



Heidi's Hope
For Homeless Animals
Transforming Animal Lives From Homeless to Homes

Pawsatively Good News!

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**Saving Lives of Homeless Dogs
and Cats and Feeding Hungry
Pets In Our Community**

Tickets On Sale! **The Bow Wow Luau & The Cat's Meow®**



Aloha~! A touch of Hawaii will visit Wrightsville Beach, beginning at 7:00 p.m. on Friday, May 19th in the tropical setting of Shell Island Resort.

Put on your best Luau attire or your favorite casual Island wear and enjoy The Bow Wow Luau & The Cat's Meow®. It is a Night of Hope for Homeless and Abused Dogs and Cats in our Community!

Experience an evening of Authentic Cultural Polynesian Hula with tropical ocean breezes and Luau enjoyment performed by Hula Carolina. Begin your Island experience with an elegant Polynesian hula dancer greeting you with a flowered lei while the gentle sounds of the ukulele and Tahitian drums play. Enjoy Island-style hors d'oeuvres as you bid on many wonderful auction items.

You will be taken into a tropical Island adventure as Hula Carolina's Luau show captures the *Spirit of Aloha* that embraces the soul and transforms you into a tropical paradise adventure!

Sadly, every day across our nation, over 922 healthy and adoptable dogs and cats are killed in shelters simply because they don't have a home. Each life is worth

We've Got A New Website!!



Heidi's Hope For Homeless Animals is very excited to announce that we have a new look! Our website has been completely renovated by Evergreen Roots Marketing. Check out our [new website here!](#)



**Heidi's Hope for
Homeless Animals'
Lifesaving Impact**

A typical rule of thumb for rescue dogs is the 3-3-3 Rule—3 Days for dogs to decompress from feeling nervous; 3 weeks of settling in and 3 months of building trust



Cooper's Corner A Message from Our CCO, Chief Canine Officer

Who Says You Can't Teach a Dog New Tricks?

Many people have a saying, "You Can't Teach a Dog New Tricks", but as a former-rescue dog, I would like to show that dogs can learn new tricks and training, no matter their age and previous situation. Before starting a training program, newly-adopted dogs need a period of decompression, especially for fearful dogs and those stressed in the shelter environment.

and bonding with new family. Positive reinforcement is always preferred and is especially important for dogs who have been abused. Training based on punishment or dominance negates any sort of positive relationship you might develop with your dog.

Dog training is so important for a well-behaved dog. A dog trainer will teach the basics: house-training, crate training, and correcting behaviors like digging, barking, chewing, jumping up on people and pulling on lead. In most cases, "bad dog behavior" is only because the dog hasn't been trained. There are many good dog trainers who can help and there are many great resources, including these amazing [training videos from Best Friends Animal Society](#).

Check out my video of cool tricks my Mom taught me that prove that dogs can learn new tricks. With training, time, trust and treats (my favorite!), most dogs can master new training and even some fun tricks!



~Cooper



**A Very Big Thank You to AA Storage
for Hosting a Pet Food Donation
Drive for Heidi's Hope For
Homeless Animals' Pet Food Bank!**



Ready To Adopt Your New Best Friend? Check Out These Sites for Adoptable Pets In Need of Good Homes:

[New Hanover Sheriff's Office Animal Services Unit](#)

[PawPrints Magazine by PawPrints Magazine -](#)

[PetFinder](#)

[Adopt-a-Pet](#)

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Become a Partner in Hope



Heidi's Hope for Homeless Animals, Inc. is a 501 (c) organization that is an intake organization who helps pets at risk of euthanasia and helps prevent owner surrender. The Bow Wow Luau & The Cat's Meow® has donated over \$70,000.00 to reduce shelter euthanasia. Our Pet Food Bank prevents owner surrenders and has donated over 134,155 LBS. of pet food. We created a unique coalition of local governmental agencies and human charitable organizations to provide pet food to the most food insecure. We expanded our Pet Food Bank and Pet Meals On Wheels Chapters in Onslow, Pender and Brunswick Counties. WoofStock, adopts at-risk dogs and cats. Our Disaster Relief Programs filled three tractor trailers with pet food to hurricane-impacted areas from Hurricanes Maria; Florence and Dorian. We sent two crates of pet food to help Hurricane Ian pet victims. We sent five pallets of pet food to war-torn Ukraine. We are committed to saving the lives of homeless dogs and cats and will not stop until all dogs and cats have good homes!



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