforts by supporting us financially or by volunteering.

Jill A. Gardner C.E.O.

Long-Term Residents

These pets have been at GHHS for at least several months (if not years). Please consider giving them a second chance at a forever home.



Lilah (resident for 1 year & 2 months)

ilah is a sweet senior girl who loves snuggling & going for walks. She's a very low-key dog who really just wants a couch to call her own. She would prefer to be the only animal in the house, and she promises to love you with her whole heart.

Lilah was brought to GHHS covered in matts, emaciated, and struggling to support her two infant puppies. Both of her puppies thrived here and have gone on to their adoptive homes but Lilah is still looking for her forever home.



Cady (resident for 6 months)

Hi! I'm Cady, a 7-month-old tuxedo kitten. I'm a world explorer in training, and you can count on me to travel at light speed. Do you know a home I can explore next? I can travel alone or with a group, just let me have fun!

New Supporters

These local businesses have recently partnered with GHHS for events, sponsorships, or general donations. Please help us in thanking these businesses for choosing to make a difference!

















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Many donors choose to give in honor of a loved one, either person or companion animal. We greatly appreciate these sponsors and strive to honor them every day. Due to printing restrictions, we have only listed the names of the honored and memorialized. For a full list of donors, please go to www.ghhs.org/donors. To request a printed copy, call 256-881-8081.

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Mia Jones

Nick Millitello & Family

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Sofia Rundini, on her 16th birthday

Tank, sidekick of Bob Brotherton

Whitmire cats

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Thanks to all of our generous donors and their memorialized honorees.

A portion of the printing for the Pet Gazette was donated by C&A Printing.

Upcoming Events

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Enter online at calendarcontest.com

August 7 Contest Grande Finale

Straight to Ale Brewery, 4-6pm

August 20 Sausage Festival

Blue Pants Brewery, 4-7pm

August 27 Dog Jog 5K

Huntsville Depot, 7-10am

August 27 Mega Adoption Event

Jaycees Building, 10 am - 4 pm

LIKE our Facebook page to find out about more events (including adoption specials & pop-up events!)!

BancorpSouth Pet Food Drive



BancorpSouth's 5th Annual Pet Food Drive was the most successful yet, bringing in more than more than 9,500 pounds of dog & cat food for King's Community Kitchen, a program that gives pet food to needy families.

Many thanks to everyone who donated & helped gather food! The King's Community Kitchen is now fully stocked & ready to feed the 300+ families that rely on community donations.

Thrift Store Corner

The 2016 Volunteer of the Year Award was a hands-down decision: with her quick wit and tireless energy, Diane Lewey had it in the bag.

Diane is a Yankee by birth, but a Southerner by choice. After many years in many far away places with the USAF, Diane & her husband Russ retired to make Huntsville their home in 2008. Diane has always enjoyed yoga, dabbling in oils, refinishing furniture, and best of all, spending time with their five children and ten (and counting) grandchildren. Diane was especially excited when Lane Pugh introduced her to GHHS, she couldn't wait to become a volunteer! That was in 2010 and Diane says that she has truly enjoyed the work, and the fabulous folks involved, she can't imagine not being part of GHHS. Congrats Diane!

Keep up with us on our new Facebook page, GHHS Thrift Store, we will be posting any unusual or exceptional items and of course any sales. Please check it out and like and share. The Thrift Store provides the necessary funds to keep the shelter running. Thank you to all of our volunteers and donors for making the thrift store what it is today, without you it wouldn't be possible.



Diane Lewey at her award ceremony.