A little housekeeping first… we are often asked about how a person can tell if their membership has expired. Your membership is noted on the mailing label of this newsletter. The label will have a line that says “Membership Thru – xxxxx”. If yours reads with a date that has passed – then your membership has expired. Each time we receive a membership donation from you – we extend the membership for one more year. Thank you for asking!

The Northwoods Humane Society is dependent on a strong staff, dedicated volunteers, a committed Board of Directors and supporters. Because of all of those working and sharing their strengths talents and resources, NHS had a full successful year. I do believe the shelter is the busiest place in town. When the doors open at 11 a.m. the animals are cared for and the shelter is clean. Beginning at 7 a.m. – the staff start their day with knowns and absorb all of the unknowns that come their way. The shelter is a very high energy, intense environment. While the shelter works with the animals the army of volunteers at the NHS Thrift Shop work their magic – seven days a week during the summer and fall months. This was a record breaking year for sales at the Thrift Shop. As both of these locations do what needs to be done, our area veterinarians support our efforts, businesses do special events for NHS, Board members are overseeing their responsibilities, fundraisers are being planned and executed, facebook is updated daily, the Sawyer County Paper and Gazette help us share the word about the animals, activities and needs. It truly takes an army of people to make the Northwoods Humane Society happen – not 1 person, not several – it takes an army full of commitment and love.

We again have had a record number of animals cared for at the shelter. The Northwoods Humane Society works cooperatively with the Sawyer County Animal Control Officer Sherrie Shelton and LCO Animal Control Officer Anthony Dennis. If a stray dog is found in Sawyer County it is either taken to the Sawyer County Pound or the LCO Pound. The officers try to find their families and if not, the dogs are taken directly to the Northwoods Humane Society. Cats are referred directly to the Northwoods Humane Society. As individuals and families have difficulties in their lives, so do the animals. Although individuals may not want to surrender their animals, they know that NHS is the best option and most people act in the best interest of their pets. Our thanks to the officers that handle many difficult situations with clarity, compassion and strong follow thru. Animals also come to use from outside the state of Wisconsin where there are extremely high euthanization rates. All animals must be heartworm tested and vet checked and vaccinated before entering the state, many of those that we receive are already spayed or neutered. Our thanks to those that care enough to make these transfers possible – it isn’t easy but if you care, you do it.

Our shelter manager, Alecia Austin is also our grant writer. For the year 2019 she wrote 6 successful grants. Each grant is for a specific purpose. The first success was a grant for $20,000 from the Kennett Scott Foundation (they have also helped us in the past with other improvements at the shelter) that had to be matched with another $20,000 to be used to better the lives of pets on the LCO Reservation. Working cooperatively with Tribal Chairperson Tweed Shuman and LCO Sheriff Debrot, the Tribe provided $10,000 of the match while NHS Board Member Linda Graham provided the other $10,000. Monies will be used for spay and neutering of owned pets, food, housing, tie outs, litter and pans, monies for emergency medical care and rabies and vaccination clinics.

We received a grant from Banfield and we were granted monies for emergency medical care for animals in Sawyer County. The Dutton Foundation granted us monies for spay and neutering as did the Burmester Foundation. We also received funds for microchipping animals thru the William Dean Foundation.

**CALENDAR OF EVENTS 2020!**

- Dec. 7 – My Villa Christmas in Cable for NHS
- Jan. 4 – Bingo For Paws Fish Tales Bar and Grill – Hwy B Hayward (all Saturdays thru Memorial Day)
- Jan. 14 – Christmas Gathering at The Boulevard
- Jan. 15 – Christmas Gathering at McCormick House
- Feb. 13 & 14 – Tour of Tastes Out of The Woods Winery
- May 23-25 – Redbery Books (Cable) Redbery Books for Animals
- July 4 – Boulder Lodge Cardboard Boat Race for NHS
- July 18 – Art For Animals Flat Creek Eatery
- July 26 – Lakeview Car Show
- Aug. 3 – NHS Tag Day
- Aug. 29– Cause Fore Paws Wine Tasting and Appetizers: Garmisch Inn - 4 p.m. – 7 p.m.
- Aug. 30 – Cause Fore Paws Golf Outing: Telemark Golf Course – 8:30 a.m.

**NHS COMMUNITY ‘BARK PARK’**

Open dawn to dusk, located at the NHS Shelter Highway 77 East and O’Brien Hill Road
We were again blessed with donors that provided funding for the Purple Cat Van. Dr. Ruppel brings her clinic and staff to our shelter three times this summer. Dr. Ruppel provides low cost spay and neuters for owned cats, feral cats and shelter cats. NHS and sponsors make it possible to offer free spays and neuters. This summer the Ovarian Cancer Symptom Awareness organization provided $1,000 for two of the clinics and a donor sponsored the other. If you would like to sponsor a clinic, please call me. The mission is to prevent the suffering of unwanted litters. Lisa Lew and Natasha Dunlop are working with Dr. Ruppel to schedule clinics.

Lisa Lew, our Assistant Shelter Manager and head ‘Cat Lady’ continued to work with various feral cat colonies in our area. She was able to bring some of the young kittens into the shelter, socialize them, provide all the medical care needed and finding them loving homes. Adult feral cats are spayed or neutered and returned to the area they came from with the commitment from area residents to provide food and shelter.

Alecia Austin, our Shelter Manager, wrote a successful grant from the Burmester Charitable Trust for $10,000. These monies will be used for our Low Income Spay/Neuter Assistance Program. The monies may be used for both dogs and cats. We also have some members that have designated their gifts be used specifically for the spay and neutering of dogs and cats.

Our ‘Thanks’ to ‘Ralfie’ who covered the cost of adoption fees for a designated period of time to encourage the adoption of older cats. Thank you to Gaylen Wendell who also sponsored adoption fees for kittens.

What A Gift! Greg and Joyce Barabas and Rudy and Gloria Barabas have gifted the Northwoods Humane Society in loving memory of NHS volunteers Frank and Myrna Cowan with funds for a dog park for small dogs. The project was taken on by volunteer Mary Timm. Everything is prepared and in place except the fencing. An attempt was made to install the fence but the ground was too wet for the posts to hold their place and then the ground froze. Look for a grand opening in the early part of summer.

The NHS Thrift Shop is no stranger to the word “BUSY” but this summer took it to a new level - “CRAZY BUSY!” This is an all-volunteer run shop. It is all pretty amazing. Board member Barbara Hoeft took over leadership this summer. Linnea Forsell managed the incoming thrift donations and Sharon Goodacre and Pat Brummel guided the clothing. Sue Hudson is handling the scheduling of volunteer cashiers (she needs a few more people) Sue Killinger handles the man-cave, Jeanne Hornak works with antiques and jewelry and Nancy McDowell and Kathy Zajak keep the books in order. Dick Langton keeps the building in good working order. Paula Bliltz and Marty Zych have created a thorough volunteer training manual and train volunteers as they join us. I have been able to spend a little more time at the shop and I just love it. I have made new friends, the customers are super and everyone knows that they are working for the good of the animals. Look at the list of volunteers in this newsletter - you may see those that you know and if you don't know them - join us and get to know them. Shirley Girard will make you smile, Carol Kemp will impress you and Linda Kewith knows how to enjoy herself. I have not listed everyone - but each person is fun to be with.

Fundraising is an ongoing event for the Northwoods Humane Society – I have at least one photo of events that took place this summer. Upcoming we have a day at My Villa as part of the Christmas in Cable event. Steve Menke has created a gingerbread house for us to raffle – the drawing is on December 18 – you can get tickets at Out of The Woods Winery and buy some wine at the same time.

BINGO! For Paws! Fish Tales owners, Nick and Kathy will be hosting bingo every Saturday afternoon – 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. at the Bar Restaurant on Hwy B and Round Lake. The games will begin on January 4. NHS members Donna Dreczko and Dick Langton are applying for the license and structuring the games. Both of them are pro's as they handle the Senior Center Bingo games. We could use some guest callers once in a while!

A Big of Appreciation to all!

L-R: Shirley, Barb, Lori, Deanna, Sharon, and Regina

NHS SUPPORTERS MAKE IT ALL POSSIBLE!!!
Welcome Amber Fosberg to the NHS Shelter Family!
Amber will work with both cats and dogs.

Thank you Dennis Leopold for helping with the cats and kittens!

Marty Zych and ‘Bone Man’ at Boulder Lodge’s Card Board Boat Races.

Thank you to Cheryl Henchel for her help with the cats.

Thank you to BJ and Randy Schwartzhoff for collecting coins from the NHS donation houses in area businesses.

Thank you to Frank Metzinger for handling the donated cans!

Thank You to ALL of The Thrivent members that select NHS!

L&M staff presents a monetary gift to NHS Treasurer Marcia McIntosh.

John and Joan Cornale, owners of Lakeview Golf and Pizza put on another great car show for NHS.

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NHS SHELTER REPORT

APRIL 2019
Adopted: Dogs – 25 Cats – 29
*Euthanized: Dogs – 0 Cats – 1

MAY 2019
Adopted: Dogs – 39 Cats – 11
*Euthanized: Dogs – 0 - Cats - 0

JUNE 2019
Adopted: Dogs – 19 Cats – 20
*Euthanized: Dogs – 0 Cats – 0

JULY 2019
Adopted: Dogs – 44 - Cats - 29
*Euthanized: Dogs –0 Cats -0
Died – Cats – 1 (Cardiomyopathy)
Other – Guinea Pig - 1

AUGUST 2019
Adopted: Dogs - 29 Cats – 27
*Euthanized: Dogs – 0 - Cats – 0
One kitten died

SEPTEMBER 2019
Adopted: Dogs – 28 Cats – 23
*Euthanized: Dogs – 0 Cats – 0

OCTOBER 2019
Adopted: Dogs – 28 Cats – 23
*Euthanized: Dogs – 1 Cats – 0
(Liver Disease)

*Euthanization is done because of terminal or life threatening contagious health issues, aggression or behavior that makes an animal unadoptable.

At the writing of this newsletter, there are 41 dogs and 80 cats waiting for homes.

CAN YOU BAKE DOG TREATS FOR NHS TO SELL AT EVENTS AND THE THRIFT SHOP?

Pat Brummel is our go to person for supplies and questions, call her at 715-462-4269.

Dog Biscuit Recipe: we sell these at the NHS Thrift Shop and Events.

Ingredients:
- ¼ cup oil
- 2½ cups quick cooking oatmeal
- 2 eggs
- 3 cups flour
- 1 tbsp. brown sugar
- 1 tsp. cinnamon
- ½ cup creamy peanut butter
- ¼ cup honey or molasses

Mix wet ingredients together (oil, eggs, brown sugar, peanut butter and molasses/honey). Mix well. Add in the dry ingredients (oatmeal, flour and cinnamon) and mix completely. Mixture will be stiff. You may add milk or water as needed to make the mixture more pliable. Prep a jelly roll pan with spray Pam, quick release foil, or parchment paper. Press biscuit mixture into prepared pan. You can use a rolling pin (sprayed lightly with Pam) to press down the mix and make it even. Use a pizza cutter to cut and score the dough into the desired size of the individual biscuits. (This is important as they are difficult to cut once baked). Bake at 325 degrees for one hour. Let the biscuits cool down enough to handle and break them apart and turn them over in the pan. Put back in the oven at 200 degrees for 2 more hours to dry completely. Once cooled store covered in a container or bag. Can be refrigerated or frozen. We will package them for you. Some supplies are available at the Thrift Shop.
Thank you for Bob and Glenda Von Arb for the massive amount of time and super love they have given to Mustang and Camaro. They are on the road to trusting and accepting love. These two dogs were live trapped at different times while looking for another dog.

WE HAVE A RAFFLE WINNER!!!!!
Linda Farrel who donated a portion of the win back to NHS!

JOB OPENINGS FOR VOLUNTEERS!

The NHS Thrift Shop is in need of volunteers – can you give three hours once a week to help with cashiering, pricing or putting out merchandise. Call us at 715-934-3121

Crafters call Diane Kline at 715-634-5394. Again you may work from your home and some supplies may be provided.

Love to bake people food? Call the shelter to get on the ‘bake sale’ list.

Drive a pickup? We need help once in a while picking up items for the NHS Thrift shop or dropping items off in Rice Lake. Call Deanna at 715-634-4543.

Cat Cleaners are needed on Tuesday, Wednesday and Saturday 7:30 a.m. to 10 a.m.

Dog Walkers always welcomed 11 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

Laundry and litter pans cleaners – Needed every day! Call the shelter at 715-634-5394.

Looking for people to help with BINGO at Fish Tales beginning January 4.

Thinking of buying a Pontoon in the Spring? NHS has a used pontoon in very good condition for sale! It may be seen at Mel’s Outdoor Power

THrift Shop Volunteers

SUMMER 2019 WAS A SUPER CHALLENGING SUMMER!
Our all-volunteer crew did with grit and determination and achieved our best summer ever! Thank you to each of them!

Susan Callas – Pricer and Cleaner.

Laurie Kemp – Linens.

Janyce Link – Cashier.

Brenda Pearman – Cashier.

THrift Shop Gift Certificate Available!

Know a Thrift Shop Shopper or someone in need of a little help?

NHS Thrift Shop Gift Certificates are now available at the NHS Thrift Shop located here in Hayward.

15861 W Third Street
Open 10 a.m. – 4 p.m. Mon – Friday
10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday
715-934-2780

MUTTS & MEOWS GOURMET DINNER

This year the dinner was held at Fish Tales on Hwy B in Hayward. The theme was Italian and it was delicious. Thank you Mike Canik and Alecia for designing and preparing the meal and to Out of The Woods Winery for providing the Pino Grigio and Chianti.

Diners Bill Grube, Bridget Bower and Connie Leopold.

Volunteer servers Joan Cervenka, Diane Kline, Natasha Dunlop, Shawn Hasselu, Alecia Austin, Delaney Nigbor, Anna Kral, Susan Barbieri, Kathy Kisch and Regina Perry.
Timber Ford and Garmisch Inn Excel Again!

The 23rd Annual Cause Fore Paws Golf Tournament was held the last weekend of August. The event starts with cocktail party and live and silent auction at Garmisch Inn. The following Sunday golfers get together at Telemark Golf Course for a beautiful day of golfing followed by a sit down dinner at Garmisch.

This event is made possible by the hard work of Curt and Amy Beilke owners of Timber Ford and Dennis Howard owner of Garmisch Inn. This year the event raised $59,700 for NHS. Our thanks Nicole and Ken Vessel for supporting the event. Save the last weekend in August for the 24th Annual Cause Fore Paws.

Hats Off to NHS. NHS was honored at the Hayward Area Chamber of Commerce annual dinner as the outstanding Non Profit Organization in 2019.

Associated Bank showed up with flowers for the staff to celebrate the award.

BBQ In The Park volunteers Deb Amery, Barbara and Allan Hoeft and Pat Brummel

NHS has established an Endowment Fund through the generosity of David and Carolyn Cleveland. These funds are designated to help build the fund that will eventually yield annual income for NHS. If you have an interest in pursuing this form of donating, please give me a call at 715-634-4543.

HELP! LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS FOR ART FOR ANIMALS SATURDAY – JULY 18- FLAT CREEK INN

For the past 25 years BJ Schwartzhoff and I have headed Art For Animals. Although BJ will help this year her time is limited. Would anyone like to be my partner in this important fundraiser?

Ways to help: Seek out items for Live Auction and silent auction, monitor donations and develop bid cards, distributing posters, help with setup and cleanup. Taking charge of selling raffle tickets at the event, taking tickets at the event and all the little things that need to be done.

It is a special event and there are volunteers that will work with new volunteers. Please give me a call if you can help.

Do you have something to donate – a gift certificate, art, biddable items, collectables, a trip, tickets to an event……. Just give me a call!

Thank you – Deanna Persson - 715-634-4543
GIVING OF TIME, TALENT AND RESOURCES

Makes it possible for NHS to Care for Animals in Need!
We thank the following people for their support!

MEMORIAL TILES
Adam Landgraf from Mary Ann Rundle
Terry Brueggeman from Sherry Nemeth

MEMORIALS
Pam Warner from Gary & Michelle Hilgendorf, Deanna Persson, Ronald & Darleen Kirchdoerfer, Allan & Barbara Hoeft, Dorothy Messner
Lydia Toogood from Reino & Lisa Ojala, John Buman, Susan Gray, Dennis & Pam Jasiczek, Barbara Jones, Kevin & Susan Horrocks, Ann Pollock, Holly Crittenden, Linda Bradley, Sue Swenson, Mickey Odawa
William Jensen Jr. from Marsha Jones, Julie Fisher, David & Shawn Langkamp, James & Julie Hansen, Cal and Debra Jensen, Melissa Howell
Liz Arend from John & Barbara Figlewicz * Richard Cowger from Mary Anderson, Julie Kent
David "Bud" Smith from Joan Shannon * Pat Kellogg from Tracey Ziniel, Stanley & Donna Loebaka
Frank Cowan from Carol Winesburg, Katherine Zajac, Paula Bilitz, Rudy & Gloria Barabas, Greg and Joyce Barbabas
Les Miller from Betsy Vogel * Carol J Harding from David & Evy Frasch * Madeline A. Allan from Constance Linderz
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Pat Power from Susan O’Bryan * Terry Brueggeman from Mary Howe, Dorothy Mercer, Keith Thompson
Kathy Clark from Bonnie Verhalen, Phil & Patricia Meyer * Steve Hale from Rhonda Gerlach, Deanna Persson

IN HONOR OF
Claudia Cayo from David & Evalyn Frasch
William & Dorothy Pokorny from William Pokorny Jr.
Pete & Colleen McIntyre from Chris Frasch
Deanna Persson from Valie Szymanski

PET MEMORIAL TILES
"Moose" Wood from Michael & Marilee Wood
"Stan" McDowell from Nancy McDowell
"Lily" & "Lucy" & "Max" Schumann from the Schumann family

PET MEMORIALS
"Reno" Livick/Killian from Judith Newberry * "Tucker" & "Pip" from Nancy Kingsbury
"Dharma" Etz/Gonzalez & "Lucky" Jirk/Campion from Nancy McDowell
"Millie" Duewerth from Sally, Linda & Janet Myers * "Kitz" Barnaby from Larry & Nancy Barnaby
"Wanda" Bahling from Peggy Bahling * "Mishka" Neuswanger from Dave & Sandy Neuswanger
"Tiffany" Kersten from Tom & Joey Falch * "Chelsea" from Jennifer Schneider
"Riika" Erickson from Fidelity Charitable * "Beau Cat" & "Rosie Cat" from Karen Ellis
"Maggie" Truver from Craig & Sue Hoffmann * "Gabby" Stapleton – Jan Stapleton
"Chester" from Carol Bacon * "Taiga" Neuswanger from Dave & Sandy Neuswanger

If any names have been accidentally omitted or misspelled, please let me know. Deanna – 715-634-4543.

THANK YOU TO ALL THAT WORK HARD, GIVE OF THEIR TIME AND RESOURCES AND SUPPORT NHS MISSION TO HELP ANIMALS IN NEED.

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- $50.00 - Angie’s Fund (Old/Special needs dogs)
- $500.00 - Sponsor a Dog Kennel
- $50.00 - Binki-Boo’s Fund (Old/Special needs cats)
- $250.00 - Sponsor a Cat Kennel
- $100.00 - Memorial Tile
- $______ - Spay & Neuter Outreach Fund
- $______ - As Needed
- $______ - Feral Cat TNR
- $______ - Emergency Medical Care

Name of Donor ________________________________________________________________

Summer Mailing Address ________________________________________________________

Winter Mailing Address _________________________________________________________

E-mail ________________________________________________________________________

Thank you! Your support is needed and appreciated!

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Donate On-Line (PayPal): northwoodshumanesociety.org

New E-mail address: northwoodshumanesociety@embarqmail.com

I would like to make a monthly pledge of $_____ per month for a total of $_____ a year.

- Benefits:
  - $500.00 Benefactor
  - $250.00 Sponsor
  - $150.00 Individual
  - $50.00 Jr. Member

Be a member of the Northwoods Humane Society:

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