



Oct. - Dec. 2021

## Seuss Cats Update!



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We are happy to announce that with the adoption of Bartholomew Cubbins ALL of the Dr. Seuss cats from the shooting incident at the Dunnville Bottoms have officially been adopted! With much time and patience, we were able to bring in 35 surviving cats from the 2 sites. Some needed medical care and time to come around before going up for adoption, but all of them are now in loving forever homes and the team here at the shelter couldn't be happier for them!

This is easily one of, if not the, most challenging situation that the shelter staff have encountered. The surviving cats were understandably traumatized, and it took time for many of them to come out of their shells and show us their personalities. Bartholomew was one of the more shy cats from the group, but came out of his shell at Angel's Pet World in Hudson to win the hearts of his forever family and we are so happy for him!

The incident is still under investigation, and the \$10,000 reward for information leading to the arrest and conviction of the person(s) responsible has yet to be claimed. If you, or someone you know, have any information on who committed this horrible act please contact the Dunn County Sheriff's Department or Dunn County Crime Stoppers. We are still hoping for justice for the cats and kittens that did not make it into our care.



### 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.



### Manager's Minute

Lynnette  
Bryant-Thompson

## Interpreting Your Cat's Behavior

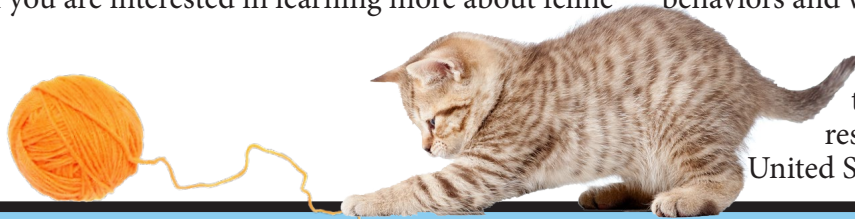
More and more often we are considering pets a member of the family, and sometimes even refer to them as our "children". As with any child, they can sometimes exhibit behaviors that can puzzle the adults and humans of the family. Here are a few insights into your feline's behavior!

Cats are often aloof and independent, but they do have several ways of showing that they love their people. Kneading and licking are a couple of ways that cats show affection and pleasure, along with head butting and purring. Many of us have been on the receiving end of a feline massage at some time (hopefully with trimmed nails!), or been "bathed" by our cat. Both of these behaviors are showing their contentment and create a bond with their family. "Head butting" and rubbing against your legs are other ways a cat may show interest in you – these behaviors leave the cat's scent on the object or person, almost as if they are claiming you!



Purring is another natural behavior for a cat, usually starting when they are just 1 week old, and is often a sign of contentment and happiness. Cats will also purr in stressful situations or when they are hurt, so pay attention to their body language as well.

If you are interested in learning more about feline behaviors and what they mean, I



would encourage you to look into

resources at the ASPCA, Humane Society of the United States and even your vet!

## Memberships & Renewals 6/16/21 to 9/15/21

THANK YOU  
"Guardian Angel" Member:  
Judy Schindler

47 Membership Renewals &  
23 New Members

WELCOME TO OUR NEW MEMBERS:

THANK YOU  
"Top Dog & Cat" Members:  
Gwen Snyder  
Martha Stewart  
John and Terri Wagner

Duane Jorgenson, Megan Hoole, Crystal L.C. Huang, Melissa Troska, Michelle Scott, Carrie I White, Amber Haulotte, Elizabeth Schuster, Meghan Ottman, Sharon Askew, Karen Siegl, Linda Uptadel, Robin Stender, Cecelia Cooper, Amy Zwolanek Laird, Chrissa Statz, Ann Larsen, Mary Berg, Gary L Sorensen, Jason Radunz, Amy Wood, Jeremy & Rachel Carlsrud and Candy Wilson

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*



Thank you for being a member and giving your continued support. We can't do this without you!



# CFDC - A Great Local Resource



The Community Foundation of Dunn County (CFDC) was started in 1995 with the vision of promoting charitable giving to create a permanent source of capital to benefit and enrich the quality of life of everyone in the Dunn County area. They operate with the belief that everyone can be a philanthropist at the Community Foundation and make a difference for people and organizations in the area.

The Dunn County Humane Society has been honored to receive grants from CFDC this year, helping us with a computer and software for graphics and video editing, funds for our Safe Harbor Fund and replacement of our oldest air conditioner (circa 1998). We can't thank them enough for their help with these projects!

There is also an endowment for DCHS with CFDC called "The Dunn County Humane Society Endowment Fund." What does this mean? It means that the DCHS now has a permanent source of income for our organization. An agency fund is one of the most innovative and secure ways a nonprofit can support its work. Each year, we will receive a check from the earnings on this fund to use in various areas including general shelter operations, medical care for our residents (including needed surgeries and treatments), building maintenance and repairs, enrichment for our dogs and cats, and so much more. The money and earnings stay only in this fund and will grow over time, providing the DCHS with a stable revenue stream!

How can you contribute to this fund? Simply visit the CFDC website at [cfdundnncounty.org/give/donate](http://cfdundnncounty.org/give/donate). Fill out your information on the form provided, then select the box labeled "A Named Fund at the Foundation (select from the list below)." Using the dropdown menu, select "The Dunn County Humane Society Endowment Fund". Complete the remaining required information within the form and click the "Give Now" button.

We appreciate your support and are excited to have this agency fund as a means to continue our work in the community!

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

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

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Are you a new or renewing member? \_\_\_\_\_

Would you like a receipt? \_\_\_\_\_

### Membership Levels

- ☐ \$20 Senior (62+)
- ☐ \$30 Senior Couple (62+)
- ☐ \$35 Individual
- ☐ \$55 Family
- ☐ \$85 Animal Lover
- ☐ \$110 Sustainer
- ☐ \$110 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 \_\_\_\_\_

**Total amount enclosed: \$ \_\_\_\_\_**

*Your membership card and shareable coupons will  
be mailed to you at the address provided.  
Thank you for being a member!!*



## Cash & Other Donations (6/16/21 - 9/15/21)

A Place of Refuge  
 Amazon Smile  
 David & Jane Amble  
 Sara Amen  
 Andersen Corporation  
 Mary Ann Anderson  
 Jedidiah D Anderson  
 Deb Anderson  
 Anonymous  
 David Arneson  
 Merlyn Aude  
 Robbie Ausman  
 John Backhaus  
 Charles Barnard  
 Diana Bauer  
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 Sherry Berg  
 Richard & Sherry Berg  
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 Buddy Bowlin  
 Alan & Lorene Boyes  
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 Lacey L Joncas  
 Kado & Associates  
 Mark Kehne  
 Kelli Gutow  
 Johanna Kellner  
 Randy Koehler  
 Sandie Kohlhepp  
 Kendra Korbel  
 Patricia and Donald Kuether  
 Ladies Big Cup fundraiser  
 William Lahti  
 Lamione Zielieke  
 Laural Larrabee  
 Ann & Douglas Larson  
 Darlene Lehman  
 John & Linda Lenz  
 Justin Link  
 Joanne Madsen  
 Barry & Pat Marlett  
 Sandra Meier  
 Menomonie Market  
 Jolene Metty  
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 Carolyn Mork  
 Denise Nagel  
 Jessica A Nelson  
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 William Pahl  
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 Shelby Petersen  
 Kevin & Christine Peterson  
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 Luanne Reckin  
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An extra "Thank  
 You" goes out to all  
 of the businesses  
 and individuals who  
 donated goods and  
 time to make all of  
 our events a success..  
 you are rockstars!



# Introducing the DCHS Community Cat Program

Community cats are free-roaming cats that don't have a true 'owner'. They live outdoors in virtually every landscape on every continent where people live. A large



majority of community cats are feral or semi-feral, meaning they are not socialized (friendly) to people.

Overpopulation of community cats is a widespread problem

in most communities. Year after year shelters see well-intended people feeding cats within our communities. Unless the cats are spayed & neutered, they quickly reproduce and that overpopulation spreads disease. Providing food and water attracts animals from miles around, and quickly concentrates these problems into that specific location. When colonies are overpopulated, the health and wellbeing of the cats can suffer and can lead to heartbreaking conditions.



Trap-Neuter-Return (TNR) programs have been proven to be the only humane approach effective in controlling overpopulation in community cats. In a TNR program, community cats are humanely live-trapped, then spayed/neutered by a veterinarian, vaccinated and ear-tipped before being returned to their outdoor home.

The Dunn County Humane Society has recently launched a Community Cat TNR Program. Funded by a generous DCHS supporter, this program is helping



local cat colonies by reducing overpopulation through spay & neuter as well as vaccinating free-roaming cats.

Overpopulation of community cats is a big issue, and not one that can be 'fixed' right away. We are excited to utilize this new program to make a difference one colony at a time.



## Small is BIG!

Winning the lottery would probably take care of all of a person's, or organization's financial needs if managed with a little prudence. The "Big Win", the unexpected inheritance, the big discovery on "Antiques Roadshow" are all wonderful but not a daily experience for most of us. Instead it is the smaller gains, the smart savings, the little gifts that keep us going. DCHS has been the recipient of many larger gifts over the years for which we are extremely grateful. These gifts have allowed us to move ahead with our more ambitious projects on behalf of our animals such as our cat and dog expansions in recent years.



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We are also the recipients of many, many smaller gifts for which we are equally grateful. The person who drops off pet food, the restaurant guest who puts money into the DCHS coin canister, the family that brings aluminum cans for recycling, the volunteers who work at events or gather pledges, the businesses that offer sponsorships, goods and gift cards, the people who pursue matching funds through their companies, the donors who mail us small checks, the new and renewing DCHS members, and so very many more. Operating a well-run shelter does indeed take a village and we are thankful to have such a caring and generous village looking out for us!





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## Get to Know the DCHS Staff!

Our featured staff member for this issue is **Kat Jones!** She has been with us for the last 4 1/2 years and we are happy for her (but sad for us) that she will be moving on to another position. Thanks for all of your hard work and dedication in your years with us Kat!



What is your favorite part of working at DCHS?  
*Knowing I am making a difference, even if it's to someone who can't say thank you*

If you were an animal, what would you be and why?  
*A cat – all day naps, cute, pretty hair, and someone to take care of me!?*

Favorite color? *Purple (I think, lol)*

Favorite food? *Tacos*

Does pineapple belong on pizza? *Only with pepperoni!*

How many pets do you have?

*6! Boobert (cat), Chicken (cat), Mushu & Cricket (doggos), Smitty the Kitty (cat), and the Professor (turtle)*

What type of book do you enjoy reading most?  
*Mystery? Sci Fi? Westerns? I don't know, I'm not too picky.*

What is your favorite movie of all time and why?  
*The Fifth Element. Aliens, cool fight scenes, music number, save the day style and Bruce Willis...fun to watch!*

Who is your favorite actor/actress?  
*Ryan Reynolds*

How do you spend your down time?  
*Cross stitch, coloring and video games*

Favorite type of music, Favorite group/singer, song?  
*Anything upbeat usually. Probably Queen – Bohemian Rhapsody of course*

Favorite childhood TV show? *Cartoons! Any cartoons!*

Favorite TV series you have binge watched?  
*Futurama – Still love cartoons!*



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## DCHS Little Pet Food Pantry



The Little Pet Food Pantry was established in 2017 by the Dunn County Humane Society to provide short term help for those who may need help with food for their furry family. It is not intended to be a long term solution, and may be empty at times depending on availability.

During this last year we have seen increased use of the Little Pet Food Pantry, and do our best to stock it as much as we can. We welcome donations from the public to help keep the pantry stocked for those who are in need. Anyone wanting to donate to the pantry can drop items off at the shelter, or put them directly in the pantry. All upc codes should be marked off of packaging, and canned food should not be put in the pantry as it is not climate controlled. The pantry is located at 302 Brickyard Road. Contact us at 715-232-9790 with any questions.



## Memorials & Honorariums (6/16/21 - 9/15/21)

David & Jane Amble	In Memory of Helen Renz	Steve Gilbertson	In honor of Ilena's Birthday
David & Jane Amble	In Honor of Kevin Henderson	Gypsy Hill Country Home	In memory of Todd Stainer
	& Henderson Excavating	Sandy Haesly	In Memory of JNet Deluca
Sara Amen	In Memory of "Coco"	Barb Harrass	In honor of Nate's Birthday
Mary Ann Anderson	In honor of Winnie	Candace Harrison	In honor of Rinda's Birthday
Anonymous	In Memory of Lynda Hoffman	Rinda Hawkins	In honor of Rinda's Birthday
		Rachel Heinbuch	In Memory of Sadie
Anonymous	In Memory of Nimue	Martha & Jon Hove	In Memory of Jack Kothlow
Anonymous	In Memory of Thomasette	Martha & Jon Hove	In Honor of Cliff Genzler & Mina Regenaver's Wedding
Anonymous	In Memory of Ophelia		In Memory of Jackie Finder
Anonymous	In Memory of Ponya	Deborah Johnson	In Memory of Gizmo
Anonymous	In Memory of Lola	Mildred & Roland Kistner	In memory of Marie Kneer
Anonymous	In Memory of Oscar	Jeanne Kneer	In Honor of the marriage of Clifford & Mina Genzler
Anonymous	In Memory of Mother	Julia Langworthy	In honor of "Mac"
Anonymous	In Memory of Zooey		in honor of "Jamie Klatt"
Anonymous	In Memory of Brewer.	Arthur Lauer	In Memory of Janice Thompson
Anonymous	In Memory of Molly	Linda Lenz	In Memory of Larry Schneider
Anonymous	In Memory of Pete	Delma Mahlman	In memory of Wade Wodarczyk
Anonymous	In Memory of Katana		
Anonymous	In Memory of Atlanta	Terri Nerison	In Memory of Charlie Price
Anonymous	In Memory of Midnight	Debra A Peterson	In Memory of Murrell Price
Anonymous	In Memory of Sadie & Greta		In Memory of David Mattison
Anonymous	In memory of Kitsz	Jean Price	In Memory of Jim May
Anonymous	In Memory of Rags	Donna J Price	In Memory of Ellen Zernicke
Anonymous	In Memory of LaChat	Raymond and Janet Price	In honor of Amber's Birthday
Anonymous	In Memory of Vegas		In memory of Raymond B Meyers
Anonymous	In Memory of Hope	Jerry Richartz	In Memory of Edith Kouzmanoff
Anonymous	In Memory of Rosie	Arthur and Shirley Scammell	In honor of Noodle
Anonymous	In Memory of Honey Bear	Kurt Schneider	In honor of Nate's Birthday
Anonymous	In Memory of Louie	Michael Siker	In honor of Kristine's Birthday
Kevin Bailey	In honor of Sara's Birthday		In Memory of Lizzie
Jenna Brandenburg	In honor of Ann-Banana Prochnow Happy Birthday!	Ken & Jean Simpson	In honor of Sara's Birthday
			In Memory of Delores Woodford
Patricia Chamberlain	In Memory of Todd Stainer	Mellisa Troska	In Honor of Jamie Wagner
Phil Chapman	In honor of Christina's Birthday	Kenneth Tubwell	In Memory of Joe Weber
		JT Tucker	In Memory of Josie
Robert & Luanne Delong	In Memory of Fritz Westphalen	Terry & Sherri Vodinelich	
Scott & Lisa Dorn	In Memory of Ronald Mrdutt	Amy Waage	
Glen Edberg	In Honor of Ken & Chris Vanderwerker	Jamie Wagner	
Roechel Ferguson	In Memory of Jackie Finder	Teresa & John Wagner	
Al & Nancy Finder	In Memory of Jackie Finder	Mary Weber	
Jim & Julie Friberg	In Memory of Alan Friberg	Amy Wood	
Ilena Gilbertson	In honor of Ilena's Birthday		

### Special Note:

*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.*







## Dunn County Humane Society

### Paw Prints

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Menomonie WI 54751

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### Upcoming Events

October 3 - Volunteer Appreciation Lunch, 1:00 at DCHS

October 9 - Low Cost Microchip Clinic, Markquart Motors Menomonie

October 12 - DCHS Board Meeting

November 9 - DCHS Board Meeting

December 10-12 - Holiday Basket Auction

Dunn County Humane Society Presents...

## Low Cost Microchipping Clinic

Located at: Markquart CDJR  
531 Oak Ave W, Menomonie

**\$10 (tax)** Saturday, October 9th, 9am-2pm **\$10 (tax)**

**NO APPOINTMENT NECESSARY!**

Pet ID Tags will be available on site too!

MAX 751-9809  
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## DCHS Holiday Online Auction!

December 10-12th

## Promoting the Humane Treatment of Animals

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