



Welcome to the 2017 Second Quarter Newsletter for Houston **Beagle** Rescue!

From the Houston **Beagle** Rescue –

The first quarter of 2017 yielded 29 adoptions. Unfortunately there are times the adoption doesn't work out, so the numbers may not reflect the return and the re-adoptions. Paws crossed all our **Beagles** are happy in their new homes.

If you are just starting to get this Newsletter, that means you recently adopted. We hope you enjoy our Newsletter and if you ever have any comments, suggestions or questions – we would love to hear from you.

HBHR, first and foremost, cares about the **Beagles** they have rescued. This doesn't end once the adoption has been finalized.

- ✓ ***If there are problems, we want to know.***
- ✓ ***If you have to give up your **Beagle**, we need to be your first contact.***
- ✓ ***If your contact information changes, we need to know right away.***
- ✓ ***ALWAYS, ALWAYS, ALWAYS keep your **Beagle's** collar and tags on with your contact information.***
- ✓ ***PLEASE make sure the phone number on the tag is answered or accepts messages!***

Houston **Beagle** Rescue –

What enables **HBHR** to continue saving **Beagles** from shelters and owners who no longer want them? **YOU!!**

That's why we ask you to **FOSTER** if you can;

Come to the **BYOB** on May 20th and celebrate the **Beagles**

Sign up for a monthly recurring **DONATION**.

The **Beagle** Corner –

This is where we tell you things to help you understand your **Beagle** a bit better. And yes, sometimes we tell you the same things over and over again - it's because the **Beagles** say you still aren't getting it. Here are just some miscellaneous items:

If your **Beagle** is chewing their paws and their feet are taking on a reddish color, it's allergies. See your Vet about what to do.

Many dogs, including **Beagles**, are developing allergies to grain in their food. Grain free might be the way to go. An allergy can manifest itself in itchy paws, ear infections, itchy skin, etc. But talk to your Vet and always, always, always, transition from one food to another slowly.

If you take your **Beagle** to the dog park, they will seek out other **Beagles**. **Beagles** speak **Beagle**. If there is another **Beagle** there, they will make a bee line for it. Otherwise, they typically just hang out and wander.

The life span of a **Beagle** is 12-15 years. That's an average. Some die much sooner and some die much later. There is no way of knowing how long your **Beagle** will live.

In the US, the AKC came up with the accepted sizes of 13" and 15" for **Beagles**.

There is no such thing as a Pocket **Beagle**. It use to be an actual breed but it died out in the 1600's. Anyone selling a "pocket" **Beagle** did some selective breeding to get a smaller dog.

What is a bland diet for dogs? Cottage cheese, boiled ground meat (well drained) and brown rice. If your **Beagle** has to have a bland diet, 1/3 of each does well. Or equal parts rice and meat and leave out the cottage cheese.

Never feed your **Beagle** anything but a premium food. Just because the bag is pretty and it's made by Purina does NOT make it a premium food. Do your research! Go to dogfoodadvisor.com

Is your **Beagle** fat? Yes. Don't have to see it - already know they are. How much fat is on top of those ribs? Is there a nice indentation after the ribs going back to the rear? You're the human - you have to learn to measure food and to say "no" to those sad eyes.

Did you know Sago Palms are deadly? So is Oleander.

Will my **Beagle** get along with a cat? More often than not, it's the cat that determines that, not the **Beagle**. **Beagles** are hunting dogs - it's who they are. Prey runs away. If a cat runs away, a **Beagle** is going to chase. If a cat stands it's ground, most often the **Beagle** will back down.

How do I know if my **Beagle** will get along with another **Beagle**? With **Beagles**, it's all about the pack and pack order. Someone has to be top dog - and it's going to be a female. In general, male beagles do fine together, male and female **Beagles** do fine as long as she's the boss - when you want to put two females together, one has to be in charge.

Beagles have a bad reputation as being the bane of the neighborhood. They are if you leave them outside unattended. **Beagles** should never be left outside with no access to the inside - and not at all, if they are going to disturb your neighbors.

Leash length and width should be according to the size of the dog. Flex leashes are never, ever recommended for **Beagles**.

Intelligence in dogs is graded by trainability. Hence, **Beagles** are not thought of as highly intelligent. **Beagles** think the definition of intelligence is not correct.

If your **Beagle** occasionally has backward sneezing - do not panic. Most times it's caused by post nasal drip. Unless your Vet has told you otherwise, you can always dry them up with Benedryl. One mg per lb of body weight - so typically, one pill is perfect for a dog the size of a **Beagle**.

The most important things you can do for your **Beagle**: keep them up to date on heartworm preventative, keep their nails trimmed properly, make sure they are wearing proper ID at all times, that they are loved and appreciated the same as all family members.

Happenings –

HBHR holds a Meet & Greet month – usually the second Sunday. Please check the website for details.

The Annual **BYOB** (Bring Your Own **Beagle**)!! Well, almost annual. The **BYOB** was started several years ago by one of the volunteers to celebrate **Beagles**!! We furnish most of the food but you are welcome to bring a dish to share - but only if you want to, totally not necessary. Bring a chair, bring the family but most importantly, **BRING THE BEAGLE!!**

The **BYOB** is Saturday, May 20th from noon to 4:00 p.m. At:

Cypress Falls Pet Resort, 12043 Spring Cypress Rd, Tomball, TX 77377
RSVP!!!! to bevyofbeagles@yahoo.com or 713-542-4827

Beagle Thoughts and Wisdom:

My sunshine doesn't come from the skies,
It comes from the love in my dog's eyes.

Unknown Poet

**THANK YOU FROM EVERYONE AT HOUSTON BEAGLE RESCUE –
ESPECIALLY THE BEAGLES!!!**