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HALAH HERALD

SUMMER 2021

What a year we've all experienced. Now that the sun is shining and the weather is hot, it is almost difficult to remember back to the brutal February freeze. All the HALAH hounds survived the unprecedented cold without any issues, some of them actually did enjoy the cold weather, others not so much. We were happy all of our young puppies had already been adopted into their furever homes. HALAH was also thankful to our supporters that we had a large supply of food and all necessary provisions for our rescue residents in place. As it turns out it was easier to prepare and predict the needs of the 4-legged residents than it was for the 2-legged. When preparing for the lower temperatures there was no way of knowing it would entail icy roads being unpassable, electricity being out for 60 hours, and damage to the local water supply resulting in limited available water. (Sometimes it is fortunate to have a Caretaker with survival training.) Hopefully if you had any damage, all has been repaired and like the Home At Last grounds "Snowmageddon" is just a memory and a successful survival story to tell.

The positive impact from working from home and sheltering in place schedules during the COVID-19 pandemic was the high rate of adoptions. Newly adopted dogs as well as those already with homes quickly adapted to having their pet parents' home with them most of the time. These companion canines loved the increased attention, extra treats, and more walks. Now that agendas are changing,

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many dogs are facing post-pandemic blues and showing signs of separation anxiety. This apprehension leads to bad behavior (including destroying items, forgetting housebreaking training, loss of appetite, or being vocal). Dogs, like many of us, are creatures of habit and they like to have a normal routine according to Veterinary behaviorists. Some dogs are more nervous than others, with puppies and older dogs being affected the most by

their owners being away from home more often. The best way to help your barking buddy adjust to being alone more is to plan ahead. If symptoms occur avoid punishment, retrain your dog, and if necessary, talk to your vet. HALAH has been receiving an increasing number of owners wanting to surrender their dogs. Having patience with your furry friends to work through issues and find a routine that works best to keep them in their home is the key. Maybe adopting a companion dog from HALAH (like Rascal or Sprite) would provide a playmate and help with their anxiety.



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"The greatness of a nation and its moral progress can be judged by the way its animals are treated."
Mahatma Gandhi

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THE FINAL TALE IS THE HAPPIEST TAIL

When space is available Home At Last accepts unwanted litters and provides care until forever homes



RECENT ARRIVALS

are found. Your generous support allows HALAH to take in and nurture many surplus puppies. In recent years, many adorable lab puppies were surrendered and re-homed from one irresponsible family. We strongly suggested the Momma Lab, Poley, get spayed and there were several promises that appointments were made, yet the litters kept coming. Poley was said to be an escape artist. On trips to the house when Poley was tending to her pups, it became apparent that she did not have adequate food or accommodations. So, food was taken to

help her stay healthy and nourish her babies. Any time food deliveries were made to this friendly girl, she was very appreciative of the extra attention and food.

YOUR DONATIONS MAKE IT ALL POSSIBLE!

In April of last year, Poley had another litter who came to live at HALAH in the Summer. Due to the lack of human attention, it always took time and lots of tender loving care for Poley's surrendered pups to become social and ready to move on to their own permanent homes. (Her litters were always born under a house.) While some of the pups from this April litter were still residents of Home At Last overcoming their shyness and becoming more friendly and healthy, we noticed that poor Momma Poley was pregnant again. At that point, we finally convinced the owner to surrender her to HALAH! We found that she was not an escape risk when she had access to quality food, water, and love. Poley enjoyed sharing a yard with her remaining puppies. She was a good Mother. But when we brought toys in for her puppies, Poley was very excited to play with the toys, as she obviously had never had toys of her own. It was such a sad but sweet sight to watch her run, play, and hide the toys like a young girl. (A family who adopted an April litter puppy, returned to adopt one of her new pups!) Her sweet lab pups quickly found loving homes and finally Poley was spayed!! Being an older Momma dog, we thought Poley would be a HALAH resident for a long time. The happiest moment for all of us came when a family with 2 young girls fell in love and adopted her. She now lives the life she deserves with a full tummy, a family who adores her, and a new name. Poley now sleeps with a little girl who is her best friend. These youngsters think they are the lucky ones, but we know Poley feels like she is the real winner!!



POLEY WITH HER GIRLS

PREVENT LITTERING - SPAY AND NEUTER!

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HALAH'S SPECIAL FRIENDS AND MEMORIALS -- NOV -- JUN

- 🐾 Jeanne and Ralph Pitz
- 🐾 John D Moritz
- 🐾 Ed and Debye Humphrey
- ♥ Bobby Hagar in memory of Mary Hagar
- 🐾 Sara Hencke
- 🐾 Pam Tennyson
- 🐾 Sam Henley
- 🐾 Nancy Filippi
- ♥ Ron Anderson for Molly
- 🐾 Becky Kilpatrick
- 🐾 Roxanne and Bob Wood
- 🐾 Wally and Vivian Capps
- 🐾 Fairhill School for Ugly Sweater Day
- 🐾 Brooks Blair and Sally
- 🐾 Claude Winborn
- 🐾 Karla Whitworth
- 🐾 Anita Artt
- 🐾 Mark and Kim Mlcak
- 🐾 Bryan and Karen Nace
- 🐾 Steve Meyer
- 🐾 David Lamar
- 🐾 Joanne Harris
- 🐾 Howard and Sharon Wright
- 🐾 Robin Friedel
- ♥ Marilyn Douglas-Bleeker in memory of Melody Yadon
- ♥ Vicki Lewis in memory of the Allen's Aston
- ♥ Donna Chapman-Amburn in memory of Meoldy Yadon
- 🐾 Mike and Betty Stiles honoring Bella and Lizzy
- ♥ Judy Devine in memory of Levi
- ♥ Vicki Lewis in memory of her Princess Leia
- 🐾 Janet Cassady
- 🐾 Katie House
- ♥ Phyllis Wilson in memory of Buddy
- 🐾 Janet and David Cromer
- 🐾 Marty and Dottie Yadon
- 🐾 Rebecca Seibold
- ♥ Don Lawrence in memory of Sammy Baker
- ♥ Sherryn Smith in memory of Meg Mary Hagar
- 🐾 Linda Ragsdale Happy 2021 Carol Maryan
- ♥ Tim Butterfield in memory of Jean McCreight
- 🐾 Vicki McPhillips for the lovely masks
- 🐾 Pet Supplies Plus – Greenville Avenue
- 🐾 Alvarado Veterinary Clinic
- 🐾 Andie Comini
- 🐾 Donation to HALAH
- ♥ In loving memory of a 4-legged friend
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HELPING HALAH

North Texas Giving Day (NTGD) is **September 23th**. After September 1 you may create an account and schedule your giving to be processed on September 23. Consider donating to Home At Last through NTGD where your donation will be stretched by their sponsors. www.northtexasgivingday.org/home-at-last-animal-haven

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Please keep HALAH in mind to make a memorial or honorarium tribute gift acknowledging any event; we will send a notification to the appropriate person and the Home At Last rescue residents will benefit from you gift.



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Scheduled giving Sept 1st – 22nd

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HALAH'S Wish List

- Foster Homes for our Dogs*
- Contributions for Vet Expenses or Food*
- Non-stuffed dog toys*
- Sturdy tubs, bowls, dishes -5 Qts or larger*
- Dogloos - Igloo style dog houses*
- Gift Cards - Wal-mart, Home Depot, Lowe's*
- PetSmart, Tractor Supply, Pet Supplies Plus,*
- Mowers / Weed Eaters - gas powered*
- Golf Cart / Utility type Vehicle - for on*
- property dog food transport*
- Container or Pod - on site storage*

Happy Summer

From all the HALAH hounds,
Court Yador, & Debye Humphrey