



November is Adopt-a-Senior-Pet Month

The Anderson Humane Society and Petfinder.com celebrate November as Adopt-a-Senior-Pet Month.

At animal shelters and rescue groups across the nation, there are an abundance of healthy senior pets looking for a special home to cherish them for the rest of their lives. Although shaping the life of a youngster sounds appealing, giving a second chance to an older companion can be equally rewarding. They like to share quiet moments, are already trained and usually do not chew or scratch everything in sight. "Older pets have plenty to offer adopters – not the least of which is love," comments Jacque Schultz, ASPCA Companion Animal Programs Advisor.

The following are some thoughts about adopting a senior pet:

- **Dietary Intake:** Nutritional requirements are important to an older pet. The caloric value needs to be less if they are to remain fit and trim. Rich foods, as a rule, should be avoided.
- **Matching Lifestyles:** An adult animal's relatively calm demeanor and less intense exercise needs make them the perfect match for a full-time, working household or an older person seeking friendship and love. Older pets often make excellent or at the very least, agreeable companions for other household pets, as well.
- **Physical Demands are Low:** Fortunately, many senior animals are not as demanding as a younger animal. Like any animal, they need quality time in the form of attention and exercise, but the length and intensity of exercise may not be as great. Older dogs, for example, may prefer quiet walks to running or active play and will usually not pull you around on the leash or jump up on you.
- **Previous Training:** Adult animals often already know how to live harmoniously with humans. In general, adult pets require far less supervision and less constant care, which can make them ideal companions for people with already busy lives. They may already be litter box or housetrained. An older dog might also have some obedience training.
- **Size at Maturity is Known:** Senior animals, e.g., dogs, cats, small mammals, and some reptiles have already reached their maximum size and weight and therefore will not require additional purchases anticipating future growth needs. For instance, a senior dog, unlike a growing puppy needs only one size collar, harness, lead, dog bed, or travel crate.
- **What You See is What You Get:** With adopted older pets you will usually know about any behavior challenges or health considerations before you adopt. In other words, there are no surprises.

SPOTLIGHT ON:



#2015 Nibbles-Sponsored (Tabby – Grey)

"Hi. I'm Nibbles and I'm one of the many cats up for adoption right now. I was at a foster mom's house, but I came here so more people would be able to see me and maybe I'll get adopted. I'm very sweet and calm, so hopefully somebody will come get me soon and take me home." As an added bonus I have been sponsored by Christy Burton in honor of Dawn Caldwell. Now I get to go home at a reduced adoption fee. Thanks Christy and Dawn!!!

#1112 Sadie-Sponsored (Black Labrador Retriever, Collie *Mixed*)

"Hi. I'm Sadie and I came here with my brother Rocky. Our owner had to turn in us cause they couldn't keep us anymore. They said we're black lab and border collie mix and only about six months old. Still young enough to train and have fun with! So I really hope you'll come pay us a visit." Thank you to Ethyl Letcher, who sponsored a portion of Sadie's adoption fee. Now she can go home at a reduced rate!



#2071 Blue-Declawed (Tabby – Brown)

"Hi. I'm Blue and I'm a big fat cat who came here back in mid-September. I'm about five years old and I love to lounge around and be lazy. I'm housebroken, good with kids, and declawed in the front so I won't tear up your furniture. Come on out and see me!"

#14 Rusty-Sponsored (Boxer *Mixed*)

"Hello there! My name is Rusty. Well, at least that's what they're calling me for now. They don't know my real name because I came in as a stray. I was hanging around down at the library cause there were lots of people to play with there. Nobody wanted to play with me though, so I had to come here instead." Thank you to Ethyl Letcher, who sponsored a portion of Rusty's adoption fee. Now he can go home at a reduced rate!



Professional Pet Portraits

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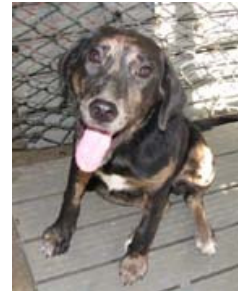


#2064 Joey-Sponsored (Domestic Short Hair-orange)

"Hello. I'm Joey and I'm one of the many, many (did I mention "many") kitties out at the shelter. We're all hoping to get adopted, but I'm hoping more than the others, in my own personal opinion. I'm about twelve weeks old and I'm a spunky boy who just needs a good home." Why pay hundreds of dollars for a pet at a store, when you can save a life by adopting a homeless pet? Thanks to Bridget Newberry who sponsored a portion of my adoption fee -I get to go home at a discounted rate.

#235 Lucy-Sponsored (Australian Shepherd, Labrador Retriever *Mixed*)

"Hi there! I'm Lucy and I'm just one of the many, many dogs up for adoption through the Humane Society. I'm some sort of mixed breed pup, but those are the best ones! I'm only a few months old and I'm eagerly waiting to meet my new pet parents." Thank you to Ethyl Letcher, who sponsored a portion of Lucy's adoption fee. Now she can go home at a reduced rate!

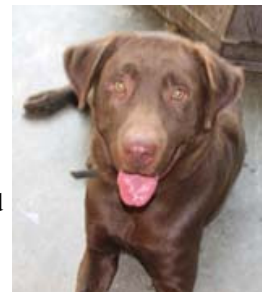


#2064 Jesse-Sponsored (Domestic Short Hair-mitted)

"Hi. I'm Jesse and I'm a cool cat who just arrived at the shelter a few days ago. I'm about twelve weeks old and I'm at a great age to be a fun little friend for someone who needs a pal. Please come out and meet me and see if you'd like to take me home." Thank you to an anonymous donor, who sponsored a portion of Jesse's adoption fee. Now he can go home at a reduced rate!

#21 Doogie-Sponsored (Chocolate Labrador Retriever)

"Hello there! Did you come here to see ME? Well, I'm very flattered...and very excited too! See, we don't get many visitors so when somebody stops in, its a real treat. I'd really love to meet you in person so we could get to know each other. Why don't you come see me?" Thank you to Christy Burton, who sponsored a portion of Lucy's adoption fee. Now she can go home at a reduced rate!



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Adoption Center at 1410 Versailles Road



SATURDAY, NOV 24TH, 2007
AMERICAN LEGION CLUBHOUSE
8 A.M. UNTIL ??????

Donations of sale items may be taken to the American Legion Clubhouse anytime between 6 & 9 on Friday, Nov. 23th. Donations can also be dropped off at the Adoption Center that Friday at 1410 Versailles Road. Tax deduction receipts are available.

Please call 839-8339 (adoption center) or

839-4623 (humane society president) for more information.

Please note: We do not currently have any space for temporary storage of donated goods. We understand that with the holidays coming up, everyone is trying to make room for guests and holiday decorations, but if you could please hold on to items you would like to donate for just a couple more weeks, we could REALLY use them! Thank you on behalf of the doggies and kitties that the rummage sale benefits!

We need volunteers for set-up on Friday and to work the sale on Saturday. Please contact us at one of the above numbers if you can help!!!