

# Chippewa Humane Association Newsletter

Winter 2019

# 2019 Purr and Paw Murder Mystery Dinner Tickets on Sale March 1!



The Chippewa Humane Association is happy to present this year's Murder Mystery Dinner; the edgy and sarcastic "Trailer Park Tragedy."

We have many wonderful members of our community living in first-rate mobile home parks. However, a trailer park not so well maintained as those in our community may lead to mayhem. This is not a mystery to depict reality, but a satirical reality taken to the extremes. Meant for fun and amusement.

Mark this date on your calendars, <u>April 6</u> at the *Chippewa Falls Eagles Club*, 2588 Hwy 53. Social hour begins at 5pm and Buffet Dinner at 6pm with many BBQ favorites to choose from.

Whether you plan to attend as an individual or sponsor, this is a great way to support a wonderful and worthy cause and promote your business at the same time!

#### Check out the different Sponsor Levels available;

<u>Manufactured Sponsor</u> - \$550—Dinner and cocktail tickets for **8 guests**, One free clue, Designated table signage, Introduction by our Master of Ceremonies, Company and/or personal name on event marketing.

<u>Modular Sponsor</u> - \$350—Dinner for **6 guests**, Designated table signage, Introduction by our Master of Ceremonies, Company and/or personal name on event marketing.

<u>Double-Wide Sponsor</u> - \$250—Dinner for **4 guests,** Designated table signage, Introduction by our Master of Ceremonies, Company and/or personal name on event marketing.

<u>Single-Wide Sponsor</u> - \$150—Dinner for **2 guests,** Designated table signage, Introduction by our Master of Ceremonies, Company and/or personal name on event marketing.

<u>Individuals</u>—\$38 per person, includes dinner buffet and entertainment.

It will be an evening filled with dinner, raffles, silent auctions, prizes, and a murder! Don't forget to dress the part. Prizes go to best dressed!

Tickets will be available March 1st online at chippewahumane.com and at the following vet offices:

- ♦ Chippewa Humane Association
- Chippewa Vet Clinic
- ♦ Lake Wissota Vet Clinic

If you can't attend but would like to help, please consider sponsoring a table and donating it for others to attend, or donating a prize for our raffle or silent auction. We are a 501(c)(3) organization and a portion of your donation is tax deductible.

### Chippewa Humane Stepping Up to Help



Domestic situations are hard and often the difficulty is compounded by having beloved pets that need to be kept safe. This too often means that a person who may be in danger may not be able to leave for fear of their pet being left in harm's way. Joining with the **Family Support Center**,

Chippewa Humane will be helping people who need to have their pets housed safely so that they may seek their own safe haven.

#### CHA is a 501(c)(3) Org

CHA does not receive any government funding or funds from the ASPCA or HSUS. CHA operates entirely on private donations, bequests, grants and fundraising events. We depend on sponsors and people like you everyday to save and give a second chance to animals.

Visit our website to learn more about how you can help!

### Where Are All the Dogs? Texas Dogs Come to Wisconsin

We are lucky that most of the time we only have 4 or 5 dogs to be adopted locally. We have so few that people actually ask, "Where are all the dogs?"

So starting in 2016 we've partnered with transports that coordinate with high euthanasia shelters where often don't have enough time to be adopted. So once or twice a month we have been able to save This is Dommie, a Texdogs that otherwise might not be so lucky.



as rescue adopted in 2017, currently very loved and spoiled.

In 2018 we saved 123 dogs and we will continue with this wonderful partnership as long as we still meet the needs of the community who are eager to adopt these sweet dogs. The dogs get a second chance and some loving families have the opportunity to add a wonderful furry family member!

It's a win-win for everyone!

Have you adopted one of our Texas dogs? Or any of our dogs, cats or small animals?? Please share your pictures and story with us, you may be featured in our next newsletter, on our FB page or upcoming blog (currently under development).

Email us at: info@chippewahumane.com

### **2019 Municipal Contracts**

### For 2019 the following municipalities have contracted with us for services:

Town of Anson City of Chippewa Falls **Town of Cooks Valley** City of Cornell Town of Eagle Point Town of Estella

Town of LaFayette Town of Holcombe Village of New Auburn City of Stanley Town of Wheaton Town of Woodmohr

#### What does it mean to Contract with Chippewa Humane?

When a municipality decides to contract with us, any stray or domestic animal (dog, cat, small animal) that a member of the public finds can be brought to us free of charge. The municipalities that contract with us also have a reduced surrender fee when a member of the public has to surrender one of their animals.

Chippewa Humane not only takes care of the basic food and shelter for any of the animals under our care, we also provide for any medical care necessary.

IF YOU DO NOT SEE YOUR MUNICIPALITY LISTED ABOVE, PLEASE CONTACT YOUR LOCAL TOWN/CITY BOARD WITH ANY QUESTIONS YOU MAY HAVE.

## Help Us By Shopping at AmazonSmile!

#### What is AmazonSmile?



**AmazonSmile** is a simple and automatic way for you to support your favorite charitable organization, Chippewa Humane Association, every time you shop, at no cost to you.

When you shop at smile.amazon.com, you'll find the exact same low prices, vast selection and convenient shopping experience as Amazon.com, with the added

bonus that Amazon will donate a portion of the purchase price to your favorite charitable organization. You can choose from over one million organizations to support.

The AmazonSmile Foundation will donate 0.5% of the purchase price from your eligible AmazonSmile purchases. The purchase price is the amount paid for the item minus any rebates and excluding shipping & handling, giftwrapping fees, taxes, or service charges.

### **Cold Weather Safety Tips for Pets**

With winter weather upon us, dealing with the cold, snow, and ice can be a challenge for us and our pets. Here's a few tips to help keep your pets safe.



Keep your pet safe in the cold and snow!

- 1. For most dog breeds, unless they are cold weather breeds or highly acclimatized, if it's too cold for you, it's probably too cold for them.
- 2. Watch the TOXINS! Deicing compounds, like salt, can be dangerous and antifreeze is deadly!
- 3. Prepare disaster/emergency kits including food, water and medications to last at least 5 days.

- 4. Protect the paws! A little Vaseline or specialty paw protectant can help to protect your dog's paws from drying, cracking or cold weather damage.
- 5. A warm car engine can be inviting in the cold. Take a moment to look under your car or bang on the hood to remove feline hitchhikers.
- 6. Don't leave your pet unattended for long periods of time outdoors or in a vehicle. Shorten walks unless your pets is protected, ie. Booties and a jacket especially for smaller/shorter coated breeds.

These are just a few tips to help keep your pet safe.

# So Many "Thank-Yous"!

**Chippewa Humane** is blessed to have so many who support us and help us and we'd like to take a moment to say 'Thank You' to some of those wonderful people and businesses who have stepped up!

With the cold and snowy winter weather we have been dealing with and will continue to do so, a big shout out to Mike Hanley and Lake Wissota Docks for snowplowing our driveway for free all winter.

To the wonderful vets and clinics that help us everyday take care of our animals; Chippewa Vet Clinic, Northside Pet Hospital, Kindness Animal Hospital, Lake Wissota Animal Hospital, and Riverview Vet.



Eagles Club Meat Raffle

#### Fur Bowl

The annual 9-Pin Tap Fur Bowl was held on February 2nd at Falls Bowl in Chippewa Falls. 91 bowlers participated in the event with \$2,500.00 being raised to donate to the shelter. A big thank you to all who bowled as well as to those who donated items to raffle. Helping to make this event a success were Deb Murphy, Carla Steinmetz, Linda Burlingame, Karen Clark, Jerry Clark, Penny West, Marelene Smith, Jenny Schneider, Wanda Bone, Laury Konwinski, Roxi Falkner, Carol Robideaux and Chris Franz. Thank you to Falls Bowl for their assistance as well.

#### **Eagles Club Meat Raffle**

The Eagles Club in Chippewa Falls hosted a Meat Raffle on January 17 with the proceeds to benefit the CHA. Almost \$650 was raised for the shelter and there were many happy raffle winners and a lot of great prizes. Many thanks to everyone who donated, helped, and supported us!

We also want to thank our many adopters and fosters who give our animal homes and love they so need and deserve.

Please, share your stories and pictures with us:

info@chippewahumane,com

We have had lots of donations of food and toys for the Holiday season from many people. Here are a few of the groups that donated:

- ♦ Logistic Health Inc.
- ♦ Southview Elementary
- ♦ SandBar and Grill
- ♦ Hillcrest Elementary
- Chippewa Candy Shop
- ♦ Eric's Diamonds & Fine Jewelry
- Stratton Family and Friends
- ♦ D & D Safe Ride Crew
- ♦ Girl Scout Troop #3209
- Donna Schrader Family

And so, so many more! Thank you all! You all make it worthwhile every day for us and those we care for!

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### Low-Cost Spay/Neuter Clinic for Cats!

Here are the dates of a low-cost Spay/Neuter Clinic for Cats!

Purple Cat Mobile Veterinary Clinic will be in Eau Claire on 3/3 (almost full but can be added to wait list) 3/14, 3/21, and 3/28. Please contact Logan Lindgren by private message on Facebook to schedule an appointment.

Also, please make sure to check out Purple Cat Mobile Veterinary Clinic's website, <u>www.purplecatvet.com</u>, for more information.

## Please, please spay and neuter.

We were brought the first stray kittens of the year. We are hoping to have a record low kitten season. Help out by spaying and neutering your pets!

Together we can reduce the stray population.



### Meet Our Rockstar—Bon Jovi the 3-Legged Feline!



We received a call from the vet that a good Samaritan brought in a cat that was found on the side of the road injured. The vet did Xrays and determined that the cat had been shot and needed to have his leg amputated because the bone was shattered.

The cat got to hangout with us a few days and he was absolutely such a love bug. He would rub all over everyone and roll over to get tummy pets. His rockstar person-

ality got him the name Bon Jovi.

Bon Jovi's surgery date came and everything went very well. We didn't think he would actually need to be picked up from the vet office because all of the Vet Techs fell in love with him. He has been resting and recovering well. He has adapted very quickly to his new gait.

Bon Jovi was a guest on WQOW for pet of the week recently and we received a call from someone wanting to foster to possibly adopt. Our fingers are crossed, but we believe he will be adopted very soon.

This cat was able to have a second chance at life because of our Emergency Fund we have for animals that come in with injuries. Any donations to this fund are always welcome because of the many strays we take in that need medical attention.

Special thanks to Chippewa Vet Clinic and Riverview Animal Hospital/Carmi Simonson DVM for helping us take care of this lovebug!

A wonderful update to Bon Jovi's story—he's been Adopted!!

### **Board of Directors**

Deb Newman—President
Pamela Gibbs—Vice President
Lori Mueller—Treasurer
Christine Myers—Secretary
Holly Morrison—Shelter Director
Paula Young
Nick Goeman
Deanna Raeke

Interested in joining the Board?

Email board@chippewahumane.com

### **Board of Directors Openings**

The CHA Board of Directors is comprised of nine seats filled with members of the community plus the Shelter Director. We currently have two vacant positions.

The board meets each month, meetings are held at 6pm on the second Monday of each month at the Chippewa County Court House, room 119Q.

Basic responsibilities include: helping to shape and achieve the CHA mission; selecting and supporting the Shelter Director and assessing his/her performance; ensuring effective organizational planning; ensuring long-term financial viability; exercising fiduciary responsibility and oversight; ensuring adequate resources and assist in fundraising; determining, monitoring, and strengthening CHA programs and services; enhancing the public standing of the CHA; ensuring the legal and ethical integrity and maintaining accountability; recruiting and orienting new Board members and assess Board performance

If you are interested in learning more about the Board or attending a Board meeting, please contact the Shelter Manager or current Board Member.

### Chippewa Humane Association

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### **Our Mission at CHA**

The Chippewa Humane Association; also known as the Howard Gibbs Memorial Animal Shelter, seeks to relieve the suffering of homeless companion animals. By setting an example of excellence in animal care and placement, humane education, and community leadership, we can successfully emphasize their importance.

#### Who We Serve and What We Do

We serve the Chippewa County in the state of Wisconsin and its surrounding areas. The Chippewa Humane Association takes in stray cats and dogs from contracted municipalities in Chippewa County as well as surrendered companion animals.

We have cats, dogs and the occasional reptile or other domesticated small animals available for adoption at our facility and at the cat adoption center in PetSmart of Eau Claire. There are no time limits that regulate how long adoptable animals are available at our facility or adoption centers. As long as the animal remains in good health and temperament, it is available until it is adopted.

The Chippewa Humane Association works with members of the community to educate all ages about the humane treatment of animals. We work closely with national and local groups to reach our mission and strengthen the connection between people and companion animals.

## Highlights 2018

#### **Adoptions**

Dog Adoptions—213 Cat Adoptions—453 Small Animal Adoptions—19

#### **Shelter Improvements**

- Heat-patch and seal coated the parking lot
- Separated the heating and AC systems to be more efficient
- New stainless steel sink and countertops in the kitchen
- New copier/printer/fax machine
- Added rain gutters on one of the garages
- Mud-jacked the sidewalks to level them out

#### Grants

New washers thanks to a grant made possible through the *Community Foundation of Chippewa County*.

New microscope thanks to a grant made possible by the *Edwin and Evelyn Nyhus Centennial Endowment Fund through the Community Foundation of Chippewa County.* 

#### Special Events

We received a check for \$10,000 from Marquart for their event, Marquart Gives Back

Scorch from 92.9, The X, donated \$5,000 from his Paws for the Cause event.

# Save the Date Upcoming Events

**Mark your calendars!** These are the current planned events for the Chippewa Humane Association, including Board Meetings.

There may be other events that are not yet planned and/or outside benefits for the shelter.

- ◆ Purr and Paw Murder Mystery Dinner—April 6
- ♦ Stuff a Truck—TBD
- ♦ Dog walk—Sept 28
- ♦ Packer Raffle—Dec TBD
- Board Meetings are held the 2nd Monday of each month at 6pm at the Chippewa County Courthouse, Room 119Q

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OR YOU CAN GO TO CHIPPEWAHUMANE.COM AND SECURELY DONATE THROUGH NET-WORK FOR GOOD VIA THE "DONATE NOW" BUTTON!

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