

# Guadalupe County Humane Society

# Tail Notes

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## GCHS is Grateful to the Community for Sponsoring Fundraising Events & All Donations



### New 2010 Seguin Dog Ambassador Elected!

Many thanks to Thunderpaws Canine Solutions' owners Hepzibah Hoffman-Rogers and Joy Williams, sponsors of the Seguin Dog Ambassador contest. The contest raised nearly \$6,000 for the Guadalupe County Humane Society! The 2010 Seguin Dog Ambassador is Eli Haug a beautiful 5-month old border collie. His owner, and campaign manager, Peggy Haug is very proud of Eli and is looking forward to being around town with him waving and smiling, riding floats and cutting and "chewing" ribbons. Eli and Peggy collected \$1,750 during the contest by making a lot of public appearances. Peggy took him everywhere that was dog friendly and he made a very good impression on everyone and got a lot of votes. Congratulations to "Eli" the new 2010 Seguin Dog Ambassador!

"Eli" Haug, 2010 Seguin Dog Ambassador, Hepzibah Hoffman-Rogers, Peggy Haug, & Joy Williams at the award ceremony in Seguin Central Park

**Congratulations & Thank You to "Eli" 2010 Seguin Dog Ambassador & Peggy Haug!**

GCHS volunteer, Joy Berberek with outgoing 2009 Seguin Dog Ambassador Prince William. He was on hand with his owner and campaign manager Patricia Finch to cheer on his successor!



### Seguin Parrot Head Club Donates to GCHS

Thanks to Toni and Greg Winters and the Seguin Parrot Head Club for their \$400 donation to our shelter. Seguin Parrot Head Club was established in 2009 and is a fun group of folks who love great music and attend Jimmy Buffet and other concerts around the country. They held a local concert and fundraiser recently in Seguin and raised enough money to provide donations to five local charities including the Humane Society.



**The “PAWTY” sponsored by the New Braunfels Jaycees & Gruene Harley Davidson raised \$1,000 for GCHS**



**“Rusty” and a 2001 Harley Davidson, courtesy of the Seguin Gazette Enterprise photo by Felcia Frazar**



**Our GCHS “PAWTY” Booth**

**People & Pets enjoying the day!**

**Thanks to our sponsors and everyone who came out to support GCHS on such a hot day in June!**

**GCHS just simply could not exist without the fundraisers, donations, volunteers, & the tremendous support we get from the community! Thank YOU!**

# Thanks to Everyone Who Helped Make the GCHS FALL GARAGE SALE a Huge Success!



Thanks to everyone who donated items for our FALL GARAGE SALE and for all the volunteers who worked so hard to make it a success! The ladies of the Las Brisas community; Jeanine Overstreet, Karen Perra, Jo Ann Sannipoli, & Ruth Smith came through to help us at the last minute & we appreciate them volunteering their time! Thanks also to the Seguin Silver Center for allowing us to again use their parking lot for our fundraiser. We had some great bargains and managed to make \$2,600 for the shelter! Begin saving items now for our SPRING GARAGE SALE ....**WE ALWAYS NEED VOLUNTEERS TOO!**



# We Love to Share Our Wonderful Adoption Stories

Looking for your new BEST FRIEND? Please take just a few minutes to visit our website [www.gchshumane.com](http://www.gchshumane.com) and you will fall in love with the wonderful puppies, kittens, dogs, and cats that are patiently waiting for someone to come and take them home to love. They will return your love 110 percent. Or, come by the shelter from 10 AM to 2 PM, Tuesday ~ Saturday at 2484 St Hwy 46 S. ~ Seguin. Phone us at 830.372.2055



Hi my name is Shelby, and this is my story. I remember way back when I use to lie around and wonder where I was going or what was going to happen to me. Well let me tell you something, when my daddy came in here and adopted me I had no idea I was to be the proud new owner of The McElhinney Wakeboard School. Wow what a great job this is going to be. For now I'm learning the basics. I have to run around a lot, chase my two older brothers, even if it makes them grumpy, and ride up and down the lake in the boat.....My Favorite. So please remember all my friends, dream on tomorrow will be here before you know it. Go Big Or Don't Go!!! Shelby (Owner P.M. McElhinney)



I am sending some pictures of Pepsi (now Gracie) to let you know how well she is doing. She was shy the day my husband brought her home (Friday the 13th), but the next day she started to relax and enjoy her new life. She especially enjoys her backyard. She chases the doves and squirrels. She also plays with our cat, Bandit--they chase each other around the house. Gracie is a quiet dog and only barks when she gets excited chasing the cat or squirrels. When she does bark, it isn't very loud. We are very happy with this little dog & she seems to be very happy with us. Carol & James Lowe



Hello to everyone at my favorite animal shelter. I thought you might like to see what your Rocky the Wonder Dog was doing these days so I attached photos from his latest endeavor. Rocky is now a registered R.E.A.D. dog (reading education assistance dog). Little did he or I know where our lives were headed the day I took him home. In a little over a year he has brought smiles to so many people in his role as a Certified Therapy Dog in a medical rehabilitation setting, an assisted living facility including their Memory Unit, & now he is doing his part to bring literacy to kids. I love to watch him work his magic on everyone as I observe him from the other end of the leash. I also have had the opportunity to tell people where he came from and the wonderful job you all do at your

outstanding facility. Almost everyone asks his age and I get to tell them his story of being "thrown in the door" and staying a year with you all while you worked your magic & turned him into Rocky the Wonder Dog. I can't thank you enough for all you do for all the furry ones who come your way.

Hugs and Wags Ruth Brook and Rocky

# More Wonderful Adoption Stories



Hi, my name is Duffy. It wasn't always that, but when I was adopted from GCHS, my new family named me Duffy. I was at the shelter for a while & didn't think I would ever be adopted. Although I wasn't a youngster, I couldn't understand why I couldn't find a new home. Every time a family looked at me, I showed them I was an energetic & loveable guy. Then one day, when I was in the outside pen, a little white dog appeared at the fence. She was a pretty West Highland terrier named Chelsea, who seemed a little sad, & we quickly became friends. Chelsea seemed to like me so her owners took me home for a weekend trial. They decided they liked me too & I was adopted & became part of the household. Chelsea told me about her long-time companion Heather who passed away shortly before I came to her house. She & Heather lived together for 13 years. Chelsea & I became good friends, but she had some medical problems. I got to take short walks with her until she was tired, & we'd go back to the house and rest. We lived together a little more than a year before Chelsea got really sick. When her owner carried her to the car for the second time, I knew it was time, & I licked her one last time & watched them drive away. She didn't come home & I felt so bad. I watched out the window for a long time each day, but I knew she wasn't coming back & I grieved with my parents. Gradually we got better, but we all still missed our friend Chelsea. When my owners get sad, I get out my toys to play & try to make them happy. I have a very happy home with

my adopted family & we all still love & remember Chelsea.

Signed, Mr Duffy (Adoptive Parents Jacqueline & Paul Bandy)

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To the wonderful people at GCHS,

Several years ago I brought home Archie (renamed Toby). I must tell you what you probably already know—this is the most wonderful dog. I am glad that there were enough crazy people who would not take him because he had health problems so he was there for me. He has come out of his shell & is quite active. He follows me around when I am getting ready to feed him jumping, tail wagging, body wagging & generally excited. However, when I get ready to feed him he sits until I have his food on the floor. He learned to do this very quickly. He is on medication for his allergies & his seizures & may have a light seizure once or twice a year. His allergies are under control & not a problem. He is quite the couch potato. He sleeps on a small couch in my bedroom, & gets up on my bed early in the morning in hope of waking me up so he can go outside. If I don't wake up he just lies down & goes back to sleep until I wake. He is indeed as sweet as he is beautiful. He & my little dog are best friends. Their favorite thing is for the little one to clean Toby's ears! It sounds awful but Toby has this far-away look on his face as if he's in hog heaven! Thank you for taking such good care of Toby. I know you all loved him & I'm sure that helped keep him a very happy dog. I can assure you that he is a much-loved dog & is well taken care of. Sincerely Jo Sherrill Lane

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Meet Winston (12) and Brandi (1). Winston was adopted from GCHS after we lost our beloved dog in 2001. He is just such a little treasure. He dresses up every Halloween & entertains the children who come to our house for "trick or treat". We love him

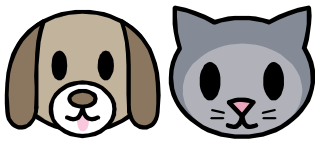


dearly. Not long ago on my birthday, I heard of a dog needing adoption from Seguin Animal Control. I went to see her & immediately fell in love with her, adopted her & brought her to the GCHS spay and neuter clinic where they took excellent care of her. She & Winston became instant friends & constant companions. Brandi has taught Winston to be like a puppy again! They are both going to be "pumpkins" this year for Halloween! We love these animals so very much & they give us both such love & joy every day. Thank you GCHS for providing such devoted & excellent care to all the homeless animals you take into your shelter. You perform a very great service within our community. Everyone, please take advantage of the many services GCHS provides! Adopt a loving friend today! Joy & Ed Berberk

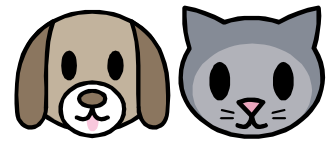
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Kathy Simmons writes: "King" is doing wonderful! He is completely spoiled, but walks 2-3 miles every day & has dropped a few pounds. Hi is a wonderful addition to the Simmons' pack & we love him tremendously. Thank you so much for bringing us together. GCHS deserves much praise and appreciation. Among the many things I saw, caring professional staff, safe clean conditions, well managed & hard-working people. Thank YOU! You deserve a standing ovation! Kathy Simmons

**These are great stories the shelter wants to hear! These are success stories about how pets can enrich your life. Pets are true friends that are just so full of love. ADOPT one of the beautiful animals we have available today. Don't wait .....come visit us soon to get acquainted with your best friend and enrich your life. If you have a story to tell, email us at [gchs@satx.rr.com](mailto:gchs@satx.rr.com)**



Some of our furry friends looking for a new home



"Alisa" young female Short Hair mix



"Emme Lou" female White & Grey Tabby



"John" male Domestic Short Hair/Tabby mix



"Zorro" male Seal Point Siamese



"Georgie" male Corgie mix



"Brandy" female Red Heeler/Fox Terrier mix



"Ranger" male baby Lab/Heeler mix



"Daisy" female young Terrier mix



"Steve" male Chihuahua/Pug mix



"Dori Ann " female Domestic Med Coat



"Paul" male Domestic Short Hair mix



"Kora" baby female Torti

