



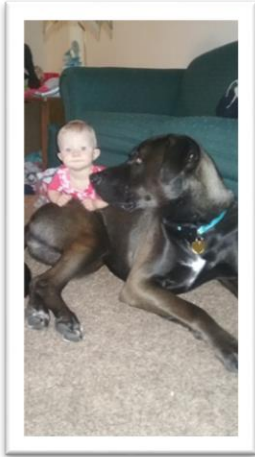
Aberdeen Area Humane Society

NEWS BITES

3RD QUARTER 2017 NEWSLETTER, JULY, AUGUST, SEPTEMBER

Shelter Spotlight

Bear's Story



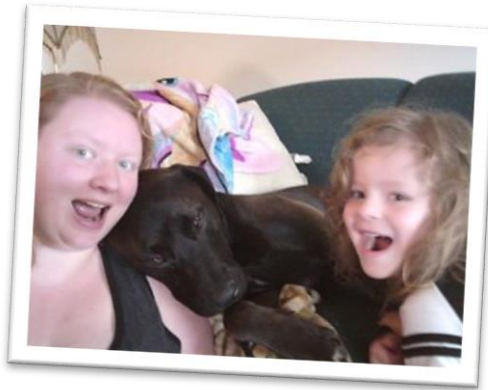
Bear was adopted out in the beginning of June 2017 after coming into the shelter March of 2016.

Bear and his brother Gus were big dogs who were often

afraid of new people. Luckily for Bear, he had a family who was willing to take a chance on him. Bear's new mom recently gave us an update saying, "You have made my life so much easier and

have helped us find what that little piece was missing from making our family feel complete!"

We often say all it takes is one. One



person to give a dog a chance.

Thank you Sweitzer family for giving Bear a chance at his FURever home!

Bear's brother Gus has also since been adopted.

WHAT DOES MY DONATION PROVIDE?

\$10

Will provide treats for our animal guests!

\$25

Will vaccinate one dog per month!

\$50

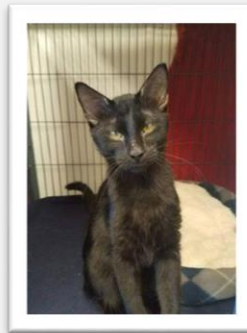
Will cover one spay or neuter surgery!

\$100

Will help rehabilitate an animal abuse victim by providing food, shelter, veterinary care and placement in a new loving home!

Bad Luck!

The staff may be crossing the paths of too many black cats lately, because we have had quite the streak of bad luck! In the last couple of months we have had several building repairs that needed to be taken care of immediately. First, our air conditioning unit needed repairs due to it leaking an excessive amount of water. Then a pipe which runs underneath the big dog side kennels broke. The pipe had to be capped and we had to run new pipe on the outside of the wall to keep our sink functional. After those crises were averted, we were advised that duct work underneath the main part of the building had rusted out and needs to be replaced before heating the facility this winter. Just when we thought nothing more could go wrong, the water heater went out and a brand new one was installed. And just to add insult to injury, a sensor went out on our dryer and we are still waiting for a replacement part as of this writing. As all homeowners know, these repairs do not come free! **We could really use some extra help to pick up these unforeseen costs!** And maybe someone to adopt our resident black cat Binx!



Binx, is an adoptable 7 month old male cat at the AAHS right now! He is a cuddly boy who loves soft and snuggly beds. Binx gets along with other cats and would do well in a variety of homes! While he happens to be a black cat, we are certain he has nothing to do with our recent string of bad luck!

WHIMSICAL CATS QUILT RAFFLE

The "Whimsical Cats" Quilt Raffle will run through November 19th. Contact the shelter or any board member to purchase, \$5 each or 5 for \$20. The quilt was made and donated by Barb Imberi, quilting donated by Mary Mohr of Mohr's Quilting.

YEAR-TO-DATE SHELTER REPORT JAN 1ST - SEP 30TH, 2017

Dogs In: 188
Cats In: 100
Rabbits In: 7
Dogs Adopted: 174
Cats Adopted: 95
Rabbits Adopted: 7

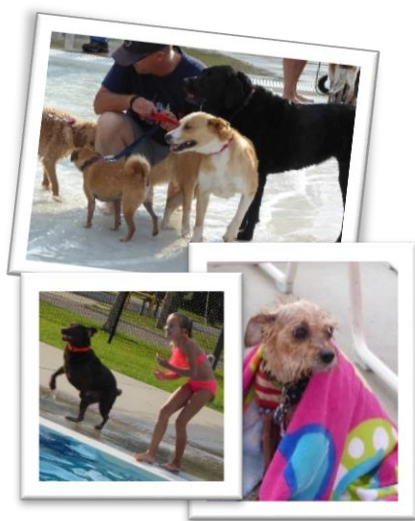
Recent & Upcoming Events!

The AAHS Staff and Board have been busy in the last few months! We have been out at multiple events promoting adoptions and raising money for our shelter. Here is a look at a few of our recent events and a couple of upcoming events!

Recent

“Gone To the Dogs” Pool Day

On August 20th the Aberdeen Aquatic Center closed for the season, but then reopened their doors from 5:30 to 7:30 pm to allow humans and dogs to enjoy



the pool together! If you have never experienced dog pool day, it is quite a sight! There is one of every size and breed of dog, and a person can't help but to smile when watching the pure joy the pool brings to both dog and their owners. When it was all said and done, 290 4-legged visitors went for a swim and the AAHS took home a car load of donations!

Cat Yoga

Cat Yoga continues to be a huge hit over at Profiling Beauty Health and Wellness Center. The



first Saturday of every month a few of

our shelter cats partake in yoga! If you haven't tried it out, you really should! We guarantee you'll leave “feline” good!

Tractor Supply Pet Appreciation Day

The Tractor Supply Store held their annual Pet Appreciation Week, with their main event on Saturday, September 16th. They invited us over to help celebrate all animals! Jax, a very large black lab was lucky enough to come along and meet some new people! Everyone fell in love with Jax, and Jax fell in love with homemade dog treats! Shortly after his debut Jax went to his FURever home!



2nd Paw Sale

On Saturday, September 23rd, 2017 the Aberdeen Area Humane Society held our Fall 2nd Paw Sale at the Brown



County Fairgrounds Clubhouse. It was an overcast day with thousands of donated items for

sale. Thankfully the rain held off so shoppers could have their choice of all sorts of treasures, everything including the kitchen sink! Hopefully, you found what you were looking for, and a few things you didn't know you wanted! We would like to thank all of you who attended, donated or helped! We

couldn't make it happen without you. For spring 2018 sale information watch our website or Facebook page.

Upcoming

Rescue Run 5K

On Saturday, October 7th we will be facilitating our 1st (hopefully annual) Rescue Run 5K! The event will start and end at the Brown County Fairgrounds and will allow runners and walkers the option to participate with their 4-legged best friend! We want to thank our main sponsors DFS Insurance and Steven Lust Chevrolet, along with our secondary sponsors, Tractor Supply Store, Ken's Superfair Foods, Dakota Structured Cabling, Geffdog, and Leonard and Cindy Suel. We'll let you know how it went in our next issue of News Bites!

Microchip Clinic

Along with the 5K, we are also hosting a microchip clinic at the fairgrounds on October 7th from 11 AM to 2 PM. Microchips provide permanent identification for your pet, so they can be easily found if they get lost. A microchip is about the size of a grain of rice and is inserted underneath the skin, quickly and easily. We will also start offering the service to anyone by appointment at the AAHS. Microchips will cost \$40 for the first pet and \$25 for any additional pets.

Holiday Sale

We will once again be holding our annual Holiday Sale at the Aberdeen Mall in the old Payless Shoe Store on November 18-19th. A wide variety of gently used Christmas decorations will be available for purchase! We hope to see you there!

Wooftrax Walk For A Dog Shoe Fundraiser

Hang on to those unwanted shoes gathering dust in your closet, they may be used for good! More on this upcoming event soon!

HONORARIUMS

Elodie Schmierer In Honor of Beloved Cat Trixie
Kim Hall In Honor of "Spud" & "Beasty" of the Grandpre Family
Laura DeMio in Honor of Carol Bilski's Birthday

MEMORIALS

John & Cynthia Koerner In Memory of Roy & Bernie Burt's Cat 'Tiger'
John & Cynthia Koerner In Memory of Obi Beloved Dog of Scott, Ranita & Erica Sauer
Jerry & Susan Brick Donation In Memory of Sweet & Gentle Dog Max
Barb Imberi In Memory of Coco the Beloved Dog of Lee & Anne Imberi
Barb Imberi In Memory of Mattie the Beloved Dog of Craig & Terri Carlson
Fritz & Deb Maddock In Memory of Our Daughter's Cat, Changa, Who Crossed the Rainbow Bridge After Three Bouts of Cancer
John & Cynthia Koerner In Memory of Sadie
Nick & Linda Yockim In Memory of Gwen and All Her Kittens
Bob & Lynn Stucke In Memory of Janet Freimark
Sherry Markve In Memory of Kervin Wolter & In Memory of Lowell Bornitz
Mark & Kristin Cutler In Memory of Jackie Meyer
Bob & Lynn Stucke In Memory of Stanley Dell
In Memory of Anima Lover, Linda Martz, From Her Family
Keith & Kathy Sprinkel In Memory of Mrs. Elaine Roth
Barb Imberi In Memory of Helen Daly
Angela Sombke In Memory of Glenn Johnson
Deb Geramita In Memory of Carol Sitter, Phyllis Schnorr, & Alvin Retzlaff
Joan Johnson, Keith & Kathy Sprinkel In Memory of Patricia 'Trish' Hinds
Liz & Dan Bergstrom, David & Barb Sorenson In Memory of Eileen Bauer
Carolyn Hess & Family In Memory of Pat Omland
In Memory of Dean Podoll
Larry & Rell Quam, Lien Transportation, Barb Imberi, Paul & Jan Bohling, Nancy Farmer
In Memory of Eleanor Prestegard
Judy Gelling, Lola D Blank Mydland, Natalie Neuarth & Jim Bomar, Dennis & Priscilla Kraft, Lillian Lipp, Shirley Jahraus, Roy Wise, Connie Walker, Vickie Hartje, and others who made cash donations

In Memory of Isabell Anglin
Mary Swanson Rolfes, Bev Borchard, Dave & Sheryl Artl, Jim & Vicki Lust, Kira LeCompte, Ron & Sondra Zingler, Bob & Maryan Salmi, Carla Fiedler Claymore, Arvilla & Clifton Ingerson, Judy Busak, Linda, Brian, Brandon Ivey, Judith Baumann, Alan & Corene Chapman, Randall & Cheryl Robinson, Earl & Linda Azure, Arnie & Lori Goldade, Linda Siefkes, Tom & Kristie Ivey, Terri Arnold, Jean Pelzl

We would like to thank The Aberdeen Moose Lodge for their Donation from July's Bingo!



Yoki at the AAHS Before Being Adopted

Yoki Found At a Richmond Lake Constructions Site

One Lucky Rat!

We are used to stray or lost pets coming into the AAHS on a regular basis. Most of them happen to be cats or dogs. However, we were recently asked to take in a more unusual lost pet! A rat was found at a construction site at Richmond Lake. Lucky for the rat, the people who spotted him didn't run away in fear, or run to go find a shovel, but instead stopped, realized the rat was not a native species and must be a pet, and decided to save the

little fellow. They tried to find the owner first, but no one was claiming her, so they eventually brought her into the AAHS. She was named Yoki, cleaned up, given some vet care and fed some delicious cookies! Admittedly, some staff were fonder of Yoki than others! Either way, Yoki was safe and sound. It only took 48 hours before she was adopted out to her new RATically awesome home.

National Dog Day Selfies!

In case you missed it, August 26th was National Dog Day! To celebrate the event, NVC held a dog "selfie" contest. Participants were asked to post a dog selfie to the NVC Facebook page. For every dog selfie submitted, NVC awarded the AAHS with \$5 (up to \$300) and the winner of the best dog selfie also was awarded a \$50 Target gift card. It took approximately one hour for 60 dog selfies to be posted, and the AAHS to be awarded the \$300. When it was all said and done, hundreds of people posted their dog selfies! Thanks to everyone who shared their photos and thanks to NVC for being a continuous supporter of the AAHS!



MEMORIALS CONT....

In Memory of Phyllis Schnorr
Loretta Koch, David & Carol Green, Jim & Deb Nelson, John & Cynthia Koerner, Terry & Linda Jo Salfrank, Delores & Terrie Miesen, Monty & Jo Forsting, Eileen Kriech, Verna & Nancy Trego, Sharon Cleveland, Cindy Fisher, Paul & Maria Anderson, Tim & Betty Geist, Gloria Sukut, Donna Krein, Faye Aragon, Sid & Betty Beckler, Orrin, Rick & Deb Miller, Amie & Terry Miller, Sandi, Cardell & Liam Olund, Kathryn Cormier, Steve & Linda Post, Roy & Bernie Burt, Diane & John Schultz, Debra Gardner, Robert Seaton, Vince & Toni Esser, Kathy Griffin, Brad & Vickie Wilson, Marian Holty, Alan & Corene Chapman, Mary Lee Lewis, Nancy McFadden, Marvin & Carole Kiesz, Rod & Cindy Eikamp, Roger & Susie Krusemark, James & Glenda Young, Milo & Ann Glatt, Howard & Paige Anderson, Greg & Trudi Green, James & Robin Fansler, Shawn & Carie Brown, Janet Neff, Carolyn Miller, Robin & Patricia Johnson, Paul & Mary Larson, Terri and Sam Haworth

Aberdeen Area Humane Society

2511 385th Ave. Aberdeen,
SD 57402-1013

NON-PROFIT
ORG. U.S.
POSTAGE PAID
ABERDEEN, SD
PERMIT #76

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

- Annie Stenvig—President
- Kim Heupel—Vice President
- Christa Swingler—Treasurer
- Megan Daniels—Secretary
- Missy Hill
- Nancy Upton
- Kelly Serr
- Rob VanMeter
- Cate Diede

AAHS has 3 board member seats available as of October 1, 2017. If you are interested in joining our Board of Directors please contact any board member directly.

AAHS STAFF

- Elaine Schaible
- Meghan Mills
- Briana Hotzler
- Amanda Johnson
- Stephanie Glover
- Levi Drube

The Aberdeen Area Humane Society is a non-profit organization. We operate solely on donations and fundraisers, and all monies are used locally whether it comes from memberships, pledges, donations or bequests. No money is sent to state or national organizations. All donations are tax deductible. This newsletter is free to our supporters. To become a member or monthly donor, please call, stop by or send in this slip.

Aberdeen Area Humane Society—Membership

PO Box 1013,
Aberdeen, SD 57402-1013

Name _____ Date _____
Address _____ Phone _____
City, State, ZIP _____ Email _____

Pledge monthly \$ _____ (Help create a steady stream of income for the animals)

Single: \$25.00 Top Dog/Fat Cat: \$100.00 Grand Poopaw: \$1,000.00
Family: \$30.00 Patron: \$250.00 Donation: \$ _____
Business: \$50.00 Charter: \$500.00 Memorial: \$ _____

Enclosed is my contribution of \$ _____ to be applied to my membership.

In addition to my membership, I would like to assist with: Grounds Maintenance (mowing, trimming, pruning, etc.) Fundraising, Work with the animals, Bake for various activities, Shelter maintenance (painting, carpentry, etc.) Other, please specify:
