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Pictures are worth a thousand words... Pictures with your family,animals, Santa and more... Let's capture them at Paws N Claus!

Fall is here, the weather is cooling down and the smell of bonfires is in the air! What comes next is a unique opportunity to take pictures with your pets, Santa and/or just of your family and help raise funds for the Shelter! This event is Paws N Claus. With a new winter scene back drop, you are sure to catch the perfect pose with or without your pet! You can view the backdrop on our Facebook event page.

Paws N Claus will be held on two consecutive weekends, Friday, November 11th through Sunday, November 13th and then again Friday, November 18th through Sunday, November 20th. We will be at 839 Gordon Drive in the Woodbury Center by I Hop. This site was used a few years ago and a huge thank-you to L & L Properties for donating the space this year!

We invite you to bring your family, your pets, and anyone else you want to include in these one of a kind photos. Professional photographers will take pictures against a beautiful winter themed backdrop that are perfect for cards, gifts or just a lifetime memory of those you love. For just \$35.00, you receive three printed photos with a digital CD copy of the photos for you to use however you like, better yet, purchase 2 sittings for \$60 and get 6 printed photos and the CD copy. Gift certificates are available for purchase too! To book appointments, call the Shelter at 252-2614 ext. 7. Appointments are first come first serve.

A huge thank you goes out to Principal Financial group for sponsoring this year's event.



New backdrop for this years Paws N Claus before set is placed in the foreground.



Dates and Sitting Times:

Friday, November 11th –5:30pm – 8:30pm Saturday, November 12th –10:00am – 6:00pm Sunday, November 13th –10:00am – 4:00pm

| Friday, November 18th – | 5:30pm – 8:30pm |
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| Saturday, November 19th – | 10:00am – 6:00pm |
| Sunday, November 30th – | 10:00am – 4:00pm |

Thanks For Being a "Loyal Friend"!

Many thanks to our many friends for your generous gifts from July 21 to October 4, 2016. Every effort has been made to ensure accuracy of this list. Let us know if corrections are needed..

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On your mark, get set, RUN! Runners enjoyed a nice flat 5K timed run.



Pets and people head out on the pet walk. They took a nice leisurely walk along the river front trail.





The judges had some hard choices to make when it came to picking the winners in the pet contests!

One of the many vendors that had goods for sale or entertained the crowd.



Staff and volunteers help with walk/run registration.

MESSAGE FROM MISSIE



The rain held out and we had a great time at this year's Pets on Parade! A huge thank you to all of the volunteers, participants and attendees that helped us raise \$4,000 more than last year! Thanks to Rob Powers for donating the DJ services and MC the event, thanks to Eric for donating the Photo Booth and Al Joens from KTIV, Mrs. Iowa and Loyanne

Jensen for helping to Judge the contests, we couldn't have done it without you. Thanks to Bob Prince for timing the 5k run, to the sponsors, businesses that donated Silent Auction items and anyone that helped pull this day together to raise funds for our furry friends at the Shelter. We had a record number of silent auction items this year and some really great donations! Lastly, thank you to the vendors that came out to help celebrate the cause, some even donated a portion of their proceeds to the shelter! We really couldn't do it without the support in our amazing community. We are still recycling shoes, so as you prepare your closets for your fall and winter shoes, don't forget to donate the shoes you no longer use! Our goal is \$1,000; tell your family, friends and co-workers, we can do this for the animals. We have boxes at Mid-step Services, Gelita, I Heart Radio, Country Inn and Suites in Dakota Dunes and of course at the Shelter. Remember no snow boots, flip flops or slippers.

Remember to mark your calendars for Paws N Claus this year! Appointments are available on Friday, November 11th through the 13th and then again on Friday, November 18th through the 20th. The background is brand new with a brand new scene; appointments are first come first served, so call today!

Don't forget to get your Younkers Community Day Coupons, they are \$5 each and all proceeds stay with the Shelter. The coupons are good during Younkers Community Days, November 9th through the 12th and have exclusive savings that are well over \$500 in savings. Please spread the word to your family, friends and coworkers to purchase their booklets from the Siouxland Humane Society.



Looking for the perfect gift for your family or pet for Christmas? Stop by the Shelter and check out our holiday gifts for both the pets and people in your life. Treats, toys and clothing just to name a few, all reasonably priced!

We are offering Decorated Dog Biscuit gift bags for just \$7.00 a bag! They are available for large or small dogs, all wrapped up in a festive holiday bag. No, we didn't forget about the felines! We also have cat gift bags full of toys for just \$7.00 a bag. Everyone has a sweet tooth, especially over the holidays! We can cure that quickly with one of our delicious candy bars! Not only will we have stocking stuffers for your pets, you can pick up some candy too, we are a ONE stop SHOP! King size candy bars are just \$2.00 each and will be available at most area veterinary offices and at the Siouxland Humane Society at 1015 Tri-View Avenue, Sioux City.



Gifts From the Heart



KIND KIDS ALERT – Meet Billy LaCroix. For his bar mitzvah this young man asked for and collected much needed supplies for our shelter! He has a huge love for all animals but is particularly fond of cats. Way to go Billy! Thanks so much for helping the homeless animals!



Several young ladies and gentleman from the Wesley United Methodist Church youth group visited the Shelter with a nice cash donation to help care for the homeless pets. This was pawsitively a great thing to do and we thank you all so much!



AWESOME KIDS ALERT – Meet the Hill Family. These youngsters wanted to do something to help make a difference. They wanted to help pay it forward and wanted to make sure no dog or puppy would go hungry on their watch! Can these guys get a big paws up for doing such a wonderful deed!



KIDS WHO CARE – This awesome young lady is Laiken and for her birthday she asked people to donate supplies for the shelter instead of giving her gifts. Today she brought in a cart load of supplies for all the pets! A BIG Thank You to Laiken for the kindness she has shown and Happy Birthday!!!



What's Happening?

November

| 5-6 | Petco Adoption Days |
|---------------|----------------------------------|
| 11-13* | Paws N Claus |
| | - Call for an appointment* |
| 19 | Southern Hills Mall Adoption Day |
| 18-20* | Paws N Claus |
| | - Call for an appointment* |
| 26-27 | PetSmart Adoption Days |
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December

| TBD | Holiday Open House |
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| 3-4 | Petco Adoption Days |
| 17 | Southern Hills Mall Adoption Day |

January City pet licenses expire, time to renew!

February Valentines Day Gourmet Double Chocolate Caramel Apples!

For more information on these and other events check out our website at www.siouxlandhumanesociety.org under the events button!









Fostering Felines, Humane Advocacy and Volunteerism

Claudia Blenderman remembers always being just "wild about cats"! She loved all the cats and kittens on her grandmother's Texas farm and was fondly referred to as the "crazy cat kid"!

Well, fast forward and that kid became a caring, nurturing foster parent to over 200 orphaned kittens. Claudia explains, "I would get the babies at 1-2 weeks; bottle feed many times a day, keep the kittens clean, socialize them, stimulate them and everything else just like the mother would do". She notes "I absolutely loved every single one of them, but did not cave into the desire to keep them." She had three adult cats of her own during that time and that was working well. After a move to Morningside and less time than before to foster, Claudia did keep two foster kittens – Gracie (gray) and George (orange) kittens and the 3 of them are a most content little family today!

Claudia now works part time at the Orpheum /Tyson venue as an usher and the Pearson Professional Center as a test administrator. While fostering has slowed down, she always is available for any of the offsite adoption activities, Pets on Parade, Apple fundraiser or anything else the Shelter requests of her. She also volunteers as a transporter with the Wildlife Lodge and Clinic. Within both organizations, Claudia says she has developed wonderful friendships while doing good work for animals. She is full of praise for the staff at the shelter and the great difference the Siouxland Humane Society makes in the area for animals!

Love For All Animals

Betsy Malin started volunteering at offsite adoption events and fostering cats and kittens. She grew up on an acreage with horses, cats, dogs, farm animals and stray animals that came to their door, even wild animals. She loves to care for injured animals. Even now strays find their acreage and she befriends them and gets them spayed/neutered and keeps them. Betsy got involved with the shelter because she wants to help all animals find a forever home and know what it is like to have a loving family.

Betsy loves helping with the Valentine's Day apple event as it is such a great fundraiser. Her family knows they will get an apple every year and she buys them for her customers too. This year she brought her kids and friends to this to show them how fun volunteering can be. Betsy is a first year board member, continues to foster cats and is on the Policy/ Procedures and Volunteer Services committees.

Betsy has two great kids who also love animals. Her son just finished college and her daughter just started. Her husband also has a soft heart for animals and had many unusual pets growing up. He shares her desire to help animals and when she is fostering cats he often helps out. When she worked for a vet he was never shocked when she brought home animals that needed feeding through the night or a temporary home. Betsy works in the respiratory healthcare field helping people breathe better with new innovative medicines. They live on an acreage southeast of Sioux City and have 2 beautiful Australian Shepherds, 2 rabbits, 2 cats, and a crippled, adorable Pomeranian Pekinese. They are outdoor people and love hiking, camping and anything outdoors. They take their dogs everywhere, even kayaking.

Betsy says, "I am impressed with all the Siouxland Humane Society has done in Siouxland to help animals find forever homes and educate the community. I want to continue to help them be financially strong and expand their programs. Thank you for letting me be a part of your organization". She notes, "I am an advocate of spaying and neutering your pets and would like to find a way to help more people spay their pets especially farm cats. I've seen too many farms where the cat population has gotten out of hand and farmers have resorted to other means of controlling the population." She wants every pet to know what it is like to have a loving family and forever home.

CALING ALL QUILTERS



Fall is here and winter is not far behind, many quilters spend the winter months quilting away, a way to stay inside yet still productive. We know this is early, but if you are making quilts over the winter, please consider making a quilt for our annual Quilt Auction in June of 2017. Animal themed quilts seem to make the shelter the most money; however we will take any donations received. Please consider donating a quilt to the Shelter to help raise money for homeless and often abused and neglected animals in Siouxland. For more information, please contact Missie at 712-252-2614 ext. 16 or by email at melissa@siouxlandhumanesociety.org

We appreciate you sharing this information with your family, friends, co-workers and quilting groups.

President's Letter

With fall in full swing it is a beautiful time to revisit our Memorial Garden, it's a quiet place to sit and reflect, and the Garden Party held there in late August was a great event! The weather was perfect allowing those in attendance to enjoy music, wine and snacks, and a chance to meet other animal and shelter supporters. Thank you to the companies and individuals who made donations for the event to take place. Also big thanks to Corey Wrenn from Pecaut and Company, for the information he provided regarding different options of giving to the shelter through estate and tax planning. The Memorial Garden is a wonderful way for you to leave your permanent legacy with several ways to give and the opportunity to remember that special pet or animal loving friend. The next time you visit the shelter, be sure to take a stroll through or just relax on a bench.

The holidays are just around the corner and so is Paws and Claus! Check out our website under news and events for more information about dates, the location, and reserving your sitting time. We look forward to seeing all of your "furry" family members! As always, Santa will be there to join in on the fun and be a part of your photo if you like.

The holiday season is the perfect time to remember those in need. The shelter is always thankful for any type of donation you can offer, whether it is monetary, in kind donations, or your time volunteering. We are always in need of items listed on our "fetch list," which can also be found on the website, which lists a variety of items needed, from cat food to cleaning supplies.

Thank you to all of our faithful Siouxland Humane Society supporters, we sincerely appreciate your generosity. You are the reason behind our success, making it possible for us to provide loving care for the animals and find them forever homes

Terri Kjeldseth, Board President



From the desk of...Jerry Dominicak, Executive Director

Every year we celebrate National Animal Shelter Appreciation Week to honor the dedicated volunteers and staff who work endlessly to protect animals. This year from November 6th to the 12th help me recognize the volunteers and staff for the important work they do. Pick an idea or two or come up with one of your own.

Volunteers and staff are the front line of animal rescue. Daily they deal with homeless, abused and neglected animals – and people who are often in difficult situations too. For the caring people who volunteer or work with animals, the numbers of homeless animals and people who can't or won't keep them can be overwhelming. Sometimes a small gesture of appreciation helps keep them going. Here are a few ideas to show the volunteers and staff your appreciation!

- Send a thank you card. Put it the mail or drop it off in person. We put these by the timeclock and everyone looks to see what's new and these can really make their day!
- Use your words. Tell them in person that you appreciate them. You can keep it simple, but a few genuine words can mean so much.

- Write a positive review. Did you have a good experience visiting or adopting? Let others know by writing a review on our Facebook page.
- **Give a gift.** It doesn't have to be expensive...bagels or baked gifts are a huge hit and enjoyed by everyone.
- Send a photo of your adopted pet. Take a happy photo and email us or share it on our Facebook. Volunteers and staff dedicate countless hours and tears with one goal finding a pet a new loving home.
- Adopt a pet! What better way to show your appreciation for the work of the volunteers and staff!

I personally want all the volunteers and staff to know not just this week, but throughout the year what great work you all do and how much I appreciate all the many things you do to help make the Siouxland Humane Society the great place that it is! Thank you all so much!



Happy Tails



We love getting updates at the Shelter of successful adoptions and we want to share this update on Aspen. This picture is just too cute! Thanks so much for adopting and giving her a wonderful home! "This is Aspen. We adopted her from the humane society 2 years ago and she is 3 now. She is a fun, lovable, cute puppy. She loves to run and play. She is the perfect dog for us. We love her. Thank you!!"





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See Page One for more details!

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- 1. ALL Shelter adopted pets receive assistance as part of the adoption.
- 2. In 2015, 1875 pet owner received assistance.
- 3. \$31,059.00 was given out in 2015 to assist owners.
- 4. Pet owners get to use their own veterinarian.
- 5. Programs include non-shelter adopted CATS.
- 6. The Spay the Mom Cat Program pays 100% of the cost!
- 7. The program can help with up to 2 pets per home per year.
- 8. Simple to get, apply at Shelter, qualify, spay/neuter!
- 9. Assistance based on need, large family, low income, more help.
- 10. We are here to help, please ask if we can!