



Alpha Impressions

By: Jennifer Middleton

With 150 dogs to care for, I spend a lot of time in the waiting room at the vet's office. I usually have a very old, or very sick mixed breed dog with me. Often it is so poorly socialized that it is trying to hide under my chair. Sometimes the dog is so pitiful looking I wish everyone could see this same dog after a few weeks at Hallie Hill! The dogs blossom physically and emotionally from the care provided at the Sanctuary! Then I watch many others come into the clinic with their purebred puppies. They are so proud of their adorable ball of fur. Sadly, the first question that pops into my mind is where did they get the puppy? I wonder if they unknowingly supported a puppy mill to get the dog they wanted?

Of course, I want everyone to adopt their pets from a rescue or shelter, but I am realistic and know that people want what they want and will often shop online breeders to buy their "perfect" dog. I am not saying that all breeders are bad. It is just sad knowing that there are so many homeless pets being euthanized daily for the simple fact that THEY DO NOT HAVE A HOME. And meanwhile, people breed their golden retriever or their shi-poo every time it has a heat cycle to sell the puppies on Craig's list. So many irresponsible breeders keep their dogs in deplorable conditions, and don't provide proper medical care for the mothers or the pups. Please try to let anyone you know who wants to purchase a dog from a breeder to be careful not to support a puppy mill or even an irresponsible "backyard breeder". Just because they claim to be a "licensed breeder" does not mean they are reputable. One red flag is if the breeder does not want you to come to their house or facility to meet or pick up the puppy. They might offer to save you the drive by meeting you half way. For other ideas on how to avoid supporting a puppy mill [CLICK HERE](#). A responsible pet owner should sleep better at night knowing they did their due diligence. If everyone was careful about the puppies they purchased, puppy mills would cease to exist and the needless suffering of thousands of animals would come to an end. I am grateful that adopting a "rescue" has become the popular thing to do! As we are so fond of saying, "ADOPT, DON'T SHOP!"



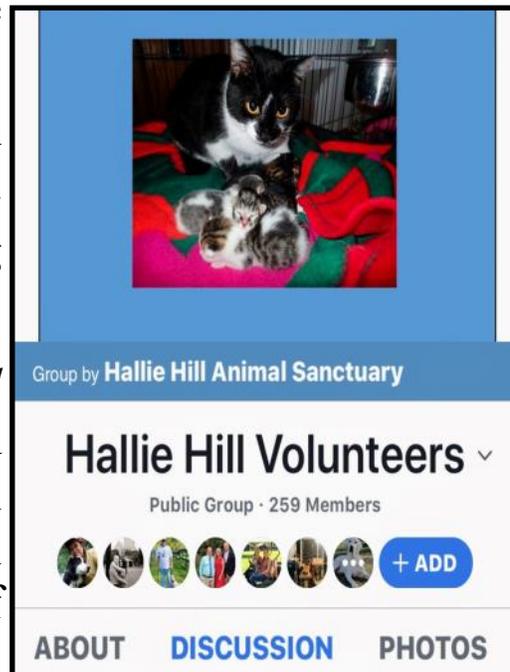
Volunteer SPOTLIGHT:

*Volunteering and Social Media
are a match made in heaven!*

We have a Facebook group called Hallie Hill Volunteers that is used to share upcoming events, new arrivals, amusing anecdotes, adoptees in their new homes and general information! Volunteers are encouraged to post photos, videos, animal cartoons, etc. that we can all relate to!

On the Volunteers Facebook page we share care and behavior tips and welcome new volunteers. Our family of volunteers have taken such an interest in Hallie Hill that they have shared countless pictures of our residents with family and friends. The results are ‘off the chart’ wonderful reading!! Adoptions, donations, (monetary and in-kind) have increased and new volunteers have been recruited. The staff and volunteers have promoted our upcoming events. The Cooper River Bridge Run Fundraiser has been a HUGE success, solely by promoting and sharing it on social media!

Please join our *Hallie Hill Volunteers* Facebook Page and share it with the animal lovers in your life. Together, we can make a difference in the lives of our deserving animals!



Only 6 more days to donate!! DO IT NOW!

Bridge Run- For Their Lives 2018

Join a team, form a team, or just donate to the cause! Help us raise money that will provide life-saving food, medical care, and shelter for the dogs and cats at Hallie Hill Animal Sanctuary.

Learn more at www.HallieHill.com

Just click "Bridge Run 2018" on the main menu tab.



Saturday, April 7th, 2018

This is a peer to peer fundraiser!
PLEASE donate to sponsor a runner
raising \$\$\$ for the dogs and cats of
Hallie Hill Animal Sanctuary!

www.halliehill.com

***Please Share
The LOVE!***





How Can You Help? Our APRIL Wish List!

- **Volunteer!**
- **Donate to the MAGIC Fund (Medical and Geriatric Intensive Care) by check or online at www.halliehill.com. PLEASE!!**
- **Support our fundraising events!! See the calendar for details! Have some FUN!**
- **Check out our [Hallie Hill Wishlist](#) on Amazon.com**
- **Consumables we need all of the time!**

Laundry Detergent or Bleach

Trash Bags

Disinfecting Wipes or Cleaning Supplies

Paper Plates and Paper Towels

Gently used lawn chairs

Office Supplies

Garden Hoses

Bottled water for volunteers

Cinder blocks

Canned Dog Food

Leaf Rakes

Friskies wet cat food

Dry cat food

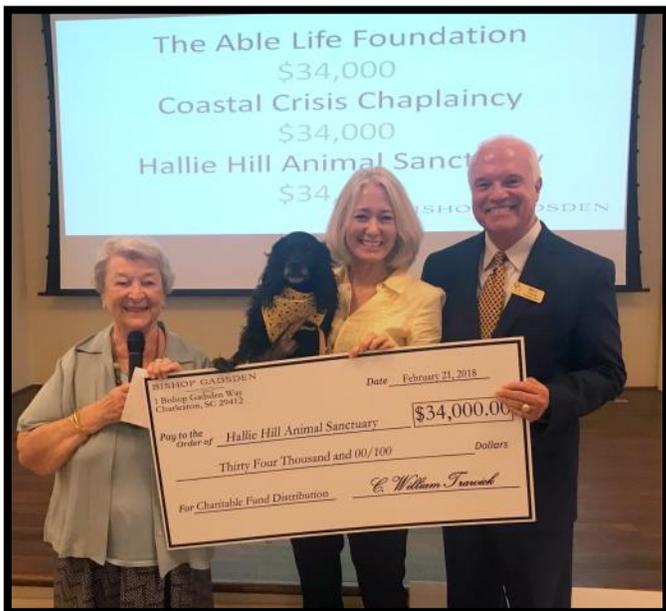
Sidewalk Pavers

Shakable Ant Poison



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A HUGE thank you to Bishop Gadsden for your very generous grant, and your giving heart! We will use it well! Our staff and our animals are SO appreciative!



Thank you from all the animals



Taxes and Your Dogs!!

With tax day right around the corner, many of us are searching far and wide for any deductions we can get! That got us wondering, are dogs tax deductible? Well... not exactly, but there are some dog related expenses that may be!

1. Moving your dog:

According to [Kiplinger](#), If you moved during the tax year, it might be possible to deduct your moving expenses – including those specifically related to moving your dog. For example, if moving your dog requires special expenses, those expenses are treated no differently (in the federal government’s eyes) than any of your personal effects. Making special arrangements to get Fido from your old home to your new one? Save the receipts!

2. Guard Dog

According to tax expert, Cliff Ennico as reported in [Entrepreneur](#), guard dogs can be a legitimate write-off. This would include the cost of caring for the dog, but not the dog itself. And, you can only deduct a percentage based on how much time the dog spends guarding. But, if you’ve got a guard dog that protects your business and inventory (I wouldn’t really try this one as a personal deduction) this could amount to a nice deduction.

3. Charitable Contributions to Dog rescues/Shelters

It would be easy to assume that the costs of adopting a dog from a registered non-profit, 501(c), would be deductible – the assumption would be wrong. The cost to adopt a dog is not deductible. However, any donations made in excess of regular adoption fees most certainly are. According to the law, only those donations made where no goods or services are received in exchange (i.e., your new dog) can be deducted. Should you choose to make donations to your favorite 501c dog charity, make sure to ask for a letter of receipt that states no goods or services were received. Donations of both goods and ser-

4. Service/Therapy Dogs

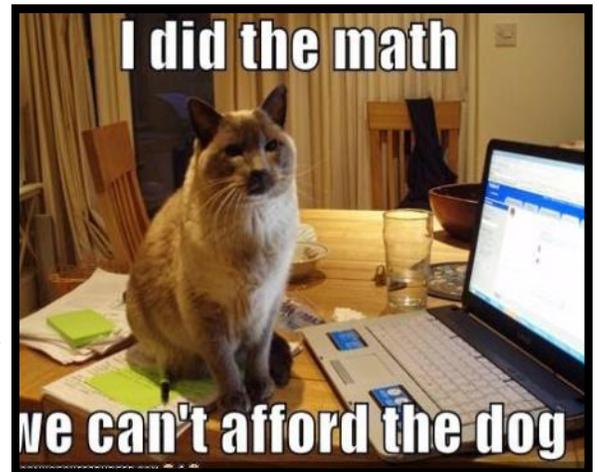
According to [IRS Publication 502](#), You can include in medical expenses the costs of buying, training, and maintaining a guide dog or other service animal to assist a visually-impaired or hearing-impaired person, or a person with other physical disabilities. Just make sure you’ve got good medical records to back you up, should questions arise.

5. Jobs with Dog Expenses

If you own and operate a business with dogs, of course your dog-related business expenses are deductible. If you’re a trainer, you may be able to deduct mileage or transportation costs for visiting clients and their dogs. If you’re a dog walker and need to purchase business related items like leashes and poop bags, those expenses can be itemized. As with any job-related expense, just make sure to keep all receipts and be able to prove the items were for job duties, not for your personal pet.

6. Fostering Dogs

As a result of [Van Dusen v. Commissioner](#), animal rescuers nationwide that are fostering dogs and/or cats for approved charities may claim the expenses during tax time. An approved charity is one that is recognized by the IRS with the 501(c)(3) designation as a Not-for-Profit organization. Fostering expenses eligible for deduction are food, medicines, veterinary bills, crates, garbage bags, and the like. Even a portion of your utilities can be considered expenses as long as a specific area of your home is only used for the care of the animals and nothing else.



*The 'Hallie Hill Howler'
is Celebrating its
1st Anniversary!*

Thank you so much for reading the
Howler each month and caring
about the happenings at
Hallie Hill Animal Sanctuary!

We welcome your feedback! What
do you like? What would you like to
see more/less of? Help us make the
Howler even better! Let us know at:
newsletter@halliehill.com.

HAPPY READING!



*Ariel and Brian
Stiles representing
Hallie Hill Animal
Sanctuary in the annual
St. Patrick's Day Parade!
Looking Good!*



*Hallie Hill Window Decals
Show your love for HHAS!*

Large Decal

\$12.00

Small Decal

\$5.00

**See Dana
ASAP!!**



We Found Our Fur-ever Home!



Ace is chillin' at home with his new mom, Donna Denué! Thank-you!



Travis and Heather Fabel have added Dana to their family! What a great addition!



Finn (Keebler) went home with Ryan and Justice Talbot! A match made in heaven! Congratulations!



Congratulations to Austin and Lindsay Fitzgibbon! A purr-fect fit! Take good care of one another!



Lynn Harris and family have given Molly her furever home! Enjoy each other!

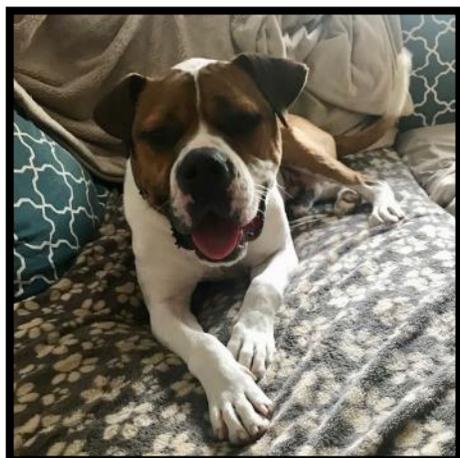


Brandy has found her new home with Jennifer Clair and family! Have a wonderful life!



Hamilton and Hilton went home with Richard Burnworth and love being in their new home, together! Congratulations!

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Chance (Ringo) is prepared for his 'chance' to live with *Leanne Paula* and her family! We will miss you! Take care of each other!



Peggy York was thrilled to give our Sully a new home with her family! They are Cha-weenie experts! Thank you! Have a great life!



Gracie is thrilled to go home with *Laura Re-themeyer* and ready to have lots of fun, new adventures! Yeah Gracie!



Elmo found his fur-ever home with *Sandra Marshburn* and her family! He is a happy boy and we know he will make his new family smile!



Our sweet Dorothy, aka Dot, is comfortable at home with *Kaydee Tompkins*! No more office work for her! Love you Dot!

Our friend Gus is now lounging on the floors in his new home with *Karen Rhodes*! Enjoy your new family, Gus! You will make a purr-fect friend!



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April is **Prevention of Cruelty to Animals month**, and there are a lot of ways for you to get involved:

[Puppy mills](#), animal abuse or dog fighting rings can occur anywhere at any time, and it's important to [report](#) these actions if you see them. If you are unsure what actions are considered cruelty, check out [this list](#) of warning signs. Cruelty toward animals can often lead to harm to people, so educate yourself, neighbors and family members to recognize the signs and how to report them.

1. Calling or writing your local legislators can help push for stronger penalties for animal abusers.
2. Volunteering or raising money for a local shelter or rescue can help them help injured animals. You might also consider fostering an animal who needs a temporary home during recovery.
3. Consider keeping a [first aid kit](#) at home and in your car in case an animal needs assistance, and program phone numbers of local animal hospitals or veterinarians in your mobile and home phones.

April is about promoting [animal welfare](#), adoption and preventing cruelty to animals.

Share this with your friends and family, and show your support by wearing orange (the ASPCA's signature color) or changing your social media icons to share this important cause.

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<https://www.petful.com/buzz/prevention-of-cruelty-to-animals-month/>

Putting for Paws - 2018!

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Friday, March 23rd, was a gorgeous sunny day for our first annual 'Putting for Paws' golf outing at The Links at Stono Ferry! It was a hugely successful day, raising over \$18,000 for the support of our wonderful animals at Hallie Hill! Thanks to our sponsors, volunteers, staff and canines (Lady, Dakota and Hershey) that worked tirelessly to put together a great day! Of course, many thanks to our golfers, who made it happen! See you next year!!

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‘Adorable Adoptables’ for April!



Magic

This little black and white boy is under a year old and needs a family all his own! He is very easy-going and loves to have his belly rubbed! Magic gets along well with other cats and loves to play with chase toys! Please come and meet him, you won't leave without him!



Goku

This VERY handsome boy is just 6 years old and would be a great defender of your home! He is good with children and loves to go on walks. Goku knows many commands, such as ‘sit’ and ‘down’. He is very enthusiastic about being a dog, so an experienced owner would be best for all!



Braveheart

Braveheart is a beautiful, gentle, 8 year old girl who may be a little shy at first with new people and places, but warms up quickly! Getting to know her is so rewarding, she will be your friend for life! She loves to play with toys and to go on long walks with her ‘people’! She would add so much to your family! Give her the chance!



Oscar

Oscar is our wonderful senior dog offering this month, at 10 years young! He is very food motivated, even though he is almost toothless! He is still very young at heart, is very curious, and loves to explore new places! He is great with other dogs and is the dog that would complete your family! Come and meet Oscar!
You'll love him!

It's a Dog's Life!.....by Cowboy and Sue Winder!



Howdy! I am Cowboy, and when I came to Hallie Hill I was emaciated, weak, and couldn't stand or walk by myself. The good people at Hallie Hill nursed me back to health really fast! So, now I am at a healthy weight (well, maybe a few extra pounds) and I have had so many people fawning over me that I feel like a celebrity of some sort! That's ok with me because it gets me extra treats and lots of ear rubbing, and I really, really like that!

The other day, Brian Stiles showed up to take a dog on one of his now famous "Road Trips". Now, the other dogs have filled me in on these 'Road Trips' and what to expect. They told me about the fun ride in the truck. Even better, I heard all about

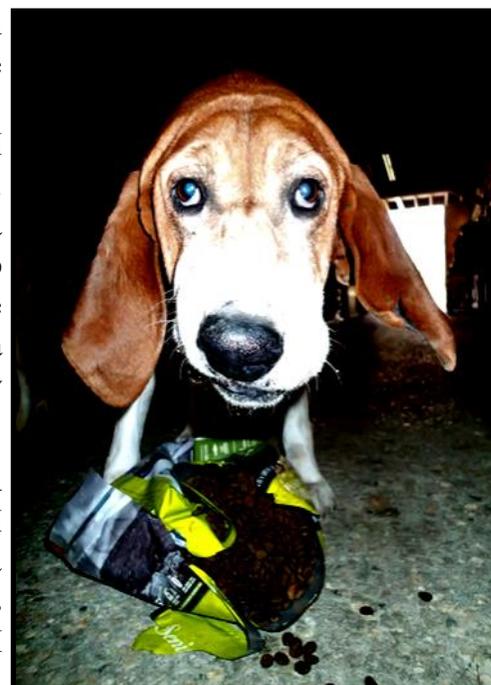
the stops at Tractor Supply and the park and wait.....the best yet.....the drive thru food dispenser at Hardees where all dogs get to taste fried potatoes!

When Brian arrived, he started looking around and asking who a great 'Road Trip' companion would be. Several names were floated. One had already been on a Road Trip, others just didn't seem right for this day. Suddenly, Brian shouted, "Cowboy, I want to take Cowboy!" COWBOY! I heard my name being called and ran excitedly to the gate. The gate opened with a clink and in a flash, I had my Martingale collar on and was ready to go! Then I got my picture taken, and I bounced up and down as we walked to the truck.

We went to the park where the azaleas (SNIFF!) were in full bloom! We walked around and took it slowly for the first time. We didn't have time to go to Tractor Supply or Hardees, but Brian promised next time that we would. Then we loaded up and headed back to Hallie Hill. My tummy was grumbling for lack of those hash browns! Maybe somebody could sneak me some real soon, (hint, hint) as I have a big appetite which is never satisfied!

Now, to be honest, I do get some unauthorized snacks from time to time, but I have to work hard for them! The people are very good at putting stuff up high and out of dog reach. Now, don't forget that I am a pretty big hound, and when I get up on my back legs I can be taller than one would think. So, on this day, I sniffed and sniffed and detected an aroma of tasty kibble up in the air. I really tried to be quiet! I got up on my back legs and found a small bag of Senior dog kibble just out of my reach. I stretched and stretched. Then with a huge lunge forward I was rewarded with a bag of crunchy delights. I ripped the bag open and began munching.

Suddenly one of the staff peeked out of the tack room and caught me! She came running to swipe my bag away, so I munched faster! Then she laughed and decided this was a great photo opportunity! I willingly posed for a few photos and then, sadly, I had to give up my ill-gotten gains that I worked so hard to obtain!



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[CLICK HERE](#)

***To enjoy a slideshow of
Cowboy's Road Trip!***

So, there you have it! I am Cowboy and am quite a character. Everyone at Hallie Hill loves me so much and are eager for me to find a wonderful home in my twilight years of life. I would love to find a special person to care for me and have fun with my zany personality. Would you please consider adopting a Senior Citizen dog? Yes, I am a Senior, and you will be too some day! Seniors make great companions. Check out this article for proof! [Ten Reasons Why You Should Adopt a Senior Dog!](#)

I am about 12yrs old, neutered and get along well with other dogs. I would love to hang out with you. Please call (843) 200-4120 and make an appointment to come meet me. If you fill out an application at www.halliehill.com, that will speed up the adoption process. If you are not prepared to adopt, you could always foster me! I know of several senior dogs who have left Hallie Hill to be in the comfort of a foster home. I am awesome. I would be a great dog to complete your family. Come and get me!

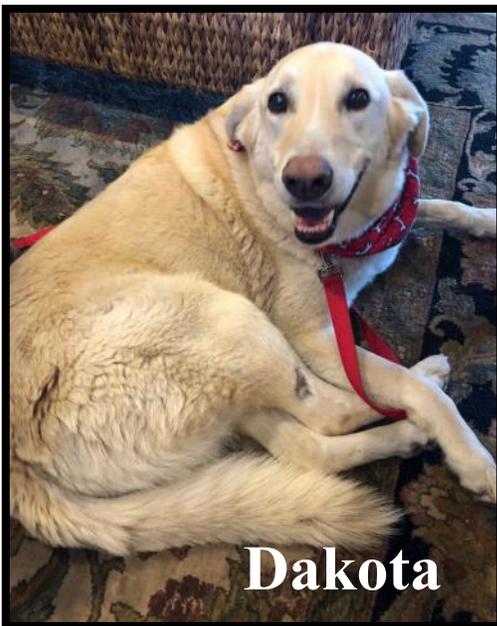
Love, Cowboy

**Click on these pictures to enjoy
two more Road Trips with Brian,
Cooper and Leroy!!**

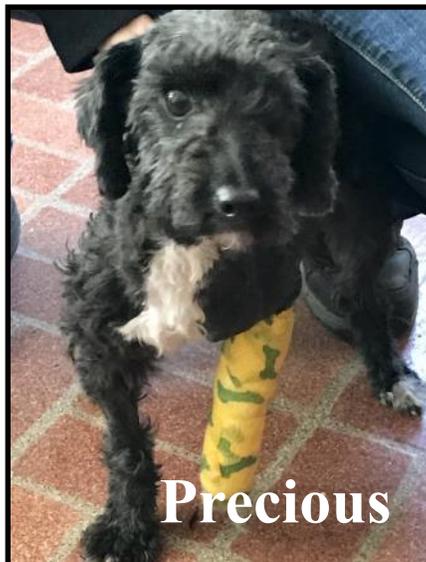


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Dana



Ace



Mr. Pickles

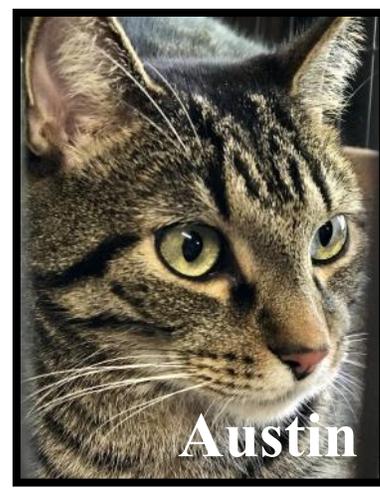
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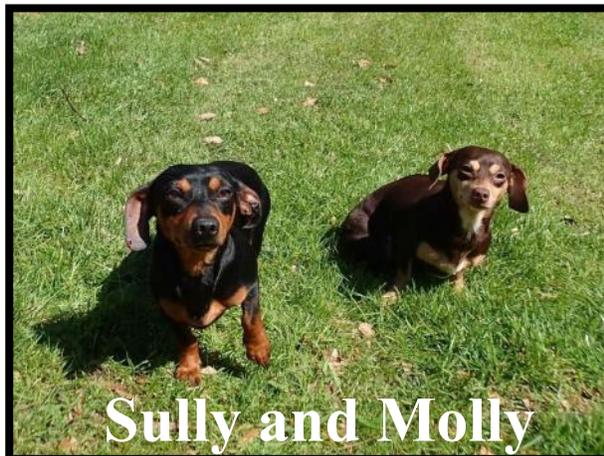
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Sully and Molly



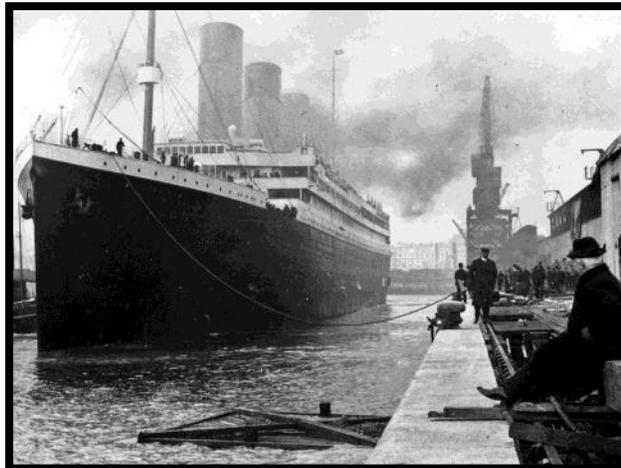
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The Dogs and Cats of the Titanic



April 14th marks the 106th anniversary of the fateful night that the the largest passenger ship in it's day, Titanic, on her maiden voyage from Southampton to New York struck an iceberg. The "unsinkable" ship sank in the early morning hours of April 15th.

It's widely known that many dogs were on board. So many, in fact, that passengers were reported to have planned to hold a dog show on the ship on April 15th – but fate had other plans.

But did the Titanic have any cats on board?

Ships have kept cats on board dating back to ancient times. Mostly for their ability to catch mice and rats, but also to provide companionship and camaraderie for sailors away from home for long periods of time.

And yes, Titanic was no exception. She had a ship cat named Jenny.

Here's the story of Jenny the Titanic Cat from Wikipedia:

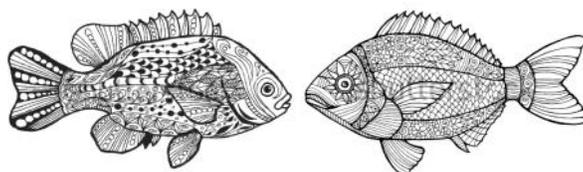


The ship had her own official cat named Jenny, who was kept aboard Titanic as a mascot and also worked to keep down the ship's population of rats and mice. Transferred over from Titanic's sister ship Olympic, Jenny gave birth in the week before Titanic sailed from Southampton. She normally lived in the galley, where the victualling staff fed her and her kittens on scraps from the kitchens. Stewardess Violet Jessop wrote that the cat "laid her family near Jim, the scullion, whose approval she always sought and who always gave her warm devotion."

So what was the fate of Jenny and her kittens? As it turns out, on April 10, 1912, at Southampton, England, as the first passengers were boarding for the ill-fated maiden voyage, Jenny was observed carrying her kittens one by one *off the ship*.

Rumor has it that Jim, Jenny's unofficial caretaker, saw her leaving the ship with her kittens and saw it as an omen. He is said to have also packed up his things and left the ship after seeing her!

Of course this may be a tall tale, but we'd love to believe that a cat named Jenny saved all of her kittens and her human caretaker from the most infamous sinking ship in history.



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April 15th will mark the 106th year after the famed “unsinkable ship” struck an iceberg in the north Atlantic, sinking on its maiden voyage to America. But, did you know there were at least 12 dogs aboard the Titanic?

It is suspected that many more dogs were on board that day, but because they were listed as cargo in the ship’s records, most details have been lost. It has been said that Titanic had excellent kennel facilities, even planning a dog show for April 15th, the very day that the ship disappeared below the ocean’s surface in the very early morning hours.

While the world is remembering the tragic events of April 14th and 15th, we’re taking a moment to honor and remember the dogs of the Titanic.

As reported by Examiner.com, of the 12 confirmed dogs on the Titanic, only 3 survived the shipwreck – all of which were small dogs, 2 Pomeranian and 1 Pekingese, easily hidden inside a blanket or coat and carried into the limited space on lifeboats.

One Pomeranian named Lady, who was bought by Miss Margaret Hays while in Paris, shared the cabin with and was wrapped in a blanket by Miss Hays when the order was given to evacuate.

The Rothschilds owned the second surviving Pomeranian, and the Pekingese, named Sun Yat-Sen, was brought on board by the Harpers of the N.Y. publishing firm, Harper & Row.

Captain Smith on Titanic’s deck with a dog, possibly his own.

The ship’s captain, Capt. Smith, has been seen photographed on board Titanic with his dog, a large Russian Wolfhound named Ben. However, Ben only spent one night on the ship, before it left the dock, and was returned home to Capt. Smith’s daughter.

In a particularly touching account, one passenger, 50-year old Ann Elizabeth Isham, was said to have visited her Great Dane in the ship’s kennels daily. At one point, Isham was seated in a life boat, but when told that her dog was too large to join her, she exited the boat. Her body was found several days later, clutching onto her dog in the icy waters.

Only first class passengers were permitted to bring dogs on board the ship. A few of those passengers were, Helen Bishop and her Toy Poodle named Frou-Frou, millionaire John Jacob Astor and his Airedale named Kitty, Robert Daniel and his French Bulldog, Gamin de Pycombe, William Carter and his family brought along two dogs – a King Charles Spaniel and an Airedale, Harry Anderson was joined by his Chow-Chow (aptly named Chow-Chow), and many other 4-legged passengers who remain unknown, including a Fox Terrier named simply, Dog.



A photo of dogs on the Titanic. A dozen dogs were confirmed to be aboard; three small dogs survived.

Helen Bishop survived the Titanic, later reporting that her dog, Frou-Frou latched onto her dress with his teeth when she left him in their cabin. She reportedly said, “The loss of my little dog hurt me very much. I will never forget how he dragged on my clothes. He so wanted to accompany me.”

John Jacob Astor IV, his wife Madeleine, and their dog, Kitty, about to board the fated ship. John and Kitty did not survive.

In a fortunate turn of events, one passenger, Charles Moore of Washington, DC, had planned to transport up to 100 Eng-

lish Foxhounds via the Titanic, but made arrangements on a different vessel at the last minute. Two other dogs avoided disaster when they disembarked with their owners at Cherbourg, the ship’s first stop after leaving Southampton.

It’s hard to imagine being any part of this terrible tragedy, even harder to imagine having to make the decision to leave your dog when the ship began to sink... Would you have been able to do it?

By Brandy Arnold Posted on Apr 19, 2017

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Hallie Hill Animal Sanctuary, April, 2018

Thursday, April 5th & 19th

Jennifer and friend appear on Channel 4 News

Saturday, April 7th

Cooper River Bridge Run!

Support our runners to support our animals!! Go to the website and DONATE!!

www.halliehill.com

Sunday, April 8th

ASPCA Dog Fighting Awareness Day

Wednesday, April 11th

Jennifer and friend appear on Low Country Live

Thursday, April 12th

Southern Sampler Artists Colony's Annual Retreat at Hallie Hill!

Tuesday, April 24th

Bishop Gadsden Wellness Expo

Tuesday, April 30th

ASPCA Adopt a Shelter Pet Day!





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Mission Statement

Hallie Hill Animal Sanctuary is a 501c3 that provides sanctuary for dogs and cats with no other home or shelter, rescues and cares for animals in need of assistance for the remainder of their lives, including providing proper shelter, nutrition and medical care.
What we do:

1. Provide respite and rehabilitation for dogs and cats preparing them for adoption, and a loving forever home to those unable to be adopted.
2. Perform community outreach in our area of Hollywood and Ravenel, two of the under served areas of Charleston County.
3. Provide food, medical services, spay/neuter, vaccinations and general wellness care.
4. Provide long-term care and a loving, final home for those animals whose adoption may be difficult due to age, medical or emotional issues.
5. Reinforce the human component of the human/canine/feline relationship in a respectful way by recognizing and honoring the fact that people's love for their animals transcends economic circumstances and cultural differences.