



Giving Thanks

On our great American holiday of Thanksgiving, we here at the Cocker Inn pause to give thanks.

We are thankful many of the shelters hold a dog an extra day or two until one of our volunteers can make it by to pull the dog.

We are so thankful for the programs some shelters have to alert us to the presence of cocker spaniels. We simply do not have the manpower or time to “walk” the dozens of shelters in the greater Houston area looking for abandoned cocker spaniels.

We are grateful for Good Samaritans who find a lost cocker and contact Cocker Spaniel Rescue rather than turn it over to a shelter.

The Good Samaritans who volunteer to foster the dog are even more appreciated. It makes it much easier for us to accept a dog when it comes with a foster spot.

Thank goodness for foster

parents who allow a steady stream of “new” dogs into their homes to temporarily cause chaos. Foster parents often work miracles rehabilitating these dogs both in terms of health and behavior.

We give thanks for the group of committed volunteers who keep CSR rolling. These folks spend hours each week pulling dogs from shelters, grooming, transporting, making vet appointments, taking pictures, writing bios, fundraising, maintaining the website, interviewing applicants, rehabilitating dogs and making adoptions happen.

We are grateful for the people who financially support our program. Donations of

money and raffle items are always appreciated.

We appreciate the boarding facilities who offer reduced rates, allowing us to board dogs for whom there is no foster spot available. Thanks to Auburn Kennels, Kellie’s Pampered Pet Inn and Strawberry Dog.

We give thanks for the resilience of the dogs we save, for their ability to bounce back after suffering physical and emotional trauma. We are thankful that most dogs, given love and time, trust humans again.

We appreciate the opportunity to rehabilitate dogs. Being a foster parent is not always easy but the reward of knowing you have saved a life and seeing a dog trot off to a new home is immense.

Thanks to the people who adopt from Cocker Spaniel Rescue, and especially to those of you who take one of our special needs dogs.



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And special thanks to our veterinarian partners

We are grateful for the wonderful veterinarians who are flexible and understanding about working with rescue, fitting our emergencies into their tight schedules while providing the same level of care as “private” patients.

Thanks to our general vets—Dr. Dickerson, Dr. Hunter, Dr. Scott, Dr. Vaughn, and Dr. Ashmore.

And thanks to our eye specialists Dr. Hermann, Dr. Swanson and Dr. Glaze; our ear ablation expert Dr. Stone and our orthopedic vet, Dr. Powell.

Our special thanks go to the staffs of the veterinary clinics of Bingle Vet, Fairmont

Parkway Animal Clinic, My Family Vet, and Wild Peach Veterinary Clinic who handle our day to day needs with professionalism.

We also appreciate the staffs of Gulf Coast Animal Eye Clinic, FM 1488 Animal Medical Center and Pearland Animal Hospital West.

A Tribute to
Dr. Brian Hablinski
1969—2008

We give our sincerest thanks for the opportunity to have known Dr. Brian Hablinski, DVM and for the love and dedication he gave to each and every animal that came into his care. Dr. Hablinski

was a dedicated person who found his life’s calling, loved his work and never failed to do the right thing for each patient who passed through his doors. He always had a huge smile and warm heart and treated everyone like family. We don’t understand why he left us so early, but we’re sure that he has a bigger and better job in heaven with God now. We are comforted knowing he is standing on that Rainbow Bridge surrounded by our precious loved pets that have gone before us. We are so blessed he passed our way and left footprints on our hearts. Rest in peace, Dr. Hablinski. You are gone but will never be forgotten.