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# The Perfect Gift - Gourmet Apples!

Give the gift of love for Valentine's Day this year – a Gourmet Double Chocolate Caramel Apple! Show your love for your valentine and the animals at the shelter, all proceeds go to help the homeless and often neglected pets in Siouxland.

It's often a hard decision on what to get that special someone for Valentine's Day. I can think of no better way to show those in your life how much you care - loved ones, co-workers, friends, Gourmet Apples are the perfect gift for anyone! Give the gift that keeps on giving and helps the homeless pets as well. Don't forget a couple for yourself.

Handmade with love, the large apples are drenched with caramel, covered with milk chocolate and drizzled with white chocolate and a sprinkling of toffee candy. The giftwrapping and ribbons make them the perfect delectable gift. Similar apples are featured in trendy catalogs and sell for up to \$27.00.

Orders are due by Tuesday, February 5, 2019. Please send in the handy order form in this edition, purchase online through our website at www.siouxlandhumanesociety. org or call us at 712-252-2614, ext. 7 to place your order. Don't forget to preorder as we sell out early every year. Over the years, commodities have increased making the profit smaller each year from the fundraiser. We have not had a price increase in over 15 years, so this year we will be increasing the price to \$20.00.

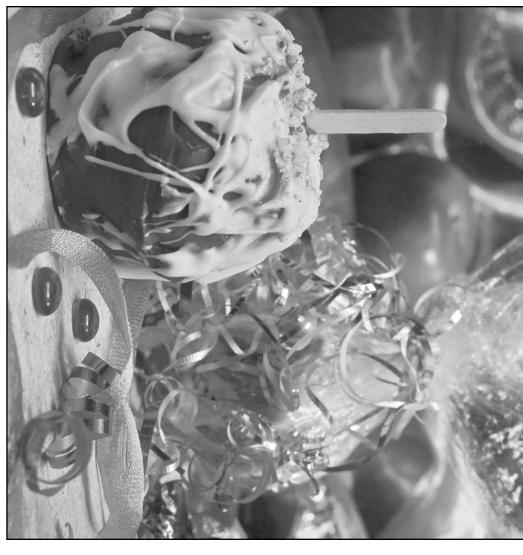
#### Pick up locations and times are:

Siouxland Humane Society Shelter and Southern Hills Mall Saturday, February 9th from 10am to 5pm and Sunday, February 10th from noon to 5pm.

# Be Part of The Fun!

Last year over 300 volunteers helped make this project a huge success. Dozens sold apples and hundreds met to help dip, drizzle and wrap. We can always use more help, particularly on the weekday daytime hours, for this project. We will be making apples, February 3rd through the 7th. If you'd like to help sell or make the apples, please call Missie at 712-252-2614, ext. 16 or email her at: melissa@ siouxlandhumanesociety.org. Thanks so much!

# Gourmet Double Chocolate Caramel Apples Siouxland Humane Society





You can place your orders by calling the Shelter at 252-2614 ext. 7 or

# online at www.siouxlandhumanesociety.org

Or by filling out the following form and sending in with payment.

# ORDER FORM

Ordered by: Name

Address:		
City:	State:	Zip:
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Quantity	Cost	Grand Total

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Orders Due by Tuesday, February 5, 2019

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1015 Tri-View Avenue Sioux City, IA 51103

Please pick up your apples on the following days:

Humane Society Shelter

**Or the Southern Hills Mall Center Court** 

Saturday, February 9th from 10am to 5pm Sunday, February 10th from noon to 5pm

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# NOTE FROM MISSIE FISCHER



I would like to thank all of you that helped make our annual Paws 'n Claus event such a success, can't thank Dick Salem enough for donating the location! Special thanks this year to George Taylor, Krissy Britton Bearce. Hacke. Michael Northrup. Liz Barrett, Nichole Bunce and Tonya Mathews. These

photographers donated their time to take pictures to help the shelter raise money for the homeless and often neglected animals in Siouxland! We also have a great group of people that played the role of Santa for this amazing event. This is a very warm and sometimes itchy job (the beard and hair can be pretty uncomfortable). We greatly appreciate Shay Gebauer, Ron LaCroix, Jim Sullivan, Ed Tryon, Scott Elwell, Todd Trobaugh Tony Sitzman, Steve Nelson and Dave Preston for playing Santa and making this an event to remember! A special thanks to Jordan Ireland at Principal Financial group for sponsoring this year's event, we appreciate your financial support. The set was awesome this year, thanks to Jay and Betsy Malin for building the train and the nutcracker! Thanks to KMEG, the Sioux City Journal, Harold's and Avery Brothers for the promotional pieces and printing of the photos, we couldn't do it without you! Our condolences go out to the family of Steve Paulson. Steve has been a staple in the Paws N Claus event and will truly be missed by the staff and volunteers at the Siouxland Humane Society. We thank Steve for donating his equipment, guidance and countless hours to the Paws N Claus event.

On another note, there is a special group of people that I need to thank. These people are devoted to doing what they can to help find our pets homes. Each week they have me come on their stations and focus on certain pets here, many of them whom are special needs. They help us get the word out and help these pets find homes. Please listen to us weekly on Z98, KG95, 102.3 and KWIT. We also would like to thank KMEG for their Sunrise Ray of Hope program that allows us to bring a furry friend to spotlight every Friday. Also huge thanks to KTIV for pick of the litter and sponsoring events, the Sioux City Journal and Avery Outdoor for all their support as well. Time and time again, these efforts make a difference! I would also like to thank all the media that sponsor our events. We would not be a success without you!

# **President's Letter**

Season Greetings SHS fellow friends and supporters, This time of year is a good time for reflecting on the year, counting our blessings and looking for opportunities to help others and give generously. I would like to thank all of you for your support this year. From people bringing in wish list items to children reading books to the dogs to just name a few, the Siouxland community has generously supported the SHS for 129 years. THANK YOU! This year we have made improvements in our cat rooms to provide a fun healthy environment for the cats and cat seekers. We have updated our office space and freshened up our paint. We have partnered with animal rescuers down South to help find homes for dogs displaced during the hurricanes. This has brought a mixture of dog breeds for you to choose. We hope you have noticed and like the changes.

The New Year will be upon us when you get this newsletter. If your New Year's resolution is to start volunteering for the SHS or continue to help, the Valentine Apple project is very near. Call the office and reserve your volunteer spot. This is my favorite fund raiser there are so many different things to do and fun people to do it with. Think about bringing along friends and newbie volunteers.

Have a Wonderful Holiday and Happy New Year.

Betsy

# **KELLY'S VOLUNTEER KORNER**

As the year ends I ask you to take a moment and ask yourself "What am I grateful for"! I am grateful for my family as they are always there for me, my husband as he is my support and supplies me with lots of hugs, and my dog Bandit, he is my biggest fan. Bandit has a way of letting me know he loves me no matter how I look or how I feel. Animals just have a way of reaching our hearts that sometime people don't!

I saw a Facebook article that encourages people every time something great happens during the year to write it down on paper and put it inside of a jar. On December 31st open the jar and read all the great things that happened. WOW! Talk about starting the year off in a positive note. Inside my jar I would have plenty to say about my pets and about this great organization I work for. Great loving staff that consider themselves like family and care deeply for the pets we care for. Knowing we adopt out 100% of the adoptable pets and that we help out shelters across the nation with pets that would be euthanized makes me feel proud to be involved with the Siouxland Humane Society. So find a jar, write positive things down and make this happen!

Did I mention with a new year comes News Years Resolutions! Ask yourself what we can do to be a better me! First, if you have not volunteered for the shelter now is the time. No matter if it's walking a dog or socializing a cat, it makes a difference. Be a part of one of our many fun-fundraising projects like our apple project which is right around the corner (hint-hint). Take a pet to a nursing home and make a resident smile or bottle feed an orphan or care for a special needs pet. Showcase a pet at an offsite; help them find their forever home. Sponsor a pet to help reduce the adoption fee. Open your heart and home and adopt. It all makes a difference no matter if it's Adopting, Volunteering or Sponsoring! What are you waiting for? Kick off 2019 in the right direction and help those that need your help the most! Start today; call me with any questions at (712) 252-2614 ext. 13. Have a Happy and Safe New Year! See you soon, Kelly.



Monetary donations are also greatly appreciated. An envelope is enclosed in this newsletter!

All donations to the SHS are tax-deductible.

#### Paw Prints



Thanks to our many friends for your generous gifts from 9/27 through 12/10/2018. Every effort has been made to ensure accuracy of this list. Let us know if corrections are needed.

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# **Gifts From the Heart**



PAWS FOR A MISSION: Meet the Trailblazers 4-H girls. This group set forth on a mission. Their mission was to help out those that needed help. They donated dog food, cat food, pet beds and toys! We think they are the cat's meow & the dogs would have to agree! Thank you girls!



KIDS THAT ROCK: Leeds Elementary students wanted to do something to make a difference. This group of kids raised over \$300, donated supplies & painted rocks which can be found in our landscape, memorial garden and throughout the city. Thank you!! Big paws up to you all!



HOMES FOR THE DOGS PROJECT: For the last four years, Coldwell Banker Realty has partnered with Adopt-a-Pet.com to find homes for thousands of shelter dogs via the Homes for Dogs Project. Thank you Coldwell Banker Realty for sponsoring 10 shelter dogs.



AWESOME KIDS ALERT: Meet Hazel Richie. This young lady wanted to do something special for the pets. She made cat and dog blankets to go home with all those pets that get adopted. Great Job Hazel your blankets are very beautiful and the pets will furr-sure love them.



#### Paw Prints

### **BIG DOG LOVER!**

Vicki Lyons got involved with the shelter when she stopped by one day to see what she needed to do to work with the animals at the shelter. That day Vicki knew she wanted to jump aboard to be a volunteer and signed up for an in shelter orientation that day. Some of the things you can find Vicki doing here at the shelter is taking the dogs outside to socialize with them and in return they can get their exercise in. She also volunteers for the Paws & Claus event and helps as a volunteer seller for our Double Chocolate Gourmet Caramel Apples. Vicki has always had a love for animals and they have always been a big part of her life. She also enjoys doing Pet Facilitated Therapy and currently visits two nursing homes every month. Her biggest thrill is when the residents get excited to see her and the pet. She said many of the residents had pets in their lives and the sense of joy and big smiles on their faces makes her day.

She has a daughter that lives in Georgia that has rescued a dog and two cats. Vicki has one dog and three grandchildren who keep her on her toes. She retired last year and that is when she adopted her dog. Not only does she volunteer for the Siouxland Humane Society but also at her church. Her hope is that the Siouxland Humane Society continues its success with the help of volunteers and remains prosperous by receiving donations and memorials.

## **PURRFECT MATCH!**

Al Joens got involved with the Siouxland Humane Society when the shelters Director approached him about applying for a board position. Al felt this would work perfect with his work schedule since he is an early bird for work and it wouldn't keep him up past his bedtime. Al feels that being on the board is a good fit for him. He loves animals and adopted a Maine Coon cat from the shelter named Barney. Al is familiar with the Humane Society from the KTIV's news coverage, plus he has been involved with Pets on Parade several times through sponsorships by KTIV.

This is Al's first board year and he has had lots of fun, volunteering at the quilt auction and working shifts for Paws & Claus. However his favorite was the National Adoption Event at PetSmart. He even recruited his wife, Melissa to join in the fun. They fell in love with a dog named Dawn and while at the event they shared photos of this beautiful dog on Facebook. Once they posted a picture of Dawn, one of their friends saw it and came to the event and sponsored Dawn. Seeing Dawn get adopted to a wonderful family was something that made their day. Al grew up on a farm near Manilla, IA and graduated from Buena Vista University in Storm Lake in 1985. He joined KTIV shortly after and met his wife, Melissa when she joined the newsroom staff in 2002. Al & Melissa have 3 grown children Phillip the oldest and Rachel and her twin Kevin. They also share their home with 2 cats, Winston & Barney. In their spare time they bicycle and are members of the Siouxland Cyclists. Together they have ridden Ragbrai for the past 12 years; however Al got hooked on riding across Iowa when he was 12. This past summer was the 20th time he has ridden the whole thing across Iowa, but has been on 33 Ragbrai's over the years. Their oldest son, Philip is also hooked on Ragbrai.

This summer Al & Melissa bought a camper and a boat, they enjoy spending lots of time in Okoboji. He enjoys being on the board and looks forward to what lies ahead. Al says it's been lots of fun working at the events and interacting with the animal lovers of Siouxland!



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

Everyone involved in animal welfare has a different idea of what the future holds. Some believe we need to spay/neuter all animals to control overpopulation. Some are sure we can adopt our way out of the problem. Others advocate education to those that will be responsible going forward to save lives and prevent neglect. All are correct.

Whatever you believe, we can agree there is a lot of work to do before we can rest. Until all the neglected and unwanted animals have loving homes, we will keep working toward this goal. The Siouxland Humane Society continues to find homes for 100% of the adoptable pets in our care. We work diligently with organizations locally, in the tristate area and beyond, transferring homeless pets to our shelter to find them new homes.

The Siouxland Humane Society continues to save the lives of as many animals as our resources, personnel and financial ability will allow. Over the past 129 years of successes and accomplishments that you have made possible, we have kept true to our mission to provide programs and services that promote the humane treatment of animals in the Siouxland area.

As a non-profit organization we receive no government dollars, United Way funds or support from national humane groups. A large part of the support that lets us help so many animals comes from fundraising activities such as our "fun" fundraiser Pets on Parade or our upcoming Valentine's Day Gourmet Double Chocolate Caramel Apple project. Your heartwarming unselfish acts of support to help so many animals in need are vital to continued successes.

As the cold snow flies, the thought that so many of our little furry friends will be safe and warm because of the support of our donors, volunteers and the community makes us proud. And it gives our Valentines Day fundraiser an even greater importance, saving the lives of as many animals as humanely possible. Thanks for your support. We will always strive to make you proud of your Siouxland Humane Society.



# HARD LUCK TAILS

Hundreds of animals come through our doors each month, and we fight so each get the life they deserve. This means receiving the medical treatment they've lacked for far too long, feeling the love they yearn for and finding a new family to spend a lifetime. When animals like Shadow and Fetch are in need, we step up and fight for them. Your donations and support of the Siouxland Humane Society make stories like theirs, and so many more possible. Without you, these animals would have very different lives. Because you care, each animal we receive has our team fighting for them. They get the care and attention they deserve and find love with a family all their own.



AGE IS JUST A NUMBER: Meet Shadow. This gal is 14 years of age and just as sweet as an oreo cookie. Once she entered the incoming room staff had noticed something terribly wrong with her ear. After a visit to the vet they had discovered Shadow had a tumor in her inner ear canal. She since then has undergone surgery and has fully recovered. She is one of our length of stay kitties and she is seeking for someone to love her.



FETCH ME A HOME: Fetch was a resident of one of our local partnering shelters for over 130 days. This handsome boy was transferred from them as they were full. They just knew that with all his great qualities that someone would definitely fall in love with the great character that he is. Not only did Fetch find himself a loving home, but has lots of kids that will be more than happy to play ball with him. Congratulations and best wishes to Fetch and his new family.

# **UPCOMING (FUN)DRAISING EVENTS**

**Musketeer Flex Tickets on sale now!** Flex Tickets are good for any HOME game and are \$15.00 each. By purchasing Flex Tickets through the shelter, \$5.00 from each ticket sold goes to support homeless animals in Siouxland! Flex Tickets must be turned into the box office for official seated tickets. Tickets can be purchased at the shelter or online, please indicate if you would like them mailed to you. Visit our website to purchase your tickets online!

**Woof Stock #3** at DOXX Warehouse on March 12th for a fun night of shopping, sipping and snacking! Tickets will be \$5 each and include a free drink and entry for door prizes. All proceeds from the ticket sales go to the Shelter.

**Pucks & Paws**- Sioux City Musketeers Game on March 30th. Lap Dog Races will be held during the first intermission of the Musketeers game, dogs must be 25lbs or smaller to participate. Great fun, great hockey and great entertainment!

Prizes for the top 3 winners will be awarded! New for 2019 – Ever wanted to bring your dog to the game with you? This year you can!! More details will be available on our website and Facebook page.



June - QUILT AUCTION! Quilting - a great winter project

- can save pets lives as well! We are asking our pet loving, quilting friends to donate a quilt. Quilts can be any design, fabric, new or antique. The larger animal themed quilts



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### The Perfect Gift – Gourmet Apples!

See Page One for more details and Page Two for an order form!

# DID YOU KNOW?

Our many programs and services make huge differences in the lives of the people and pets in Siouxland. Check them out on our website at www.siouxlandhumanesociety.org.

**Veterinary Assistance** services helped 73 families who could otherwise not afford to get their sick/injured pets seen by a veterinarian. We pay the initial veterinary exam cost to start off and have funding to help with some additional costs as well.

Over 4000 pounds of cat and dog food were given out to those who short term could not afford to feed their pets through the **Pet Food Bank.** 

The **Spay/Neuter Assistance Program** helped hundreds of Siouxland families with S/N costs in 2018. Nearly \$30,000.00 was paid out to area veterinarians in assistance.

Thanks to your support, our programs and services make a difference in the lives of thousands of people, families and pets, every year!





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