

## Humane Society of Williamson County is celebrating 30 years of saving lives in our community on October 25, 2009

Join the Humane Society of Williamson County to celebrate its 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary with a huge family friendly party and adoption reunion on their 22 acres site at 10930 E. Crystal Falls Parkway in Leander on Sunday on October 25, 2009 from 12:00 to 5:00. This is their biggest party yet with live music (bands to be announced), animal demonstrations, contests, food/drink and vendors selling great wares for you and your furry friend. This is a kid friendly event that will have face painting, a coloring contest, inflatable jumpers and a craft table to make cat toys for some of our feline residents.

Since its founding by volunteers in 1979, the Humane Society of Williamson County ("HSWC") remains dedicated to their mission to improve the lives of pets and people in the always growing Williamson County and to ensure no adoptable pet is euthanized. This is accomplished through three vital services; a "no-kill" adoption facility working to end pet homelessness, a monthly low-cost vaccination clinic and weekly spay/neuter surgeries available to the public of Central Texas.

The capability to reduce pet homelessness is possible through the combined efforts of the HSWC as a "no-kill" facility promoting high volume adoptions and pet owners taking advantage of its low cost services such as the spay/neuter clinics. These are held every Tuesday and Thursday by appointment and a space can be reserved for your pet at (512) 260-3602 x 105.

No longer the county intake facility, the HSWC receives no government subsidy and relies on the assistance of volunteers and is funded by generous donations, grants and fees for services rendered. There are many ways people can get involved with the shelter and make a positive impact on the animals' lives:

- **Adopt.** In partnership with regional animal shelters, rescue groups and owner surrenders the HSWC is working to eliminate pet homelessness by being a high volume, "no-kill" adoption facility that provides a home for many animals that would be at risk for euthanasia and helps them connect with their forever families. Animals are available for adoption Tuesday through Sunday at their Crystal Falls Parkway location in Leander.
- **Donate.** The HSWC counts on community support to continue their life-saving programs and monetary donations are greatly appreciated. You can donate in one of two ways; an unrestricted cash gift or replenishing our Abby Angel Fund, money reserved for animals arriving at the shelter in need of veterinary attention for which no budgeted funds are available. We also appreciate assistance with our Wish List of animal, veterinary, office and general shelter supplies. Links to donate and our wish list can be viewed on our website [www.hswc.net](http://www.hswc.net).
- **Become a volunteer.** No time commitment is too small and there is always something to be done that will suit your interests. The HSWC is fortunate to have a very involved and committed group of volunteers assisting with daily shelter activities, fostering animals or contributing to off-site adoptions or fundraising events. To learn more about becoming a volunteer, please call the Volunteer Coordinator at (512) 260-3602 extension 102.

Mark your calendar to join HSWC on October 25<sup>th</sup> to celebrate 30 years of saving lives in the community.