

Changing Lives, One Adoption At A Time

August 2024

Meow Luau



Who can resist a reason to celebrate adorable kittens and cats? We know we sure can't at Safe Haven, so we decided to throw a party the whole month of August and are calling it a "MEOW LUAU". This Hawaiian themed party includes an adoption promotion where you can adopt two new feline friends for one adoption fee of \$75 - a real B.O.G.O. deal! This promotion is celebrating our amazing kittens and cats up for adoption, and will hopefully help make room in the shelter because we are bursting at the seams!

This "MEOW LUAU" adoption promotion is one way we hope to be able to increase the number of cats we can help - so please spread the word!

Sadly every year at this time we receive daily phone calls, emails, and social media messages about kittens that someone has recently found and needs help with.

This gets overwhelming for our volunteers, because unfortunately, we just can't take them all in immediately. So we have to help with a temporary plan - often supplying people with food and supplies until we have resources available and can take them into Safe Haven. While a kitty is on our waiting list for intake, we often can secure a vet appointment for them to be spayed/neutered and vaccinated using money collected from our donated cans/bottles fund. We have raised over \$4,000 this year already from all of the cans and bottles donated - isn't that incredible? So this money comes from all over our community when they drop off their redeemable cans and bottles, and we feel like using the money to help people spay/neuter community or stray cats just makes sense and is a win:win! We know we can never adopt our way out of cat overpopulation, we must help by getting to the root of the problem! So keeping with our mission of helping as many kitties as possible, we hope our "MEOW LUAU" party is a huge success and with the B.O.G.O. deal we can find homes for all of our adoptable kittens and cats!



July Adoptions







JW

HOLLY

LUCY









MURPHY

MCFLURRY

ROCKY

DIRK







PENNY (ON RIGHT)





















A few months ago, volunteers on our Enrichment Committee decided to create a huge dog digging pit in an unused area in a back room. Many thanks to Amanda, who raised \$500 for materials, and the amazing folks at TNT in Williamsburg for supporting Safe Haven. They are a wonderful dog-loving local family-owned business that we encourage anyone in our community to support! Lastly, thanks to the volunteers that helped prep the area, and all that helped with the bucket brigade to get the sand into the building - we were lucky enough to have Amanda's husband, Dustin, and coworkersAND several Iowa Hawkeye Football players here for a little pre-season workout - shoveling and carrying all that sand!

Millstream "Tour de Brew"!













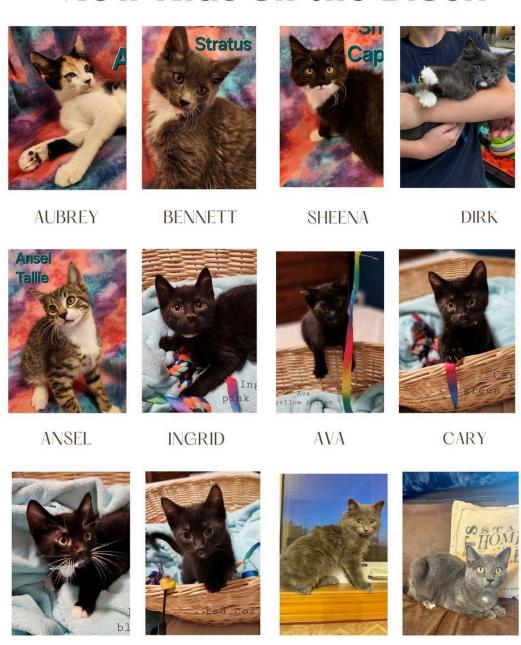






We truly have some of the best human beings volunteering at Safe Haven! This amazing crew today sat out in a hot parking lot rotating dogs to come out and meet hundreds of bike riders on the Millstream Brewing Co. "Tour de Brew", and also served watermelon, bananas, ice cold bottled water, and baked goods - raising over \$600 for our cats and dogs! Now that is dedication - and the best part is a few of our pets have already received adoption applications from a couple riders!

New Kids on the Block



SPENCER

GARBANZO

CHICKPEA

HUMPHREY

New Kids on the Block









The VFW Auxiliary Post 8797 and Safe Haven of Iowa County are teaming up to raise funds for our local veterans and our local animal shelter with the "Support A Vet, Save A Pet" 5K and one-mile fun run/walk!! This is the first ever joint-event between these two great organizations, please join us and help make it a success! There will also be a Waffle Breakfast following the event at St Paul's United Methodist Church in Williamsburg for everyone to enjoy - so it is full morning of activities and ways to support useven if you aren't a runner! Registration is already open so RUN or WALK over to the link below to sign up: www.supportavetsaveapet5k.ludus.com/

Out and About



Abby Rose and Mackenzie, our lively senior sisters, brightened the day of residents at Briarwood with their charm and a few kisses.



Stewie kicked off July 4th by stopping in to visit his buddy Terry at Highland Ridge. Getting to see Terry's daughter Jill and meet his two grandkids was just icing on the cake!





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Our new lovely ladies recently went on an adventure to see Courtlin and Brain. They did great in the studio....Sweetie wanted to explore and Betty just wanted to cuddle - this mature pair of cats are so perfect!



Alumni with their BFF's



Happy Gotcha Day, Remy!!

Remy loves running in the tall native grasses CRP and LOVES chasing the "tweety" birds!! His unadulterated joy makes his human's heart sing and makes her smile!!

Remy has come a very long way this last year, and has conquered all of his fears. He was even able to participate in hunting training with his 10 month old GSP brother, Yogi.



Two Safe Haven alumni chums (George and Reese) enjoyed a rambunctious playdate! It's always fun to catch up with friends.



Ralph can tell you the best part of finding a place to call your own is when you also find the perfect napping buddy along with it.



Kumquat, now Frankie, is all settled in to the good life complete with a new big sister. She loves getting into her harness and exploring outside and cuddling later in the house.

Ponate 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 August is the first Sunday at 3PM and the 17th at 12PM

September's training will be held on the 1st at 3pm.

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.



\$500 worth of cans and bottles!

Taking Care of Business

Financial News:

June 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

July Surgical Suite Update:

Cat surgical suite:

- 14 spays and 11 neuters
- 26 microchips
- 44 doses of wormers
- 19 doses ear meds
- 44 distemper vaccines
- 6 rabies vaccines
- 12 doses of Revolution
- 24 nail trims
- 12 FIV/FeLV tests
- 5 Sub Q fluids

More cat surgical suite

- 2 lab samples
- 6 ear cleanings
- 4 immune stimulant injections
- 7 B12 injections
- 2 serum injections

Dog surgical suite

- 1 Bordetella vaccine
- 1 heartworm test
- 1 Distemper vaccine





Among the therapies used to help kittens become healthy is a substance called serum. It is produced when blood samples are spun in a centrifuge to separate the liquid (serum) from solid particles. Serum contains protein, electrolytes, and antibodies that can be helpful to newborn orphaned kittens who did not receive colostrum from their mother, kittens with severe eye infections, or kittens suffering from maladies that are not responding to other treatments as well as hoped. Tangerine was a wonderfully healthy donor of much-needed serum for kittens who have not been thriving or responding well to antibiotic treatments.

Safe Haven Board Members



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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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