

TX-RPOA E-News

From Responsible Pet Owners Alliance,

the reasonable voice regarding animal issues in Texas.

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The San Antonio and Dallas animal ordinances were not proposed to actually address animal problems but are a national “animal rights” legislative agenda to end all use, breeding and ownership of animals for any reason including pet ownership. The extremists consider animals and humans to be equals. Therefore they consider pet ownership to be slavery.

HSUS recently launched their new campaign targeting “puppymills” on the Oprah Winfrey Show. However the show ignored the fact that there were already unenforced laws on the books to address the problems shown. HSUS and other “animal rights” groups consider anyone who breeds a dog to be a “puppymill.” To them there is no such thing as a responsible breeder and their goal is for purebred dogs and cats to become extinct and eventually all species of pets. What has sounded incredulous to some over the years has been proven to be fact today with ordinances similar to CA’s original AB 1634 popping up everywhere. RPOA can only say, “We told you so.”

For 17 years Responsible Pet Owners Alliance has warned everyone that this was coming but few believed us -- until now. Texas Humane Legislation Network (THLN) is a coalition of Texas “animal rights” activists and groups who do nothing but lobby each year at the state level for their national legislative agenda. This has been extended to city and county legislation in recent years. Skip Trimble, chairman of the Dallas Shelter Commission, is THLN’s treasurer and board member.

Two other board members of THLN were the force behind getting San Antonio’s onerous ordinance passed in December: Joel Hailey, San Antonio attorney with Voice for Animals, and Jef Hale, director of San Antonio’s Animal Care Services.

There’s proof of HSUS’s involvement in the Dallas ordinance at the link below. Just browse the links and follow the yellow brick road for some eye opening information: two form emails from SPCA and HSUS; a Dallas veterinarian’s supporting letter for the ordinance (Tony Lopez, DVM, DABVP); postcards from SPCA mailed to members and HSUS emails sent out. The website also ties in Metroplex Animal Coalition where donations can be made for campaign expenses. There are many interesting links. The website falsely claims 25% of purebred dogs are in shelters. This contradicts the American Humane Association’s quote of approximately 7% purebred dogs and less than 1% purebred cats in shelters.

For more information and to follow the links, go to:

<http://dallasanimaladvocates.wordpress.com/2008/06/22/spca-calls-for-action-dallas-its-time-to-act1/>

OR Tiny URL

<http://tinyurl.com/6nnjbq>

HSUS has a regional office in Ft. Worth and a Spay/Neuter Clinic in Dallas. Jay Sabatucci, HSUS employee, serves as president of the Texas Animal Control Association. What a web they do weave in Texas! Some years back SPCA of Texas was the subject of a 20/20 expose on raids and seizures of dogs that didn't appear to be cruelly treated. The cruelty investigator from SPCA had a criminal record for a rape conviction and was fired shortly thereafter. The 20/20 cameraman was actually a veterinarian in real life who said the animals weren't cruelly treated.

Dallas City Council has some members who are wavering and we MUST have a good turnout at the Council Meeting Wednesday for the vote!

If you can attend (whether you speak or not!), email Verjean Lunenschloss at verjean.lunenschloss@verizon.net. It is imperative that the Dallas ordinance be defeated. More information about the ordinance and contact info for city officials is on our website: www.responsiblepetowners.org

Check out the Extreme-Animal-Rights Blog at the URL:

<http://pets.groups.yahoo.com/group/extreme-animal-rights/message/5969>

OR Tiny URL:

<http://tinyurl.com/6b9uxk>

For some time RPOA has noticed security is lax around crating areas at dog shows. Dogs in crates should never be left unattended. Another blog regarding protests at the July 3-6 dog show and calling breeders/murderers of shelter dogs is at:

<http://pets.groups.yahoo.com/group/extreme-animal-rights/message/5949>

Or Tiny URL: <http://tinyurl.com/5gdqgw>

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