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Tattle Tails

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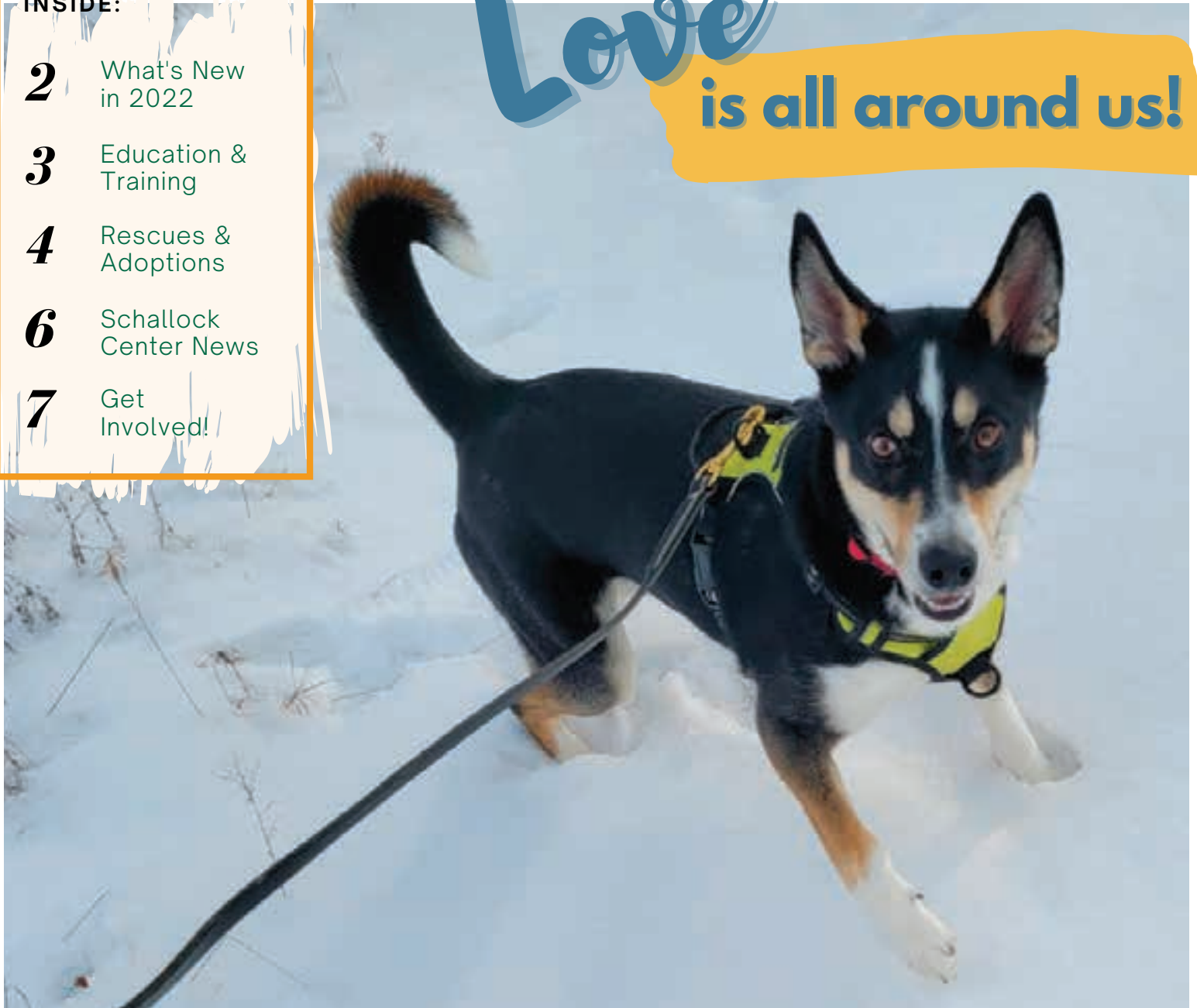


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Love

is all around us!



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By Lynn Olenik, HAWS Executive Director

As we forge ahead into 2022, we are reminded that the companionship offered by our animals, and the example they set, leads us to be kinder, gentler and more compassionate beings. They show the resiliency needed to move through the world today.

The landscape of what we do may shift, but HAWS' core values stay the same. Finding homes for homeless pets and educating our community in humane values are the foundation of our work.

Last year we saw growth in the need for our pet pantry, safe keep program and veterinary services. We will always offer support to those in our community who need our assistance.

HAWS Schallock Center for Animals has allowed us to expand into more family initiatives, and offer new and exciting opportunities for education - including equine programs. Our private dog park and dog swimming pond ensure the entire family can spend rejuvenating time together, outdoors. Our shelter residents also reap the rewards of time away, with frequent field trips and short-term, overnight stays.

We again have a hopeful outlook for this new year! I, for one, am looking forward to saying goodbye to the phrase "new normal" and the words "pandemic" and "quarantine." Regardless of what occurs in 2022, our animals will be there for us, and we will follow their lead. 



New Year, New Look!

As you've probably noticed, we have made some changes to the look and content of this newsletter.

Along with a color refresh, we've reorganized some of our pages. Don't worry, the "centerfold" is still full of wonderful Adoption Stories and daring Rescues!

Your incredible generosity has led to the need to move our donor Thank You page online to our website. The growing donations were causing our font to shrink and, we agree, readability had suffered. Additionally, we've found posting our #CaringKids donations on our social feeds has been a big hit, and we will continue to share those stories each Thursday on our Facebook page.

HAWS Schallock Center for Animals has become such a vital part of our everyday, with new programs constantly being introduced. The "SCA" definitely needs its own space to share information and the latest opportunities available.

We hope you enjoy the *TattleTails* and exploring all the latest from HAWS!

EDUCATION DEPARTMENT HIGHLIGHTS

hawspets.org/humane-education

HAWS' Education Team is busy creating new programs, and making our current programs even better. Our Schallock Center for Animals plays a very important role!

Teacher's Open House and School Field Trips – An open house for area teachers will be held on February 19th at the Schallock Center for Animals to showcase the new school field trips that will be available there, beginning in March. Please call 262-542-8851, x123 for more.

Hannah's Haven - Our children's library created in two of the cozy stalls in the Schallock barn had a successful launch and will continue to be available to the public from February through May. School groups are also welcome to take advantage of this reading-and-respice encounter. Details are available on our website at hawspets.org/hannahshaven.

Additionally, Early Childhood programs, Family Fun on the Farm and Tails by the Fire have resumed and will continue monthly through spring. Available dates and registration can be found on our Events Calendar at hawspets.org/events.

Kids 'N Critters Summer Camp registration opens in February, with sessions again held at both HAWS' main facility in Waukesha and the Schallock Center in Delafield! Log on to hawspets.org/camp.

Celebrate Caring Kids! Watch our Facebook feed every Thursday for highlights of kids making a difference for the animals 🐾



Behavior Foster Homes Needed!

The Behavior Department at HAWS is looking for a unique set of foster homes, those that are willing to help with dogs who need a little extra support or who are not thriving in the shelter environment. Being a behavior foster parent will make a big difference for some of the most needy dogs at HAWS.

- Foster families will receive support from the Behavior Department every step of the way, including free in-home or virtual consultations. Each behavior foster dog is different and will come with a plan to help them thrive. Dogs may be labeled as a behavior foster for several different reasons, such as fearfulness or overstimulation with life in the shelter.
- Foster parents can expect to have their foster dogs for a minimum of two weeks, but for some cases, more time is needed.

If you are interested in becoming a behavior foster, or have questions about the program, please email Megan, HAWS' Behavior Department Manager, at megana@hawspets.org, or call 262-542-8851, x204. 🐾

BEHAVIOR DEPARTMENT HIGHLIGHTS

hawspets.org/training-behavior

January was National Train Your Dog Month, but why limit training just to January? HAWS has a full slate of training classes available, for all stages of your dog's life! They include:

- Basic training: *Life Skills for Puppies and Basic Manners 1*.
- Next steps: *Basic Manners 2, Manners Proofing, Canine Good Citizen (CGC), Come! (recall work) and two levels of Loose Leash Walking*.
- Something different: *Scent Work, clicker-based trick training (Clicks & Tricks), Treibball (soccer for dogs!) and Agility (keep an eye out for Agility "try-it" nights, too)*.
- Socialization/comfort classes: *Sunday afternoon Puppy Parties, Cooperative Care*.
- Day Training: *Conducted both at our Waukesha shelter & the Schallock Center in Delafield*.

For details on all training classes and opportunities, please log on to hawspets.org/training-classes.






The Calls of the Not-So-Wild

HAWS Animal Rescue Team members Andres and Brittany were called out to rescue a kitten that had fallen, face-first, into a storm drain tube - about a six foot drop! Nicknamed "Tipsy," she was given a spa treatment including a warm bath and blow-out when they got her back to HAWS. Tipsy made a full recovery and was quickly adopted.

Not to be outdone, Team members Christopher and Megan went to assist a Husky that had been on the run in Waukesha for almost a month. As those with a Husky know, they are a difficult breed to corral! Eventually, he found himself caught around a bird feeder, and with her "your silly barking doesn't scare me" attitude, Megan was able to gain his trust. Lots of treats later, she was also getting kisses from him. Back at HAWS, our team spent an hour brushing burrs out of his coat and giving the now-content canine a nice warm bath. His owner arrived shortly after and he is back home safe...probably looking for the opportunity to have yet another adventure...!

Call our team for assistance with domestic and wildlife issues!
We are available 24/7/365 at 262-542-8851. 

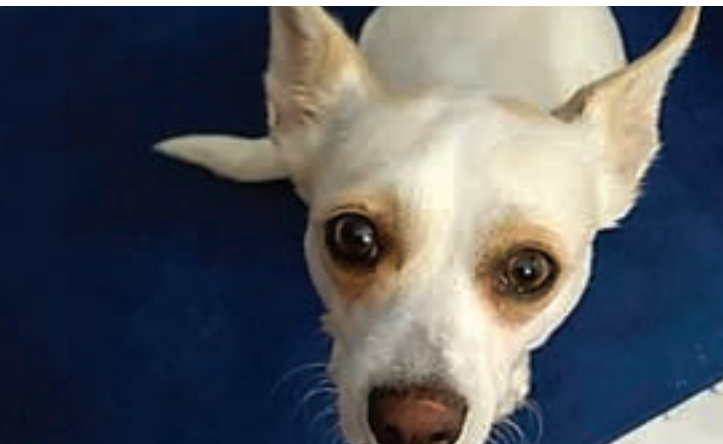


share

your HAWS
adoption story:

Email your update & pictures
to marketing@hawspets.org!

See more great stories in #MondayMailbag on Facebook!



Zoie's favorite thing: Cuddles!!!

Favorite food: Cheese.

Favorite place to be: Mama's bed.

Zoie's strengths: Unconditional love, knowing what is and isn't ok to chew on, being fully housebroken!

Zoie's dislikes: When Mama doesn't cuddle up with her, bath time.

An ideal day for Zoie: Waking up for cuddles, a run/walk outside, more cuddles on the couch, another run/walk, eating whatever Mama eats for dinner, playing with a ball with Mama, more cuddles, another walk before sleeping next to Mama.

Zoie is doing amazing, and it's hard for me to say who rescued who between the two of us. I couldn't have asked for a better dog!!

- Liz D.

ZOIE



MARCELINE

Marceline (formerly Sonic) has definitely taken her place as queen of the house. Marcy loves to climb and is often sleeping on the top shelf of my computer desk while I'm gaming. I think she is the sweetest baby ever, and she gets along great with all my other furbabies. Singing and playing are her favorite things to do (as well as knocking over the figures on my desk, lol). She's doing great, and I am extremely grateful to all the wonderful people at HAWS.

- Diana L.

Help create more Rescues & Adoption Stories:

hawspets.org/ways-to-give

ADOPTION STORIES

Find a new family member at hawspets.org/adopt/!

IZZY

Izzy (formerly Bean Bunny) is doing so well and we love her so much! She has really come out of her shell and enjoys being around all of us. Thanks again for all you do for the animals at HAWS!

- Shanley F.



BINDI & LILY

I adopted from HAWS in August and December of 2020. Bindi and Lily are such sweet and friendly cats, and I absolutely love them both so much. They are my constant buddies and take full advantage of the many opportunities to cuddle and keep me company throughout the day. Bindi is the queen of snuggles, and Lily is always able to make me laugh with all the silly things she does. Both had a few health challenges, but they are the sweetest little things and I would adopt them all over again in a second. I love my furry ladies and am so lucky to have them in my life! Thank you HAWS for all you do to care for animals and help them find homes, especially the “super seniors”!

- Marissa P.



TITO

A quick update on our little baby Ginger who is now named Tito. We are so lucky to have this sweet, little puppy. She has kept us really busy as she is a ball of energy. She has enjoyed traveling to friends' lake homes and long walks in the morning. We have been in puppy training, and Tito is really smart! My husband and I are very grateful to HAWS for allowing us to adopt Tito. She is a wonderful addition to our family.

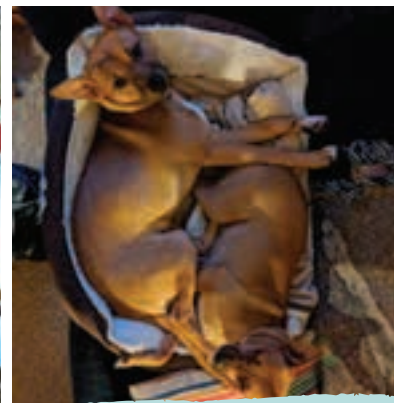
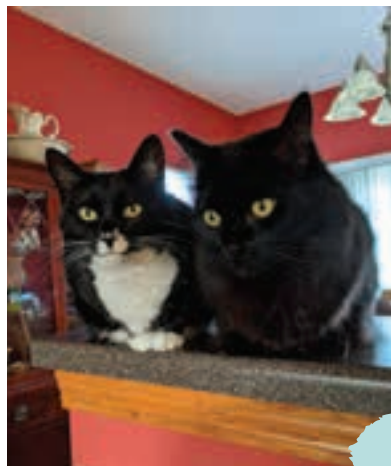
- Bob & Fran G.



SOCKS & ASHES & GINGER & CLYDE

We adopted two four-month-old kittens about five years ago. Four years ago we also fostered a three-year-old pregnant dog who came from Alabama and had five puppies at our house. The momma was an absolute sweetheart and bonded with our family very quickly, so we decided we needed to adopt her. We also adopted one of her pups! Here are updated pictures of all of them - cats Socks and Ashes, and dogs Ginger and Clyde. We love them all so much and they bring so much joy and togetherness to our family. Thanks HAWS!

- Kristi, Jay, Sylvia, and Jack



JOIN US AT THE FARM

hawspets.org/schallockcenter



HAWS' herd has grown! Resident goats Mike, Ike and Bucky and initial horse residents Cal and Ranger have now welcomed horses Monet and Big Sur (from AGES, Amazing Grace Equine Sanctuary) to spend a few months at the Schallock Center over the winter. We are excited to partner with AGES, a great organization with knowledgeable and talented horse experts! As AGES found themselves at capacity this winter, Big Sur and Monet found a temporary but longer-term stay with HAWS.

Taking full advantage of our new equine companions, HAWS' new **Equine Explorers** program has proven to be extremely popular, and will run again on Sundays in April and May. Please head to our website at hawspets.org/activities-for-kids to learn more!

Equine Explorers 2 will begin this spring on Sundays and Mondays, allowing this past fall's first group of Explorers to continue their learning and interactions with the horses at HAWS.

Horsing Around Camp debuts this summer for kids ages 10-14! Sessions are scheduled in June, July and August; log on to hawspets.org/camp to enroll your horse-loving child. 🐾



Snowshoe Rentals NOW Available!

HAWS' Schallock Center is excited to announce Snowshoe Rentals, on Saturdays while the snow lasts. Explore the beautiful scenery and groomed trails - youth and adult sizes available! **Reserve at** hawspets.givecloud.co/snowshoes.



Respite for Reactive Rovers

- **Arena Play** is again available on weekends during our colder weather months, for those who want to exercise their dogs while in a controlled, private environment.
- **HAWS' private Dog Park** will be available, weather permitting, during the winter months with reserved time slots. We look forward to spring and the re-opening of our **Dog Dock** swimming area: new this year, a floating ramp to assist the dogs in and out of the water!

Log on to hawspets.org/schallockcenter for reservations.

PLEASE NOTE:

HAWS PET PANTRY

Pet care supplies are available for those facing hardship, with no proof of need necessary. Simply stop by the front office at HAWS in Waukesha, or find us in the community at scheduled stops throughout the month. *Details at hawspets.org/pet-pantry.*

HAWS SPAY-NEUTER CLINIC

Everyone is eligible for services through HAWS' SNIP! Need assistance with outdoor cat populations? Project Guardian provides free spays/neuters. *For more information, please call our clinic directly at 262-542-8852, or log on to hawspets.org/snip-clinic.*

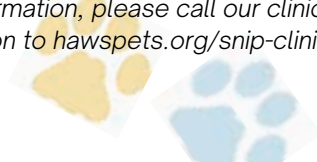
JOIN HAWS AT THE 2022 AUTO SHOW!

HAWS Mobile Adoption Team again joins Subaru of America at the Greater Milwaukee Auto Show, February 26th – March 6th. Come to the show, check out a vehicle, meet and adopt a pet! *Show details available at autoshowmilwaukee.com.*



Your donation is always appreciated!

From monetary gifts to shelter supplies, you can make a difference for the animals every day at hawspets.org!



GET INVOLVED

hawspets.org/volunteer

Volunteers are a vital part not only of our daily shelter work, but also as part of HAWS' outreach in our community!

We are looking to re-launch our in-shelter **Dog Enrichment Program**, and are now recruiting volunteers specifically to assist with enrichment. Duties would include working with dogs in different ways to help lower their stress while in HAWS' care. Examples of activities include reading to dogs inside or outside of the kennels, scent enrichment (bringing in a blanket from the cat laundry for them to smell), T-touch and different methods to help them calm themselves while in the kennel.

Monday Manners is back! There was a lot of interest from both veteran and rookie volunteers for our weekly in-shelter training program. Classes give volunteers a chance to help with the shelter dogs, and teach some basic manners. Two 45-minute classes are held every Monday morning, from 9:30-10:15am and from 10:30-11:15am.

Volunteers interested in participating in specific programs should contact Devon, HAWS' Volunteer Coordinator, at volunteer@hawspets.org. 🐾

Join Our Pack

Help homeless pets with a Sustaining or Annual Membership!
Or, donate to honor a pet or person with a tribute gift.
Learn more at hawspets.org/ways-to-give.



Become a Volunteer at HAWS:
We have a wide range of opportunities! Start by visiting our information page at hawspets.org/volunteer or call 262-542-8851, x120.

OUTREACH & MOBILE ADOPTIONS

hawspets.org/community-outreach



Pause with HAWS

Invite HAWS to your business or office for a wellness event! This is a perfect way to lift spirits, since being in the office might look different than it did before.

Time spent with animals is proven stress relief! Pause with HAWS is a hands-on event that boosts employee morale and wellness, increases employee engagement and brings enjoyment to the office. Adoptable animals and the HAWS team visit your office to deliver stress relief in the form of snuggles and belly rubs!

Make your **Pause with HAWS** event a memorable and positive experience for your team! Contact Katie Gerls at katieg@hawspets.org or 262-666-3789 for information. 🐾

Join the Friends!

Meetings are held the second Wednesday of each month at HAWS. Please contact us at friends@hawspets.org with any questions or fundraising event ideas! *Learn more about the Friends and their efforts in support of HAWS at hawspets.org/friends.*

Friends of HAWS Upcoming Events:

March 19: **SPECIAL DUAL EVENT: Bake Sale & Media Sale, 10am-3pm**
Treats for people and pets; books, CDs, DVDs, games, puzzles, & more!
*Bakery donations should be dropped off at HAWS on 3/18, from 1-5pm.
Media items for donation/sale accepted until 3/11. (No VHS, please.)*

SAVE THESE DATES:

May 7: 39th Annual Romp 'n Rally!
May 14: Plant Sale
June 11: Rummage-O-Rescue



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CALENDAR

Events are held at HAWs in Waukesha unless otherwise noted. Please check hawspets.org/events regularly for updates and all Mobile Adoption visits.

Special **March** dual event!



Friends of HAWs Bake Sale

Saturday, March 19th
10am-3pm

Sweet treats for your sweethearts - pets & people!
Details at hawspets.org.



Media Sale

Saturday, March 19th
10am-3pm

Books, CDs, DVDs, puzzles,
board games & more!
Details at hawspets.org.

Every Month at HAWs

Friends Meetings

February 9, March 9 6:30pm | April 13 7:00pm
All adults welcome! See page 7 for Friends' info.

Cat Pedicures

February 12, March 12, April 9 9:30-10:30am
February 22, March 22, April 26 5:30-6:30pm
Please visit hawspets.org/events prior to your visit for procedures & registration.

Pedicures for Rabbits & Guinea Pigs

February 19, March 19, April 16 9:30-10:30am
Pedicures are limited to the first 20 animals. No pre-registration or call-ahead available at this time.

Save
the Date!

May 7th

39th Annual



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