

PET SCOOP

SIoux FALLS AREA HUMANE SOCIETY



FORE THE ANIMALS GOLF TOURNAMENT

It's time for the 'Fore' the Animals Golf Tournament! This year's tournament will take place on Friday, July 15th at Elmwood Golf Course. The tournament starts at 1pm with registration beginning at 12pm. The tournament will be played as a 4-person team best ball format. Join us for a great day of golf and fun with chances to win some fabulous prize packages! All proceeds benefit the Sioux Falls Area Humane Society.
Team sponsorship: \$400 Hole sponsorship: \$200
Register online at www.sfhumane.org or stop out at the Sioux Falls Area Humane Society to inquire about registering a team!

VOLUNTEER OF THE MONTH! JEN FINNE

Because of her love for animals and continued dedication to the shelter, Jen was chosen as the June volunteer of the month! She was recently honored at the Volunteers Banquet!

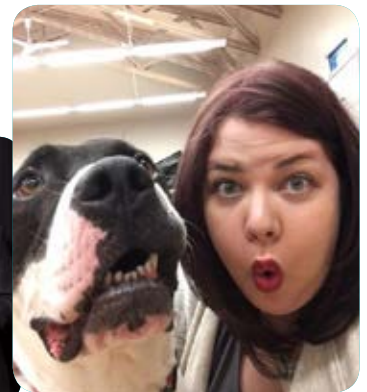
Get to Know Jen

1.) **Why do you volunteer at the shelter?** It is rewarding to feel like I am making a difference in the lives of the pets that come through the shelter. Animals are so innocent, I am happy to help be their voice.

2.) **Who is your favorite current adoptable pet?** Hands down, Klondike! I usually get attached to a single dog and since he has been with us so long, I've spent a lot of time with him cuddling, working on manners/commands, etc. He is such an awesome dog, hope we can find him a forever home real soon!

3.) **Have long have you been volunteering?** I think it's been around 5 years.

4.) **What is your favorite thing to do as a volunteer at the shelter?** Although I have developed an appreciation for most things at the shelter (even cuddling the rats, which is something I never thought I would do), I really enjoy spending time with the dogs. I work a lot of special events and those are always fun too! Anything that helps raise awareness and expose the animals we have at the shelter.



UPCOMING EVENTS !

MONTH LONG EVENTS
NATIONAL ADOPT A SHELTER CAT MONTH!

JUNE 4TH- 10TH
PET APPRECIATION WEEK

JUNE 4TH
INTERNATIONAL HUG YOUR CAT DAY

JUNE 23RD
TAKE YOUR DOG TO WORK DAY!

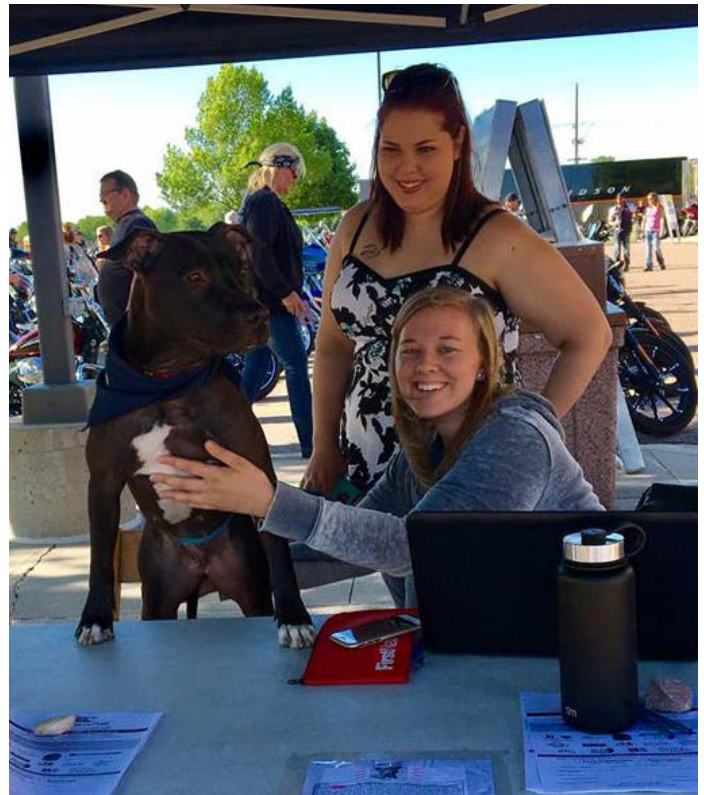
JUNE 24TH - NOON, 2PM & 4PM
CAT & DOG INTROS: EDUCATION CLASS OPEN TO THE PUBLIC AT SFAHS

18th Annual Cruisin' For Critters Poker Run Wrap-up

The 2017 Annual Cruisin' for Critters Poker Run went really well this year and we consider it a success! Plus, it just wouldn't be a Poker Run without a little rain ;-) but we still had just under 200 riders come join us on Saturday for a leisurely 70 mile ride! We also had some amazing companies in town that provided some great prize items for the riders. Hannah came out to visit the riders at Bike Night and had a great time!

A huge thank you to all of our volunteers who helped at Bike Night and the Poker Run! We wouldn't have been able to do this event without you all. Many of the volunteers committed to helping us a while back, but we had a few who hopped on board at the end in our hour of need and we thank you for that!

We have many events throughout the year that need volunteers, so if you're ever looking to serve in that capacity, make sure to get in touch with us!



Shelter Stars !

I'm Jackie! I'm a one year old cat that came to the shelter as a stray so not much is known about my history but the staff at the shelter has noticed that I am very affectionate and love to cuddle. I'm very active and love to mostly play with strings. If you have a pet at home, please make sure you introduce us properly and understand that it may take time before we get used to each other. I am now spayed, front-lined, microchipped, started on my vaccinations and tested negative for feline leukemia and FIV. Will you be my forever home?



I'm Klondike! I'm a five and a half year old Terrier Mix that came to the shelter as a stray in November of 2016 and was never claimed. I prefer to be the king of the castle when it comes to other pets. I am neutered, frontlined, microchipped and started on my vaccinations. Are you looking for a dog that loves attention and has lots of spirit? Pick me! Stop out and get to know me.



EDUCATION CORNER

Taking the Bite Out Of Tick Season

If you are going to be outside to enjoy the nice weather with your best friend, you need to remember one pet care duty: always check for ticks. These little critters have a way of burrowing deep into your dog's fur in an attempt to hide out and feed for as long as possible. Protect your pet by taking the time to do a thorough tick inspection every time you come back from the outdoors.

Dogs aren't the only ones who can get ticks! Make sure you check your cat if you take them outdoors or if you have another animal in your home that ventures outside, as they can carry them indoors as well.

What can you do?

Checking for ticks

Check your pets for ticks every day, especially during tick season: spring, summer and fall. It might be best to check for ticks while wearing a pair of latex gloves, as humans are susceptible to infection from tick diseases as well.

Brush your fingers through their fur applying enough pressure to feel any small bumps. Be sure to check between your dog's toes, behind ears, under armpits and around the tail and head, too.

If you do feel a bump, pull the fur apart to see what's there. A tick that has embedded itself in your pet will vary in size, something from the size of a pinhead to a grape depending on how long its been attached. Ticks are usually black or dark brown in color but will turn a grayish-white after feeding in what's referred to as an engorged state.

Be thorough with your inspection.

This may mean that you have to get out a fine-tooth comb and go over every inch of your pet's wiry and thick coat. It may be a bit of a chore, but it is certainly worth it—the longer a tick stays on a dog or cat only increases the risk for disease transmission and infection.

Removing ticks

Removing embedded ticks is a deli-



cate operation because it's easy for a piece of the tick to break off and remain in your pet's skin if done improperly. Follow the removal steps below. (Infection can occur after 24 hours, so if you find a tick on your pet, remove it right away.)

Grasp the tick very close to the skin with a pair of fine-tipped tweezers. With a steady motion, pull the tick's body away from the skin. Avoid crushing the tick to prevent infection. It is important to try to remove the ticks head. Do not twist or jerk the tick.

After removal, clean your pet's skin with soap and warm water and dispose of the tick. Dispose of the tick by submersing it in alcohol, placing it in a sealed bag/contained, wrapping it tightly in tape or flushing it down the toilet. Never crush a tick with your fingers.

Using these steps can help ensure the successful removal of ticks. Never use petroleum jelly, nail polish, a hot match, or other products to remove

a tick. Doing so can harm your pet and may cause an embedded tick to release more disease-carrying saliva. Your goal is remove the tick as quickly as possible -- not waiting for it to detach.

Flea and Tick Prevention can be purchased at nearly every store or directly from your vet. Any step you, as a pet owner, can take to further protect your furry friend is a step in the right direction!

MOST WANTED

WISHLIST ITEM!



Every month we feature an item on our wishlist that we are currently hoping for more of than any of the other items. This month, since we are now in the beginnings of kitten season, we are hoping you would be able to help us by donating Purina Kitten Chow. We use only Purina items to feed the animals at the shelter to keep them on a consistent diet each and every day, since so much is already changing in their lives. It also helps us to notice any changes in their eating habits if they are given the same food each month. If you are able to help, please purchase a bag of Purina Kitten Chow Nurture (yellow bag) and bring to the shelter! Tax receipts are available up on request and we will have you fill out an incoming donation form that includes an estimated value. Thank you so much for your donation!

SUCCESS STORY OF THE MONTH

Rascal

Say hello to the cat formerly named Rascal! He is now known as Kitten Sticks and is a friendly and laid back 1 year old cat that was surrendered to the shelter because the other cat in the home didn't like me. He found a great home with the Hanson-Pareek family! He is doing great in his new home and is very well taken care of! He likes to hang out on the patio with his family,



and cuddle up under the covers on the bed when he feels like it is time for a nap. He has also shown his new family his jumping abilities! He can really jump high and loves to show off! The Hanson-Pareek sent us the update about Rascal and said "thank you again for taking care of me (Rascal) so I could get a shot at another home and life. Thank YOU Hanson-Pareek Family for giving Kitten Sticks such a wonderful home!



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Fun Fact !

Did you know?

It takes nearly 4.5 hours each and every morning to walk all the dogs, clean all the kennels and make sure every animal has gotten their breakfast before the doors open at 11am. That doesn't include the rest of the day that is spent scrubbing litter boxes and laundry all day!



1ST ANNUAL DOG DAYS CARNIVAL

JOIN US FOR A FUN AFTERNOON OF GAMES, PRIZES AND EDUCATION!

We are hosting our first ever Carnival! Join us Sunday, July 23rd from noon to 3pm for lots of fun, education and a few prizes! There might even be a few surprise guests! Interested in being apart of the carnival as a sponsor or volunteer? Contact Meghan at meghanm@sfhumanesociety.com for more information on how to be a sponsor or if you would like to help out for the day!

Also be sure to mark you calendar for our upcoming events of Fore the Animals Golf Tournament on July 14th and Bark in the Park on August 26th.

It's not quite the Dog Days yet, but we are ready to celebrate it finally being summer! Won't you join us??

STAFF PICK OF THE MONTH!

Our staff pick this month is Hannah! Hannah came to the shelter as a stray and has been at the shelter for over 5 months! She is a big sweetheart who loves attention. She is very strong so would do best in a home with children that are 7 and older. She loves car rides and will stick her head out the window and just start sniffing! She does pretty well with strangers, but can be shy at first. She is waiting for her forever home. Will you help her find it? Visit her bio on our website or fill out an application and come spend time with her today! www.sfhumanesociety.com

