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WIZARD OF PAWS- 3RD ANNUAL VIRTUAL AUCTION JUNE 8TH THROUGH JUNE 19TH!



We are hosting the 3rd annual Virtual Auction, Wizard of Paws – because there is no place like a forever home! We proudly find forever homes for 100% of the adoptable animals that come to the shelter regardless of how long they stay or how much veterinary care or TLC they need. This is a feat we have maintained for the past 10 years – because of your help!

As a nonprofit organization we rely solely on private donations, service fees and fundraising. We simply couldn't do what we do without your support - our generous donors, volunteers and businesses in Siouxland. That's why this auction is so important.

The auction site will be updated regularly as we receive donations but there is already lots to look at. Register to view items now and the bidding will begin June 8th at 1pm and will go through June 19th at 1pm. The site lets us message you when bidding starts, when you've been outbid and allows you to set a maximum bid for items you're interested in.

Check out the 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! If you love our auctions make sure you bid during the virtual auction, as our fall pet walk auction has been combined with this one! And remember all donations are tax deductible.

Register, view current items and get ready to bid at: <https://one.bidpal.net/wizardofpawsauction23> Or simply go to our website to find the auction site - check out the banner or events - virtual auction on the home page or events calendar June!

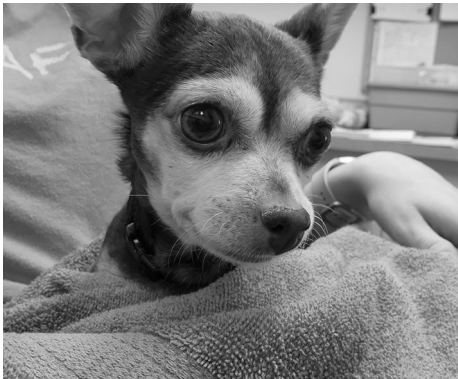
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TAILS OF SUCCESS



SASSY'S HEROES – This sweet Chihuahua came in November of 2022 with a large mammary mass that needed to be removed immediately. We would like to say thank you for helping Sassy get the surgery she desperately needed through your donations. Sassy got the home she so desperately deserved on January 4th, 2023.



HELPING PAWS – Pinecone came to us the end of August 2022 experiencing urinary incontinence issues. Extensive exams, tests and treatments began September 1st and it was found she had a thickened bladder that came from a growth. It was found she needed intensive surgery costing over \$6,600.00, which for a non-profit would be a struggle. We asked for donations and with your kindness she got her much-needed surgery in January 2023. Pinecone found her forever home in March.



MIRACLE OF MICROCHIPS – We received a call from Allie on January 17th telling us that she found a cat outside of her home. She wanted to see if he was chipped and he was. We contacted Home Again and we found out his name was King and that his owners were searching for him. His owner was ECSTATIC because King has been gone for THREE MONTHS! This ten-year-old boy was happily reunited with his beloved family. Happy tears from one and all. This is the miracle of microchipping.



JUST THE RIGHT HOME – Canelo came to us early October last year and you may recognize him from previous posts about being at the shelter for a length of time. He was the sweetest boy and was trying so hard to find his forever family. Not only was Canelo adopted in November, he seems very happy to have a fur-sibling. We are so happy for Canelo and thank you to his family for giving him a loving home!

FUR-ST OF IT'S KIND



It's a "fur-st" of its kind business in downtown Sioux City – Coffee & Purrs Cat Café. The "cat café" will give coffee lovers a chance to grab a cup of joe and cuddle with adoptable, adorable feline friends. Coffee & Purrs has been Megan Thompson's longtime dream and the old Subway on the corner of Fifth and Nebraska is where her dream has become a reality.

Through a partnership with the Siouxland Humane Society they have cats on site for guests to play with and adopt. Coffee & Purrs is dedicated to finding purrfect homes for the sweet cats while also providing a warm, aesthetic and comfortable space

for the customers. To date over 40 cats have been adopted from the cat café.

Coffee & Purrs Cat Cafe serves several types of coffee, smoothies, teas, boba as well as food items such as bagel breakfast sandwiches, smoothie bowls, almond butter toast, and more including some vegan options. Reservations can be made on their website or if they have availability, walk-ins are permitted.

KIDS CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE

We are often asked, "What can my child do to help the animals in need until they are old enough to volunteer at the shelter?" There are many things that the younger children can do to help pets in need. Have them do a lemonade stand, car wash or even yard work and donate the proceeds to the shelter. Check out our fetch list on our website. When it's their birthday do an invite about bringing a pet related item to the party as a gift. Collect change - have them do a month of their allowance or put loose change in a bottle and over time can add up quickly! It all makes a difference for a pet in need and it can help get your kiddos involved with the pay it forward sensation going around worldwide!



PETS ON PARADE

Mark your calendars for Saturday, September 9th for a fun filled day at Riverside Park for our annual Pets on Parade. Look for some exciting changes all focusing on pets, people – families! There will be a pet parade highlighting the pets in the walk featuring alumni, packs/teams and more. There will also be more activities for families, pet contests and activities. Don't miss out on the fun, plan to attend today!

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We have lots of fun and rewarding opportunities. Work with cats and dogs, assist with fundraisers, help with offsite adoption events and so much more!

Monthly Donation

Make automatic monthly donation. This can be done through our website. Use the Give tab, Donate!

Estate Gift

Planning your estate, retirement or will, make a gift to the Shelter. Talk to your attorney or financial planner on how to leave a lasting legacy.

Donate Supplies

Donate items from our Fetch List. These are a significant expense for us and every little bit helps.

Fetch List

Bleach
Laundry Soap
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Paper Towels
Glass Cleaner
Soft Cat & Dog Treats
Cat & Dog Toys
Non-Clumping Cat Litter
Dry Cat & Dog Food
Canned Kitten Food
Gift Cards

APPLESOLUTELY APPRECIATIVE

The words – thank you - sometimes just does not seem to be enough! So, we are shouting – THANK YOU – from our roof top to all of the hardworking and dedicated volunteers who helped make the Valentine's Day Apple Project such a success. From making and selling apples, donating food, prep work and doing deliveries – you are all the apple of our eye! When we say it takes an army we are not kidding. So, if you came alone or with a friend-family member or even participated as a business group, we could never say how grateful we are for you lending a paw to help us with our biggest fundraiser of the year that helps thousands of pets in need! Kudos to you all!

KELLY'S KORNER

If anyone would ask me, "What is your favorite time of the year?" I would have to sum it up to Spring. The plants are in bloom, the grass is green, the flowers are in a ray of vibrant colors and the tree branches dance with a light wind amongst them. The beauty is in the eye of the beholder. You just have to take the time out to appreciate even the smallest things in life. Take a moment to smell the roses and just breathe.

Speaking of Spring! If you are looking for something fun, a chance to make new friends and be involved with making a big difference lace up your tennis shoes and join one of the best organizations around.

We are always looking for compassionate volunteers ready to roll their sleeves up and not afraid of getting dirty.

Lend a paw to help with fundraising, work in shelter with pets or help at offsite events. If this sounds like you, then please go to our website, go to be involved, click on volunteer. Or if you have any questions email me at Kelly@siouxlandhumanesociety.org, or give me a call 712-252-2614 ext. 13.

Live life to the fullest, even if that means enjoying the smallest things life has to offer. Laugh so hard you forget what you are laughing about-including laughing at yourself! It's okay, trust me. Always love one another. Family, friends and our furry companions will always be our biggest cheerleaders in life!

Sincerely, taking it one paw at a time. Kelly Erie

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VOLUNTEER SPOTLIGHT

PASSION FOR ANIMALS FROM THE VERY START

Tammy Knoll moved to Sioux City a few years ago. She had previously volunteered with the Aberdeen, SD Humane Society. So, when she got settled Tammy took the volunteer class with us and says, "It has been a wonderful experience." Tammy has always had pets from fish, hamsters, cats and dogs. Every pet has been a rescue. She has always had a heart and soul to help animals.

There isn't a volunteer duty that Tammy dislikes. In her years of volunteering she has baked treats for adoption fundraisers, assisted with adoption events, helped make apples for the Valentine's Day fundraiser, assisted with the Paws & Claus fundraiser and even helped with the hockey game adoption event which was a huge success.

Tammy lives with her boyfriend Ben who is very supportive of her passion of helping animals. Tammy works

for Mercy One as a Patient Access Representative. They have a rescued American Staffordshire Terrier/Pit Bull mix named Biscuit and two cats, Willard and Puss N Boots. She enjoys educating people on the Pit Bull breeds and wants people to know how loving and loyal they truly are. In her spare time, she likes to go to the gym, walk Biscuit, spend time with her family, ride on her Harley, and get tattoos.

Tammy wants everyone to know how impressed she is with the Sioux City Humane Society for their love and passion for helping all animals. The number of adoptions that the SHS does is astounding. She feels blessed to volunteer for such an awesome organization. Tammy states that she has made many furry and human friends along the way. The future for the Humane Society is bright and she is so very proud to be a part of it.

ADOPT A SHELTER CAT MONTH

Each June we celebrate Adopt A Shelter Cat Month. This marks the height of kitten season, when large numbers of litters of kittens end up in animal shelters.

More than ever, shelters and rescues need your help. Thousands of newborn kittens are joining the millions of cats already in shelters nationwide at this time. We ask you visit the local shelters, and learn more about the joys and responsibilities of adding a cat to your family and adopt a cat – or two. Stop by the Sioux City shelters/rescues – Siouxland Humane Society downtown Sioux City at 1015

Tri-View Avenue Animal Adoption and Rescue Center at 2400 Hawkeye Drive Noah's Hope Animal Rescue – foster based, non-shelter. F.O.T.A.S. has cats at PetSmart Siouxland Humane Society has cats at Petco and Coffee & Purrs Cat Cafe.

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

Spring is in the air and things are changing almost daily as you look around. The grass is green and plants and trees are growing and blossoming. Things are changing here at the shelter as well.

We have several new staff that we would like to welcome and invite you down to the shelter to meet. Several staff have left us – moved away, graduated from college and moved on. We wish them all the best. With change comes new and exciting things and we welcome all the fresh new ideas the new staff are bring us.

Another change is within the Board of Directors. A new board year is nearly upon us and we have taken this opportunity to reorganize our fundraising committee. They have met and discussed some new ideas. They decided to combine the virtual and pet walk auctions, making it easier to track businesses called upon both spring and fall. They are also looking for community members that have an interest in

fundraising and have an interest in joining this committee. If you are interested please contact me at jerry@siouxlandhumanesociety.org.

We also have purchased a new shelter vehicle. We want to thank the Petco Love Foundation for a grant to help purchase this vehicle. Also, Knoepfler Chevrolet for their help with this process. As we travel more and more to vet offices, other shelters/rescues and to training opportunities the miles rack up fast.

I want to thank you all for everything you do! We are all working together for one reason – the homeless animals! Thanks so much, Jerry



What's Happening?

June

- 1-30 Adopt a Shelter Cat Month
- 3 Petco Adoption Event
- 8-19 Virtual Auction
- 17 Southern Hills Mall Adoption Event
- 24 PetSmart Adoption Event

July

Offsite Adoption Events
Check our website or Facebook for dates

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PRESIDENTS LETTER

Hello All, not sure if it's spring, summer or winter but going by the calendar I'll say "Happy Spring Time". I know the friends at the shelter will be happy to get outside from time to time to run and play. That reminds me, one of the things that got me hooked with Siouxland Humane Society, my co-workers and I were volunteering and I thought it was just fantastic that we could take a pet outside and socialize. The facilities are great, so if you haven't seen them it might be worth taking a look for yourself. For my family and I we are starting to get outside now that its warming up a bit (not:). One of the things we love to do is go and find morel mushrooms. If you're from the area I'm sure your aware of this annual past time, they only grow a few weeks in the spring and can be found many places. We find ours in the forest around our home and we always have Charlie along (aka Tiffany's soul mate). Last year while out "shroomin" we noticed Charlie acting a bit strange as his nose was to the ground and he seemed to be on a mission going in circles around us. After a few minutes we figured he was having fun in the woods so we moved on searching for shrooms. We got about 50 yards and Charlie was not following so we stopped to wait as he usually stays close. After a few minutes, still no Charlie and we could not see him because he is shorter than the undergrowth. So, we walked back to the last spot and Charlie was rolling around

on his back musking on the forest floor. We asked him to keep going, he noticed us and rejoined the search. Later back at the house we were cleaning mushrooms and noticed a foul odor permeating in house. We searched all over the house and couldn't figure out where the stench was coming from, by this time my wife and I were almost sick and then it dawned on us.... we remembered Charlie was "musking" earlier that day. We approached Charlie, and sure enough... he was ripe as a dead skunk:(he had obviously been rolling in some dead animal while mushroom hunting. Through many dry heaves and a plugged-up nose, Tiffany got him in the bath (many baths actually- he smelled for a week) to get cleaned up. Lucky for us – he rubbed his smelly body all over the house before we noticed it:). Charlie is eager to get out this year and Yes, we will be smelling him before he goes inside after shrooming this year! I hope your spring and summer is blessed, head down to the shelter and check out the facilities outside.

Thanks, Bob



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MUCH-NEEDED UPDATE

When it comes to animal shelters, most think of cats and dogs as being the only surrendered pets. However, that is far from reality. The truth is shelters deal with a great number of small critters, rabbits, ferrets, birds, fish and yes even turtles being surrendered for one reason or another and shelters are seeing an increase.

In years past we would get under 100 small animals. This has grown every year and the past few years we have gotten 250+ small animals. We knew it was time to step it up and make the much-needed changes to allow us more room for the increase of small pets being surrendered, while being able to show case them with better viewing for adoption! We are excited to report this has helped tremendously with adoptions and we feel that it's a great improvement. Thank you to the Gilchrist foundation for a grant for this project!

