

## June - Sept. 2023



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## A Reason to Celebrate!

\*DRUM ROLL PLEASE\* The Dunn County Humane Society is excited to announce that staff and volunteer favorite (and longest term feline resident) Rootin' has found his forever family! This adorable tuxedo was surrendered to DCHS on Christmas Eve in 2022 and waited

patiently for 263 days to find the purrfect family.

But why did it take so long for this sweet boy to get adopted? Most likely because he was diagnosed with diabetes. Did you know that cats and dogs can be diabetic??

It can be a scary diagnosis whether you are human, feline, or canine, but just like humans, diabetes in a cat or dog can be managed by insulin injections (or other newer medications like Bexacat), diet, and regular monitoring of blood sugars.

It is an unusual occurrence for us to have a diabetic cat or dog in our care, but this year at DCHS we have had 3 diabetic cats in our care, all at the same time - Alvara, Rootin' and Windsor!

In the case of Rootin' and Windsor, they actually no longer need insulin injections and are managing their diabetes with a new diet. Two of them (Alvara & Rootin') have even found their families, while the third (Windsor) is waiting patiently in a foster home for just the right adopter.

With Alvara and Rootin' in their forever homes it is now Windsor's

turn! He is a super sweet guy that will melt the hearts of anyone who meets him. Windsor's diabetes is currently in remission and controlled with

diet alone. If you are interested in adopting this handsome tuxedo into your family, head to our website to fill out an

application, and we'll schedule a time when you can meet him for yourself!

See all our adoptable cats and dogs on our website, or through the QR codes below.!



Application: bit.ly/dchsonlineapplication Cats/Dogs: bit.ly/dchscats or bit.ly/dchsdogs



Adoption Application



Adoptable Cats



Adoptable Dogs

#### **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.



## New Face, Same Mission

My name is Harvey Weidman, and I'm delighted to be serving as DCHS's new Shelter Manager. A little about my professional life: my background is in the nonprofit arts scene, and I most recently served as the Marketing Manager of a contemporary arts museum near Seattle. Before that, I was the Managing Director of a community nonprofit and arts space in Pennsylvania. As an artist myself—textiles and textures, I like to say—that work is near and dear to my heart.

But long before my time in the nonprofit arts, I lived a life full of animals. I grew up on a small, humane, 17-acre family livestock farm near Seattle, where we woke up regularly to creatures big and small wandering through our kitchen. From abandoned dogs and unexpected kittens to injured chickens, bottle-raised lambs, and newborn calves, I grew up

nurturing a wide range of animals from birth to end of life, and each left a profound mark on my heart. I come from a long line of animal caregivers—my mother is an animal behaviorist, and my sister is a veterinarian—so I know firsthand how it feels to be fortified by the creatures that we adopt, foster, raise, and care for, as well as the joy that comes from seeing them start new lives in new homes. I understand, too, the complexity and gravity of long-term animal welfare, and the need for thoughtful, compassionate, accessible animal care.

I believe deeply in the power of philanthropy to effect positive change, and I'm thrilled to work for an organization with a mission as pressing as that of DCHS, this place where our role in the Dunn County community serves a much greater good: ensuring all companion pets, big and small, have the chance at lives well-lived and well-loved.

# Walking with WoofTrax

We recently received the news that the ResQwalk app many of our volunteers and supporters have been using is no longer available as of September 30th. Don't worry though, we have an alternative for everyone who has been using ResQwalk - WoofTrax!

WoofTrax has been around since 2013 and operates on the same concept - start a walk in the app and generate donations with each mile you go. You can even go on a walk with a virtual dog if you do not have a dog of your own. There are also groups and challenges to join.

More information and download links can be found at wooftrax.com. Just set up your profile to benefit the Dunn County Humane Society and start walking (or biking or running)!



THANK YOU

"Guardian Angel"

Judy Schindler

# Memberships & Renewals 6/16/23 to 9/15/23

**62** Membership Renewals & 18 New Members

THANK YOU

"Top Dogs & Cats"

Gwen Snyder

John & Teri Wagner

#### Welcome to our new members:

Amanda Aasen, Steven Alm, Reid Berndt, Ann Black, Anna Brey, Marissa Cyrus, Sofi Doane, Cris Fosbinder, Nell Johnson, Judy Kistner, Kate Kistner, David Nelson, Linda Nygren, Louise Rizzo, Deborah Thompson, Ellen Toivola, Wes Wibel, and Cathy & Troy Zunker

If you received this newsletter, but are not currently a member, please use the membership form on page 3 to join the DCHS team. Feel free to pass the word on to family and friends and encourage them to become members as well!





# Want to be more involved with DCHS?

We are on the lookout for dedicated animal advocates to join our Board of Directors! If you're passionate about our mission and interested in becoming a part of the Dunn County Humane Society team, email director@dunncountyhumanesociety.org for more information on how to apply!



## This Quarter's Numbers

DCHS Shelter Statistics		Cats		Dogs		
Jun	e 16, 2023 - September					
15, 2023		Current	%	Current	%	
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ntakes	Strays	123	80%	33	66%	
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	Born	2	1%	0	0%	
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	Offsite Adopted	13	10%	0	0%	
S	<b>Total Adopted</b>	131	82%	29	53%	
utcomes	Claimed	6	4%	24	92%	
	Euthanized	9	6%	2	4%	
	Transferred	0	0%	0	0%	
0	Released (Ferals)	3	2%			
	Died in Care	11	7%	0	0%	
	Dead on Arrival	0	0%	0	0%	

# Join or Renew Today!

Dunn County Humane Society Membership/Donation Form 302 Brickyard Road, Menomonie, WI 54751 715-232-9790

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□ \$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 memory of			
Total amount anclosed. \$				

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

Thank you for being a member!!





## This Quarter's Donors

\*Donations received June 16th through September 15th, 2023\*

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# A Night of Comedy to Benefit DCHS!

We are excited to be hosting Guffaws for Paws once again in November! This year the hilarity will happen in the **Spirit Room at the Mabel Tainter, November 11th at 6:00 pm**. If you haven't had a chance to enjoy the Spirit Room this is the perfect time.

Headliner Jeff Pfoser and feature comedian Jodi Maruska, both hailing from the Twin Cities area, will be providing plenty of laughs for everyone. Our emcee and comedian wrangler for the evening needs no introduction... we couldn't have a Guffaws for Paws without Menomonie's very own **Tim Harmston**!

Presale tickets are available now at bit.ly/guffaws2023 for \$25 (general admission), \$75 VIP table for two, and \$150



VIP table for four. General admission tickets will be available at the door for \$30 if seats are still available.

Come on out to support the Dunn County Humane Society with a night of hilarity and belly laughs!



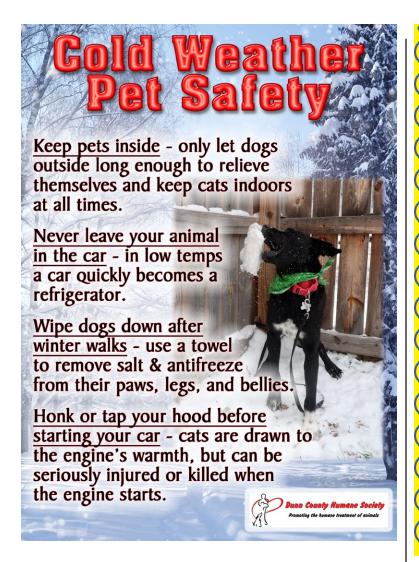
Jeff Pfoser owns two minivans, enjoys top-shelf root beer and prefers eating breakfast food for dinner. A charismatic family man whose relatable stories take surprise twists and turns, Pfoser combines impromptu commentary with astute observations of both the magnificent and the mundane. A Stand Up! Records recording artist, he's appeared in the Boston Comedy

Festival, the Fargo Comedy Festival, Minneapolis' 10,000 Laughs Comedy Festivals, and Mexico's Akumal Comedy Festivals.



Jodie Maruska may have grown up in Minnesota, but using the restroom at Cabella's is as close to camping as she gets! After being asked for her autograph the first night she performed standup, she knew she had found her calling. 20+ years later, she is a comedy veteran who has performed across the country in clubs, at events, theaters, casinos, colleges and yes, even a couple of

campgrounds. Jodie appeals to audiences of all ages and uses her familiar "Minnesota-nice" demeanor to great, unexpected comedic effect-Just don't ask her to go camping!



Volunteering is a great way to get involved - for more information email Lisad@dunncountyhumanesociety.org or go to bit.ly/dchsvolunteeraapp to fill out an application!

### **Paw Prints in Your Inbox!**



Did you know that you can get your Paw Prints newsletter emailed right to your inbox? It is super easy and saves us paper and postage . Just let us know that you would like to have your newsletter sent to you electronically and what email address to use, and your next one will arrive in your inbox

before the mail carrier ever sees it! You can also find Paw

Prints on our website, just scan the QR code below or go to the "About" section of our site.

Send an email to director@dunncountyhumanesociety.org with your preferred email address if you would like to switch!



## Get to Know the DCHS Staff!

Our featured staff member for this issue is Sam - She joined the DCHS team this summer and has been a great addition to our crew!

What is your favorite part of working at DCHS?

Helping out the dogs and cats

If you were an animal, what would you be and why?

A horse - they are my favorite!

Favorite color? Red

Favorite food? *Cheesey Mac*Does pineapple belong on
pizza? *Sometimes* 

How many pets do you have?

2 Dogs: Yagger & Oscar; 1 Cat: Freckles; 4 Horses: Cheyenne, Peppy, Copper & Reckless

What type of book do you enjoy reading most?

Informational

What is your favorite movie of all time? 8 Seconds and true stories

How do you spend your down time?

Canning

Favorite type of music, Favorite group/singer, song?

Outlaw; Elle King

Favorite childhood TV show? *Garfield*Favorite TV series you have binge watched? *Heartland* 

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# Thank you Alligator Bob!

Thank you so much to Alligator Bob's friends for honoring his memory by solving our ongoing need for bleach – you rock!



## This Quarter's Memorials & Honorariums

\*Received June 16th through September 15th\*

Debra Anlauf Anonymous

In Memory of Carly Richardson In Memory of Richard Nesja In Memory of Topper In Memory of Sneaker In Memory of Deja In Memory of Rielly In Memory of Spike In Memory of Reggie In Memory of Trigger In Memory of Tucker In Memory of Winchester In Memory of Myne In Memory of Scooter In Memory of Achilles In Memory of Molly In Memory of Izzy In Memory of PD In Memory of Precious In Memory of Noodle In Memory of PeeWee In Memory of Chipper In Memory of Mitzy In Memory of Chico In Memory of Jr. In Memory of Purrcilla In Memory of Emma In Memory of Ninja In Memory of Ange

In Memory of Marilyn Tayler

In Honor of Matthew's Birthday

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In Memory of Jacob A Greenway

In Memory of Carley Richardson

In Memory of Frank Bammert In Memory of Jake Greenway

In Memory of Mary Cinker

In Memory of Dan Loonstra

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Shirley Doane Senior Center - 1412 6th St E, Menomonie. The regular board meeting will imediately follow.

Upon reasonable notice, efforts will be made to accomodate the needs of individuals with disabilities. To request this service please contact the shelter at 715-232-9790.

# Gordy's Garage Update!

We have action on Gordy's Garage! Check out these pictures of the progress so far...we think it is coming along quite nicely! The Stout Student Construction Association has all of the concrete poured and is starting to frame everything out. Once the project is finished, Gordy will have a safe place to call home, and he has even agreed to

share it with our lawn tractor and snow blower.

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Gordy has been a great addition to the DCHS family for many reasons - transporting dogs and cats to clinics for procedures, getting supplies to events, and collecting

donations at donation drives. All of those are important tasks, but the biggest task we have given him is our **Community Cats Program**. Jamie is able to transport large numbers of trapped cats to and from the shelter at one time in Gordy, making the whole process much more efficient and practical.

The community cats program is a "TNR" initiative that we started in 2022. This program allows us



to live-trap, spay/neuter, vaccinate, and return the cats to where they were found. This helps to lessen disease and overpopulation within the community cat colony and this, in turn,

helps with the cat population at the shelter!

Funding the garage project is still a work in progress, but we have a very generous donor who is **offering a** 



dollar to dollar match for up to \$12,500 in donations, which means your donation goes twice as far to help with Gordy's Garage! Donations can be made with the form

below, on our Facebook fundraiser, over the phone, or at bit.ly/gordyshouse - every dollar gets us closer to completing Gordy's new home

# Help us give Cordy lifs forever home!

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TOTAL DONATION ENCLOSED: \$

Donate online at bit.ly/gordyshouse 다 -ORscan here!



Mail completed form to DCHS - Gordy, 302 Brickyard Road, Menomonie WI 54751 or use the link to the left to donate online.





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or Current Resident

# **Upcoming Events**

October 23: Markquart Menomonie Trunk or Treat, 3-7 pm November 11: Guffaws for Paws 3, The Spirit Room November 14: DCHS Board of Directors meeting, Shirley Doane Senior Center 6 pm December 12: DCHS Board of Directors meeting, Shirley Doane Senior Center 6 pm

Keep your eyes open for Markquart Gives Back voting coming up early in December!







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