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2nd Annual Virtual Auction

"THERE'S NO PLACE LIKE A FOREVER HOME"

June 8th through June 18th!

We are hosting our 2nd annual Virtual Auction, Wizard of Paws – because there is no place like a forever home! We proudly find homes for 100%

of the adoptable animals that come to the shelter regardless of the length of their stay. We are a nonprofit organization and operate solely on private donations and fundraising events, we simply couldn't do what we do without the support of our generous donors, volunteers and support from businesses in Siouxland.

We are in the process of securing donations and will continue to update the site as those are received. We hope that you will register to view the items now however bidding does not begin until June 8th at 1pm and will go through June 18th at 1pm. Our platform will allow us to send text messages to remind you of when bidding starts, when you have been outbid and will allow you to schedule a maximum bid for items you are interested in.

Trip to the Villages in Florida, Sporting event packages, Hotel packages, restaurant gift certificates, 90-minute plane tour of Siouxland, electronics, animal themed gifts, toys and more! There is something for everyone and we will add items right up until the auction! We are still in need of more items; all donations are tax deductible. List of suggested items are on our Facebook page.

You can view what we have in donations thus far at https://one.bidpal.net/wizardofpawsauction22/welcome

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Thank you to the following people and businesses that have donated auction items! Please support these businesses as they are giving back to the community!

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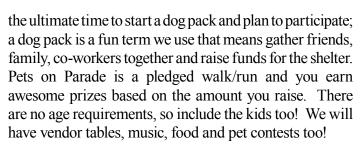
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A NOTE FROM MISSIE

A huge thank you to everyone that has supported our fundraising efforts this past year! We too are feeling the strain with inflation, we know now more than ever that it takes true passion and dedication to continue supporting our cause.

I am so excited to announce our Pets on Parade date of Saturday, September 17th at Riverside Park. Now is





PRESIDENTS LETTER by Rob Powers

Four years ago, I started on this journey with the Siouxland Humane Society board and for the last year I have had the honor to be the president helping in any way I could. Meeting so many great people, working side by side creating delicious gourmet apples, chatting it up with volunteers and seeing the compassion so many people in our community have towards dogs, cats, and critters alike!

It is important that the community continues to be educated about all the shelter does for the Siouxland area and how lucky we truly are to have this group of people running the shelter. The Humane Society is totally dependent on the generosity of individuals as we do not receive any city, state, or federal dollars. So, on top of running the day-to-day operations we are consistently working on the next big fund raiser to help us keep going strong. From apples, to our online auction, to Pets on Parade and Paws N Claus I want to thank you for your continued support.

Being a dog lover, I wanted to take this opportunity to share with you something that is very important to me, and I am sure most of us do not think about when we first bring a dog or cat into our families, and that's end of life. If you

SUMMER SAFETY

As temperatures rise this summer it's important to remember that heat and humidity can be dangerous for our pets. They can succumb to heat stroke, dehydration, and even get sunburned – all of which can be prevented. Distress signs to watch for are excessive panting, drooling, pacing, respiratory distress and lethargy. Act immediately and get your pet into air conditioning, apply cool wet towels and get your pet to the vet immediately. currently have a beautiful dog or cat that you have spent most of their life with, be there for them in the end. Knowing when it's time to let a pet go is not easy at all and can be very stressful, but understand they want you to be with them when the time comes. Prior to being on the board the one thing I came to appreciate about the humane society was the opportunity to have my dogs (Moose, Lucky, Bella, Jewel, & Bebe) cremated. Each of them came home in an urn and I was then able to disperse the ashes how me and my family felt best. I understand end life of anything is not a fun or desirable topic but as summer starts and you go off to throw a toy for your dog, or use the red laser to have your cat jump about, enjoy them as much as you can and remember when that time comes the Humane Society will be here for you and your pet.

In closing, our online auction is about to start up mid-June and I would love it if you could take a look at the items on our website. If you see something you could bid on and support the SHS that would be great. I want to thank all of our sponsors that have donated 100% of the items to help us raise funds for the shelter. Enjoy your summer and I look forward to this next year on the board! Rob Powers

With just a few precautions you and your four-legged family members can have a happy and safe sun-filled season. On hot days leave your pet indoors where it is air conditioned. While Fido may leap at the opportunity for a joy ride, leaving any pet alone in a parked car during warm weather can be deadly. Temperatures inside a vehicle can rise rapidly to dangerous levels. Go for walks in the early mornings or late evenings, hot pavement can burn the pads of your pet's paws.

The best place for your pet during the heat of the day is inside with you keeping cool!



Paw Prints

Volunteer Spotlight

A BOY'S LOVE FOR ANIMALS

Alex Darnel got involved with the shelter when his aunt Dawn asked if he wanted to volunteer. He always wanted to help animals, but didn't know how to start. Thanks to Dawn he tries his best to help out the animals. Alex has his sights set on being a vet tech.

Alex lends a hand at offsite adoption events to help animals find their fur-ever loving homes. The offsites help people understand how dogs react with other dogs and the bond people have with pets. He loves to visit the pets so they are not lonely and enjoys walking the dogs in the play area because it's good exercise for all of us. Alex also helps with our Fundraising Events! It is always a pleasure to see

KELLY'S KORNER

With the nice weather we need in shelter volunteers. Those that are not afraid to lace up the tennis shoes, play ball, enjoy our play areas, scratch bellies and hear some big meows and receive lots of wet kisses. Did you know the best gift you could give is spending time with pets that are less fortunate? Pets that don't have a family to love and spoil them yet can highly benefit from your time and love you give them. Your time can help build confidence and make them more social and help them find that forever family they so much deserve.

We have a number of volunteer opportunities. Offsite Adoption Events where we take pets to different locations to find their fur-ever loving homes always needs extra him and his aunt working side by side making a difference in a pet's life – one paw at a time!

Alex truly loves animals especially getting a good lick to the face or shall we say wet sloppy kiss by a dog or puppy. He also enjoys getting to know the cats as well. His true love for the animals comes from being in a home that he was lucky enough to share with a cat and dog. It takes love, time, patience when being a pet owner. He loves the outdoor events that bring people and pets together. Alex has a mission and that is to be able to help out more this summer and we will be so glad to have you Alex.

hands. Nursing homes are reopening to visitors and we need volunteers to do pet visits for the residents to brighten their day! This is once a month for an hour project. Fundraising! Because our fundraising projects are just that – FUN! Volunteer, have fun, make friends and help the animals in need.

We would not be the strong organization we are today without the help of our volunteers. If you are interested in volunteering go to our website siouxlandhumanesociety. org, go to Get Involved, click on Volunteer. Fill out and submit your application! If you have questions please email me at Kelly@siouxlandhumanesociety.org, or give me a call 712-252-2614 ext. 13.



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

Last year we opened our doors to 2,057 animals. That means we averaged an intake of 6 animals per day. Some were sick, some injured and some lost, but all needed help of some sort and we were here for them. 2021 was a challenging year at the Siouxland Humane Society as we've had hiring challenges, repairs to our building, expenses that increased, and we're trying to rebuild community and education programs lost during COVID-19. The animals weren't one of the things we considered challenges, not at all. Humane care of the animals in this community is why we live and breathe. Community support has been outstanding! People in Siouxland care deeply about animals and it shows in your generosity of time and financial support. We work hard to maintain your trust and support and will continue to work hard taking care of Siouxland's animal population in need.

Our financial outlook had ripple waves largely starting with the pandemic and that has continued. Labor costs have increased to retain good employees. In addition, prices for products have increased across the board. Medication costs have gone up, kennel supplies have gone up and as everyone knows, utility costs have increased. This means that the only path forward to maintain a healthy budget is to make processes more efficient, try to decrease expenses and increase revenue. These steps have been taken in 2022. Rest assured, we won't short animal care - humane animal care is our first and most important priority. And the thousands of people, pets and families that come through our doors every year deserve the best, most humane treatment they can receive. The animals deserve it. The families deserve it. And the Siouxland community deserves it.

Lynn L. Posey June 29, 1955 – April 11, 2020



On April 11, 2020 a good friend passed, Lynn L. Posey. Lynn was a lifelong animal lover and longtime supporter of the Siouxland Humane Society. She was on the board of directors for many years, served a term as President and helped many years with the

newsletter. In 2000, she founded the Wildlife Lodge and Clinic, caring for and rehabilitating injured and orphaned wildlife. It was not unusual to find her caring for deer, raccoons, squirrels or birds at her home. Her passion was to help those in need, whether humans or animals. In December of 2021 we received notification and receipt of a very generous gift from Lynn's estate. It is restricted to be used to assist needy pet owners with payment of veterinary expenses for emergency treatment of their pets which would otherwise be unaffordable. With this gift we have enhanced the Pet Retention Services keeping people, pets – families together. At the January Board of Directors meeting the program guidelines were approved. By mid-February we have already helped 16 families.

For more information on this program or our pet retention services please visit our website www. siouxlandhumanesociety.org or contact us at (712) 252-2614, ext. 0. People interested in the program must complete an application and meet income guidelines.



Thanks to our many friends for your generous gifts from 12/9/2021 to 5/6/2022. Every effort has been made to ensure accuracy of this list. Let us know if corrections are needed.



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Paw Prints

Gifts From the Heart





HIP HIP HOORAY! Thank you to the students of Spalding Park Elementary. At the end of January, they celebrated their 100th day of school. Naturalists (student council) challenged each grade level to collect 1000 dimes per grade level. Spalding Park Elementary students collected 8003 dimes and donated their accomplishment to the Siouxland Humane Society!

HOLY MOLY GUACAMOLE: Dawn Culver and her amazing staff at the Taco John's of Sheldon are the chips, dip, and everything on top! They did a fundraiser for the Siouxland Humane Society and raised \$2,456.00. You guys are the cheese taco's dream about! Thank you so much!

A TREASURED MEMORY

The time spent with our pets is full of memories and unselfish love. Sharing our lives with our animal family brings heartfelt purpose, joy and fulfillment. Because of the love we share with our pets, the inevitability and reality of saying goodbye can be very painful. One way to remember that pet is by a respectful cremation. We treat your pet with the utmost respect because that's how we would want our own pets to be treated. You can count on a high level of accountability when you entrust your pet to the Siouxland Humane Society. Something to help with the grief and healing as a life time remembrance may be a beautiful necklace urn or key chain. Also available are slate memorial plaques with a picture of your pet along with a special quote. Great gifts that help keep a treasured memory alive. Stop by the shelter and our staff will be glad to show you these treasured items or feel free to give us a call at (712) 252-2614 ext. 0.





CUE QUILTERS



The Chocolate Mansion once was an 1894 Victorian estate and has opened its immaculate doors as a boutique hotel. An elaborate piece of history boasting three stories of architectural twists and turns, family antiquities, pristine art pieces, and unique rooms. Check this and other short vacays out on the auction site!



Who doesn't need a getaway trip to Florida? Up to a 10 day stay at The Villages in a private 3-bedroom home with golf course view, for up to six people including lots of extras! Golf, shop, dine, site see, pools and recreation and three town squares with live entertainment nightly! Check out all the extras included with this great trip!





We will be holding the quilt auction in October this year! We couldn't do this without our quilter friends that donate fantastic quilts! We can't thank the quilters enough; we know the amount of time and money that goes into the quilts. The money raised makes a significant impact on the thousands of animals that come to the shelter each year.

We ask the quilts be handmade, clean and in good condition, no store-bought quilts. Antique quilts and animal themed quilts are very popular at the auction. We are limiting the auction to 50 quilts to allow more time spent auctioning off each one. For more information please contact Missie at 712-252-2614 ext. 16 or by email at melissa@siouxlandhumanesociety.org



Left: South Dakota raised Angus beef bundle, hormone and antibiotic free. Raised by F.H. Farms in Utica, SD. Includes 25lbs ground beef, roasts, stew meat and T-bone steaks! Grill it on the blackstone 22" Tabletop Griddle donated by Baird Financial, complete with Hood, Legs, and Bulk Adapter Hose. Perfect for camping or boating or use it in the backyard for a cookout or barbecue. Paw Prints

HARD LUCK TAILS



PATIENCE PREVAILS: You may remember Oso, a long staying pup. A wonderful family has another dog with separation anxiety as well and are well versed on the love and attention they need. They understood Oso is a one-of-a-kind who needed patience and luckily, he's found that and even more. Thanks so much Wasmund Family for giving this guy a chance!



LOVE AT FIRST SIGHT: Ollie was in rough shape when he came to the shelter. His cherry eyes were large and interfered with his vision, his feet odd shaped from being kenneled so much and he had a bacterial infection. Two weeks on medication and good quality food he was cleared for surgery on his eyes. When Ollie's new family saw him, they knew it was meant to be. Now Ollie's living life to the fullest!

HELP THIS HARD LUCK TAIL TURN INTO A CINDERELLA TAIL!



MISCHIEF MADNESS: One morning staff thought things were just not right with Raider. A trip to the vet revealed he had decided to tear his blanket into strips and eat it. Emergency surgery was performed and the blockage removed. Now Raider is desperate to find a home! He was brought to us mid November. He loves to run around and bask in the sun. He is very treat motivated and knows basic commands and does have a trainer that is willing to do training with him and his new owner. Raider needs to be the only pet in the home

as he wasn't well socialized with other pets and as a result doesn't do well with them. He would be great for an active family. If you or someone you know has a spot in your heart or home please come take Raider home!





Wizard of Paws-2nd Annual Virtual Auction June 8th through June 18th!

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What's Happening?

June

- 1-30 Adopt a Shelter Cat Month
- 4 Petco Adoption Event
- 8-18 Virtual Auction
- **18** Southern Hills Mall Adoption Event
- **25** PetSmart Adoption Event

July

Offsite Adoption Events Check our website or Facebook for dates

September

17 Pets On Parade Family Fun Walk/Run

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

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.



Dog/Puppy Care Items: Kong's or rubber balls, dog treats, 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.