

PET OF THE YEAR

The Galveston Island Humane Society Paws Gala, held each year in September, crowns a "Pet of the Year." This title is bestowed to the Elite Pet Owner who raises the most money for our Gala, benefiting our GIHS Building Fund.

The year's parade titled, "Bark Antony & CleoCatra," honors Queen Madi, and her owner, Michelle Beckwith who has been a longtime supporter of the GIHS. We are proud to have both Michelle and Queen Madi lead our parade as Parade Marshalls.

Queen Madi was adopted from our shelter and is a very happy, lucky member of a family who loves her dearly. Please remember the next time there is a space in your home and in your heart, consider adopting your next best friend from your local shelter.

Parade Fees (per pet)

Pre-Registration (by 2/13) - \$20

Parade Site Registration - \$30

NOTE: A limited number of extra shirts are available. Late registration may not guarantee a shirt. No additional shirts will be ordered.

Parade Site T-Shirts (if available) - \$15

\$5 Additional charge for XXL

You may also register on-line at www.galvestonhumane.org

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THE 14TH ANNUAL KREWE OF BARKUS & MEOWX MARDI GRAS PARADE Celebrating BARK ANTONY AND CLEOCATRA



Sunday, February 19th @1 pm

Sponsored by and benefitting



Parade Marshalls:

Queen Madi & Michelle Beckwith

RESCUE ORGANIZATIONS

In the spirit of Mardi Gras, the Galveston Island Humane Society invites any animal rescue organizations (501c3) to participate in our parade. This has proven to be a fun venue to get the word out that there are many wonderful pets who need homes while having a good time.

A lead representative of the group should contact the GIHS to make arrangements. The fee for each group will be a minimum donation of \$30 and will not include t-shirts. Any shirts that are to be purchased should be ordered in advance.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

As an open admission shelter for Galveston Island, our programs range from adoptions, re-homing, and lost & found services, to humane education and community programs. We place an emphasis on our low cost spay/neuter programs as a means to reduce the number of unwanted animals who enter our shelter. As a non-profit, 501(c)3 organization we rely on contributions and fund-raising to operate our shelter.

The Krewe of Barkus & Meoux is celebrating our 14th year. Proceeds raised from the parade will be dedicated to our on-going Spay/Neuter programs assisting low-income families on the Island, including our "Fix Your Pit" program. For spay/neuter programs in your area, please check your local shelters.

*The Krewe of Barkus & Meoux Parade
Sunday, February 19th, 2012 @ 1 pm*



**Check in and on-site registration
will begin at 11 am at 28th and Seawall
*NOTE: This is a new location***

For pets and their humans: a costume contest is planned beginning at 11:30 am. The winners will announced and ribbons awarded at 12:30 pm, prior to the start of the parade.

**Remember, proof of current rabies vaccinations
must be provided for ALL
pets and tags worn on collars.**

**All pets must be on a lead,
no longer then 6 feet.
NO retractable leashes, NO exceptions.
Control must be maintained at all times.**

The parade will begin at 28th and Seawall Blvd. and travel west to 46th St, disbanding in the Academy parking lot. There will be water for humans and pets at the end of the parade. Consider the weather and bring water for your pet as needed.

NOTE: This is a long parade. If you feel your pet is tired or under any distress, you should drop out immediately.

Beads will not be provided and are not required. If you choose to throw beads remember this is a long parade. Plan a way to carry and distribute beads in a way that will be safe for your pets.

This brochure may be reproduced for additional pets and individuals

The 14th Annual Krewe of Barkus & Meoux
Mardi Gras Parade - Sunday, February 19, 2012 @ 1 PM

Parade Entry Form

Name: _____

Address: _____

City, St, Zip: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Pet's Name: _____

Pet Type/Breed (or best guess): _____

*Rabies Certificate: # _____
*Please enclose copy of certificate
Clinic: _____

Registration includes event t-shirt (please add \$5 for XXL)

Pre-registration fee: \$20 _____

*On-site registration fee: \$30 _____

*NOTE: There will be a limited number of shirts available. Late registration may not guarantee a shirt if they are sold out. No additional shirts will be ordered. Shirts will not be mailed.

Sorry, we can't parade this year but enclosed is a donation of \$ _____

Enclosed: Check _____ (payable to GIHS)
Cash _____

Register by 2/15/12 to reserve shirt size

Child S ___ L ___ Adult S ___ M ___ L ___ XL ___ XXL ___

(Shirt sizes for on-site registration will be issued as available)

In consideration of the furtherance of your purpose, objectives, work and in consideration of your permitting of me and my pet/pets to participate in this event, on behalf of myself, my animal(s), parents, heirs, executors, administrators and assigns, we hereby waive and release any and all rights and claims at which I/we may incur against you, the municipalities through which we travel as well as any other person connected with the event, to include the GIHS and any Member of the Board of Directors or Advisors, their heirs, executors, administrators and assigns, for any and all injuries which I or my pet(s) may suffer while taking part in the event(s) or results thereof. All photographs taken in conjunction with the event are the property of the GIHS and may be used without expressed permission.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Parents or Guardian: _____