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Adoptable Cat Habitat at Conroe Petco



Saving more Lives!

Thanks to the Petco Foundation some of our cats/kittens will be living in a habitat at Conroe Petco! What great exposure for these sweet felines that need homes! Of course, we are looking for volunteers. We are in need of volunteers to come to Conroe Petco at 1410 North Loop 336 West, Conroe, TX 77304 once a week to clean the Cat Adoption Habitat, feed, water and take care of our adoptable rescue cats that will be staying at Petco till they have found a new forever home. These volunteer positions are for a two hour shift once a week at this point but we would like to have enough volunteers so that each volunteer would only have to work a shift once every two weeks. You will also be talking with prospective adopters about the cats/kittens and helping them with the adoption process. Please email Terri at terrigrassbaugh@yahoo.com if you are interested with your contact information and she will email you a volunteer package and schedule you for the next volunteer orientation. You will be helping us save more lives! Thank you so much for thinking about helping our organization and our rescue pets!

Featured Adoptable Cat

Meet Lucy Liu a dilute Calico that came in with her kittens and has been the best mom ever but now she is ready for her new forever home. She is very sweet and loving and well behaved. She is a young cat, only about a year old. She is very gentle and patient. She is small in stature and would make an excellent choice for a new best friend. If you think she may be the right new pet for you please fill out our on-line adoption application. Just go to www.spcaofmc.com, and then click on the "Forms/Applications" in the little green menu box at the left sidebar.

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Easter Bunny Photos & Dog Bite Prevention Event on Saturday, March 23rd 1 – 5 P.M.

Bring your family and your dogs to our Photos with the Easter Bunny & Dog Bite Prevention Event. It will be fun for people and dogs alike! So hop to Heritage Place Park at 500 Metcalf Street in Conroe on March 23rd from 1:00 to 5:00 P.M. and have your picture taken with the Easter Bunny. Keke and Stacey that have taken photos at our past events will be taking the pictures so you know they will turn out great!

Then at 3:00 P.M. SPCA PETS SNAP of M.C. and James A Ullrich J.D., C.P.A. presents "Be A Tree – Dog Bite Prevention" program. A fun-filled, interactive learning session that will teach kids and parents to be doggone smart around dogs and to be safe around the family dog and other people's dogs.

All participants who attend the "Be A Tree" dog bite prevention session will get Easter treats for the kids and dogs courtesy of our sponsor for the event James A. Ullrich J.D., C.P.A.

Photos with the Easter Bunny for the whole family including you're dogs. Photos are \$8.00 and all proceeds will benefit SPCA PETS SNAP of M.C. rescue pets.

Save the Dates

<u>Saturday, March 23,2013</u> Easter Bunny Photos & Dog Bite Prevention Event

Saturday, June 22, 2013

Great Biscuit Bite-Off

<u>Saturday, September 28, 2013</u> Blessing of the Animals

Saturday, October 19, 2013 and <u>Sunday, October 20, 2013</u> **PetFest**

<u>Saturday, November 2, 2013</u> Doggies & Divas Luncheon and Fashion Show

Saturday, December 7, 2013
Pictures with Santa

Our Featured Volunteers

A big "PAWS UP" goes out to Joan and Dave our featured volunteers this quarter. After Dave retired in July, 2012 they moved to Conroe on October 31, 2012 from California to be close to their daughter and grandkids. Dave saw our request for volunteers to staff our Adoptable Cat Habitat at Conroe Petco in The Courier newspaper and the two of them wasted no time in getting signed up to help us save more lives. Joan emailed in to let us know they were ready to get started and scheduled them for our first Habitat Volunteer Orientation Training Session. Our kitties love to see them come in the door at Petco and look forward to seeing them every week and the special attention they give them. They are also the proud pet parents of four kitties, Sammy, Rusty, Missy and Sassy that they call their own. When they are not making sure our adoptable rescue kitties in the Habitat feel loved they are sharing that love with the four they have at home. Thank You Joan and Dave for sharing the love and helping us to save more lives!!!







Doggone Safe Dog Bite Prevention Program Now Available

Doggone Safe is a non-profit organization dedicated to dog bite prevention through education, and dog bite victim support. SPCA PETS SNAP of Montgomery County is making the "Be A Tree" educational programs available in the Montgomery County area. The "Be A Tree" program is an innovative and interactive dog bite prevention education program aimed at primary grade children. Half of all children are bitten by a dog by the time they are 12 years old. Dog bites are considered to be a serious public health problem by the American Veterinary Medical Association. Did you know that...

4.7 million people in this country are bitten by dogs every year

Children are by far the most common victims

800,000 Americans receive medical attention for dog bites each year

Children are far more likely to be severely injured; approximately 400,000 receive medical attention every year

Most dog bites affecting young children occur during everyday activities and while interacting with familiar dogs

Most bites are by the family dog or other dog known to the child and can be prevented through education. Both children and adults can benefit from understanding dog body language and knowing how to act in situations involving dogs. Children learn to read dog body language and how to act safely around dogs by looking at large format photographs and by playing interactive games. The "Be A Tree" program is unique in its use of several different teaching strategies, its focus on physical activity and its emphasis on positive messages. Instead of telling children "don't do this and don't do that", the "Be A Tree" program empowers them with the knowledge they need to make safe decisions based on the body language and the actions of the dog and the situation at hand.



Book or Sponsor the "Be a Tree" program

Email us at

pets@spcaofmc.com to sponsor or book the Dog Bite Prevention "Be a Tree" program or to request more information. We can bring the program to schools, daycare centers and even for Birthday Parties at home or in the park. Program lasts for 45 minutes (can be adapted to 30-60 minute).

SPONSORS - To allow local companies to become involved with community dog bite prevention we can have learning materials such as coloring books, paint sheets, a story book, poster, stickers, bookmarks and fridge magnets branded with your logo for the program when you sponsor.

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Featured Dog

Dore is a beautiful Corgi-mix. She's up to date on all her shots, micro chipped and spayed. She is a very good girl and would make anyone a good companion. She is very loving, sweet and caring. She is looking for someone that will love her as much as she will love them. She gets along very well with other dogs and prefers to have another dog around. If by any chance you might be considering adopting two dogs, the Rat Terrier "Jack" in the picture with her has been her good friend for years. If you think she may be the right new pet for you please fill out an adoption application at www.spcaofmc.com, and then click on the "Forms/Applications" in the little green menu box on the left.



Great Biscuit Bite-Off

Do you love to concoct original recipes for your discerning canine connoisseur? Do you think you have an award-winning recipe for tasty treats for your dog? Now's your chance to put your cooking talents to the test in SPCA PETS SNAP of Montgomery County's Biscuit Bite-Off.

To enter just make a \$5.00 donation on our Website or Facebook page at <u>www.facebook.com/SPCAOFMC</u> then click on the "Donate Please" Button and we will email you your official SPCA PETS SNAP of M.C. Recipe Entry Form. Complete the form including your recipe and email it back to <u>pets@spcaofmc.com</u> or you can also mail your recipe entry including your name, address and phone number along with your check for \$5.00 to us at: SPCA PETS SNAP of M.C., 206-A South Loop 336W #332, Conroe, TX 77304.

Then on Saturday, June 22nd bring 15 biscuits and one copy of your recipe to the Biscuit Bite-Off booth (location in Conroe to be announced soon) no later than 10:00 a.m. Our adoptable rescue dogs will judge the competition and decide just which home-made treat is the tastiest! The rescue dogs will begin judging at 10:30 a.m. at the Biscuit Bite-Off booth, with the final judging at 11:00 a.m. All entries will be eligible for prizes drawn the day of the event. All proceeds benefit SPCA PETS SNAP of Montgomery County rescue pets.

Please complete our Survey Form

Please complete our survey form by 3/27/13 to help us with our organizations strategic planning process. The more input we get from the community the better we will be able to serve you and the homeless rescue pets in Montgomery County. We welcome all ideas, input and feedback in our quest to be the best we can be. You can help us by going to our website at <u>www.spcaofmc.com</u> and then in the Green menu box on the left hand side click on Forms/Applications and then click on "Fill Out" next to the Survey Questions form. You do not need to login or register on our website to fill out the survey form. You can also just click on the link below: <u>http://www.spcaofmc.com/forms/</u>

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Mobile Adoption Events

Saturday, March 23rd 1 -5 p.m. Heritage Place Park 500 Metcalf Street Conroe, TX 77301

We also hold Mobile Adoption Events on the 1st and 3rd Saturday of each month from 1:00 to 5:00 p.m. at Conroe Petco 1410 North Loop 336 W Conroe, TX 77304

Come out and visit with our adoptable dogs and cats.