

Northwoods Humane Society – Deanna Persson, President

Well, the Packers lost, the Bears and Vikings aren't playing, Tom Brady is having a rough afternoon but I just read a precious note from one of our NHS alumni and it made me smile – one of those warm smiles.

The letter was from 'Sayde' Sorum. I called her mom, Carol, and asked if I could share it and she gave me a 'thumbs up'. So, here it is!

"Hi All, thought I'd let you know that I'm doing well for the most part. I'm 12 years old now. Mom and Dad keep saying their other dogs died around 11 so they give me hugs and say how much they love me.

When Grandma First met me, she fell in love with me, so she went out and adopted Soffee. We have played together all our lives. When Grandma died, Soffee came to live with me. That was a good thing. She was a good sister. She had some health issues and she died last February. We all miss her so much. Dad started looking for a new friend. He didn't have much luck. When he found one he liked, it was no longer available. The only ones we seemed to find looked mean. I'm sure they all weren't, but we have 5 little dogs at family functions and I can't be the big one to protect them all. Dad was getting so frustrated and he finally found a guy!

Blondie came to live with me when she was 6 weeks old. Dad told me to help train her. I think I have done a good job. She knows where to do her thing. She knows the boundaries, where to turn around and come home. She knows how to tell Mom and Dad she wants to go out and how to let them know she wants back in. She leaves the chickens alone and she is getting better about not dragging the kittens around the yard. I wish I could get her to quit jumping on my shoulders, it makes my arthritis hurt. She isn't chewing on my ears anymore. She has really gotten big fast. She is now taller than me and our friend Molly. Molly comes to visit every day to play in our yard. When we needed more heartworm meds, Mom had to order Blondie the same ones I get.

I am so glad that you found my fur-ever home. It is the best thing that ever happened to me. I hope you are able to help a lot more animals find humans that will love us as much as we love them."

Happy Howlidays – Sayde Sorum

Thank you Sayde – your letter made my day sunny!

Thank you to the many people that gave to the Northwoods Humane Society in Memory of Betty White.

Thank you to those that sent good healing thoughts to my dog Chip who is recovering from a spine injury. He is improving but not totally there yet.

Thank you to our volunteers at the Thrift Shop who have kept our doors open and to the shelter volunteers that continued to come to walk the dogs and clean the cats and take care of the office.

If you are cleaning house and sorting things at home, the Northwoods Humane Society is in need of good, clean donations. We can take small furniture, household items, decorative items, winter clothing, shoes and boots, small appliances, books and collectibles and jewelry. The shop is open 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Any questions about what we can take call the shop at 715-934-3121 or you may call me at 715-634-4543.