



TOOTSIE Adopted in July 2013

"I truly believe she was meant to be a part of our family. She loves to play fetch with Maddy, and chew on her toys. I think adopting was the BEST option and am glad we visited LAPS!"



Newsletter

**A few Words from The Board of Directors:**

**A special thank you to our dear Friends of LAPS,**

**How can we thank you? Let us count the ways, to borrow a phrase from Elizabeth Barrett Browning. Our thanks go to the wonderful friends who help us fund our No-Kill Animal Shelter. We try so hard to give every unwanted pet a second chance for a forever home. Our newsletter is another way to let every one of you know how much each penny you send us means, not only to us, but to the comfort and well-being of each of our temporary "guests."**

**Thanks to some special donations, we have been able to continue to pay our staff for some more months, and we have converted the North Kennels into two large fenced play areas. Pups that are immunized can now frolic freely in their two "Wiggly Fields." They enjoy their social hour and taking a dip in the pool.**

**Each day, we see improvement and invite you to look us up on our web page [www.petAdoptlaredo.org](http://www.petAdoptlaredo.org); on [www.facebook.com/LAPSadopt](http://www.facebook.com/LAPSadopt), or view our wonderful videos on our You-Tube channel at Petadopt Laredo.**

**We also invite you to tell your friends about the various ways to donate and help us hurry the dream along, as many of you already do, by donating monthly. Thank you again!**

**LAPS Board of Directors, Staff & "Little Orphan Animals"**

# Freedom From the Fleas!

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The lowly little flea helped pass along the germ that cause the Black Death or Bubonic Plague in Europe during the Dark Ages killing millions of people. The flea can carry the immature stage of tapeworms. When a dog or cat eats a flea that is biting the pet, the tapeworm develops in the small intestine of the pet causing the pet to lose weight and constipation. Not only do fleas transmit diseases and parasites, they cause a great deal of misery to your pets and even to you! Irritation from the fleas crawling around on you pet, itching caused by their bites, development of allergic reactions to flea bites, skin infections from bacteria and fungi are all due to fleas!

The use of pesticides has created pesticide resistant fleas. Treat your home indoors and out, vacuum thoroughly especially where your pet or pets sleep. Pesticides or flea collars that contain a hormone that prevents the fleas from sexually maturing are highly effective. Your veterinarian can recommend products to use on your pet. You should treat your home and property for fleas at the same time. It may take several treatments to eradicate fleas in your house and on your pets. Nematodes can be purchased via the internet to control fleas outdoors without pesticides. These microscopic roundworms that will eat the eggs and immature fleas outside your home. *—by: Richard Renner*

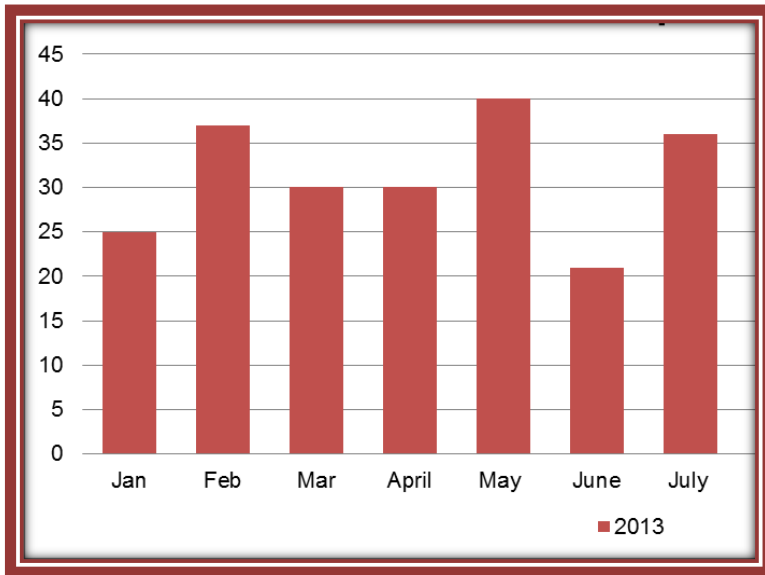
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## KGNS FOOD DRIVE FOR LAPS

On July 18 Executive Director Michelle Deveze began searching for ways of getting some dog food donated for our orphan pets after realizing that only 8 days of supplies were left. Michelle had contacted KGNS at 9pm on the night of July 19 that same night KGNS broadcasted it on their 10'o Clock news. The very next Morning Laredoans began bringing in Dog Food. KGNS began a food Drive for LAPS on July 22<sup>nd</sup> -26<sup>th</sup> And not only did the drive raise over 20, 000 lbs of pet food and cat litter but also much needed monetary donations. We would like to thank every single one of you who have followed us throughout the years without you we will not be able to continue the DEVINE SISTERS original Mission. Our now no-kill shelter needs you more than ever before. THANK YOU LAREDO!



# LAPS Statistics for the Month of July



**Total Adoptions** 36

**Total Rescues** 48

LAPS is currently housing approximately 130 pets at any given time, all these pets that are rescued receives vaccines, tested for communicable infectious disease, spay or neutered and will find their forever home. At this time we are asking for any monetary donations to continue our cause

since these bills can become very costly. Please consider Donating to your No-Kill Shelter of Laredo. Every little bit helps. Thank you!

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## DONATION FORM

First Name

Last Name

Street

City

State

Zip Code

Telephone

Email

Amount Enclosed

Request Receipt?

Please Mail Check along with this form to:

The Laredo Animal Protective Society  
 PO BOX 451093  
 Laredo, TX 78045  
 THANK YOU!

# LAPS STAFF



The LAPS staff had cut all branches one day in the hot Laredo Sun, since they do not have any large tools to do this type of work they used a branch cutter that was purchased years ago.

From left: Albert Tellez , Luis Valdez , Ashley Rodriguez and Tony Tellez

LAPS kennel staff may be a small group but with their hard dedicated and loyal enthusiasm they are a great team, “they do not only take care of our pets here at the shelter, they are our painters, gardeners, mechanics, plumbers, etc... a crew full of many task and always ready to help me when I need them” says Michelle Deveze, Executive Director of LAPS.

On June 1<sup>st</sup> 2012 when LAPS and the City Animal Control had separated this group stuck by LAPS despite their drop in pay and hours the crew was also advised that LAPS may close its doors; nevertheless this crew stayed by LAPS side. Great Loyal work is hard to come by, LAPS is proud to have this crew. Thank you LAPS kennel Staff!

## LAPS FEATURED PET OF THE MONTH

This is Abella she was rescued on March 2013 at a very weak stage of starvation. She is a Lab mix little over a year and only weighing 28lbs. She is now at 44lbs which is a good weight for her. She is very playful and energetic dog does very well with other dogs and good with children.



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