



# DAWGS n Texas

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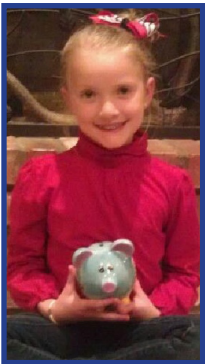
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Dear DAWGS Family,

It is really difficult to believe yet another year has gone by... Our year was filled with trials to overcome but as always, YOU provided the much needed help to enable us to save over 1,000 cats and dogs this year. Thank you for your tremendous response to our well issue... you truly saved us, for without water we could not have survived! This holiday season we are so grateful and thankful for all your help and support...THANK YOU!! THANK YOU!! THANK YOU!!



We have rescued over 8,500 dogs and cats over the last ten years and have now provided new beginnings to over 7,600 animals, as they have been placed in the loving arms of their adopted families. Thank you for helping us to continue our mission to rescue, shelter and rehome these precious animals. At the end of the year we always try to share some of the most touching rescue stories which is such a difficult task to decide as each one is so special...but here are a few:



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**SAVANNAH** ... had received a piggybank for her birthday and was saving her money to adopt a dog from DAWGS. She had saved all of her birthday money and “chore money” for months and months and finally had enough. One day, she and her mother came to the shelter to adopt. Savannah carefully looked at all the dogs and puppies, trying to find that special one, when she walked by Stewie’s cage. Stewie was hiding under his blanket but when he heard her voice, he jumped up and gently grabbed Savannah’s little fingers...it was love at first sight.

... and **STEWIE** was a very pitiful little Tuxedo kitty that was heard crying insistently after a storm. We were contacted by a concerned elderly woman and went to look for the kitty. We finally found him, wet and shivering, on a doorstep and knocked on the door to see if he belonged there. The homeowner answered the door and stated the kitten was not hers and she had turned up her TV as loud as possible so she didn’t have to hear its cries...we immediately took the kitten in and named him Stewie. Once we fed him, Stewie snuggled into the blanket and his cries subsided, he was a really happy kitty.





The little girl had so wanted a puppy but after meeting and holding Stewie there was no doubt she really needed a kitty...sweet Stewie. Today Savannah and Stewie are the best of friends, spending hours playing dolls and snuggling together on cold nights. Thank you for helping to make these new beginnings possible.

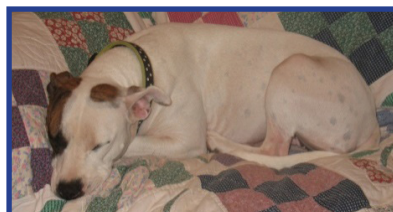
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**LOLA** is a small white pit mix that was abandoned by her family in Amarillo, TX. A neighbor heard mournful cries coming from a vacated house for over a week and finally called the animal control. When the animal control agent arrived they found Lola tied to a pipe with seven small puppies running around. They had no water or food and all of them were very skinny and sick...Lola, who was so weak she could hardly walk, was trying to nurse her babies to keep them alive.

Our volunteer, Debbi, had gone to Animal Control and saw Lola in the middle of the building with other dogs barking and barking around her. One of her puppies was very sick and dying and the volunteer immediately went to the staff for help...but it was too late. We tried to rescue Lola and her puppies right then but were informed according to policy we had to wait in case the owner came to claim her. Obviously no one came and we received the call we could pick up Lola and her babies. That morning, another of the little puppies had passed away and Lola was curled in the corner, mourning the loss of her baby. She didn't move when we entered the pen, she just looked up at us with her big brown eyes, begging for help for her and her little ones. As we reached down to put a leash gently around her neck, she softly licked our hands and raised her head. She then regally walked to the cage door making sure we were following with her puppies.



Lola and her puppies had a very difficult recovery time and we lost two more puppies within a few days. Thankfully after two long months, everyone was ready for adoption. The puppies were quickly adopted but Lola patiently waited week after week for her special someone to arrive. One day, a very nice couple came in, looked at Lola, read her story and knew they needed her as much as she needed them. Today Lola loves being loved by her human family and her little buddy and two big buddies. They have taken over the family couch especially on cold winter nights and finally Lola is in her forever home.





**ROMEO** is a little Lhasa Apso who was found cowering in a kennel at Animal Control. He was so horribly matted the animal control agent that picked him up could not determine what he was or if he was a male or female. He could hardly walk and the hair on his face was so thick he could not see. When Romeo was rescued we took him to a local groomer. It took over six hours to remove the years of matted fur and debris. Once he was groomed we were finally able to see his little eyes and found his right eye had a serious infection. We immediately took him into the vet and they prescribed creams and antibiotics but his eye became worse rather than better. Sadly the vet felt he needed to have his eye removed as he was

in terrible pain. Poor little Romeo had a difficult time with the surgery but was finally able to mend. Throughout his ordeal Romeo always looked into your eyes with complete trust and always wore a little smile. Finally, Romeo was ready to go to adoptions. A family with two small children saw him and knew they needed him to be a part of their lives. Today he is greatly loved and very happy.



**WE NEED YOUR HELP TO CONTINUE TO SAVE THESE PRECIOUS ANIMALS,** especially now that winter has hit the panhandle of Texas. We went from nice weather temperatures in the 70's to bitter, bitter cold within days. This created a huge problem for us, as many of our igloos are older and have begun to crack. We have over 100 that now need to be replaced and a long time donor has offered to pay for half if we can find matching funds for the other half. So, again we need to ask for your help to raise \$8,500. Your contributions, as always go directly to the care of the animals as we have no administrative salaries (all are volunteers). Thank you for being part of our journey, part

of lives and part of the success of caring for animals and finding them their forever homes. **It is your kindness and generosity that makes it possible for us to save so many cherished animals.**

Love always,

Mark and Diane and everyone from DAWGSnTEXAS

p.s. We are now at both Petsmart and Petco on the weekends in Amarillo to provide more opportunities for the adoption of our wonderful cats and dogs.



p.s.s. If you have internet access, a little video we just completed for use with a grant is available on YouTube at:

[http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=U\\_STz9Ubz24](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=U_STz9Ubz24).

## IN MEMORY OF

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