



November 2018 Happenings



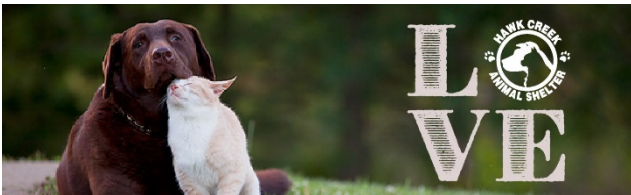
November is the month for giving. Please consider donating to the Hawk Creek Animal Shelter either through our website (thehskmc.com), sending it in the mail (P.O. Box 709 Willmar 56201) or the two online giving platforms we are working with. Thursday November 15th is Give to the Max/GiveMN Day. Then on Tuesday November 27th is Giving Tuesday. As a non-profit a majority of our funding comes through wonderful donors like you. To keep the shelter open for the over 1850 animals that enter the shelter we need to budget \$375,000.00 for the expenses. We must pay employees, utilities (heat, air, electricity, water) medical care and for food. We receive funding from Kandiyohi County, Meeker County, the City of Willmar and from other communities we contract with to house their strays and we are very thankful for their support. Our Board of Directors hold fundraisers. We have a membership program and a monthly giving program. Again, much of our funding comes from donors. So, please consider a gift this holiday season to the animal shelter. We are very grateful for your support.



and we will be there! On Friday, November 9th we will be at the Willmar Location from 5:00-7:00 p.m. Then on Saturday November 10th from 12- 4:00 we will be at the Willmar Location and if we can get enough volunteers we will be at the Waite Park location on Saturday as well. Just so you know, the two PetSmart stores on average adopt out 10 felines each week for our shelter. If you happen to shop there, please tell them thank you! This is a wonderful partnership for us.



Wednesday November 21st. Yep, it's time again for another Bagging for Tips event at the Willmar Cub Foods store in Willmar. Get a team together. We need folks to help from 10 a.m.-6:00 p.m. We typically do 2-hour shifts. If you can't help for that long of a time period, we will work with you. This event not only brings in needed funding for the shelter, but it raises awareness of who we are and what we do.



ONLINE STORE-Shop and help the shelter. Order now and items will be shipped to you before Christmas. Visit <https://bakergraphicsinc.tuosystems.com/stores/hawkcreek>



Volunteer Training for New Shelter Volunteers:

Tuesday Nov. 6th at 4:30 p.m.

Tuesday Nov. 13th at 4:00 p.m.

Saturday Nov. 24th at 11:00 p.m.

We can always use volunteers to help at the shelter or with offsite events. Trainings are approximately 45-60 mins long. Trainings are listed above and we need to have volunteers leave at the end of the training if we are closing. You only need to attend one training. Families are encouraged to participate. There is a form that needs to be filled out at shelter or online at www.thehskmc.com. Kids that are 12 and older can volunteer without an adult present, but their time is limited to 2 hours per visit. All trainings are held at the Hawk Creek Animal Shelter. You do not need to pre-register. Persons 17 years of age & under must have a parent or guardian sign the form. Children 11 & under need to be accompanied by an adult.



Pet Therapy Visits:

- Thursday Nov. 1st: 1:30 at Club Suites, 2:30 at Bethesda Memory Care
- Thursday Nov. 15th: 1:30 Brookdale, 2:30 at Copperleaf
- Wednesday Nov. 21st: 1:00 at Rice Care Center, 2:00 at Scandia House
- Wednesday Nov. 28th: 12:45 at C.A.R.E.S., 2:00 at Bethesda Grand

Please Join Us!! We are always looking for animal handlers. The residents truly enjoy it and so do the animals and volunteers.

FOR MORE INFORMATION ON THE ABOVE EVENTS EMAIL MICHELE BUSSKOHL AT volunteercoordinator.hskmc@gmail.com



Many, many thanks to everyone who purchased Raffle Tickets, attended the 4 Miles Four Paws Walk, the 1st Annual Fall Festival and the French Toast Breakfast. We also want to thank the Committee Members for all their hard work. It's been a great year. Save the Date for the 13th Annual Save Our Tails Event on Friday February 22, 2019.



The 2018 dates are November 12th. The 2019 dates are Jan 7, Mar 4, Jun 10, Aug 5, Oct 14, Dec 23. Please tell your family, friends, and co-workers about this low cost spay/neuter program. Register animals now as the calendar fills up. You can register online at MNSNAP.org or by calling 612-720-8236.

OTHER WAYS TO FINANCIALLY SUPPORT THE SHELTER:



Milk Moola®, brought to you by Kwik Trip and Kwik Star stores is one of the easiest fundraising programs your organization will find. Your organization can earn 5¢ for every cap or bag top collected from Kwik Trip and Kwik Star's Nature's Touch® products. There is no limit to the amount of cash you can earn and you can use it for school trips, new books, or playground equipment, the possibilities are endless.

FAMILY FARE: If you shop at the Litchfield Family Fare Grocery Store, please save your receipts.

We will be collecting them and turning them in to receive a percentage of the total purchase. Cori Heacock who is Meeker County Administrator Assistant has a box at her window in the County Building. Anyone in the community can stop by and drop their receipts in anytime during normal business hours of M-F 8a-4:30p. Otherwise, mail them to the Hawk Creek Animal Shelter at P.O. Box 709 Willmar, MN 56201



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If you order online through Amazon, sign up for Amazon Smiles as a percentage of your online purchase comes back to the shelter. You can find us under Humane Society of Kandiyohi & Meeker Counties. The shelter also has a wish list on our website and if you order through Amazon it can be shipped right to the shelter.



Hawk Creek Animal Shelter A New campaign has begun. Our Campaign number is 39460. When ordering, search for our shelter under the zip code 56201 and chose Humane Society of Kandiyohi & Meeker Counties.



Use code **MEOFIVE** for 5% off New "Tuft & Paw" Go to our website and click on this link when purchasing cat furniture. The shelter will receive 10% of your purchase.



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link. For a new account, Chewy.com will send the shelter \$20.

Go to our website and click on this

- **DONATION WISH LIST**

- **Garbage Bags**
 - Heavy Duty 33-gallon size **
 - 13 and 8-gallon Kitchen bags**
- **Mop Heads**
 - Blue Industrial style
- **Hand Dish Soap**
- **Liquid Dishwasher Machine Soap**
- **Simple Green**
- **Mr. Clean magic erasers ****
- **Disinfecting Wipes ****
 - Clorox or Lysol
- **Paper Towels**
- **Swiffer dusters- for dusting wands and floor sweepers**
- **Toilet Paper and Kleenex**
- **Toilet Cleaner**
- **Distilled water**
- **Dog/ Cat Food for food shelf ****
- **Ice Cream buckets (lids required) ****
- **Towels/ blankets (sorry, no sheets)**
- **Crates – wire or plastic**
- **Dog Biscuits/Tasty treats**
- **Scoopable Cat Litter**
- **Durable Pet Toys**
- **Rawhide or hard bones**
- **Copier paper ****
- **Sticky notes**
- **Black Pens/ Red Pens**

All monetary donations go towards the General Fund, the Medical Expense Fund, the Animal Sponsorship fund, or the Public Spay/Neuter fund. You may specify which fund you want to donate to.

**Needed most frequently

OTHER FUN INFO!



If you live in Willmar, don't forget to visit the Willmar City Dog Park. Taunton Stadium and West Central Industries locate it. Marie Lingl at Fancy Coats also has a very large dog park and they have membership fees.



There are several dog training classes that are offered in the area.



Watch for us in the West Central Tribune and in the Litchfield Independent Review for our featured Pet of the Week.



Listen for us every Friday morning at 8:10 on Big Country 100.3 as we do Pet of the Week on the air. We are also on Open Mic the second Wednesday of every month, 10 a.m. on KWLM Radio.



If you haven't become a member of the Humane Society, please consider becoming one today! We have several membership levels. Memberships help us provide care to the animal that come into our shelter and helps us run programs that benefit people and animals.

The full Board of Directors meet the 4th Thursday of the month; January, February, April, May, July, August, October, and November at 5:45p.m. at the Kandiyohi County Historical Society meeting room. For the March, June, September, and December meetings, they are held at the Meeker County Court House building in the lower level meeting rooms, same times.

The shelter is open Tuesday through Fridays 12 noon until 6:00 p.m., Saturday and Sundays noon until 4:00 p.m. We are closed on Mondays and major Holidays.

Front Office and Adoption Center contact Rachelle, Michelle A., Michele B. Eva, Lacey, at shelter@thehskmc.com or 320-235-7612

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