



May/June

N.A.B.S. News

Noah's Ark Bayou Sanctuary Animal Rescue

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It's Time to Celebrate!

Let's celebrate our N.A.B.S. adoptions:

5/6: Benita, Bruno, and Blaze. Sparky and Maggie—Bonded Pair.

5/13: Archie

5/20: Ginger, Velvet, Tyson, and Nala

5/27: Junior Diamond (Jade's Jewels), Oliver, Brody (Misha's puppies), Desi, Willie, Jinxie Love, Hailey, and Samara



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Do you have a sincere heart? Do you enjoy interaction with dogs? Are you committed to helping customers look for a Forever Friend? **N.A.B.S. NEEDS YOU!** to help in volunteering on Saturdays and/or Sundays (10-2, 2-6). Each adult volunteer supervises 4 young volunteers. Each young volunteer learns the responsibilities of walking, grooming, and loving and caring for the dogs. Training will be provided.

We are also looking for foster homes. Do you have a fenced yard? Will you be available to interact and socialize your Furry Friend with you and your family, other pets, people, dogs? You'll love it. Come join a team dedicated to the rescue, rehabilitation, and adoption of wonderful adoptable dogs.

Please email Gaye Hart at dgh48@aol.com for more information.



Volunteers' Corner

Cindy Hussey Participates in the Petco Unleashed 3rd Annual National Chihuahua Race Saturday, May 19th



Pancho in his cool goggles



Poor Pancho falls out of gate #10!



Tessa, Cindy with Desi, and Pam



Pancho came in 4th!



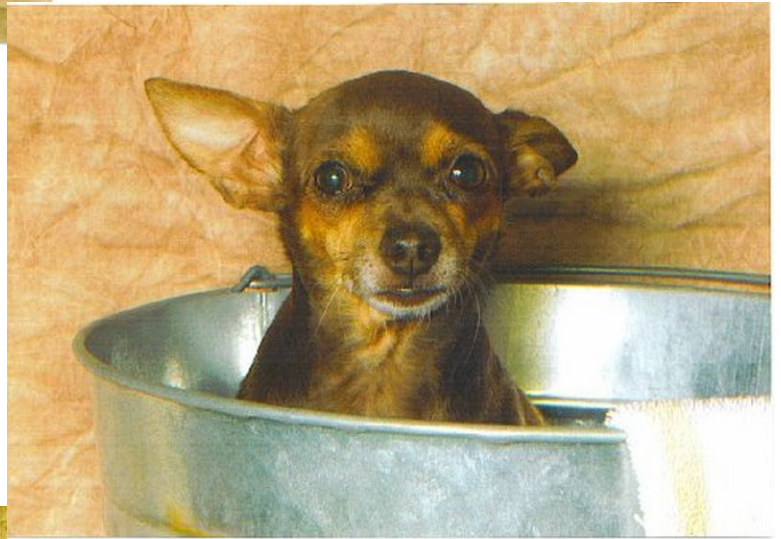
Tessa with Desi. He made it to semi-finals!

Volunteers' Corner

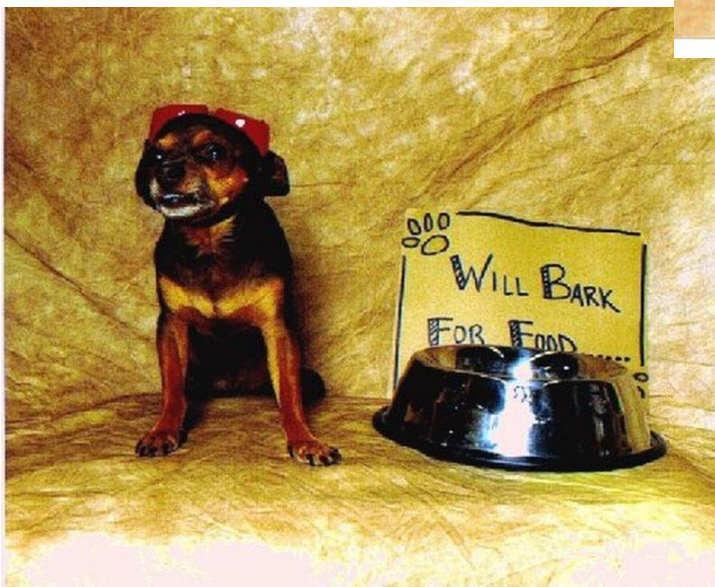
Candid Moments



Desi's a Slick Dude!



**Please, please, please....no bath,
pleeeeeease!**



Will Bark for Food!

A Day in the Life of a N.A.B.S. Rescue Volunteer: Gaye Hart and Laci

Day 1 after a week of feeding this beautiful dog every a.m.:

To catch everyone up...Pam knows I've been feeding a young black lab mix every morning on the way to work for a week now...he was in such an awful place and I expected to find him hit every time I came home from work...Yesterday was the day...Almost!...Genoa Red Bluff is busy with trucks, dump trucks and people getting home..going fast...

This dog was in the grassy divider between both lanes..ugh..

I was trying so hard to get him across the street when traffic slowed..but that was not working..

So 4 different people stopped and helped stop traffic until I got in an empty field on one side...then they stayed and worked with me for an hour...he knew me and after an hour gave up being surrounded and ran to me...laid on his back being submissive and licked my face...you should of heard the cheering!!!

I had a leash ready and he was ready to get in my car and get out of there..

God bless the other souls for helping with traffic...

Much to my surprise ...once I got my dogs fed and settled. .I went into the bathroom and discovered...a beautiful shiny coat dog we'll call LACI!!!

No wonder she never answered to boy...LOL

I don't know if she's been fixed or if that is why she has been loose for a week..she has a collar and no tag on...

Thank God I don't have to see her lifeless body hit and or hit & not dead on the street...

I'm very grateful to Lorry and Pam for taking Laci into the NABS program...I hope she finds a good forever home soon as she's a loveable licking doggie...

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Day 2

She shakes hands, sits up on hind legs for treats...fetches a ball and retrieves and smiles!

She is very happy to be off the street... We ran ourselves silly for an hour last nite before she just finally gave up and came to me..She trusted me...oh what a feeling

that was..I tear up just thinking about all these people surrounding her, all the noise and dump trucks and she singled me out..she remembered who I was and feeding her every day..she knew I cared and came running to me! WOW~ Again...I can't Thank you enough...

Why did I choose the name Laci...since we all thought she was a boy and called her Boy, which I did for a week!..I thought she deserved a delicate female name!  
~Laci~  
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Still day 2...Feelings:

I can't believe this is the same dog that's been wild for how long..but I knew she trusted people as more came by to say they fed her and she came up to them...it just looked like a mass gathering of people chasing her yesterday so of course she was running back and forth into after work traffic..ugh.

I wanted to call her ANGEL, as one or more had to be watching out for her everyday she was on that road!!

And I was sent 4 human angels that actually stopped traffic..lots of fast traffic without batting an eyelash--this was dangerous and I would not recommend it to anyone! But I thank God for them and their courage, as people that don't like dogs were honking and not being so nice..

But these 4 people stayed with me, knowing this was not my dog,,we just wanted to save her.

One lady even tried backing up to Laci so there would be no eye contact--the others were talking sweetly to her and were closing in quickly...she took one long look at me and came running ~~~ and you know the rest of the story!



*Gaye with Laci*

I plan on putting up a big Thank You sign on both sides of the road...I hope they will see it and know it's from me and Laci.

I'm just Thankful God has put Pam there doing what she does best...

Pam, don't you ever doubt again He doesn't want you there (NABS) saving his precious animals He created.....

I was a bit depressed today and boo-hoed at giving Laci up so quickly when she trusted me so much..but, I had a reality check coming home today...The place where I had to start praying everyday that I would not come across her broken body in the road...today, I realized Laci had 3

choices:

*Why did I choose the name Laci...since we all thought she was a boy and called her Boy, which I did for a week!..I thought she deserved a delicate female name! ~Laci~*

choices:

Road Kill

Shelter Kill or

NABS & Live :)

I perked up right away... Pam, God loves ya & so do !!! Thank you..

Gaye Hart

NABS rescuer and volunteer coordinator

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Gaye Hart

NABS Volunteer Coordinator

Volunteers' Corner

Dear N.A.B.S. Owners and N.A.B.S. Volunteers:

In order to care for our Furry Children, we need your help with the following:

FOSTER HOMES

DOG FOOD: IAMS Smart Puppy, Pedigree Adult Small Bites (or Science Diet, IAMS), Purina One Lamb and Rice.

Our N.A.B.S. staff uses 350-450 lb. of dog food every week:

- 200-250 lb. Pedigree Adult Small Bites (or Science Diet, IAMS)
- 50-100 lb. Purina One Lamb and Rice
- 100 lb. IAMS Smart Puppy

DOG TRAINING with Damian for the dogs at the land

PAID-IN-ADVANCE vet bills, e.g. like at Animal Alliance (spay/neuter) or Dr. Crumm for those heartworm treatments, and maybe paid for grooming.

COMPUTER/PRINTING SUPPLIES: computer paper, card stock paper (white), computer cartridges, and **DIGITAL CAMERA PRINTER** so we could print pictures of families with their pets at Christmas or on the spot

DOG SHAMPOO

TOWELS, COMFORTERS, and BLANKETS, RUGS used in crates at adoptions

WIRE CRATES in good working order and clean

IGLOO DOG HOUSES

CLEANING SUPPLIES

GIFT CARDS: Sam's Club, Petco or PetSmart

SHOPPING: N.A.B.S. Kroger's Share Card (percentage of your shopping bill is donated to N.A.B.S.)

VIA INTERNET: Amazon.com, igive.com (for more information, please visit our website: www.nabs-tx.com)

Thank you for your support. Together, we make a difference in the lives of the Furry Children.

Sincerely,

N.A.B.S. Animal Rescue



Volunteers' Ring

Clockwise (from white T-shirt): Tessa Miller, Destiny Escobedo, Ruth Merlau, Kylee Kuba, Taylor Cabbage, Esther Segrera, and Austin LaFoy.

Happy Tails

Amethyst's (a.k.a. Jack's) Update

I just wanted to let you know that Amethyst, now known as "Jack" for Blackjack, is settling in quite well. He is a wonderful and sweet puppy. Thanks!
Staci Price Wagner



Benita



Blaze



Maggie and Sparky (Bonded Pair)

Happy Tails

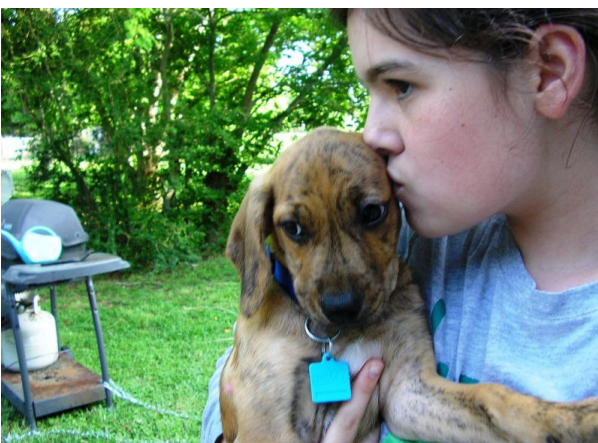
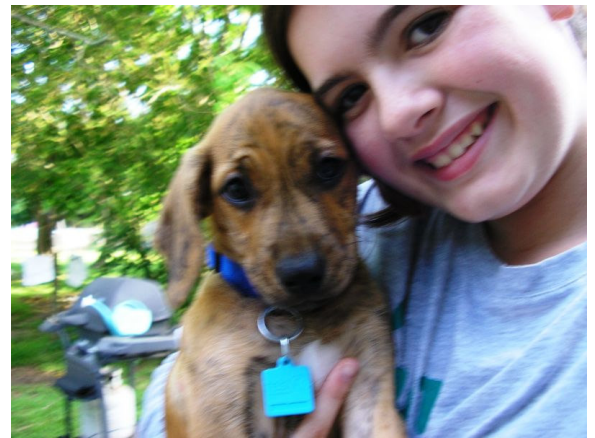
Bruno's News

Hi, Lori! I just wanted to send you a few pictures and tell you how GREAT Bruno is doing! He is a wonderful member of our family! He is already going potty in the backyard regularly, he sleeps with the kids and our other dog has become a great "mommy".. they play together great. We love having Bruno! His cough has almost completely gone away but we will probably bring him by Petco tomorrow in case he needs more meds and to get his Frontline.

Please share these photos with Pam too!

Thanks again!

Tracey Walsh



Happy Tails

Misha's News

I just wanted to let you know that Misha is doing great! We love her so much and cannot thank you enough for this wonderful little girl. I hope you are having a lot of luck finding homes for her pups and your other wonderful animals. What you do is such a blessing to the dogs and the people who adopt them. God bless you!

Kimberly Kowis



Tucker's (a.k.a. Evan's) Update



Happy Tails



Archie



Ginger



Velvet

Happy Tails



Dec. 06 (Adoption day "Reload")



May 07 (Reload & Alley CGC/AKC)



Reload & Alley swim & play football

Rescued dogs can be "Canine Good Citizens"

My husband and I decided to adopt a dog in December 2006. I say, "A dog" because one is all we thought we could handle with our schedules. We met Reload at the PETCO (I-45 at FM 646) where Pam, Lee, Laurie and many volunteers for Noah's Ark Bayou Sanctuary (N.A.B.S) hold adoptions on the weekends. We met Reload and knew he would be a great addition to our home.

After the adoption we signed up for beginner training classes with Damian and Nikki Pamplin. Neither Rob nor I had raised a dog in more than 20 years and it was important to do right by our pet. Our trainers encouraged us through the basic program and taught us the importance of exercise, discipline and affection. We worried having a rescued dog that he may have bad habits or nervous conditions. This was not the case, dogs do live in the moment and when we worked our training lessons Reload quickly became the dog that people loved to meet where ever we went.

Three months later we decided to add another dog to our family. A call to N.A.B.S let them know we were looking for another lab (yellow maybe?) must be about the same age as Reload with similar temperament. With in two weeks we received a call about Alley. Rescued from the belt way dodging cars and she was ready for adoption. She was nervous, anxious and scared when we met her and we had concerns about adding a nervous dog to our well balanced household. Pam and Lee said, "Foster her for a week and see how it works". Damian and Nikki said, "Bring her to class with Reload to see how she socializes in public".

Reload and Alley in May 2007 update; both dogs are now certified "CANINE GOOD CITIZENS" with the American Kennel Club. The training classes conclude with the certification test. The Canine Good Citizen (CGC) evaluation requires your dog to meet and greet friendly strangers or other dogs, sit politely for petting, appearance and grooming as well as walking through crowds with out being distracted. A canine good citizen knows how to stay (even with outside/people distraction) and come when called. Our training experience was exceptional and we had all of our dog behavior & care questions answered.

As for picking the right pet to join your family we recommend Noah's Ark Bayou Sanctuary. Pam, Lee, Laurie, and all the volunteers will spend time with you to find the right pet family member. Robert and I thank all of you that volunteer at N.A.B.S. for the time and affection you give to those without a voice. And thank you to Damian and Nikki Pamplin for the training and guidance.

We go for walks with our dogs, play in the pool and just have fun enjoying life. It is a rewarding experience every day.

If you are interested in raising a "GOOD CITIZEN", our trainers are Damian & Nikki Pamplin, (832)-881-5291.

Sincerely
Robert & Nancy
Kostelny

Happy Tails

Tug (a.k.a. Hank) and Tyson's Happy Reunion



Tug (a.k.a. Hank) and Tyson

Happy Tails



Foster



Brody



Desi



Hailey



Jinxy



Junior Diamond (Jade's Jewels, right)

Happy Tails



Oliver



Samara



Willie

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Who We Are

We are a 501(c)3 non-profit animal rescue group dedicated to the rescue and rehabilitation of adoptable pets. N.A.B.S. President Pam Sanidakos has over 15 years of animal welfare experience, and is an advocate for animal nurturing and care. We encourage owners and their families to invest love and time into their Furry Children's dog training and care. We provide resources (via our website:

www.N.A.B.S.-tx.com) to further educate and assist

owners and their families, as well as Petfinder.com

for those in search of pets for adoption. **N.A.B.S.**

needs your support in whatever way you can help: volunteerism, foster homes, monetary donations, and pet care items donations (ask about our wish list). Thank you for your help!



"We live temporarily through what we take, but we live forever through what we give."

Douglas M. Lawson



ABOUT US

N.A.B.S. rescues dogs for Forever Homes. We rescue animals from shelters who are perfect candidates to good homes, who would otherwise suffer from unjust euthanizing. WE ARE A NO KILL SHELTER. Each dog rescued is taken care of medically by veterinarians with physical exams, current shots and additional treatment (rabies, heartworms, etc.), and spaying or neutering. Each dog is fostered and cared for by our gracious volunteers to become lovable furry companions for families. "Dog is man's best friend." and we add to that: "a Forever Friend." Our Furry Children are unconditional in their love and will dedicate their love and loyalty to those families who foster and/or adopt them.



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