



While we can't change  
an animal's past,  
our mission is to  
rewrite their future.

May, 2019

# The Hallie Hill Howler



By:  
Jennifer Middleton

Hello Hallie Friends!

This month I had the pleasure of making my annual trip to visit the first graders at Mason Preparatory School. This is one of many schools Hallie Hill visits each year, and this time I was able to take Max with me, our sweet 9-year-old black lab mix. Max was the perfect dog! He sat at my feet and helped me tell the children about Hallie Hill, explain how to be kind to their own pets, and how to behave around dogs they don't know! We ended the visit by reading a book about a homeless dog to the young students.



Visiting schools and helping to create a sense of compassion for animals in today's youth is critical in improving the way our society treats animals in general. Mahatma Gandhi once said: "The greatness of a nation and its moral progress can be judged by the way its animals are treated." Education is the key to making our society a more humane one. When people know better, they can do better! There are countless lessons to share with our youth to help them do small things to protect vulnerable animals. In my years of working in the field of animal rescue, I am encouraged to see overall improvement in how people are caring for animals. If you have young people in your life, take time to share your love of animals and encourage them to be the compassionate animal advocates of tomorrow.



Happy May!  
Jennifer



May's  
**VOLUNTEER SPOTLIGHT:**  
*Barbara Harkins!*



Barbara Harkins is an incredible volunteer who came to us with many years of experience in animal rescue. She worked performing clinical dental cleanings on dogs and cats and worked at a shelter in Georgia for many years. She currently fosters dogs and cats, helping to prepare them for adoption or allowing them the comforts of her home in the final months of their lives. Barbara's cheerful attitude and friendly personality make her a hit when representing the Sanctuary at community events. Thank you, Barbara, for all that you do for us, we could not have a better advocate for our dogs and cats at Hallie Hill!



**Coming up Quickly!! Thursday, May 2nd!**

**Join us for a fun evening...make the most of this beautiful weather!**



**THURSDAY, MAY 2, 2019 | 6PM-8PM**  
**35 PRIOLEAU STREET, CHARLESTON, SC 29401**

Enjoy live music by Dark and Bitter, lite hors d'oeuvres, specialty cocktails and happy hour drink prices all while showing your support for Hallie Hill Animal Sanctuary.

We will be accepting \$10 cash donations at the door and all cash tips will benefit Hallie Hill.

*You do not have to be a member to attend! Business Attire is required.*

# Welcome Caroline Ruiz!



Meet Caroline, Hallie Hill's new Adoption Coordinator/Operations Assistant!

Caroline has a background in design and marketing, as well as positive reinforcement dog training and animal care. She is thrilled to be pursuing a career working with animals, and is looking forward to finding loving homes for the wonderful dogs and cats at Hallie Hill! Caroline lives with her husband Matthew, a Nuclear Submarine Officer, and their sweet rescue pup Dallas. We are so excited to welcome you to the team, Caroline! Welcome to the Hallie Hill family!



**3RD ANNUAL MAY THE DOGS BE WITH YOU FESTIVAL**

**MAY 18TH**  
**10 - 5PM**

AT  
— — — — —  
DEEP WATER  
VINEYARD

**MAY THE DOGS BE WITH YOU**  
Lowcountry dog

Hallie Hill Animal Sanctuary will be there with some great dogs available for adoption! Join us for a FUN day at Deep Water Vineyards!



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## Hallie Hill Loves Bishop Gadsden! 4/9/19



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CLICK  
HERE  
TO  
WATCH!!



Waiting impatiently for our cue! Thank goodness for a little well hidden cheese!

*Hallie Hill  
Appears (again!)  
on the  
Hallmark Channel  
with Lorissa Whol!*

Hallie Hill was honored to be invited again by the Hallmark Channel's *Home and Family Show* to be a highlighted shelter with animals for adoption!

Jennifer chose Mouse as our feature dog, took some pictures and videos and provided Mouse's resume! Doing the interview by Skype was fun, and it was interesting watching all the happenings behind the scenes! Mouse says, "Thank-you, Lorissa, and Hallmark Home and Family! I hope I get my family!"

Adoption Ever After

NAME: DOG-Mouse

LOCATION: Charleston, SC

RESCUE: HALLIE HILL

WEBSITE: [halliehill.com](http://halliehill.com)

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*THIS* is Hallie Hill!....



Many thanks to Katy Roberts,  
of Katy Roberts Media, for  
shooting and producing this  
wonderful video!

It is guaranteed to make you  
want to visit this amazing place!

Click on the picture above and enjoy!

Two of the greatest qualities  
to have in life are:



PATIENCE  
and WISDOM



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Keep track of updates and upcoming events!



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## Putting for Paws - 4.1.19

*Despite the frigid temps, this day was filled with fun and warmth! Thanks to our players and supporters, we raised over \$30,000 for our beloved animals at Hallie Hill! Thank you for your generosity, see you in 2020!*



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*The Hallie Hill Howler*

*We Found Our Fur-ever Homes!!*



**Boo-Boo!**  
TY Robin Thomson



**Sasha!**  
TY Keith Gordan!



**Zelda (Bella)!**  
TY Susan Legare



**Max!**  
TY Cooke Family



**Puppy (Perri) and  
Dana (Dinah)!**  
TY Amy Dabbs



**Boo!**  
TY Christine Klein



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## Cooper River Bridge Run - 4/6/19

CRBR was a HUGE success for Hallie Hill! We raised over \$10,000!

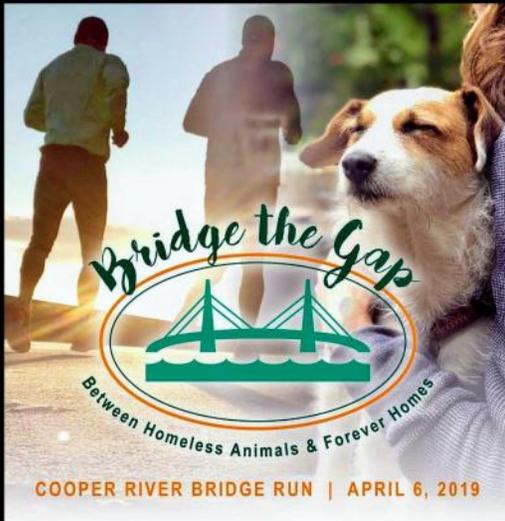
Heartfelt thanks to our runners and our sponsors!



Hallie Hill Animal Sanctuary

9 mins · 🌐

We love our runners! Thank you to everyone who participated in this year's Bridge the Gap fundraiser! Pictured: Daniela Schneider, Jeff Bayme, Will Long, and Melissa DiMaggio and kids. #HallieHill #BridgeTheGap



## May's Adorable Adoptables!



### Ben

Ben is one of the most handsome hounds at Hallie Hill. He is 9 years old and wears it very well! He does great with dogs or people of any age, but is not recommended to be around cats. He is neutered, microchipped, and vaccinated and is the family member you have been waiting for!



### Nova

Nova is a medium haired female with a lot of love to give to her very own special human. She is feline leukemia positive, so cannot be allowed outside and needs to be an only feline child! This sweet girl is spayed, chipped and vaccinated and is doing very well, medically! (FLV is NOT necessarily a bad thing when handled correctly!!) Can you give this little girl a fur-ever home?



### Sunshine

Sunshine lives up to her name and will bring lots of warmth and light to your life! She is a sweet lady and will warm your heart. At 8 years old she is through her 'puppy' years but still loves a romp with her special human! She needs someone to give her a home all her own and shower her with unconditional love. She is waiting for you at Hallie Hill...come and meet the 'light' of your life!



### Cooper

Cooper is a handsome medium sized young hound (only 4 years old!) with a shy personality. He really needs another dog to feel comfortable. His playfulness is endearing and he loves interacting with 'hoomans'! He is neutered, microchipped and vaccinated and is ready to be a loving companion to you, and your other pets! He is waiting for you with his toy in his mouth!!

## *Dogs in the Classroom Improve SEL, Cognitive, and Even Reading Skills...what the research shows!*



Welcoming four-legged friends into the classroom is a growing trend across the country. And research shows that therapy-dog programs provide significant benefits for students. According to the Alliance of Therapy Dogs, “Therapy dogs have been called ‘miracle workers’ because of their calming effect on students and teachers.” Therapy dogs help with everything from trauma to reading interventions to a positive school climate. In addition, they provide particular benefits for autistic children.

### *Therapy Dogs vs. Service Dogs*

There is a distinct difference between service dogs and therapy dogs. Service dogs help individuals with specific disabilities, such as visual impairment or seizure disorders. Therapy dogs provide comfort and support. They are trained to use their social instincts and learned social skills to provide health, social-emotional, and cognitive benefits.

### *Health Benefits*

Dogs in the classroom provide both physical and emotional health benefits for students. According to one study published by the National Institutes of Health (NIH), having a dog present in the classroom promotes a positive mood and provides significant anti-stress effects on the body. In fact, the simple act of petting a dog has the effect of lowering blood pressure and heart rate. Pet therapy also lowers stress hormones, like cortisol, and increases oxytocin. In other words, just being in contact with a therapy dog calms kids down when they’re upset and helps keep their anxiety at bay. And reducing feelings of anxiety and depression enables them to focus on learning.

### *Social-Emotional Benefits*

Perhaps the greatest benefit of therapy dogs in the classroom is the effect on students’ social-emotional development. Loving and lovable, dogs are friendly companions and good listeners who make no judgements. Children bond easily with these gentle creatures, helping them feel more connected and confident. This leads to a reduction in negative behavior and aggression.

Additionally, the NIH study states that interacting with a therapy dog has a “social catalyst” effect, which leads to “increased stimulation of social behavior.” These relationships build trust and trustworthiness in children and help them develop a greater capacity for empathy.

The experts at [therapyanimals.org](http://therapyanimals.org) recommend using a safe, reliable agency that carefully selects and properly trains their animals. A registered therapy dog team will have their own insurance and will work without a cost to the school. Some of the organizations they recommend include Pet Partners, Alliance of Therapy Dogs, and R.E.A.D. – Reading Education Assistance Dogs

## Cognitive Benefits

Therapy dogs not only have a positive effect on emotional well-being, they have an influence on cognitive development. Interacting with therapy dogs improves students' reading skills, stimulates memory and problem-solving skills, and even optimizes executive-functioning skills.

For instance, reading aloud can be an intimidating process for some kids. Many schools across the country have implemented programs that match students with trained canine reading partners. And it seems to be working. According to a study conducted by the University of California, Davis, students who participated in one program increased their reading fluency between 12 and 30 percent.



In a nutshell, the NIH study summarizes, "The presence of a dog in an educational setting seems to support concentration, attention, motivation, and relaxation reflecting reduction of high stress levels which inhibit effective learning and performance. Also [ ... ] a dog creates a pleasant social atmosphere [ ... ] an essential component for optimal executive functioning."

## Concerns

While the benefits of therapy dogs in classrooms are many, there are understandably concerns. Among them:

### *Cleanliness*

Even though dogs have the potential to spread diseases and infections, the risks are minimal if you implement responsible safety procedures. Therapy dogs won't lick or scratch when working, which greatly decreases the chance of spreading germs. In addition, children should wash their hands before and after interacting with dogs.

### *Allergies*

Trainers bathe and groom therapy dogs before visiting schools, which greatly reduces animal dander. If children in a class have severe allergies, keep the dog in a different location, such as a conference room or office.



### *Fear*

Dogs may frighten some children. Handlers are very careful about introducing children to their dogs on a purely voluntary basis. That being said, one of the most powerful ways to reshape a fearful behavior response is by providing a positive peer behavioral model. In other words, watching other children enjoying and safely interacting with a dog may encourage a fearful child to give it a try.

<https://www.weareteachers.com/dogs-in-the-classroom/>



**Cinco de Mayo, or the fifth of May, is a holiday that celebrates the date of the Mexican army's 1862 victory over France at the Battle of Puebla during the Franco-Mexican War. The day, which falls on Sunday, May 5 in 2019, is also known as Battle of Puebla Day. While it is a relatively minor holiday in Mexico, in the United States, Cinco de Mayo has evolved into a commemoration of Mexican culture and heritage, particularly in areas with large Mexican-American populations.**

## Doggie Nachos!

**Ingredients:** 1 can dog food  
Chicken jerky strips  
Shredded Carrots

**Step 1:** Open can of food.  
**Step 2:** Arrange food on plate.  
**Step 3:** Top with chicken jerky and carrots.

**Best served immediately!**



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The Charleston Museum

ReMember the Museum - 4/27/19

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# A Dog's Mental Health is Important Too!....

## A Dog's Emotional Cup

Every dog has a cup that needs to be filled—with social connection, security, access to reinforcers, and enrichment.

Some dogs seem to have a full cup most of the time, either because of a genetic pre-disposition, or because they have learned good ways to get a refill.

Most things that dogs do are completely normal—including the annoying stuff, like DIGGING up the garden, CHASING cats, or BARKING at the mailman. But all dogs show signs of stress when their cups get near empty.



### Signs your dog may be coping with an empty cup

- \* hoarding resources, over-protective
- \* over-reacting, or shutting down when exposed to new things
- \* restlessness
- \* slow to recover from exciting events
- \* changes in appetite
- \* escalating behaviors to get something or to get away from something
- \* increased grumpiness, or flare-ups
- \* intense social appeasement

### What refills a dog's cup:

- ▼ Doing Dog Things: SNIFFING, CHEWING, FORAGING, BARKING, DIGGING, PLAYING
- ▼ Being included in the family (dogs/humans)
- ▼ Freedom to move
- ▼ Freedom to make choices
- ▼ Ability to control outcomes and get reinforcement
- ▼ Unconditional love and attention
- ▼ Good health: nourishing food, no parasites, etc.
- ▼ Having a safe, quiet place to rest
- ▼ Predictable routines and interactions
- ▼ Getting to do things a dog loves to do

### What empties a dog's cup:

- ▲ Social isolation
- ▲ Long periods of confinement with no enrichment
- ▲ Poor nutrition, untreated illness, or pain
- ▲ Denied access to reinforcement
- ▲ Scary or unpredictable reactions from important humans
- ▲ Over-stimulation (over-exercised) or not enough
- ▲ Set up to fail, and then punished for it
- ▲ No preparation for challenging situations
- ▲ Unclear training: not knowing how to get reinforcement
- ▲ No one responding when expressing a need
- ▲ Too much "impulse control" (i.e. no sniffing, no eating, no exploring, no barking, no doing Dog Things ) for too much of the day

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Inspired by THE EMOTIONAL CUP by Upbility



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## Welcome to Hallie Hill!



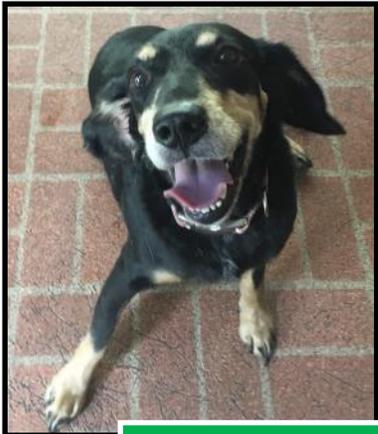
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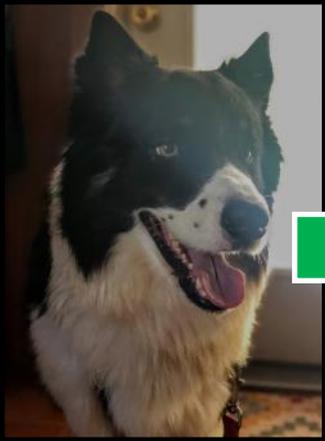
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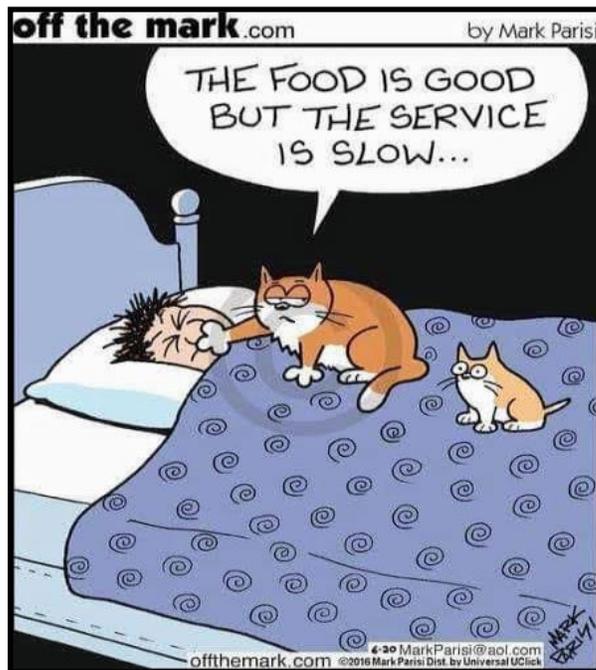


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Make 'em smile

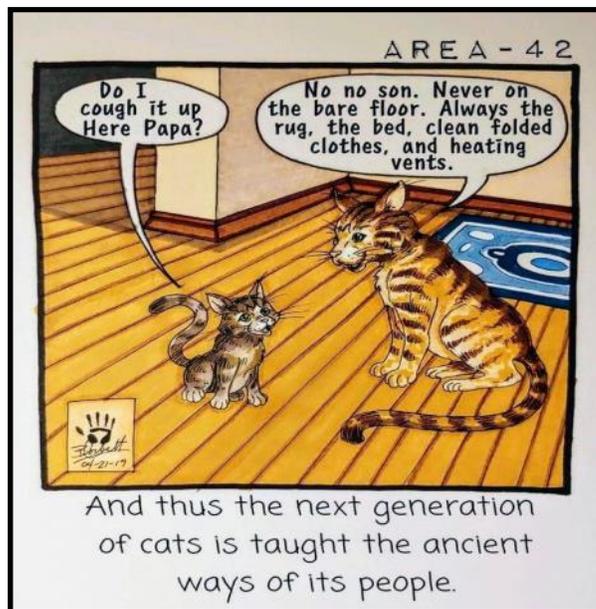



Did you know that you could be generating donations for Hallie Hill while you shop on Amazon! Just go to Smile.Amazon.com, choose Hallie Hill Animal Sanctuary as your charitable organization and Amazon will donate a portion of your purchase price to Hallie Hill on all eligible items, every time you shop!

With Amazon Prime Day coming up this Monday, July 16, it's a great way to save a bunch at Amazon and be helping our animals at the same time.

THAT MAKES US SMILE!

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## May at HHAS

May 2019

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1	 2	3	4
 5	6	7	 8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	 16	17	 18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	 27	28	29	 30	31	

Public Holidays: 27: Memorial Day

- May 2nd—HHAS on Midday News  
Channel 2
- May 5th—Cinco de Mayo
- May 8th—HHAS on Low Country Live  
Channel 4
- May 16th—HHAS on Midday News  
Channel 2
- May 18th—May the Dogs Be With You  
DeepWater Vineyards
- May 27th—Memorial Day
- May 30th—HHAS on Midday News  
Channel 2





# How Can You Help? Our May Wish List!

PLEASE Donate to the [MAGIC Fund](#)  
(Medical and Geriatric Intensive Care) or  
*sponsor a cat condo or dog cabin* at  
[www.halliehill.com](http://www.halliehill.com)!

- Go to [smile.amazon.com](https://smile.amazon.com) and choose Hallie Hill to be your beneficiary each time you shop at Amazon!
- Check out our [Hallie Hill Wishlist](#) on [amazon.com](https://amazon.com)
- Consumables we need all of the time!

Trash Bags

Ant Poison

Scoopable Cat Litter

Friskies wet cat food

Dry cat food

Canned Dog Food

Paper Plates and Paper Towels

Copy Paper and File Folders

Bottled water for volunteers

Multi-Purpose Spray Cleaner

Bleach





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**Mission Statement**

*Hallie Hill Animal Sanctuary is a 501c3 organization that provides a compassionate safe-haven with quality food and medical care for dogs and cats; a temporary home for those able to be adopted, and a forever home for those in need.*