

Gulf Coast Humane Society celebrates "Be Kind to Animals" week

In honor of national "Be Kind to Animals" week and to encourage pet adoption throughout Southwest Florida, Gulf Coast Humane Society is reducing all pet adoption fees by \$5 for the month of May.

With over 180 adoptable pets awaiting forever homes and more animals being surrendered each day, Gulf Coast Humane Soci-

ety hopes to place 125 dogs, cats, rabbits, and ferrets into new forever homes by May 31.

Traditional adoption fees range from \$55 to \$125 for dogs and puppies, \$45 to \$105 for cats and kittens, \$20 for rabbits, and \$60 for ferrets. Throughout May, all adoption fees will be reduced by \$5.

Included in the cost of adopting a pet

from Gulf Coast Humane Society are the following:

- Spay/neuter surgery
- Initial vaccinations
- Microchip identification implant
- Rabies vaccination
- Lee County license (if applicable)
- De-worming

Heartworm test (dogs)
FIV/leukemia Test (cats)

10 percent off veterinary services coupon
Gulf Coast Humane Society will also host a special Memorial Day weekend Adopt-A-Thon on May 24-25. All adoption fees will be reduced an additional \$10 for a total savings of \$15 off each approved adoption.

Gulf Coast Humane Society is open seven days a week. Hours are Monday through Saturday 11 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. and Sunday noon to 3:30 p.m. The GCHS Adoption Center is located at 2010 Arcadia Street in Fort Myers across from Fleamasters Fleamarket, approximately two miles west of I-75 on Martin Luther King, Jr. Blvd.

For more information, please call (239) 332-0364. ■

"Pet Food Pantry" now open

In recent weeks, all dogs and cats housed at Gulf Coast Humane Society have transitioned to a consistent diet of Purina ONE brand pet food products only. As a result of the new diet, Gulf Coast Humane Society now receives hundreds of pounds of donated pet food each week that would otherwise go unused.

In an effort to meet the needs of our community, all pet food brand products other than Purina ONE will be offered to the community in the new GCHS Community Pet Food Pantry for a donation to our Pet Food Fund.

Gulf Coast Humane Society has received numerous calls from concerned pet parents stating that they can no longer afford to feed their pets in addition to experiencing an overall increase in the number of pets surrendered to the shelter as the result of economic hardship.

The Community Pet Food Pantry is housed

inside the Gulf Coast Humane Society Adoption Center and will be open to the public seven days a week, Monday through Saturday from 11 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. and Sunday from noon to 3:30 p.m.

Donations of Purina ONE brand pet food products are still desperately needed and graciously accepted seven days a week at our shelter facility located at 2010 Arcadia Street in Fort Myers. Thanks to a partnership with Publix Super Markets, pet food and supplies can also be donated at the following nine Publix locations throughout Lee County:

Bonita Springs: Bonita Beach Road
Cape Coral: Veterans & Santa Barbara
Fort Myers: Fiddlesticks, Summerlin & Colonial, College & 41, Gladiolus & San Carlos

Lehigh Acres: Lehigh Acres Town Center
North Fort Myers: Hancock Bridge Parkway & Orange Grove, Del-Tura & 41

GCHS is always in need of other non-food items and will continue to utilize these donations on a daily basis. Some non-food items we are always in need of: clay cat litter, bleach, laundry detergent, dish

soap, towels and blankets, and paper towel and toilet tissue.

Donations to the Pet Food Fund can also be mailed to Gulf Coast Humane Society at 2010 Arcadia Street in Fort Myers, FL 33916, Attention: Pet Food Fund. For more information, please call (239) 332-0364, ext. 308. ■



MEMORIAL DAY Garbage Collection Schedule Change

NOTICE TO RESIDENTS IN:
Upincorporated Lee County, the City of Bonita Springs and Town of Fort Myers Beach

In observance of Memorial Day all garbage, recycling, and yard waste collections are delayed for one day the entire week starting Monday, May 26th.

If your normal collection day is Monday, collection will be Tuesday; if it is normally on Tuesday, then it will be Wednesday; Wednesday's pick-up will be on Thursday; Thursday's on Friday; and Friday's on Saturday.

This schedule is in effect from May 26 to May 31, 2008.
Regular scheduled collections will resume June 1st, 2008.

Have a Safe Holiday!

**Lee County
Solid Waste Division**
(239) 533-8000

HAVE YOU LISTENED LATELY ? BETTER VARIETY

- RASCAL FLATTS - ALABAMA**
- KENNY CHESNEY - WILLIE NELSON**
- TOBY KEITH - JOHNNY CASH**
- KEITH URBAN - GEORGE STRAIT**

**107 MINUTES OF NON-STOP COUNTRY STARTS YOUR WORKDAY!
(THAT'S OVER 30 SONGS IN A ROW!)**



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