Humane Society of Elmore County News – 3 Sep '18 Rea Cord Executive Director

Only two weeks until our 13th Annual Bark in the Park at Fort Toulouse on Sunday, 16 September from 1-5 pm! Bark in the Park is all about people and dogs and just an afternoon of fun for everyone. We will start the afternoon with a very interesting demonstration to show you something fun every dog owner can do with their dog no matter if your dog is young or old, big or small! Then a bit after 2 pm you can be a part of the Blessing of the Pets followed by showing off your pet in our always fun Pet Parade. From 1:30-3:30 you can get your dog microchipped for only \$25 (includes the registration) thanks to the Tuskegee Veterinarian School. Cotton State Photography would love to take a professional portrait of your pet – think of Christmas coming up perhaps! Let your dog paint its very own 'paw' painting, search out hidden shelter painted rocks for a keepsake or to trade for a yummy baked goodie. If you come with an appetite then you will want to visit Wetumpka's own Grumpy Dog, and you can follow that up with delectable Italian Ice from Venice Gelato and sodas from Buffalo Rock. Make sure to purchase one of our special Bark in the Park 2018 T-Shirts for \$15 to add to your collection (or pre-purchase at the shelter now)!

We always have numerous arts & crafts vendors, vendors specializing in pet products, local businesses and more. Everyone will be set up under the trees and room for more so if you have something to sell or just want to get some exposure for your business, club, or organization then contact us at the shelter at <a href="mailto:hselco@bellsouth.net">hselco@bellsouth.net</a> or call us at 334-567-3377 for a Vendor application. Our Vendor fee is only \$35 and you must bring your own tables/pop-up/chairs. There is no electricity available so if you must bring a generator please let us know for site planning.

Admission to Bark in the Park is \$5/person 13 years old and older. ALL dogs coming to Bark in the Park must be good in public, meaning good around children, adults and other dogs in a very busy situation, AND they must have a current rabies tag/proof of rabies vaccination to come to the Park.

Saturday, 29 September will be the 16<sup>th</sup> annual Cruisin' fer Critters at DeJa Vu, 121 N. Burbank Drive, Montgomery, AL! Registration starts at 11 am with last bike out by noon. Each 'hand' is \$15 for which you get an event patch, goodie bag, food & door prize ticket. Bike games, bike/car wash, live auction, thrift table 50/50 and just a great day of fun. Best hand wins \$250, 2nd best wins \$100 and worst hand wins \$50 (must be present to win). There is a \$5 minimum if you don't want to play a 'hand.' Sponsorships are available so please contact John West at 334-294-7154 or Sherri Clower-Kirkley at 334-207-3773.

Also on Saturday, 29 September, at 4 pm, join the fun at Ida Belle Young Park, 5400 Vaughn Road, Montgomery for a first ever Charity Flag Football Game between Team Stallion & Sincerely Yours as they play to raise money for our shelter, Humane Society of Elmore County, and Resurrection Catholic Church. No admission but donations gratefully appreciated.

And, if all of the above isn't enough – if you have been wanting to get a tattoo, or perhaps add to your 'tats,' then you will want to map out your drive to Mad Tatter Tattoo Studio, 10073 Holtville Rd, Deatsville, Alabama 36022 for their 24 hour Tattoo event starting at 10 am, Nov 10<sup>th</sup> to 10 am, Nov 11<sup>th</sup> supporting our shelter and the Slapout Fire Department. They have three specific tattoos (American Flag, paw print, skull) to choose from for \$20 each and also hope to set a state record for most tattoos in 24 hours! This event is growing and there will be food, entertainment and more so mark your calendar and we'll see you there!

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