



Welcome to the 2017 Fourth Quarter Newsletter from Houston **Beagle** Rescue!

From the Houston **Beagle** Rescue –

The third quarter of 2017 yielded 46 adoptions. And to answer the question on everyone's mind – HBHR did take in several **Beagles** due to Hurricane Harvey but not near as bad as it could have been. Since **Beagles** are known for their hatred of water, we're hoping they all headed to higher ground and stayed safe.

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. And ALWAYS, ALWAYS, ALWAYS keep your **Beagle's** collar and tags on with your contact information. And PLEASE make sure the phone number on the tag is answered or accepts messages!

Something to know about the Newsletter –

If you've been getting it for some time, you know that some information is repeated many times. It probably goes without saying, it's repeated because we get feedback that our readers want it repeated.

Ways to Help the **Beagles** –

At Houston **Beagle** Rescue, our top priority is taking care of the **Beagles** that come to us and to adopt them out as healthy as we can get them. Dentals, Medications and Heartworm Treatment is expensive. Your adoption fee covers the vaccines.

It's your subsequent donations that we need to cover the rest. The **NUMBER ONE** thing you can do?!?!?: **Sign up for Recurring Monthly Donations**; perhaps you could make it a New Year's Resolution to do so.

Your spontaneous donations do manage to arrive just when the bank account is running dry and the **Beagles** appreciate all that you do in that regard.

Wondering what else you can do? Here's a list the **Beagles** came up with:

1. Buy a page in the **Beagle** Calendar. They make FANTASTIC Holiday gifts for all your friends and family. The time is NOW!! See the website for info (www.HoustonBeagleRescue.org) or send an email with questions.
2. Come to our Events – like the Bingo for **Beagles** coming up on October 21st. This is the first one that the **Beagles** are invited to and we're going to have a costume contest for those interested. More later in this Newsletter.
3. Save all your stuff for the Garage Sale that we hold every spring. If it's new, we use it as prizes at events. If it's dog related, we either give it to foster homes or use it in gifts. Anything that doesn't sell at the sale, we donate to another charity.
4. Donate generously before year-end so you can get the **tax deduction!**
5. Use Amazon.Smile when you shop and choose HBHR as your charity. We signed up as a charity with them several years ago and the amount donated to date is less than \$1300.00 but every little bit does help.
6. The list is not complete if we didn't mention that we always need foster homes.

The Beagle Corner –

This is where we speak for the **Beagles** about things that perhaps their families don't understand. If you take outstanding care of your **Beagle**, some of these things may cause you to shake your head in disbelief but sadly, it's true. At **Beagle** Rescue, we unfortunately have heard it all and then some.

“Myth”: I need to give up my **Beagle** because she stinks. I've taken her to the Vet several times and it never gets better and trying to make her an outside dog isn't working.

Fact: Where do we start with this one! Chances are she has a yeast infection. It's treatable and fixable but it means you actually take them to the Vet, you get the medications and you follow through with those medications. And NO, no **Beagle** should ever have to live outside PLUS that makes the yeast infection worse.

“Myth”: You probably don't want to get too close to my **Beagle's** face; her breath is terrible. I've tried changing her food several times but it never gets better.

Fact: Hey it's probably not the Food unless you're feeding Ol' Roy! First changing foods causes major gastrological upset unless done properly but more than likely it's the **Beagle's** teeth that need addressing. Have you lifted up that lip lately?? Are they pearly white? Or are they so brown with buildup that you can't even see a tooth anymore?

“Myth”: No one loves their **Beagle** more than I do.

Fact: Does your love include:

Looking at their feet and keeping their nails trimmed so they can walk without pain and without having to turn their feet sideways?

Getting their Vaccines on time?

Providing monthly heartworm meds and flea preventatives and NEVER forgetting?

Checking their ears at least monthly and taking a good whiff?

Taking them in for annual check-ups even if they get three year vaccines?

Getting their dentals done when they're needed?

We know dentals are expensive but Hey – there are low cost clinics out there that do them too and there is Dental Month. But did you know that bad teeth leads to bone infection which can spread to the blood stream? Yes, you can drastically shorten your **Beagle's** life by not getting their teeth cleaned on a regular basis. That's fact not fiction. And we don't even want to talk about extractions.

Happenings –

HBHR holds a Meet & Greet every month. Please check the website for details. We always have some great **Beagles** looking for great homes. When you adopt a rescue dog, you are saving two lives – the **Beagle** you adopt and the one who can come into the rescue because an opening has been made.

Calendar time is NOW!!!. See website (www.HoustonBeagleRescue.org) for details.

Gift Wrapping at Barnes & Noble- Town & Country location- starts the day after Thanksgiving. Sign up to wrap or stop by and see a **Beagle**.

Bingo for Beagles!!!!

When: Saturday, October 21st
Anytime between Noon and 4:00 p.m.

Where: Cypress Falls Pet Resort
12043 Spring Cypress Rd
Tomball, TX 77377
(281) 378 – 7170

Who: The Whole Family including the **Beagles**

Details: **Beagle** Rescue is providing Snacks and Bottled Water
Games cost \$20 for 15 cards including Dauber
Extra cards for \$1 each.
We give out GREAT prizes to the winner of each game.

Extra: For those that wish to participate, we are having a Costume Contest for the **Beagles!!**
We will also have items there for your shopping pleasure.

Beagle Thoughts and Wisdom –

Rescue dogs aren't broken, they've simply experienced more life than other dogs. If they were human, we would call them wise.

They would be the ones with tales to tell and stories to write, the ones dealt a bad hand who responded with courage.

Don't pity a rescue dog. Adopt one. And be proud to have their greatness by your side.

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