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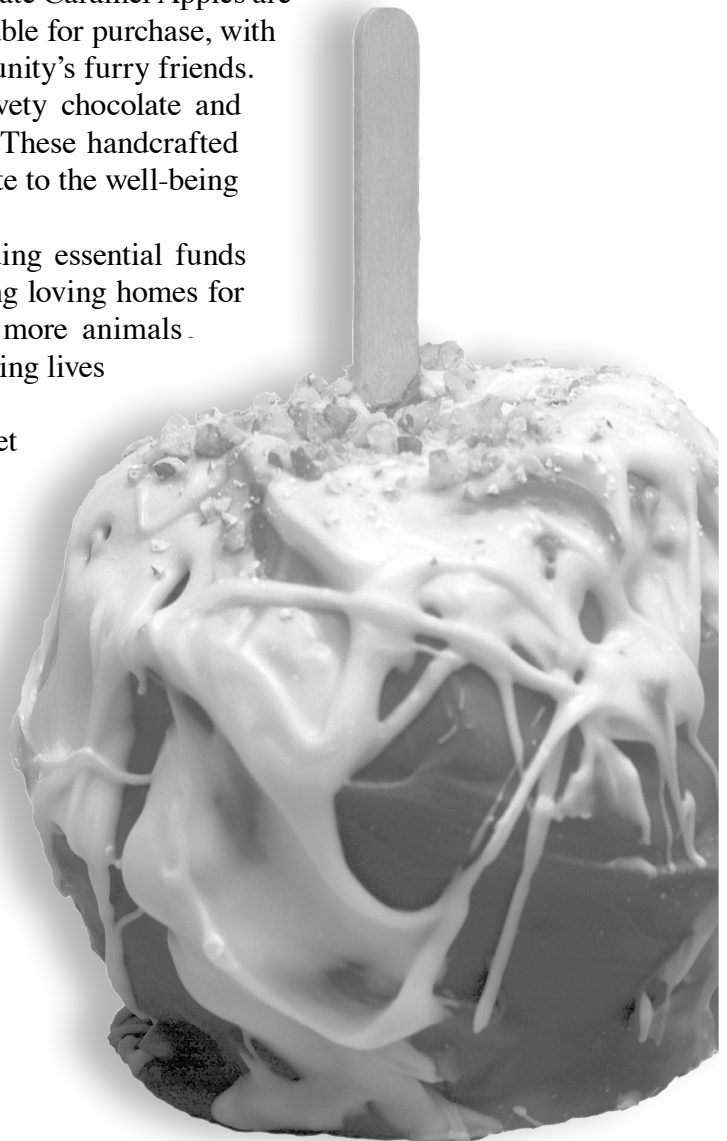
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PICKUP LOCATIONS AND TIMES:

Siouxland Humane Society and
the Southern Hills Mall

Sunday, February 11th from 12pm-5pm

Monday, February 12th from 11am-5pm



WANT TO DO EVEN MORE FOR THE SHELTER?

It takes hundreds of volunteers to make the apples and make this project so great. We can always use an extra hand. Apple production will be February 4th-February 8th. If you would like to get involved and help sell or make apples, call Maddy at 712-252-2614 Ext. 16. Or email Maddy@siouxlandhumanesociety.org. Thank you!

Siouxland Humane Society

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Monday, February 12th from 11am to 5pm

Clip & Save Reminder

Gifts From the Heart



SNUGGLES & CUDDLES

The Crary Huff Law Firm and Staff invited us to their wellness day. A big paw up for your kind and wonderful donation! The pets enjoyed being spoiled on your cuddling, snuggling day! Just look at the smiles. The pets think you are pawsitively awesome!



NON-PROFITS SCAVENGER HUNT

We were invited to Paul Davis Restoration's third annual photo scavenger hunt! This scavenger hunt was a way to raise funds for local non-profits in Siouxland. Maddy and Courtney were lucky enough to get second place and won \$1,250.00 for the shelter. Thanks so much to Paul Davis Restoration for putting this on for Siouxland's non-profits and inviting us to participate!

PAWS FOR LEARNING

Students from the Western Iowa Tech Community College Veterinary Assistant program visited the Shelter. Class time here with their instructor included handling techniques, giving routine examinations and giving medications and vaccinations. The pets were just as excited as the students, as there were plenty of treats given with each examination. It was all paws on deck for the bigger dogs we have had here at the shelter. The students did an awesome job and we were so happy to give them the opportunity to get some hands-on training!



PRESIDENTS LETTER

I hope you all had a very merry Christmas and a happy holiday season! It's a special time of year where we not only get to spend time with our family and friends, but time next to our furry friends seems more appropriate with the colder weather. Speaking of colder weather, I think it's always a good reminder to make sure you pay attention to your dog's when it comes to time spent outdoors. My family have a husky and 2 labs so I can share with you firsthand the husky would rather be outside way longer than our 2 labs. We still pay attention to Koda, our husky, when he spends extended time outside and we understand when the temp goes subzero, he is coming indoors weather he likes it or not. One thing we did this year to help him when the weather does dip low is the addition of a doghouse outback. It will at least give him the opportunity to duck out of the

weather if it picks up on a moment's notice. We also added a heated water bowl so he can continue to have water when he needs it. We are still unsure if these things have made him happier as he still howls at us, like most huskies do. Also, I want to take a moment and thank you for any type of support you have given the Humane Society over the last year, we really do appreciate it. As we head into 2024 we are set to make those delicious caramel apples to kick off another great year of activities at the shelter. So, if you love to support the shelter, purchasing an apple is a great way to help and get a delicious snack at the same time.

Have a Happy New Year and we will see ya soon at one of our events!

Rob Powers

SAVING LIVES ONE ANIMAL AT A TIME

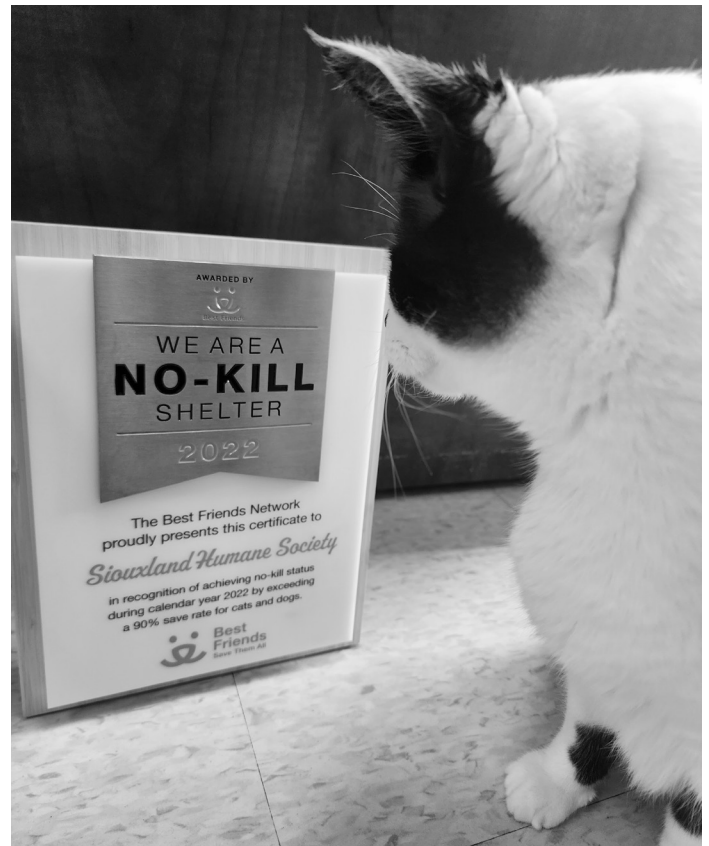
The Siouxland Humane Society (SHS) has received national recognition from the Best Friends Animal Society! A plaque was awarded for achieving a save rate of over 90% for year 2022, naming the SHS a no-kill shelter.

The SHS achieved an official save rate of 99.33% by Best Friends for 2022, far exceeding national averages. This puts the SHS in an elite group of organizations across the country who are leading the way toward making this a no kill nation by 2025. The SHS has been a no-kill Shelter since 2014 with save rates exceeding 90% annually.

This accomplishment represents so much more than a number. It represents a culture of caring and compassion. Dedicated staff and board, committed volunteers and motivated supporters. This number represents cherished family members who are only alive because of the Siouxland communities hard work.

Best Friends is dedicated to helping every shelter and every community become no-kill by 2025.

We thank the Siouxland community for being a big part of helping make this happen



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SPREADING LOVE: Thor a length of stay senior pup found his forever home! With who? Bickford Nursing Home! Our boy is spending his days giving comfort and love galore, and receiving it right back. We are thankful that he can spread love to people who appreciate it as much as we do. Thank you to Bickford and the volunteers that made this happen!

THANK YOU FOR YOUR LIFESAVING SUPPORT

Recently we've received an influx of pets that needed veterinary care. Surgeries, x-rays, ultrasounds, special medications or food and treatments to make them healthy and comfortable! We are so glad we get the chance to help these loving and beautiful souls, but we couldn't do it without your kind and wonderful support. Your donations help those who cannot help themselves heal, recover and then find new forever homes!



LIKE A FINE WINE: Bert a senior 13-year-old lab mix was here for 4 months and finally found his forever home! It was love at first bark and we know it's going to be a paw-fect fit for the both of them. Thank you so much for giving Bert the home he needs and deserves. Bert can't talk, but if he could, he would be giving you endless kisses!

MADDY'S MESSAGE

Hi everyone! I wanted to thank everyone who helped make Paws N' Claus such a huge success. It was so fun seeing all of the animals there to take pictures! I already can't wait for next year. Christmas is my favorite time of year. I love the holiday season and all it brings. I am so excited for my very first time being a part of the huge apple project! I look forward to all of the fun craziness the apple project will bring. 8000 apples, WOW! I've been eating these apples since I was little so I cannot wait to be a part of the process. My New Year's Resolution is to eat less sweets...so I will be taking a two break from that during apple time, obviously! I look forward to meeting all the new volunteers who are a part of this project that helps bring in so much money for the shelter. We couldn't do any of it without you! See you soon! Maddy



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

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I want to give out a big thank you to our volunteers for coming to our beck and call when needed. You set the paw high and have helped make this year's events a great success! We could never do what we do without your support and believing in us and our great cause! We have a fundraising event right around the corner that we will be needing an army for. Be the apple of our eye or the volunteer who is ready to roll up their sleeves and make the delicious gourmet apples. We will be looking for apple makers and sellers, so watch your email for details and check your phone for messages.

There is still a need for great volunteers who are ready to make a difference – just go to our website, Siouxlandhumanesociety.org, be involved, volunteer and fill out the application. Yes, it is that easy! The difference starts with you.

Me, reflecting on this year – my treasured time spent with family, friends and a dog named Axel. Dealing with a bossy cat that seems to keep all employees on their toes and in line, yes that would be our shelter kitty Mr. Poor Bear. Last but not least our hardworking, dedicated volunteers and staff that are devoted to help make life better for pets and saving more lives one paw at a time! I feel truly blessed. Thank you one and all!

Wishing you a great new year! Kelly Erie



Want to Help? Here are some suggestions:

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VOLUNTEER SPOTLIGHT

LOVE RIGHT FROM THE START

Kelsey Hildman has always wanted to volunteer at the shelter and signed up the second she turned 14. She has gotten all of her cats from the shelter because she saw them while volunteering and just couldn't say no! Just one of the many challenges of being a volunteer.

As part of being involved as a volunteer Kelsey loves socializing with the dogs and cats. What is most enjoyable for her is getting to know their unique personalities. Especially the puppies. She is also ready to help with anything the staff may need, like organizing boxes and papers. Talking with

possible adopters is always fun too. They always have such good stories to tell!

Kelsey, is currently 16 years old and a junior in high school. She has 3 dogs, 2 cats, and 1 very sweet fish. She would love to study some form of biology and/or zoology in college.

Her hope for the shelter is getting a bigger cat play area in the future. Cats love to play and explore more than people think! Cats also love boxes. The more boxes the merrier!

DAISY MAE

Poor Daisy Mae, a 7-year-old beagle-pug mix, came into our care with a large tumor. We knew she needed immediate



veterinary care. She needed surgery to remove the tumor. After surgery she was in our care for nearly 5 weeks in recovery before she was given the green light to hit the adoption floor. Thankfully she was quickly adopted into a new forever home! Hundreds of abused, neglected, sick or injured pets come into our care each year.



GOING TO THE CATS

Mac n Cheese is a 3-year-old that needed lots of vet work – FELV/FIV test, complete blood count and chemistry profile, treatments and injections. Full recovery and adopted!

8-year-old Mia & 10-year-old Chester both needed to have dental work done and other veterinary care. They are both very loving cats and as of this writing are at the shelter looking for new homes. Literally hundreds of pets in our care each year need veterinary care, some minor but many involved expensive surgeries or treatments which often include the pet being in our care for weeks upon months.



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

Gratitude warms my heart as I reflect on the incredible support of our Siouxland community. I wish to thank all of you for the many ways you make a difference for stray, abandoned, sick, injured and homeless animals. Whether you are a donor, volunteer, staff or board member or support the Shelter in another way, you make people and pets dreams come true.

This year we celebrate the 25th anniversary of building our “new” shelter. I use the word new because many who visit ask if we just moved in since it looks so new! We are excited to celebrate our accomplishments with you and continue to rally together toward our mission of providing programs and services that promote the humane treatment of animals in the Siouxland area.

It truly takes a village to be successful in animal welfare. Not one person or organization can do it alone. Through team work and a multifaceted approach to saving and improving lives, we have seen a decrease in animals coming to local shelters and an increase in adoptions.

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2022, naming the SHS a no-kill shelter. We achieved an official save rate of 99.33% by Best Friends, far above national averages. We have been a no-kill Shelter since 2014. Our pet retention services have also helped thousands upon thousands of people, pets and their families stay together – reducing animals entering local shelters.

How did we accomplish this? Team work and tons of blood, sweat, and at times, tears. We have a very dedicated team of professionals working for and with us to save lives. Staff continually works towards better ways of caring for shelter pets and serving owners in our community to keep pets in their loving homes.

Even with an all-star team, we wouldn't have accomplished shelter-wide “no-kill” status without the help of others in our community. We cannot do this alone and are so grateful to have the support of so many in our community. We want to send a very heartfelt thank you to all of our supporters. It's because of you, we can continue to enhance the lives of shelter pets and help our community with the resources they need to be animal advocates and humane caretakers.

SIoux CITY MUSKETEERS TEAM UP TO SAVE LIVES!

The Sioux City Musketeer Players paws for a great cause! You and your dog can join us on Sunday, March 17 for a 3pm game as the Musketeers take to the ice for our furry friends here at the shelter! The Siouxland Humane Society and Wet Nose Rescue in LeMars team up with the Muskies for a great day of hockey and pets. There will be shelter dogs available for adoption and information on how you can support homeless pets. We also ask you help us score and bring in a pet wish item off our fetch list! Watch both the Muskies and our Facebook and website for more exciting announcements about this Day!



What's Happening?

January **Renew your city pet licenses at City Hall!**
6 Petco Adoption Day
20 Southern Hills Mall Adoption Day
27 PetSmart Adoption Day

February **Prevent a Litter Month**
3 Petco Adoption Day
14 **Valentine's Day Gourmet Double Chocolate Caramel Apples!**
17 Southern Hills Mall Adoption Day
24 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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VOLUNTEER CELEBRATION



Our volunteer dinner was our way of saying thank you to our wonderful volunteers who go far and beyond to help support us and our great cause! Besides dinner we had volunteer awards and a great educational speaker. Loan Hensley, accompanied by her dog Kinnick, spoke on the triumphs of adopting a shelter dog and touched on laws regarding puppy mills in the state. Kinnick is a nationally awarded agility dog whom was adopted from our shelter.

Congratulations to our Volunteer award winners for 2023! Business Partners – Dunes Animal Hospital, Family Pet at Perry Creek,

Hometown Animal Hospital and Siouxland Animal Hospital. Adult volunteer Teresa Zinn and our Youth volunteer Kelsey Hildman. Thank you to all our volunteers for making a huge difference in the lives of the animals we serve!



NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTIONS FOR YOUR PETS?

The New Year is here! Why not change things up and make some New Year's resolutions for your pet, too? Even a couple resolutions will bring a full year of benefits for the whole family.

Battle the Bulge - Pets need us to regulate their nutrition and activity levels. Follow strict feeding guidelines. Vow to lay off those table scraps. Even though shelter cat, Pooh Bear loves cheese I have been forbidden to continue giving it to him. Start the morning off with a brisk walk. Even 15 minutes gives you and your dog a burst of energy for the day.

Check-Up Time - This year give your veterinarian the chance to safeguard your pet's health with a routine checkup. If it's been over a year since your pet has seen a vet make that

appointment today! Ask about the importance of brushing your pet's teeth too!

Poison-Proof Your Home - With various dangers lurking in corners and cabinets the home can be full of poisons for your pets. Don't leave it up to them to keep safe. Resolve to make your home a safe place for pets and children.

Pet Play Time - Your pet would love a bit more attention. Resolve to make some one-on-one time every day. This could mean an evening walk, playing their favorite game or simply giving them a brushing and belly rub.

Some people may say New Year's resolutions are made to be broken. But resolutions for pets can end up making your entire household active, happy and healthy for the year to come.

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Where else do you get a nice sweet treat for your donation and help save lives at the same time. Here is part of what the Gourmet Double Chocolate Caramel Apple fundraising money has done.

Since the newsletter goes to print in December, this is January thru November information.

\$ Spent for Public Spay/Neuter Surgeries - \$19,486.29

\$ Spent for Emergency Fund Assistance - \$20,073.92, helping 144 Families and their pets.

Pet Food Bank – Provided 7,800 lbs. of food to 582 families needing a bit of help.

Shelter veterinary costs and care - \$43,403.30

Adoptions – Helped to maintain our no-kill status adopting 100% of the adoptable pets.

