

# Resident's Digest

IN HOME JOURNAL

## Hurting Economy – Homeless Animals

As the US economy worsens people begin losing jobs and getting pay cuts. Taking care of ourselves is becoming more difficult and taking care of pets, for many, is impossible.

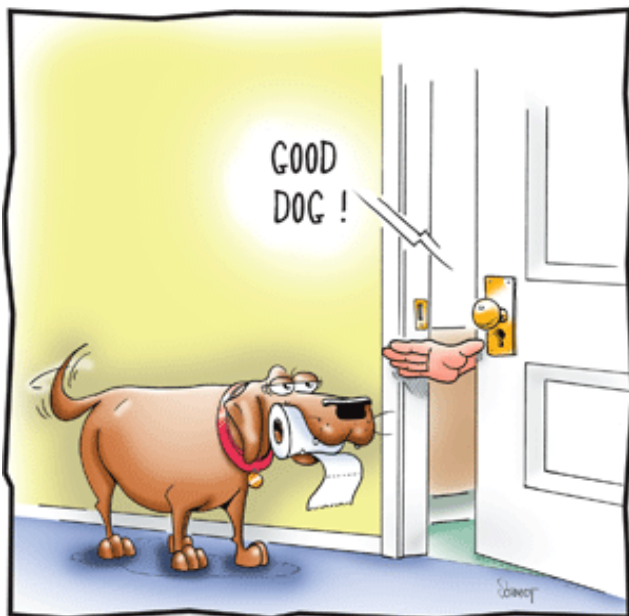
People are looking left and right to try to find good homes for their beloved animals but unfortunately the times are hard for us all and the search is often unsuccessful.

### So, what do we do?

Oklahoma does have several no-kill shelters throughout the state where abandoned and unwanted animals can go. However, those are filling up fast as well. Make sure to spay and neuter your pets so there aren't more homeless animals than necessary.

As humans, we watch the news and recognize the need for cutbacks and layoffs but our pets only understand what is before them. They know nothing of money, only love. So, show your pets that you love them and make good choices for them in these hard times.

And remember, we are all in this together!  
Pray, Pray, Pray!



PERHAPS THE MOST NOBLE OF ALL RESCUE ANIMALS: THE LAVATORY RETRIEVER

## A Rock Makes an Excellent Puppy

A ROCK MAKES AN EXCELLENT PUPPY.  
THEY'RE PRACTICALLY ALMOST THE SAME.  
EXCEPT THAT A PUPPY'S RAMBUNCTIOUS;  
A ROCK IS A LITTLE MORE TAME.

IT'S TRUE THAT A ROCK'S NOT AS HYPER.  
IT MAY NOT CHASE AFTER A BALL.  
AND, OFTEN AS NOT, WHEN YOU CALL IT,  
IT WON'T EVEN HEAR YOU AT ALL.

AND MAYBE IT DOESN'T ROLL OVER,  
AND ISN'T EXCITED TO PLAY,  
BUT ROCKS ALWAYS SIT WHEN YOU TELL  
THEM,  
AND ROCKS REALLY KNOW HOW TO STAY.

IT MAY SLEEP A LITTLE BIT LONGER.  
IT PROBABLY EATS A BIT LESS.  
BUT ROCKS NEVER PEE ON THE CARPET.  
YOU WON'T HAVE TO PICK UP THEIR MESS.

SO GO ASK YOUR FOLKS FOR A PUPPY,  
AND POSSIBLY THAT'S WHAT YOU'LL GET.  
BUT, STILL, IF YOU CAN'T HAVE A PUPPY,  
A ROCK IS A PRETTY GOOD PET.

IT DOESN'T ANNOY YOU WITH BARKING;  
IT QUIETLY SITS ON A SHELF.  
A ROCK MAKES AN EXCELLENT PUPPY.  
THAT'S WHAT I KEEP TELLING MYSELF.

By

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Time Magazine

*Inmates Sign Up to Train Service Dogs — and Get a Little Something in Return*

**Puppies Behind Bars**

Tyrone sits with Happy, a four-month old puppy. Tyrone has served 5 of his 8-1/2 years for threatening someone at gunpoint. "I've learned not to let these walls make me a prisoner of my own emotions," he says. "The program has taught me to be patient, honest with myself, and how to work without ego. My last dog, Yankee, went to a war veteran somewhere in Colorado. Just knowing that I helped to change someone's life makes me feel as if I have a purpose and a destiny. These dogs have a way of touching a person's spirit."

***This Week's Activities***

Monday, July 27<sup>th</sup>

- 9:00 Five Alive
- 9:30 Nails & Tales
- 4:00 Sweatin' to Oldies

Tuesday, July 28<sup>th</sup>

- 9:00 Five Alive
- 10:00 Bingo
- 4:30 Toss Ball

Wednesday, July 29<sup>th</sup>

- 9:00 Beacon
- 10:00 Devotional
- 2:00 Popcorn & Movie

Thursday, July 30<sup>th</sup>

- 9:00 Five Alive
- 10:00 Bingo
- 2:30 Art Class

Friday, July 31<sup>st</sup>

- 9:00 Five Alive
- 10:00 Bingo
- 2:00 Birthday Party

Saturday, August 1<sup>st</sup>

- 10:00 Coffee & Conversation
- 2:00 Movie

Sunday, August 2<sup>nd</sup>

- 9:00 Worship
- 2:00 Music

Weather Compliments of: Weather.com		High / Low (°F)	Precipitation %
Mon Jul 27	Partly Cloudy	97°/69°	20 %
Tue Jul 28	Partly Cloudy	94°/68°	10 %
Wed Jul 29	Partly Cloudy	94°/65°	20 %
Thu Jul 30	Isolated T-Storms	92°/67°	30 %
Fri Jul 31	Partly Cloudy	94°/68°	10 %
Sat Aug 1	Partly Cloudy	94°/68°	10 %
Sun Aug 2	Partly Cloudy	94°/65°	20 %

***Weekly Devotional***

Do Not Hate

If anyone says, "I love God," yet hates his brother, he is a liar. For anyone who does not love his brother, whom he has seen, cannot love God, whom he has not seen.

1 John 4:20

The Lord hates no one. As a child of the Lord you should love all even if they don't love you back. The Lord conquers this every day without question.