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Humane Animal Welfare Society (HAWs) of Waukesha County, Inc.

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“ANIMAL RESPITE IS SUCH AN ABSOLUTE JOY TO WITNESS AND BE A PART OF.”



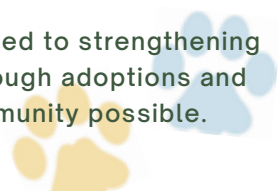
39th Annual - May 7th!



hawspets.org/romp-n-rally

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Humane Animal Welfare Society

HAWs is an open admission, no-kill shelter dedicated to strengthening the relationship between animals and humans through adoptions and education, making a more compassionate community possible.



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By Lynn Olenik, HAWS Executive Director

I am excited for spring! I'm looking forward to warm breezes, walks with my dogs and the need for sunscreen. Our training classes and youth education programs ramp up when the sun comes out. While we see more stray dogs and cats, many more kittens, and wildlife being born, we also see more people adopting!

Every one of our departments has to kick it into high gear. Fortunately, our volunteers are always there to help – and they bring even more energy to HAWS in the spring and summer months. There are opportunities for everyone; volunteers help in every aspect of our shelter and at our Schallock Center for Animals.

A very special group of volunteers, the Friends of HAWS, have been active for over 40 years. They are a large committee that holds monthly meetings, existing for the purpose of helping us with the “extras” – providing for the animals, staff and the organization as a whole. Our big Animal Rescue van, an emergency trailer and Kitty Casa cubbies for every cage in the building are just a few of the items resulting from their fundraising efforts! Many pieces of equipment in our SNIP clinic, such as our dental machines, were purchased by them. Most recently they purchased an additional industrial washer and remodeled the dog laundry area.

This group, however, is so much more than a fundraising group. They give us a sense of family and are always there to help. They bring the heart and soul into our shelter. Many are members of this group for life, helping as long as they possibly can.

Please join us on Saturday, May 7th at the Friends of HAWS 39th annual Romp 'N Rally pet walk (and party!) at Sussex Village Park, and show your support for the animals at HAWS and the Friends, too. And, if you are looking for a sense of community and camaraderie, consider becoming one of the Friends of HAWS – you'll be so glad you did! 🐾



Thank You for Being a Friend!

We were absolutely blown away by the response to the #BettyWhiteChallenge in January: To honor her love of animals and her commitment to animal welfare during her life, fans from all over showed their friendship to rescues and shelters, and HAWS received donations of over \$50,000!

We are grateful for your support - and friendship.



EDUCATION DEPARTMENT HIGHLIGHTS

hawspets.org/humane-education

From after school programs for children in first grade through high school, to early childhood programs for 3-4 year olds and their parents, from Family Fun on the Farm and Tales by the Fire, to Hannah's Haven reading sessions each month, you can be a part of the excitement with HAWS' Education team this season!

Many programs are ready to begin again at the Schallock Center for Animals, giving all ages a chance to interact with nature and learn together. Plus, school field trips are a new opportunity this spring, with a focus on STEM subjects. We are excited to present an outdoor classroom for local students and teachers.

The cherry on the top for our team is definitely the start of summer camp on June 13th. Humane Educator Alexis B. sums it up perfectly: "Summer Camp should be a BLAST this year! Sessions have been updated, and new activities created, while keeping all the favorites from the past. I think that kids will love the changes that we've made."

Megan J., HAWS Humane Education Manager, notes that while her job is to teach our future leaders about the needs in the animal community, FUN is always a top priority. "I'm ready to act like a big kid again, and camp is the time! We believe delivering important information in a fun way is THE way, and using animals we get so much more than just from human-to-human interaction. We are the animals' voice and they are our teachers!"

Log on to hawspets.org/camp today to find which is just right for your child! 🐾

Youth Agility now available at the Schallock Center!

Kids, bring your family dog for two days of introduction and practice on beginner's agility equipment. Sessions are set for two weekends, May 21-22 and September 10-11. Register at hawspets.givecloud.co/agility-offerings.



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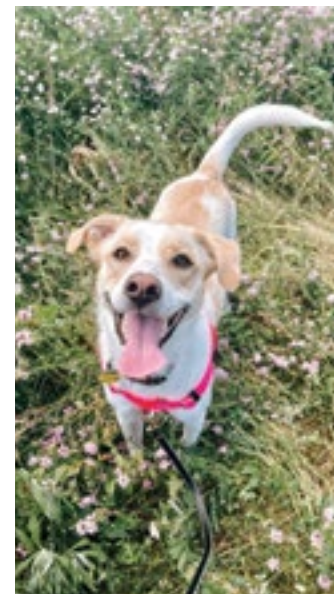
Let's Take This Outside!

HAWS Behavior team is planning for a busy few months – and capitalizing on the warmer weather both for classes and for outside practice.

Nancy W., HAWS resident Agility guru, is pleased to announce the availability of Agility "run-thru" sessions. These are for experienced agility handlers, to practice in the Schallock Center for Animals indoor arena the first Friday of every month starting in April. Beginners and next-level agility classes will continue through the summer months.

Day Training specialist Madison U. is excited to continue offering classes at both HAWS and the Schallock Center, all summer long. Madison notes that she is "excited to get to work with the pups outside, in the fresh air! The colder months can make it difficult to practice different areas. Working with dogs in new environments is SO important because they have to learn to generalize; when dogs are able to generalize their cues that means they should be able to respond whether they're in the living room or on the bleachers at a baseball game."

HAWS' Behavior team reminds dog owners that training is a journey that builds the human-dog bond, and should really never end! Even an older dog can keep learning – just like humans, it keeps them young. Plus, the old adage is very true: a mentally stimulated dog is a tired dog, and a tired dog is a calm dog, and a calm dog is a happy dog! Join a class together at hawspets.org/training. 🐾



BEHAVIOR DEPARTMENT HIGHLIGHTS

hawspets.org/training-behavior

Behavior Department Volunteer Opportunities

Would you like to join our team, helping dogs be at their best? We are looking for assistance in two special areas!

Behavior-focused foster caregivers open their homes, short-term, to dogs who need a little extra support, or who are not doing well in the shelter environment.

In-shelter enrichment program volunteers work with dogs staying at HAWS, to help lower their stress.

Learn more at hawspets.org/volunteer!



Just after the New Year, Field/Facilities Manager Andres G. helped a Great Horned Owl on the side of the highway in Hartland. A police officer had spotted the owl, and while it didn't move, he was concerned it would get hit by a vehicle with the high level of traffic going to work and school at that time. Andres had the officer approach the owl slowly so it would focus on him, and was able to grasp it from another angle with a towel and gloves and place it safely in a carrier! The owl was directly transferred to WINC for a checkup and release.



It's baby animal season! But, just because mom isn't visibly with an animal, that doesn't mean it is orphaned. Some quick reminders:

- Leave fawns alone. If one seems in distress, **call first** before moving it!
- Baby birds can and should be re-nested if you see the nest.
- Keep dogs away from rabbits' nests - the bunnies will leave in a few weeks.
- Carefully put that turtle on the side of the road it is heading towards.

Kitten Season is here, and HAWS has the resources to help! If you find kittens on your property, we can foster them until it is time for adoption. Or, if you'd like to stop a litter from happening, contact Community Cat Coordinator Kendall S. for assistance with humane trapping, spay/neuter and even rehoming through HAWS' Project Guardian and Seeking Sanctuary initiatives!

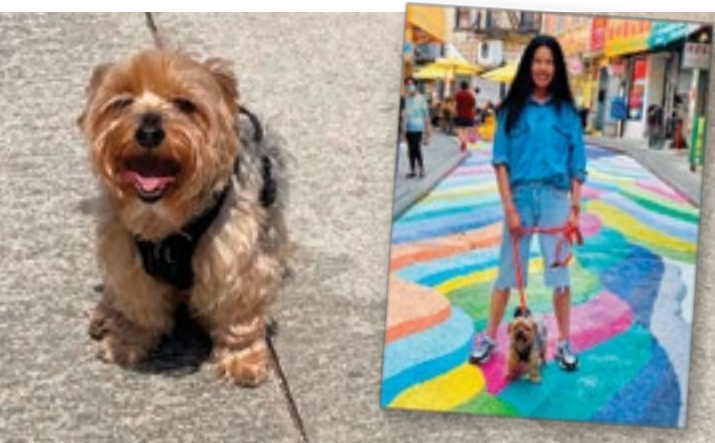
Call our team for assistance with domestic and wildlife issues! We are available 24/7/365 at 262-542-8851. 🐾

share

your HAWS adoption story:

Email your update & pictures to marketing@hawspets.org

See more great stories in #MondayMailbag on Facebook!



OTIS

Otis is such a great LOVE to our family. He is so adored by all friends and family members, unbelievably affectionate, and is a total lap dog (something we did not teach him but somehow it is totally in his personality). He is so calm and loving. He also has become quite the traveler. He goes with us on all our travel from hiking, road trips, special occasions and has even made it to New York City!

So grateful for all the work that you do.

- Eleanor S.

ROSE

Thank you for allowing me the privilege of adopting Stella, or "crabby Stella." She and I are truly a match made in heaven! And, she couldn't be more loving and affectionate. She just needed the right home and human.

We fit together purrfectly!

P.S. She whispered in my ear that her name is Rose.

- Rose & Michelle S.



ADOPTION STORIES

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

CINNABUN

We adopted Nibbles, now Cinnabun, in November. He has become part of the family and loves to be around everyone. He loves head rubs and roaming free. It's been so much fun finding his treats that he likes.

He goes bananas for bananas! Thank you!

- Christina G.



BELLA

Bella has made amazing strides since adoption. When I first got her she hid and only came out to eat or use the litter box. Now Bella is a playful, loving sweetheart! She is still timid, but I am so grateful that I chose her as my kitty and I'm sure we will continue to have a trusting, loving bond. Thank you for letting me adopt Bella - I look forward to many years of loving companionship!

- Nancy B.



AL & POE

Just wanted to share an update with all the sweet volunteers and staff who took care of Al and Poe, who I adopted in January. They have been settling in great, and are the biggest snuggle bugs! Their current favorites include applesauce, strips of fleece, and napping on my bed while I work from home. Thanks again for all the care and love you all put into these sweet souls.

- Sarah S.



CORNER

Kids: Share what HAWS means to you!
Email marketing@hawspets.org.

Ayla, age 6, first got to know HAWS with her best friend, Emma, who passed away in 2019. Ayla continues to visit the Schallock Center since it reminds her of Emma and gives her an opportunity to remember and talk about their memories together, since HAWS and the animals were Ayla and Emma's shared passion.

“THE ANIMALS MAKE ME FEEL HAPPY AND I LIKE TO HELP BY BRUSHING THEM, CLEANING THEIR STABLES SO THEY HAVE A FRESH BED, AND TAKING THEM OUT FOR A WALK. OTHER KIDS SHOULD CHECK IT OUT SO THEY CAN LEARN MORE ABOUT THE HORSES AND GOATS AT HAWS.”



JOIN US AT THE FARM

hawspets.org/schallockcenter

The Schallock Center is hopping this spring with Equine Explorers, Animal Advocates and Family Fun activities. Soon Summer Camp will be added into the mix!

Equine Explorers, a new program at the Schallock Center, gives kids the unique opportunity over several months to learn about equine safety, equipment, riding styles, equine history, horse anatomy and more, while also helping care for and interact with the horses there. Makayla K., Equine and Animal Care Specialist notes that she is most excited about now offering the week-long Horse Crazy camp this summer, giving kids the opportunity to learn and work with our horses each day. In turn this may result in more Equine Explorers – and horse care volunteers.

The Schallock Center is important not just because it has allowed us to expand our education programs and offer many more experiences. It is also a place where people, especially kids, can spend time learning about the resident animals in a way that allows them to be themselves and feel included – the vision Mike and Jane Schallock had for the next chapter of their beloved home!

“Part of the reason why someone can be themselves and feel safe is not just the animals, but the sense of tranquility and peacefulness that one can feel here as well,” Makayla explains. “The facility gives people the chance to safely interact with animals, like horses and goats, that one may never have had the opportunity to do until they came here.” 🐾



“SEEING THAT FIRST INTERACTION HAPPEN BETWEEN A PERSON AND HORSE BRINGS A SMILE TO MY FACE EVERY TIME!”

HAWS 
SCHALLOCK CENTER FOR ANIMALS
hawspets.org/schallockcenter

Bring the Entire Family!

For the Humans:

- Join us for Fun on the Farm and Tales by the Fire - hike, learn and explore with special weekend activities.
- Parents, bring your 3-4 year old for an Early Childhood encounter several weekday mornings each month.

For the Canines:

- Dog Park rentals are available daily in our 5-acre pasture.
- Let your pup discover their inner water dog this summer with a private swim rental at our Dog Dock and pond.



PLEASE NOTE:

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.*



HAWS SNIP News

HAWS SNIP clinic is now offering enrichment merchandise items like Kong toys, Puzzle Feeders, Snuffle Mats and Licky Mats, to help with recommended activity restrictions during their recovery. Instructions on using the items correctly are also available, along with some tasty recipes to help keep pets interested.

Donate to Annie's Fund!

Your donation to Annie's Medical Fund allows HAWS to help shelter animals and community pets that are facing a crisis with limited options. Learn more about Annie's Fund at hawspets.org/annies-fund.



GET INVOLVED

hawspets.org/volunteer

Devon K., HAWS Volunteer Coordinator, asks all volunteers to keep an eye on their email every other Friday for her very informative newsletter... including the announcement of Volunteer of the Month! Recent honorees included Pat Hagemann (February), Cathy Murphy (March), and Laurie Freitag (April). Congrats, and thank you to all of HAWS' dedicated helpers.

Volunteering comes in many different forms, from cat cuddling to laundry to maintenance. A wide range of skill sets are needed for help in many different areas. While our staff does much of the "dirty" work for the animals, often our volunteers are the ones that learn the animals' personalities – a very important role that assists in finding the right adopters! Our volunteers also help adoptables come out of their shells and be more comfortable in their environment. We would not be able to do it without our volunteers.

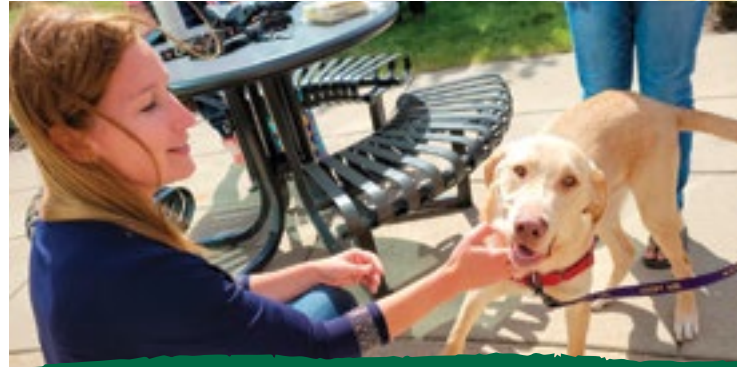
We think they get a little something out of it, too! Russ S. notes, "Volunteering at HAWS allows me to contribute, hands on, to the animals who add so much to our lives. It also offers me the opportunity to learn in the company of outstanding volunteers and staff. I wholeheartedly recommend the journey to anyone who has the desire to connect with people and animals."

Need a group project for your team? Be like the employees at Hydrite, volunteering for a spring clean-up through their "Hydrite Helps" program! There are many opportunities available, at both of our facilities, and even some projects you can do for HAWS on your own or at your business. Unsure of what might be the best fit? Interested in multiple volunteer opportunities? Please contact Devon or Mackenzie to learn more! 🐾

FOR ME THE BEST PART OF VOLUNTEERING AT HAWS IS KNOWING FOR EVERY DOG, CAT, BUNNY, ETC., THAT IS ADOPTED A COMPANION ANIMAL IS FINALLY HOME, AND HAWS HAS BRIGHTENED THE LIFE OF THE ADOPTING FAMILY.

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 ADOPTION

hawspets.org/community-outreach

Lead by Katie G., Community Engagement Manager, and Carrie S., Mobile Adoption Coordinator, HAWS' on-the-go team is excited to get back outdoors for events. The adoptable animals that come along just love being outside, to roll around in the grass and point their muzzles towards the sun!!

Our team will set up just about anywhere, including festivals, patios, corporate lunchrooms, living facilities – and we are eager to open the door to new opportunities! Carrie notes that in past years, the team "attended many new community events, with each being so fulfilling for the residents, animals, staff and volunteers!"

The schedule is filling quickly, so please reach out to Katie or Carrie ASAP if you have interest in hosting an event. 🐾

Upcoming Mobile Events & Visits:

- April 23: Ca\$h the Dog Rescue Fair, Mukwonago
- May 21: Safety Saturday, New Berlin Police & Fire Departments
- June 5: West Allis A La Carte, "Animal Avenue"
- June 20: Dog Day game with the Dock Hounds, Oconomowoc (Ticket sale fundraiser for HAWS!)
- June 22: Bark After Dark, Konkel Park, Greenfield

The Friends of HAWS

Flower Sale: Order online from April 11-27. Pick-up at SCA on May 14, 10am-3pm.

ROMP 'N RALLY: Saturday, May 7, 10am-3pm
Sussex Village Park

Marketplace, activities, food & fun for all!

Latest info & details at hawspets.org/romp-n-rally.



Rummage-O-Rescue: Saturday, June 11, 10am-3pm, in partnership with St. Vincent de Paul. Donations can be dropped off June 9 or 10, from 10am – 5pm. Details to come on Facebook & hawspets.org!

We'd LOVE more Friends!

The Friends of HAWS is a group of adults who put the FUN in fundraising. Membership is free, and the benefits include camaraderie, various volunteer opportunities and a variety of fundraising events to make for a very rewarding experience! While holding events, reconnecting with fellow Friends, and engaging with the community has been restricted over the past few years, we are looking forward to getting back to a full and active schedule in support of HAWS. Join us!



Meetings are held the second Wednesday of each month at HAWS. Please contact us at friends@hawspets.org with any questions!

hawspets.org/friends



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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.

39th Annual!



hawspets.org/romp-n-rally

Saturday, May 7th

10am-3pm

Sussex Village Park

Every Month
at HAWS

Friends Meetings

April 13, May 11, June 8, July 13 6:30pm
All adults welcome! See page 7 for Friends' info.

Cat Pedicures

April 9, May 14, June 11, July 9 9:30-10:30am
April 26, May 24, June 28, July 26 5:30-6:30pm
Please visit hawspets.org/events prior to your visit for procedures & registration.

Pedicures for Rabbits & Guinea Pigs

April 16, May 21, June 18, July 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!

August 21: TAILgate Outing at Petlicious in Pewaukee

August 27: Clothing & Textile Drive with St. Vincent de Paul



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Ways to
Recycle!**

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