



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

# The Hallie Hill Howler

Dear Friends,

This month I want to discuss what is referred to as the 'return rate' in animal shelters/ rescues. In the last few weeks we have had two puppies (now 8 months old) returned who were born at Hallie Hill and adopted out at 8 weeks old. Even though as we emphatically warn potential adopters that puppies are A LOT of work, these two lab/ hound mixes were returned to the Sanctuary because they were not fitting in with the families' lifestyles for different reasons. We also had a cat returned that could not adjust to the new home despite the families work to reduce her anxiety. She would not eat or



drink in the new home, and out of concern for her health we encouraged them to bring her back. Currently, our return rate is 12.5% and the shock of that high number had me stressed!

After some reflection, I have realized maybe a higher return rate is not such a bad thing! Many shelters are transparent with their policies and explain to adopters that if a pet is returned, they may not leave the shelter alive. During our adoption process, we do not emphasize that adopters must promise to be a "forever home" for the animal they choose. Everyone who adopts from HHAS knows we will not euthanize an animal if it is returned, and that animal is guaranteed a safe spot at the Sanctuary for their life, if need be. This relieves some of the worry associated with adopting a shelter animal, as it is impossible to know exactly how these animals will behave in a different environment. We understand that bringing home a new family pet is a huge decision and while we know it is not taken lightly, the ability to return the pet to Hallie Hill, without judgement or negative consequences, is comforting.

While we strive to match our beloved dogs and cats with a home that best suits their needs, we realize that there is no way to make a 100% positive match every time. We ask adopters to give the animals a period to adjust, and we try to provide support when necessary until they feel both the humans and pets are feeling good about the match. Even if the adoption fails, we will have gained insight into the animal's behaviors in that home environment and can use that information to make a better match the next time!



I've come to realize, It's ALL GOOD! Happy June! Jennifer







Christie is a volunteer that you can count on to do whatever needs to be done! She represents Hallie Hill expertly at community events, helps out at the Sanctuary when we have visitors, does dog enrichment and even puts her computer skills to work maintaining our adoption page on the website and updating our databases! Her smile and can-do attitude make working with Christie a joy! We are lucky to have her at Hallie Hill and appreciate her so much! Thank you Christie!

June,



## <u>THIS</u> 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!



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For the Father that has everything...this would make a FANATASTIC father's day gift, complete with a personalized cabin plaque!

Canine Cabin/Cat Condo Sponsorship

Benefitting Hallie Hill Animal Sanctuary



All of our animal friends deserve a warm, comfortable place to "rest their paws."

Hallie Hill's Canine Cabin or Cat Condo sponsorship program provides a great opportunity for individuals, families, private organizations, and businesses to directly support the animals we care for daily.

As a sponsor, your name will be proudly displayed on the front of the cabin and included prominently on our website and in our newsletter.

#### CLICK HERE TO LEARN MORE

#### **MASON PREP FIRST GRADERS VISIT HALLIE HILL!**

On May 4th and 11th, the talented first grade students from Mason Prep visited Hallie Hill to read to the dogs and cats! They had a fun mornings learning about how to approach animals that they did not know, reading to the animals and taking a hayride around the property! Thanks to the students and parents for coming out to see us! The students (and teachers) are working on some more surprises for all of us at Hallie Hill, so stay tuned! See you again soon!

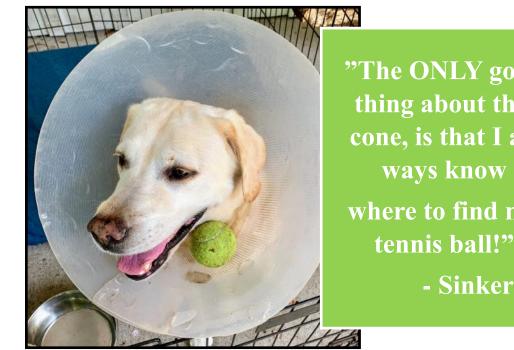


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# We Found Our Fur-ever Homes!!







"The ONLY good thing about this cone, is that I always know where to find my

- Sinker







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















# June's Adorable Adoptables!



## **Mouse**

Mouse is an all around awesome gal! She is just 3 years old and needs a loving family! She loves to play with rope toys, and is a great size. She would love to pounce around the yard with you, and then curl right up on the couch for a good movie. Please complete an application to adopt Mouse at **Hallie Hill Animal Sanctuary**'s website at halliehill.com – she can't wait to meet you!



## <u>Sox</u>

Sox (we now call her Sophie – fits her better!) is sweet, healthy and so loving! At only 3 years old, she has a playful and youthful spirit! Sophie is a bit fearful of loud noises and anxious in new places. She will stay in places she is comfortable in your home, like next to you cuddling, staring at you lovingly from the foot of the bed or right by your side on a walk. She gets along with cats, too! . Please apply to adopt this pretty lady at **Hallie Hill Animal Sanctuary**'s website, halliehill.com.

# Mango

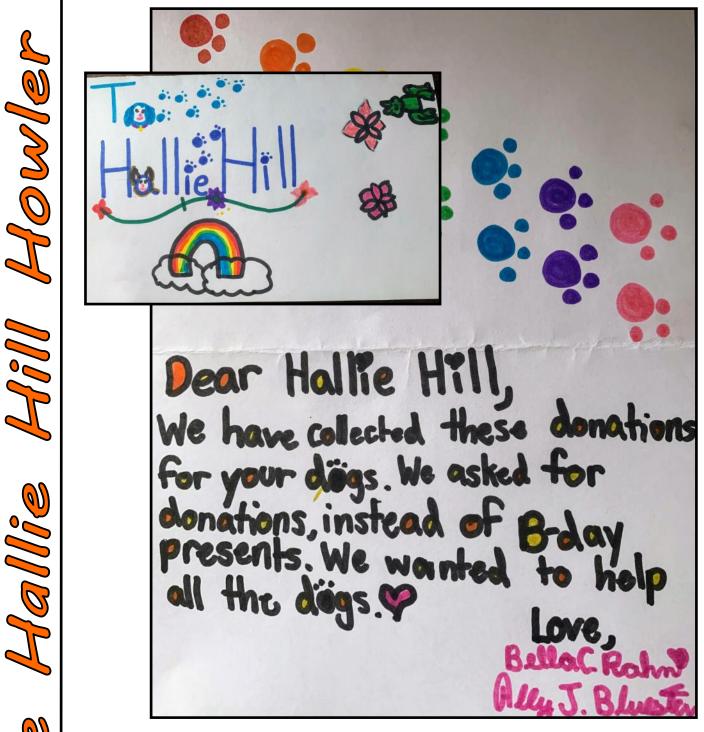
Mango is just as sweet as he is handsome! There is just something so special about those gingers! At only 5 years old, he gets along great with other cats, and loves attention from people! We often find him in the nearest sunbeam, he would love to fill the sunny spots in your home! Please fill out an application to adopt Mango on **Hallie Hill Animal Sanctuary**'s website, halliehill.com, and get ready to fall in love!



**Blue** 

Blue is a sweet, young girl (less than a year old) who just wants all the attention! She is working on not jumping up for attention, and would do best with a fenced in yard and a family that will spend lots of active playtime with her! Blue gets along with other dogs, and will make a wonderful companion. Please submit an application for Blue on **Hallie Hill Animal Sanctuary**'s website, halliehill.com to meet this sweet girl!

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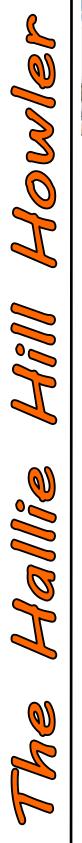


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Caring children like these, are the animal advocates of the future! The dogs and cats say 'woof' and 'meow!' That's canine and feline for THANK YOU VERY MUCH!







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Meet and Greet

Thank you Lee Asher for visiting Hallie Hill Animal Sanctuary and for

the good work you do! Safe Travels!











































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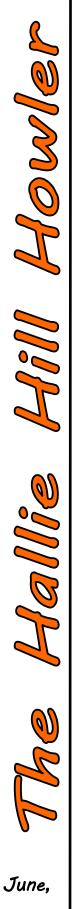
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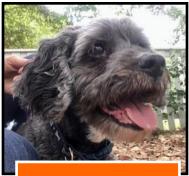


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### BOOTS



TIMMY

SAMANTHA



Happy 'Twenty-Something' Birthday Daisy!! Thanks for all you do! We love you!





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June 12th - HHAS on Low Country Live June 13th - HHAS on Channel 2 Midday News June 14th - Flag Day!

June 15th - Veterinary Specialty Care Volunteer Day June 16th - Fathers Day

June 27th - HHAS on Channel 2 Midday news June 29th - HHAS at Newton Berry Farm



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# How Can You Help? Our June Wish List!

PLEASE Donate to the <u>MAGIC Fund</u> (Medical and Geriatric Intensive Care) or <u>sponsor a Cat Condo or Canine Cabin</u> at www.halliehill.com!

- Go to *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

• Consumables we need <u>all</u> of the time!

Trash BagsAnt PoisonScoopable Cat LitterFriskies wet cat foodDry cat foodCanned Dog FoodPaper Plates and Paper TowelsCopy Paper and File FoldersBottled water for volunteersMulti-Purpose Spray CleanerBleach

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Feedback and contributions to the Hallie Hill Howler are welcomed! Please submit to:

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<u>Mission Statement</u> 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.

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