

Changing Lives, One Adoption At A Time

July 2024

Opportunity to learn, network and grow....

Recently two representatives from Safe Haven attended the national Animal Care Expo, the largest international educational conference for animal welfare professionals and volunteers - with over 2,500 attendees! After sending one of our cat care coordinators to this conference in 2022, we saw first hand what an amazing learning opportunity this conference is. This year the conference was held in San Antonio and we were excited to send our Shelter Manager Lindsey. In addition, another one of our volunteers, Kimberly, decided to attend the conference too. They both said that the four day conference exceeded their expectations, are excited to implement some changes, and hope to go again in the future. Kimberly reports:





"This was such a great learning opportunity with over 100 workshops/seminars to choose from and a huge Expo Hall with nearly 100 vendors. Lindsey and I were also able to volunteer for a drive-thru Community Microchipping Event at the San Antonio City Shelter one afternoon, and networking among so many other passionate animal lovers for 4 days was so motivating! While there we worked and learned alongside shelter staff and volunteers, some in similar situations as Safe Haven and many in much larger settings. I am passionate about making sure we are trying to learn how to provide the best care for the cats and dogs at Safe Haven, while also learning how to best serve our community and the animals needing help

all around us. We spent a lot of time learning how to assess our animals and ensure they are thriving while they wait for adoption, ways to reduce barriers to adoption, and ways to improve communication from ourselves as representatives of Safe Haven - not only within our organization as we talk with each other, but also with everyone that we come into contact with as they come to us for help. Attending this conference for me was definitely a perfect way to learn, network, and grow - and I truly believe the more we learn the better we can do! I am already starting to save up to be able to attend the conference again next year!"



June Adoptions



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More June Adoptions



Welcome KIND Care















We had the privilege of hosting the KIND Care Summer Program for a full afternoon of learning about pet care and volunteering while working on a few cleaning tasks, crafting enrichment toys for the kitties, and helping walk a few of our pups.

It's not very often that we have a large group of eager bodies through our facility - but with many great willing learners along with their awesome support staff & Safe Haven volunteers...I think we can all say it was a great opportunity for all!



Thank You!



















We are so thankful for the addition of "doggie turf" to one of our play yards! We had a generous donation of this turf from our friends at <u>Two Sisters Kennels</u> in West Branch. They had a little left over from one of their outdoor projects and kindly thought of us.

Our volunteers tackled this project in stages and one of our favorite pups, Wally, was the first one to "approve" the project! Many thanks to Marlys Smith, Reggie Swartzendruber, Jeff and Kimberly Buresh, Mark Huffman, and Paul Risner for providing some elbow grease to get this project done. If anyone is needing dog boarding, doggie daycare, dog training, or grooming - please check out Two Sisters Kennels, and tell them how much we appreciate their generosity and support at Safe Haven!

Thank you INTEGRATED DNA TECHNOLOGIES













We want to give a HUGE shout out & thank-you to an awesome group of volunteers from Integrated DNA Technologies. This group dug right in on many not-so-glorious cleaning, yard, and maintenance tasks. From weeding flower beds (in the blazing heat), hanging shades over skylights to help shade the dog's kennels, mopping & sweeping, to clearing our dog walking trails. They were truly a great help!



If your workplace is looking for a volunteer opportunity & may have a few pet lovers on board, please reach out via email (adoptions@wesavepets.com) to discuss arrangements.

New Kids on the Block



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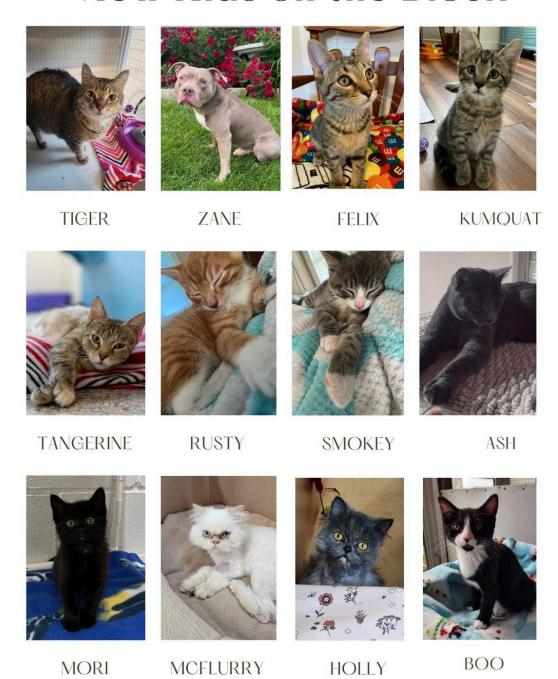


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TORA WITH DAISY, ROCKY & BUBBA

New Kids on the Block



Out and About with Doug



Recently, Doug started his morning with a trip to downtown Iowa City to check out the nearby farmer's market with one of our volunteers. A visit to Briarwood Healthcare Center was next on the agenda! As always, Doug brought many cheerful smiles to their residents. A nap on the way home was a must - a good boy like this fella needs a nice long rest after a big morning full of fun.



98.1 KHAK

Our two Golden Girls were featured on 98.1 KHAK's Furry Friday segment. Abby Rose & Mackenzie loaded their stroller buggy up and hit the road to the big city. These two enjoyed their time out & about Lots of love, treats, pets, and a nap on the ride back home.



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Gabbie found a family who encourages her love of adventure. She loves walks & to go for rides in the car, truck, or 4x4 UTV. She has also gone for a dip in the pool.



What's better than watching birds with your new BFF? Ramona can't think of anyth...BIRD!



"Emmy (aka Wiley) is playful, silly, travels really well, and is becoming more and more affectionate each day. She has brought so much joy into my life."



"The NEW life of lil' Sophie. She is the best" reports her family. Looks like Sophie agrees.

Bonate some time at Safe Haven and you will get back so much more!

Fill out a volunteer form at wesavepets.com or ask for more information. Orientation for July is the first Sunday at 3PM and the 20th at 12PM.

We have volunteer opening for lots of different abilities such as:

- Direct care such as dog walking, litterbox cleaning, feeding, medicating, and providing enrichment and lots of love!
- · Outdoor and building projects.
- Fostering and socializing both young and old.
- Community cat trapping & transport for our spay and neuter project.
- · General cleaning and organizing.
- · Event planning and assisting at events.



Don't Forget!

Bring us your cans and bottles!

The money is used to support our

Trap/Spay/Neuter/Return program for

feral and community cats.

For more information, email Mary at adoptions@wesavepets.com.



The Can Shed picking up nearly \$500 worth of cans and bottles!

Taking Care of Business

Financial News:

May Expenses

Supplies	1,589.05
Payroll & Taxes	5,124.64
IHA Spay/Neuter	658.00
Specialized Vet Service	s 1,003.20
Surgery Suite Supplies	808.39
Water	103.88
Electric	346.48
Internet/Phone `	104.81
Garbage	35.00
Accounting Services	400.00
Office Supplies	68.20
Grounds & Maintenance	e 139.81
Fundraising Expense	20,792.52
TOTAL	\$31,173.98

June Surgical Suite Update:

Cat surgical suite:

- 4 spays and 6 neuters
- 10 microchips
- 52 doses of wormers
- 44 doses ear meds
- 52 distemper vaccines
- 7 rabies vaccines
- 34 doses of Revolution
- 7 nail trims
- 13 FIV/FeLV tests
- 2 Sub Q fluids
- · 6 lab samples
- 2 ear cleanings
- 1 anti nausea injection
- 2 Capstar flea pills



Dog surgical suite

- 1 neuter
- 1 Bordetella vaccine
- 2 heartworm tests
- 1 anal glands expressed
- 1 lab sample



Holly & McFlurry were so matted they had to be shaved. Time for them to regain their beauty!

Safe Haven Board Members



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Kimberly Buresh



Nancy Kohrt



Susan Shaull-Scheer



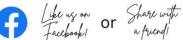
Colleen **Bowers**

Board Meetings

Safe Haven's Board of Directors meets on the first Tuesday of every month via Zoom at 6:30pm. If you ever have concerns or questions that you would like to discuss with the board, please feel free to attend the first half an hour of the board meeting. If you are unable to attend at that time, you can always email the shelter at adoptions@wesavepets.com, with your concerns.









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