

Northwoods Humane Society – Deanna Persson, President

Last Friday felt like the good ole days! NHS was raising money in person. It was a beautiful day and it was really fun! Armstrong Insurance and OCSA (Ovarian Cancer Awareness) sponsored Dining with Dogs and Cats at Lynn's Custom Meats and Catering. Lynn provides a great outdoor venue for barbequing and dining outdoors. The event began at 11 a.m. and went strong until 3 p.m. Through tips and meals, we cleared \$2,450 – yeah!

It felt really good to see so many supporters come out and support NHS. It was a little tricky knowing who some were with the masks – but the voices and twinkle in their eye left no doubt. They had their choice of brats, cheeseburgers, hot dogs or steak sandwiches along with chips or potato salad, a drink, and a special cookie. The cookies were decorated with hot pink icing and a black paw. Mary Timm did the baking and Alecia Austin did the decorating.

Wearing masks and shields and hot at the grill were Carolyn and Dave Ascher. Doing the serving and money taking were Shirley Armstrong, Vallie Szymanski, Carol Williamson, Cindy Lehner. I got to be a runner. At the end of the day we all agreed that it was a success and we will do it again next summer – maybe twice if we can.

We also agreed that it much easier than the June yard sale – that was a killer. The yard sale really gave me even greater respect for the Habitat for Humanity people that did them at the fairgrounds in previous years.

NHS is also in the process of collecting items for Art For Animals Plus On-line. This event will begin on September 29 and run through October 6, ending at 6 p.m. Kubarek Auction and Estate Services will sponsor the event. This is new to us and Susan Diedrich and Bonnie Kubarek are guiding us. We are still accepting donations. Donations may be artwork, jewelry, gift certificates for services or food, recreational opportunities.

We will begin to photograph the donations on September 15. Items may be taken to the NHS Shelter, Art Beat of Hayward or Beehive Botanical. A few of the items donated will also be posted on our Facebook ahead of time.

Here are descriptions of some of the specialty items:

Thanks to the generosity of Jim and Diane Luggess we have (1) Foursome Golf outing at a private golf course just off Hwy B in Hayward. The course consists of 3 Fairways and Three greens. On you day, golf as many holes as you choose. Pull carts will be provided. There are three different tees per green. There is a brand new 'clubhouse' where appetizers and cocktails will be served following the play.

Phyllis Wolf has given us a true treasure. The Nibi (Water) Healing Jingle Dress is based on a dream that came to an Ojibwe father whose daughter lay ill during the Pandemic of 1918. The father dreamt of the music made by 365 metal cones plus 4 that he was told would heal his daughter. The Nibi Healing Jingle Dress used self bias to secure the cones, batik from Anthology Fabrics to create the "water" inlay, and cotton from Windham Fabrics for the dress and cape styled from a 1640 drawing of Ojibwe clothing. The

dress is couture to fit size 6 to 20. Phyllis Wolf is a member of the Indian Arts & Crafts Association (IACA), an alumni of the Institute of American Indian Arts, and is an active working artist.

Each Art Auction, Paddy Steavenson, a gifted welder, creates something special for the auction. This year he has donated a personalized fire pit. It is his creative design with a NHS flair. It is big and it is heavy, but he and Linda deliver in the area

If you have any questions please give me a call at 715-634-4543.

Dates to Save:

September 29 – October 6 – Art For Animals On-line at www.Kubarekauction.com

October 8 and 10 – Pick up of auction items at the NHS Shelter 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

November 1 – end of this year's shoe drive