Dunn County Humane Society



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April - June 2020



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The Dunn County Humane Society is a 501(c)(3) Charitable Organization

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WI Dog Seller & Dog Facility Operator License #267328

Congratulations on 10



Our organization is truly blessed with dedicated people who strive to be the best they can be! One of these amazing people at the core of our team is Ashley Zeitz who is celebrating her 10 year anniversary with

DCHS this year!

Many of you likely know and love Ashley, or at least recognize her as a familiar face. She is often at the shelter, and also tries to attend each and every DCHS event and fundraiser. She can often be found in the "holiday" section of the rummage sale dressed up in a costume of some sort!

Ashley is a sponge of knowledge and never passes up an opportunity to learn new things herself or teach newer staff. Inevitably, all of the staff have

been asked at some point if they have seen this worm or that parasite and then been shown an up close version of the critter in question! Her energy and enthusiasm is contagious, and her positive demeanor helps her connect with animals and people alike.

Whether she is coaching basketball, pet-sitting, counseling a new adopter, or training with dogs... she gives it her all and we are so very proud to have Ashley on our team and are looking forward to many more years with her at DCHS!









Mission Statement

The Dunn County Humane Society (DCHS) is dedicated to improving the lives of companion animals in our community and finding permanent and loving adoptive homes for the animals in our care. DCHS promotes the humane treatment of animals and operates as a no-kill facility, a philosophy that has been with the organization from the beginning. We do not forfeit the life of one animal to make space for another. All incoming animals are evaluated, medically treated and rehabilitated when possible. DCHS is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization that relies on the good will and generosity of individuals and corporations.

Board Blog



Nancy Dimberio DCHS Vice President

TOUGH TIMES NEVER LAST

Throughout history, our nation has experienced many crippling social events like wars, polio, 9-11, epidemics, HIV, Katrina, and even the assassination of a President. All of these episodes brought our nation to its knees due to fear and uncertainty.

Our citizenry again faces yet another very serious dilemma. COVID-19 has brought uncertainty into our daily lives. We need to remain diligent by following recommendations from the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) every day to keep everyone as healthy as possible. Many years ago, Winston Churchill simply said, "Never, Never, Give Up." As a people, let's heed the words of this admired former WWII world leader and work together to weather this dreadful storm!

Like so many others, I have chosen to self-quarantine. I now occupy my time at home phoning friends, seeking inspirational thoughts, spending quality time with my pets, working on home projects, learning something new every day, reading books, watching light hearted movies, and

seeking comfort in prayer. I hope you all find comfort in doing things that bring you joy during this time of crisis.

On a personal note, I'd like to thank DCHS animal care givers for all they do each day to ensure the safety and well-being of our sheltered animals. I am so grateful to our leadership team (Josh Dalton, Judy Schindler, Jamie Wagner and Lisa Drenckhahn) for working endlessly to develop "worst case scenario" action plans for our animals during the COVID-19 pandemic. Many thanks as well to my colleagues on the Board of Directors for lending their insight and support as requested by our leadership team.

As many of you may already know, DCHS has suspended future fundraising activities due to the COVID-19 virus. Now, more than ever, we need your financial support. I would ask that if you are able, to please consider giving generously to ensure the success and survival of DCHS!

Please be safe and healthy during these challenging times!

Memberships & Renewals 1/1/20 to 3/15/20

We have been busy adding to our member benefits listing - find the complete list on page 3!

48 Membership Renewals & 22 New Members

Welcome to our new members:

THANK YOU

"Pick of the Litter" Members:
Suzanne Gaines
Nancy Kingsbury

Barbara Stohr, Jolene Neisius, Martin & Eldora Ondrus, Beth Zeitz, Judith Benzel, Jerry & Mary Cinker, Lonna Myers, Dani Peterson, Kim & Dan Gerth, Jean Biggs, Barbara Lindberg, Sandra Desler, Connor McCauley, Suzanne Gaines, Faith Link, Lauren Kuester, Susan Christopher, Lynne Cassellius, Jan & Laurie Hillman, Kay Stai, Pam & Doug Gane, and Mary & Peter Tharp

If you received this newsletter, but are not currently a member, please use the membership form on page 3 to join the DCHS team.

Please pass the word on to family and friends and encourage them to become members as well.

Members, please note: you will be sent a membership renewal notice in the mail to notify you when your membership is due



DCHS Membership Benefits

Have you ever wondered what comes with a membership to DCHS?
Check out all of the great benefits below!

- Showing your support for the homeless animals in our community
- 3 shareable coupons, each good for I dog/cat nail trim or dog bath
- Grooming services are members only unless an official coupon is presented
- One complimentary pet tag coupon for you or a friend
- \$5 pet tags at DCHS
- 10% off Pet Stop merchandise at DCHS
- **Quarterly** newsletter
- 💛 Personalized membership card
- Half price pet microchips (only at shelter, not low-cost events)
- 5 free raffle basket tickets at events holding basket drawings (membership card must be presented, not valid on large raffles)
- \$15 off each private training session with Sharon Wuolett at Leerburg
- \$5 new client coupon to Sunspot Grooming
- 👺 Discounts/benefits at local businesses:
 - O Tabby's Catfe-1/2 price sandwich basket
 - Waterfront-2nd entree 1/2 price
 - Gin Mill-2nd Sunday brunch 1/2 price
 - O Ted's Pizza-\$3 off XL
 - O Duke and Dagger-10% off
 - O Marion's Legacy Chocolates-10% off

If your business would like to offer a benefit for DCHS members, please call 715-232-9790 and speak with Lisa!

Join or Renew Today!

Dunn County Humane Society Membership/Donation Form 302 Brickyard Road, Menomonie, WI 54751

Name	e					
Address						
City/	City/State/Zip					
Phon	e					
	E-mail					
Are y	you a new or renewing member?					
Woul	ld you like a receipt?					
	Membership Levels					
	\$15 Senior (62+)					
	\$25 Senior Couple (62+)					
	\$30 Individual					
	\$50 Family					
	\$75 Animal Lover					
	\$100 Sustainer					
	\$100 Business (non-voting)					
	\$250 Pick of the Litter					
	\$500 Top Dog/Cat					
	\$1000 Guardian Angel					
Additional Donations						
\$	Spay/Neuter Fund					
\$	Lizzie Fund (for injured pets)					
\$	General Operating Fund					
	Building Maintenance/Repair Fund					
	Safe Harbor Fund (at-risk pets)					
	Pet Dental Fund					
	In honor of					
\$	In memory of					

Your membership card and shareable coupons will be mailed to you at the address provided.

Thank you for being a member!!

Total amount enclosed: \$



Cash & Other Donations (12/16 - 3/15/19)

Amy Alpine Amazon Smile Anonymous (multiple) Yvonne Bajraktarevic Bonnie Baszuro Kathyrn Bechel Alan Benoit (via 3M Volunteer Match Program) Jean Biggs

Diane & Marlin Bird Jeanette Blodgett

John Bond Rachel Bowen Amanda Brandt Paula Brandt Mary Buckley Joann Carlin Dakota Carlson Carolyn Ohnstad Estate

Mary Claseman Steve & Vicki Cole Connection Transport Anna & Al Curler Josh & Kristen Dalton

Patricia & Robert Dansdill Jean Davis Margaret Davis Sheri Debates Iane Dettmann Janet Doelle Arnold & Lois

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Larry A Doupnik Dan Drenckhahn (via

Walmart VAP Program)

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Scott & Holly Emery

Jim Engum Judy Evenson Al & Nancy Finder Anita Fletcher Beth Ford James Fox

Todd & Zerlina Freezy

Mark Gargulak Kim & Dan Gerth Robert Gile Amy Gillett David Gonzales

Barb Gort Sheryl Grant

Mary Gale

Steve & Kris Hayden

Steven Haynes

Ruth & Darryl Hofland

Mary Holland Lorence Holte Ginger Hoppa

Georgette & Peter Hovind

Janelle Hubeny

Brent & Sharon Husby

Diana Jinkens

Betty L. Johnson Michelle Johnson

M & S Joles Jodi Kempf

Mike & Becky Kneer Donna Koranski Doug & Lynda Kozak

Brian Krafthefer Peggy Kramer

Gene & Mary Krueger

Bradley Kuether

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Tanya Link & Aleena Rose

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Business Builders

Mary Mills Lucille Mounce Joan Myers

Martin & Eldora Ondrus Dan & Lynda Paulson

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Mary Reetz Ella Shaw Karen Shellito Alaine & Don Siniff

Brent & Denise Skinner

Steve & Amy Skoug (S/N)

Lori L. Smith Gwen Snyder

David & Amy Sonnabend

Carol Sorsoleil Aneta Spielman John Stewart Martha Stewart Scott Stratton Scotty Sutliff Iane Terkelsen Mildred Timm Jerry & Jan Traxler Vicki & Jack Tritt

Gretta Van Bree Ken Vanderwerker

Jeff & Wendy Tucker

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bit.ly/volunteeratdchs to fill out an inquiry to receive more info!

DCHS Shelter Statistics Dec '19-Feb '20		Cats		Dogs	
		Current	%	Current	%
ı	Strays	72	53%	27	39%
n t a k e	Returned	10	7%	12	17%
	Surrendered	29	21%	3	4%
	Transferred In	20	15%	28	40%
	Born	6	4%	0	0%
O u t c o m e s	Onsite Adopted	91	63%	62	100%
	Offsite Adopted	54	37%	0	0%
	Total Adopted	145	68%	62	77%
	Claimed	2	1%	19	23%
	Euthanized	2	1%	0	0%
	Transferred	41	19%	0	0%
	Released (Ferals)	10	5%		
	Died in Care	14	7%	0	0%
	Dead on Arrival	0	0%	0	0%



In this time of great change, former DCHS director Josh Dalton has left us with some very big shoes to fill! During his tenure, DCHS has seen a great deal of growth-- from building expansions to the development of exemplary management processes. Josh leaves us with a strong, smoothly running operation, and I am pleased to act as Interim Director until the DCHS Board has hired a new Director. With all that Josh has developed in his time here and with great staff, volunteers and society members, I look forward to the experience!

With the COVID 9 uncertainties upon us, it is especially comforting to have a strong organization to work with. To meet some of the challenges involved with the virus, we have cancelled our April Rummage and Bake Sale, May Microchip Clinic, and the Mutt Strut n' Tabby Trot. Volunteer classes are also being suspended until at least May. Staff are still coming and going, of course, but we have brought a halt to our casual walk-in policy during open hours as well as volunteer hours. Customers and visitors must call ahead and make an appointment, and we will continue to process adoption applications.

Otherwise, things are proceeding as usual at the shelter. We have installed a new hot water heater—one of our fave appliances! We also have had new cupboards put into the area where our medical supplies are stored and where Beth Bilderback does lab work when she is here. The cupboards were donated as was the labor for the hot water heater installation. Thank you to everyone helping with these projects and to all of our generous friends who make all of this possible.

During these challenging days, rest assured that our animals will receive kind and expert care as always while they are waiting to settle into a permanent loving home of their own. Thank you for making our work possible.





Phone: 715-231-KIDS (5437)

Email: info@sunshinelearning.net

At Sunshine Learning Center, kids learn through play, hands-on activities, and discovery. Using the natural curiosity, creativity and imagination of each child, putting it to work for problem solving, investigating and making discoveries. Sunshine Learning places a strong emphasis on nature, providing children with experiences in caring for and learning about plants and animals.

Wondering how your favorite DCHS alumni is doing? Visit bit.ly/happy-tails to see updates we have received from adopters!

If you would like to send us an update on a dog or cat that you adopted from us please send pictures and updates to info@dunncountyhumanesociety.org We love to see how everyone is doing!

DCHS Plaque Artist John Perri Retires

Anyone who has visited the Dunn County Humane Society has likely admired the memorial wall plaques located in our lobby. One of our long-time volunteers, John

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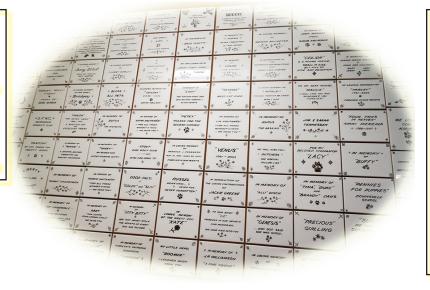
Perri, has been creating these unique plaques since the shelter building was opened back in 1997. For a \$50 donation, each plaque was created by John to memorialize or honor people's beloved pets or other loved ones. Each plaque is hand painted and took him many hours of time and effort to make. John has created and permanently attached 129 plaques to our shelter walls and even helped

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move them to their current location after our most recent renovation. At \$50 per plaque, that means John has raised \$6,450 dollars for our shelter! John has made the difficult decision that it is time for him to retire from making the plaques, and we really cannot thank him enough for his amazing work and dedication over the years!

"John has always been super punctual about getting the plaques done. You could tell how passionate he was by the high quality of his work."

~ Ashley Zeitz



"I love the attention to detail that John always puts into the plaques that are ordered and his determination to accommodate special requests from the people who purchased them. Kick back and take advantage of your retirement John, you have earned it!"

~ Lisa Drenckhahn

"John is always a delight! His smiling face and friendly demeanor always brightens my day when he stops by. I have known John for well over a decade, and the amazing plaques he has created is just one of the ways he has made a positive impact here at DCHS. John and his wife Flo have been involved in one way or another since the shelter began. They volunteered caring for the animals when the shelter first opened and have been members of DCHS since the beginning. John and Flo have also adopted animals and always been great supporters of our mission. Enjoy your retirement John, you deserve to relax & enjoy life!"

~Jamie Wagner

From all of your DCHS Family, Thank you John!



Memorials & Honorariums (12/16/19 - 3/15/20)

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Brynna Marnocha	In Honor of Becca Wallin's Birthday	Donald & Theresa Kane	In Memory of Gaylen & Dorothy Lind					
Dan McKillop	In Honor of Becca Wallin's Birthday	Robert & Regina Pelke	In Memory of Gaylen & Dorothy Lind					
Jean & Donald Wallin	In Honor of Becca Wallin's Birthday	Mary Louise Olson	In Memory of Heather					
Jennifer Tellefson	In Honor of Becca Wallin's Birthday	Anonymous	In Memory of Hercules					
Kate Jorgenson	In Honor of Becca Wallin's Birthday	Anonymous	In Memory of Jake					
Kristin Rubenzer	In Honor of Becca Wallin's Birthday	Ruth Brandt	In Memory of Jim Rommelmeyer,					
Randy Styer	In Honor of Becca Wallin's Birthday		Mittens, Buttons, and Koal					
Randy McKibben	In Honor of Belle	Jeff & Wendy Tucker	In Memory of Jordan Lee Tucker					
Diane Bilderback	In Honor of Beth Bilderback	Gail Johnson	In Memory of Kenneth G. Johnson					
Gail Johnson	In Honor of Bill & Rosemary Stoll	Denise Wenger-Munger	In Memory of Kevin Pierzina					
Martha Brandly	In Honor of Deb & Don Johnson	Dennis Schmidt	In Memory of Kevin Pierzina					
Kay Stai	In Honor of Dustin	Diane Morehouse	In Memory of Kevin Pierzina					
Ginger Hoppa	In Honor of Fred & Kathleen Pfeiffer	Dori Wenger	In Memory of Kevin Pierzina					
Macie Neitzel	In Honor of her Birthday	Employees of Unity Bank -	_					
Michele Hendrickson	In Honor of her Birthday	Augusta	In Memory of Kevin Pierzina					
Karen & Richard Martinson	· ·	Jackie & Steve Greene	In Memory of Kevin Pierzina					
Martha Brandly	In Honor of Jen & Sheryl Grant	Jean Davis	In Memory of Kevin Pierzina					
Connie & Orlin Anderson	In Honor of Luke, Dylan,	Jane Pierzina	In Memory of Kevin Pierzina					
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Landon Seeger	In Honor of Macie Neitzel's Birthday	Randy McKibben	In Memory of Kringle					
Charlotte Johnson	In Honor of Mark Nelson	Anonymous	In Memory of Lilly					
Martha Brandly	In Honor of Martha Wallen	Anonymous	In Memory of Louie					
Barbara Dodge	In Honor of Michele	Prudy Shay	In Memory of Louis Beaulieu					
IZ . * . IZ	Hendrickson's Birthday	Randy McKibben	In Memory of Mac					
Kevin Knaus	In Honor of Michele	Anonymous	In Memory of Madison					
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Kyle Olson	In Honor of Michele	Logistics Health, Inc.	In Memory of Mary Ann Mills					
Susan Plecko	Hendrickson's Birthday In Honor of Michele	Anonymous	In Memory of Nillia					
Susan Piecko	Hendrickson's Birthday	Anonymous Bonnie & Bill DeHoff	In Memory of Nillie In Memory of Noodle					
Michele & John Register	In Honor of Michele Register	Anonymous	In Memory of Oreo					
Diane Bilderback	In Honor of Mike Bundy	Randy McKibben	In Memory of Orry					
Jo Ann Otto	In Honor of Pam & Doug Gane (S/N)	Jeffrey Jepson	In Memory of Payton					
Randy McKibben	In Honor of RC	Randy McKibben	In Memory of Pepper					
Jo Ann Otto	In Honor of Ryan Gane (S/N)	Anonymous	In Memory of Pika					
Beverly Anderson	In Honor of Yvonne K. Anderson	Anonymous	In Memory of Pooch					
Jo Ann Otto	In Honor of Zack & Trista Peterson (S/N)	Anonymous	In Memory of Riley					
Patricia Chamberlain	In Memory of Allen Andrews	Anonymous	In Memory of Ruby					
Jean Graskey	In Memory of Anne Rankin	Anonymous	In Memory of Ruffles					
Michelle & Terry Demars	In Memory of Bernie James	Sheryl Grant	In Memory of Ruffles					
Patricia Chamberlain	In Memory of Bob Zebro	Susan Ystenes	In Memory of Smokey					
Patricia Chamberlain	In Memory of Craig Koser	Anonymous	In Memory of Snow White					
Anonymous	In Memory of Daisy	Trish Carlson	In Memory of Teddy					
Anonymous	In Memory of Daisy	Karen Williams	In Memory of Tikka & Denza					
Anonymous	In Memory of Daisy	Anonymous	In Memory of Tilly					
Randy McKibben	In Memory of Fluffy	Jennifer & Jim Wander	In Memory of Torrey					
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Special Note:

Mona Schomas

In Memory of Gaylen & Dorothy Lind

Donald & Theresa Kane

Thank you everyone who has given so generously! We do our absolute best to share the names of all those who do so, but it is increasingly complex to do so given the numerous different donation sources. If we missed you or someone you know, please understand that it is completely unintentional. If you wish to confirm receipt of a donation, please contact us.



In Memory of Treasure



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or Current Resident

Upcoming Events

April 27-May 11 - DCHS online merchandise "Pop Up Store"

May 12 - DCHS Board Meeting, Menomonie Senior Center - 6:00 pm

June 9 - DCHS Board Meeting, Menomonie Senior Center - 6:00 pm

July 17 - Dunn County Humane Society Night at Red Cedar Speedway

August 14 - Golf Scramble, Whitetail Golf Course

August 23 - Dog Swim

August 28-29 - Back to School Rummage and Bake Sale, Fanetti Community Center

Animal Viewing Hours

Tuesday, Thursday - Sunday: 1-7 pm

Closed Monday & Wednesday



Volunteer Hours

Mon - Tues & Thurs - Sun: 10-7 pm Wednesday: 2-7 pm

Promoting the Humane Treatment of Animals

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