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GOURMET APPLES – GIVE LOVE, GIVE HOPE

Looking for a unique gift for Valentine's Day this year or have a tradition you cannot break? Gourmet Double Chocolate Caramel Apples are just around the corner! 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. We are happy to announce we are going back to full production this year!

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Orders are due by Thursday, February 3rd. 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. 0 to place your order. Don't forget to preorder we generally sell out every year. They are still \$20.00 per apple; get your order in now!

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and Southern Hills Mall

Friday, February 11th 10am to 5pm and

Saturday, February 12th from 10am to 5pm.

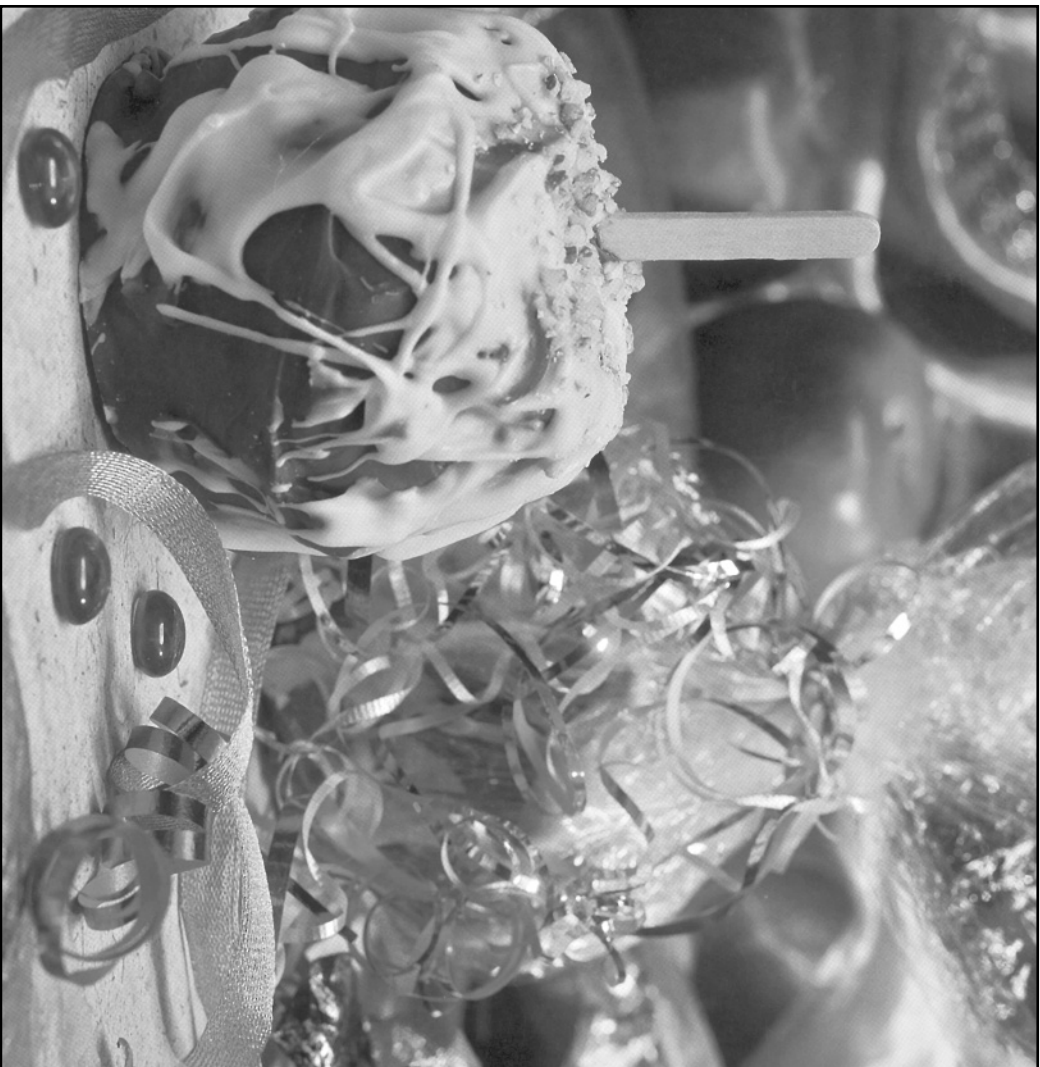
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It takes hundreds of volunteers to make this project a success! We can always use more help, particularly on the weekday daytime hours, for this project. We will be making apples, January 30th through Feb 3rd. If you'd like to help sell or make the apples, please call Missie at 712-252-2614, ext. 16 or email her at: melissa@siouxlandhumanesociety.org. Thanks so much!

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Gourmet Double Chocolate Caramel Apples



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Friday, February 11th from 10am to 5pm

Saturday, February 12th from 10am to 5pm

Clip & Save Reminder

CALLING ALL QUILTERS

We know many of you quilt during the winter months! We are revamping our annual quilt auction that raises funds for the homeless animals and will be holding it in October of 2022! We couldn't do that without the support of our quilter friends that donate fantastic quilts!! Not a quilter? That is ok; you can still help us by spreading the word and/or by finding quilts to donate. Quilts must be handmade, clean and in good condition, we no longer accept store bought quilts for the auction. Antique quilts and animal themed quilts are very popular at the auction.

I can't thank the quilters enough; I know the amount of time and money that goes into the quilts. Sometimes the quilts don't go for as much as we would like, but we do our best to promote the quilts and the auction. Just know that regardless of what the quilt sells for, we know the amount of

time and love that was spent and the money raised makes a significant impact on the thousands of animals that come to the shelter each year. Please help us promote and share the event to increase our attendance; we want the quilts to raise as much money as possible too!

If donating a quilt, it really helps us tremendously if you write a short description of the quilt, measurements and any other pertinent details that would help us to promote the quilt before and during the auction. We will accept quilt donations throughout the year but will limit the auction to 50 quilts to allow more time spent auctioning off each one.

For more information on the quilt auction, donating, helping to promote or to volunteer, please contact Missie at 712-252-2614 ext. 16 or by email at melissa@siouxlandhumanesociety.org



A NOTE FROM MISSIE

I would like to thank all of you that helped make our annual Paws 'n Claus event such a success! We can't thank Larry Book enough for donating the location; we had many compliments on the space! Special thanks this year to Krissy Bearce, Kristin Dacres, Michael Northrup, Nichole Bunce, Britton Hacke and Tonya Mathews. These photographers donated their time to take pictures to help the shelter raise money for the homeless 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 Ed Tryon, Shay Gebauer and Dave Preston for playing Santa and making this

an event to remember! A special thanks to Jordan Ireland at Clear Path Financial group for sponsoring this year's event, we appreciate your financial support. Thanks to KMEG, the Sioux City Journal and Avery Brothers for the promotional pieces we couldn't do it without you! We had a great year and sold all of the available sittings this year! We really couldn't do what we do without the support of our volunteers, staff and the media!

I want to send a special shout out to all of you that have supported my events, purchased raffles or items and/or shared posts to help promote opportunities to support the shelter! Your support truly makes a difference for the animals that come to the shelter. I wish all of you a Happy Holiday Season and look forward to your continued support in 2022!

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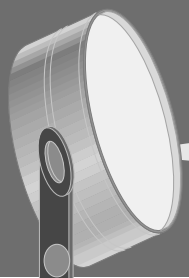
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Volunteer Spotlight

LOVE FOR CATS – FOLLOWING HER MOTHERS LOVE

Christine and husband Darrell got involved with the Humane Society when they retired earlier this year. The couple started to volunteer socializing cats so when they were adopted they would be used to being petted, picked up and hugged. Christine has been a cat lover and owner her whole life, her husband Darrell married into it and now loves cats as much as she does!

Christine grew up with a cat loving mom and Darrell grew up on a farm and has always been around animals. They also volunteer at their church and at the Hope Center. Christine teaches Bible study in their home to ladies that live in their court. They love football and their favorite

teams are the Iowa Hawkeyes and Green Bay Packers. She loves garage sales, writing poetry and collects cat and angel figurines.

They adopted their last cat Mica from the shelter 15 years ago after seeing him on Channel 4 Pick of the Litter. From the 1st day they brought Mica home he loved them but wouldn't have anything to do with anyone else. They wish more people, when looking for a pet, would check the Humane Society first. The animals are well cared for and staff are kind and caring. They love helping cats find fur ever homes – which as a cat lover is a purrfectly wonderful job!

PASSION FOR PETS

Michelle Bader Reiling, DVM knew she wanted to become a veterinarian since she was in middle school. Dr. Bader moved to Sioux City in 2010 and is a veterinarian at Family Pet at Perry Creek. She knew she wanted to give back to the community and volunteering her veterinary services to the humane society is one way she does so.

Michelle serves on the Siouxland Humane Society board of directors and also does vetting for the Humane Society as needed as well as providing cat neuters. If you would ask her what is her favorite fundraising project she will tell you the Paws and Claus event.

She has been married to her wonderful husband Brad Reiling for 9 years. They have 6 'kids' of the furry variety: two dogs (Emma & Jordan) and four cats (Baby, Venus, Squirt, and Loki). She is a member of the Sioux City Garden Club, Siouxland Iris Society and her hobbies include gardening, specifically flower beds and cooking.

Something Michelle would like to see for the shelter in the future would be hosting behavior events and education for both shelter staff and veterinary staff in the area and lunches with local veterinarians for questions and to discuss new ideas for the shelter.

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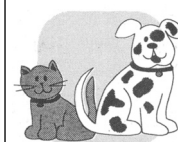


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From the desk of...*Jerry Dominick, Executive Director*

I want to personally thank you for your continued support of the Siouxland Humane Society in 2021. Together we have accomplished great things for the animals by providing programs and services that promote the humane treatment of animals in Siouxland.

Thousands of homeless pets receive a second chance through our adoption/surrender programs. 100% of the adoptable pets were placed with new families in 2021, a success we have maintained for many years. Our Pet Retention Services kept people, pets – families together through the pet food bank, veterinary assistance, emergency sheltering and spay/neuter programs.

We've partnered with many amazing shelters and rescues this past year working together to save animals lives. When we have open kennels, we help others by transferring animals into the shelter. When we have a length of stay animal we try to transfer them to another shelter, often times swapping a dog or cat or two!

I am forever grateful for the great team that allowed for all the successes. Thank you for supporting us financially! We have a great team of Board members, staff and volunteers.

Thank you to all the staff – Amanda for her shelter management, Kelly for her work on public relations and volunteer management, Missie on her fundraising efforts, Christy, Courtney and Ann for their shelter supervision, Courtney for maintaining the workplace and to all the other staff that keep the shelter running smoothly – Mardell, Shalei, Sidni, Cheryl, Brittani, Steven and Gerald! You all rock!

Thank you for the opportunity to continue to work with you to help the people and pets – families – in Siouxland. On behalf of everyone at the Siouxland Humane Society, thank you for your continued support. Whether you donated, adopted, volunteered or participated in an event, you made a huge difference. We are excited to continue this life-saving work with you in 2022 and beyond.

PRESIDENTS LETTER *by Rob Powers*

Ho Ho Ho, Happy Holidays!! As the year wound down I hope you found time to spend with family and friends. Time to relax and reflect on this past year and get yourself ready for Apple time!!

The number one fundraiser for the shelter, our Carmel Apple Project, is back and we have started to take apple orders! Every year I look forward to helping create these amazing Carmel apples and I hope this year we can count on some of you to help as well.

Roll up your sleeves and come get sticky as we create gourmet Carmel apples in the month of February. We get these beautiful apples delivered to you right around

Valentine's day! Kudos to all of those individuals who donate their time and energy to making, selling and delivering the apples.

The cats, dogs and other animals that come through our shelter during the year thank you for all the countless hours put into this fundraiser. If you would like to help create, reach out to the shelter by calling (712) 252-2614, ext. 16! If you would like to purchase a gourmet apple, feel free to contact me or anyone else at the shelter! I hope you had a Merry Christmas and a Happy & Safe New Year!



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Gifts From the Heart



PAWING IT FORWARD – Meet Anne Marie. This young lady young at heart has the biggest love when it comes to animals. Anne took her allowance and wanted to treat the pets with special gifts as well as provide the shelter with needed supplies. Pooh really thinks this young lady is the cat's meow! If I could please have everyone give her a big paw up!



STUDENTS ON A MISSION – Meet 2 of the students from Briar Cliff College. The students had set a mission to help a non-profit by doing a fundraising project. Logan gave me a call and said they chose to help the Siouxland Humane Society because they wanted to help make a difference in a pet's life! Thank you, Briar Cliff students!

KELLY'S KORNER

As a new year begins I am not going to reflect on all of the could of, would of, should of's! But have the mind set I may not have done my best today but I tried. I will just try harder tomorrow to be better than I was yesterday! In a time that our world seems to be in an ugly place if I could just ask one thing that would be just be kind. Share your beautiful smile or just say, Thank you! Kindness is more of what the world needs right now! Help spread it.

Did you make yourself a New Year's Resolution? If not be a volunteer and bring joy to a pet in need. Volunteer opportunities include: In Shelter – you have hands on with the pets. Walking the dogs, taking part in a dog play group or brushing out the cats. Fundraising – you can participate in the many fundraising events from making our double chocolate caramel apples, to being a Santa's helper at our

Paws & Claus Event. Adoption Offsite Events – our volunteers showcase the pets to help them find their forever loving homes. Do you have room in your house to be a foster parent? Are you available 1 time a month for 1 hour, put a smile on someone's face then Pet Therapy would be purrfect for you!

Whatever your hidden talents are we are ALWAYS in need of volunteers. Visit Siouxlandhumanesociety.org, get involved, volunteer, read and submit your application! I do not want to end without saying thank you to all those that made a difference this past year. Rather it was volunteering, adopting or supporting our cause, we could not be the success we are without you! A toast to our next adventure, our next journey to the new year ahead!

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PARTNERSHIPS SAVE LIVES

The last few months of 2021 were a whirlwind of activities. A few of the happenings involved many shelters and rescues working together to help better the lives of homeless animals.

The biggest and most recent was 52 animals – 40 dogs and 12 cats from Hurricane Ida. They were airlifted into the Sioux City airport and were split between groups in the area – Heartland Humane Society, Almost Home Canine Rescue and the Brookings Humane Society along with the Siouxland Humane Society. We took 30 of the 52 here - 22 dogs and 8 cats. This was after the earlier Hurricane Ida flight of animals into Sioux Falls where we received 9 dogs and 6 cats.

Other recent happenings to save more lives, one pet at a time, have been –

There were 3 cats that were transferred to our shelter from Hamilton County Cat Advocates in eastern Iowa. To help lend a paw 24 cats were brought in from the Sioux Falls Humane Society. We also sent out a wonderful dog by the name of Paisley who was the lone survivor of many involved in an abuse/neglect case to Calhoun County Animal Rescue to go into their prison program. Two pit bulls came to us from Midlands Humane Society in Council Bluffs as well as a volunteer at a Texas rescue driving up 3 dogs in need of help. Dobby, a FELV positive cat that had a shattered leg and was cleared from reconstructive surgery was adopted to a wonderful gal by the name of Vanessa that works at Boone Humane Society. Her FELV kitty needed a buddy. Brittany Spears a movie star in her own tail wagging way came to us heartworm positive and has undergone treatment and is recovering with some very loving volunteers. Heartland Humane Society in Yankton South Dakota took a length of stay dog from us and in return we took 2 dogs and 6 cats. We also received 5 dogs and 3 cats from the South Sioux City Animal Control.

We have also had 62 dogs in the past few months sent to us from Texas and Oklahoma shelters and rescues struggling with over crowded shelters. These partnerships big and small, working together as one, is what saves so many more animals lives! For this we are not only blessed but very grateful!



Operation Siouxland – national and local organizations worked together to airlift in 52 pets to Sioux Gateway Airport.



Humane Society staff and volunteers worked hard to transport and welcome 30 of the pets to our shelter. They have all found new homes!




Left: Dobby has found himself a great new life, with a great new friend and family.





Right: Our very own star, Brittany Spears, came to us from the hurricane area with much needed medical attention.

FETCH LIST

In an effort to reduce costs and improve operations we accept donated items at all times. To view the full Fetch List visit our website at siouxlandhumanesociety.org under Ways to Give, Fetch List tab!

 **Cat/Kitten Care Items:** Cat litter (clay-type), Cat toys, Dry cat food, and Pill pockets to give medications.

 **Dog/Puppy Care Items:** Kong's or rubber balls, Soft dog treats, Pill pockets to give medications, Lamb and Rice dry food, Kibbles and Bits dry food.

 **Shelter Supplies:** Paper Towels, Laundry Detergent, Febreze type spray, Dish Soap, Glass Cleaner, Scrubbing Bubbles Cleaner, Gift cards for discount stores or pet stores. .

Monetary donations are also greatly appreciated. An envelope is enclosed in this newsletter!
All donations to the SHS are tax-deductible.

What's Happening?

January

Renew your city pet licenses at City Hall!

- 15 Southern Hills Mall Adoption Day
- 22 PetSmart Adoption Day
- 22 Baby Ball

February

- Prevent a Litter Month
- 5 Petco Adoption Day
- 14 **Valentine's Day Gourmet Double Chocolate Caramel Apples!**
- 19 Southern Hills Mall Adoption Day
- 26 PetSmart Adoption Day

March

- 5 Petco Adoption Day
- 19 Southern Hills Mall Adoption Day
- 26 PetSmart Adoption Day

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

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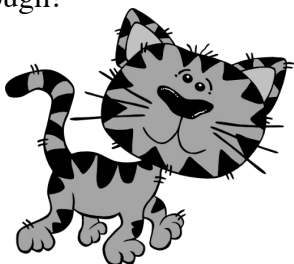
SUCCESS TAILS

I would like to start by saying thank you to the Siouxland Humane Society staff as well as supporters for giving our little Dobby a chance.

As I have been in animal welfare for a little over 10 years now I am well aware of the struggles of adopting out some of the pets that we come in contact with. Unfortunately, some of them have a harder start to life than others. This little boy had a severe leg injury when entering the shelter and then later tested positive for feline leukemia. These cats are harder to adopt out since they cannot be cohabitant with healthy cats without an immune compromise.

I had adopted another immune compromised cat not long ago who coincidentally also had a leg injury. Unfortunately, our little Coconut succumbed to feline leukemia just a few short months after his arrival into our home. While this is heartbreaking it gives us peace knowing that he was very loved and spoiled during his last couple months with us. Unfortunately, after his loss our other feline leukemia positive cat Morris was very lonely. Our heart ached for him as he would cry out looking for his companion and then I received a notification on my phone. This message was about Dobby.

We got in contact with the shelter immediately knowing in our hearts that it would be a good fit for Morris. Within a week Dobby & Morris were cohabitating. Dobby is an amazing, active little cuddle bug. There is not a spot in their suite he doesn't enjoy. His hobbies are playing with a ball racetrack and watching cat tv. He has been a great addition to our family and we cannot thank you enough!



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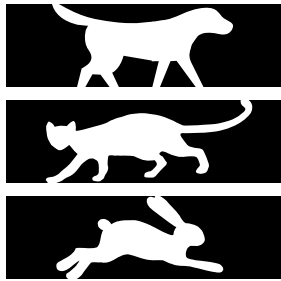
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The SHS is not an umbrella organization or local chapter of any national animal welfare organization nor are we governed, ruled or regulated by them.

The Siouxland Humane Society has a local Board of Directors and is governed by our own articles of incorporation, bylaws, mission statement, philosophy and programs and services.

Our focus is on the adoption of animals to the general public through the operation of a shelter and to educate the general public on spaying and neutering their pets as well as other pet related topics.

We receive no financial support from the HSUS or any other animal welfare association, nor do we financially support these organizations. The Siouxland Humane Society is an independent private 501c3 non-profit organization. Any contribution you make should be made directly to the Siouxland Humane Society to support your local animal shelter.