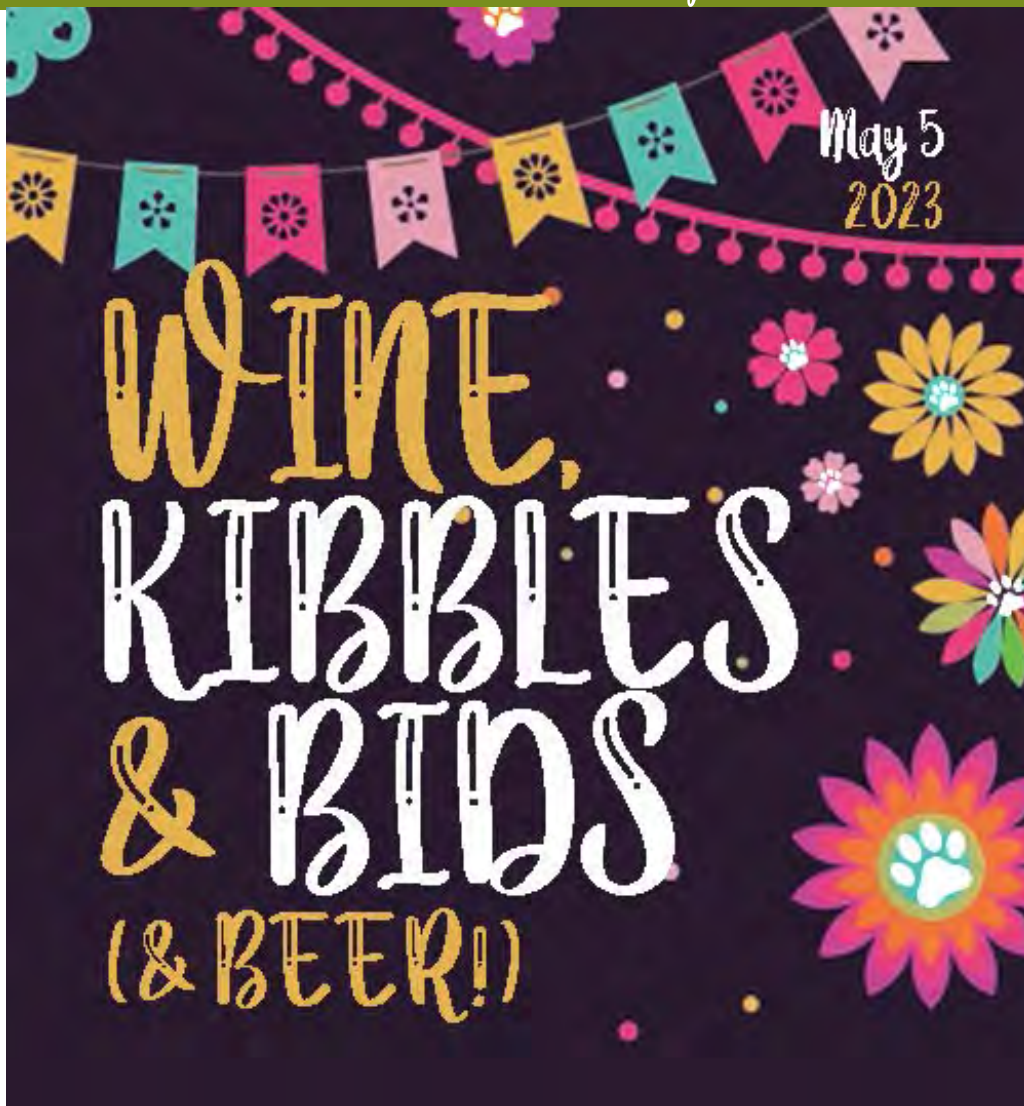




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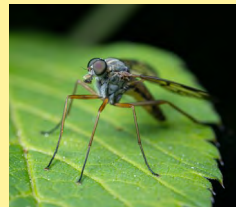
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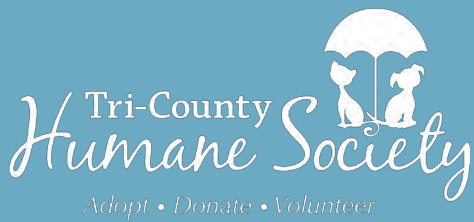
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## Message From the Executive Director

“Together Again” has been covered and made famous by many: Buck Owens, Janet Jackson, (oddly enough) Young Frankenstein and even the Muppets. While I admit I’m a huge Buck Owens fan, I think my favorite version right now is the one performed by the Muppets in “The Muppets Take Manhattan”! In fact, I’m making it my personal theme song for the evening of May 5<sup>th</sup> when Tri-County Humane Society gets back “together again” to do Wine, Kibbles & Bids in person, the way we did four years ago, before COVID changed us.

It’s interesting how some things we were forced to change actually proved to be a better way to conduct business. For example, making appointments to finalize the adoptions of animals with deposits was a win for everyone involved, and we still do it today. Moving our silent auction to online was another pleasant surprise. There’s something to be said for having a full week to bid on items versus a two-hour span (not to mention you can do it in your jammies!). For that reason, we’ll keep the online auction available for those not able to come to the event or those of us who like to shop in the comfort of our home. I, for one, enjoy both the in-person and in-jammies experience!

Being together again gives us a chance to thank people in person and make the connection to TCHS – which I believe makes it all more real. It just does. If you can’t come to the event, please consider coming to the shelter. I’d love to take you through and show you all the little noses benefiting from your support. I think it helps to see firsthand how the animals are being nurtured and cared for, see them courted by people looking to adopt, and if that doesn’t do it, you’re sure to have an “ahhh” moment when you see them at the adoption counter! I guarantee you it’ll make TCHS more real for you. Little noses on critters can do that – I know it sure has inspired me all of these years!

Helping animals. It’s what we do and we do it well – all thanks to you!!



*Vicki Davis with her friend Kermit (star of “The Muppets Take Manhattan”) and kitten Camila. Kermit was a more cooperative subject for this photo than Camila.*

*Vicki Davis*

Vicki Davis, CAWA, TCHS Executive Director

### From the New TCHS Board President ...

2023 will be a critical, milestone year for the Tri-County Humane Society as the Board of Directors embark on a journey to find a new Executive Director and worthy successor for Vicki Davis. I sincerely believe TCHS and our community have been blessed to have such a resilient, committed, and passionate leader such as Vicki for nearly 40 years, and we recognize the importance to the shelter, its employees, volunteers, donors, community, and animals that we find the right person to help lead the organization into the future. Despite her petite stature, she has big shoes we need to fill. It is also our desire as a Board to provide Vicki with confidence and peace of mind in knowing she will be leaving the organization in good hands as she looks to start the next chapter of her life, which will likely involve eventually returning as a volunteer at the shelter.



Stay tuned ...

*- Jason Hallonquist*

4 new members joined TCHS’ Board of Directors; see **PAGE 9** for details.



# Our Wish List

## For the Animals

Feliway for cats, both sprays and diffuser refills

Adaptil for dogs, both sprays and diffuser refills

Kitten and all-life stages dry food

Clay cat litter (non-clumping is preferred, please)

Meat-flavored baby food

Kitten milk replacer

Easy Cheese (squeeze cheese)

Peanut butter (xylitol-free)

Canned cat food (pate preferred)

Churu "squeeze treats" for cats

## For the Shelter

Monthly donors

Bleach (Unopened bottles)

Gift cards to local businesses for pet/office/shelter supplies

Dish gloves and sponges

Liquid hand soap

Distilled water (in gallons)

70 percent isopropyl alcohol

Unscented baby wipes

Live traps for our

Return to Field feral cat program

Cat scratchers from

StretchandScratch.com (or do a DIY one, or shop the Dollar Store)

## For the Office

White copy paper

Colored copy paper

Black/blue ink pens

Postage stamps (forever and postcard)

Yellow, blue, and pink highlighters



# Vet Expenses Help!



We're always looking for help with special medical cases!

To help with our vet bills, please visit our website, use the QR code pictured above, or call us at 320-252-0896 to talk to a staff.



# Needed: Dog Fosters!

TCHS is always looking to add more foster volunteers to our team, but we're especially in need of dog-savvy fosters who are willing to help give long-term pups a break from the shelter! Apply at [www.tricountyhumanesociety.org/foster](http://www.tricountyhumanesociety.org/foster), or pick up a paper application at the shelter.

# Special TCHS Request

We are looking for help funding an ultrasound setup! If you are interested in contributing, please contact Executive Director Vicki Davis at 320-371-0871, or [ed@tricountyhumanesociety.org](mailto:ed@tricountyhumanesociety.org).

*Thank you for thinking of us, but right now we can't accept ...*

- Pet food not in original packaging
- Old clothing
- Furniture
- Newspaper
- Blankets/comforters, sheets, towels
- Used litter pans
- Computer accessories
- Anything broken or missing parts

# Shop at TCHS



## Quell Kitty Worries With Feliway Calming Spray

Got an anxious cat? Feliway Classic Calming Spray may help! Feliway provides drug-free solutions that help reduce signs of stress in cats, including scratching and urine spraying.

The spray mimics a mother cat's natural pheromones to promote a sense of calm. You can use this spray directly on areas in your home that your cat marks with urine. (Simply clean the area first, then use the spray.) Or put on a blanket lining a cat carrier so your feline best friend isn't too cranky about a trip to the vet!

Find Feliway Classic Calming Spray in the TCHS Re-Tail Shoppe, where all profits go back to the animals! It's \$26.50 (plus tax) for a 60-milliliter bottle, but this stuff lasts a LONG time!

We love Feliway products so much, we use them at TCHS!



Our pet supply thrift store is next to our main shelter. Cash and check are preferred!

2 p.m. to 6 p.m. Thursday  
2 p.m. to 6 p.m. Friday  
2 p.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday

# The Scoop On ... Keeping Pets Safe From Spring Hazards



The long-awaited springtime is here! It's time to get out exploring, hiking, and doing all the fun outdoor activities with your pets!

But as the trees turn green and the flowers bloom, other unpleasant forms of life come out to play as well! While it's best to keep your pets on parasite prevention all year round, it's especially important to do so during the months where mosquitoes and ticks are prevalent.



By Rose Hegerle, CVT

anemia (low red blood cells), and much more complicated issues. And what's worse, people can get some of these parasites, too!

Fortunately, there's many dewormer options available as part of monthly preventative treatments. Ask your veterinarian which medications are appropriate and safe for your pet.

## Fleas

External parasites can be just as detrimental to your pet's health as internal parasites. Fleas are around all year long, not just in the warm months. (TCHS sees fleas all year round!) Flea infestation can lead to skin infections and discomfort, allergic reactions, tapeworm infection, and even anemia if left untreated for an extended period of time.

There is a wide variety of flea preventatives available for cats and dogs. However, use caution: Many over-the-counter flea/tick treatments can be toxic (and even fatal!) to pets. Be sure to ask



TCHS Animal Care Staff Members Kallie Braun (left) and Bryn Liffrig exam Sunny, a dog who TCHS has been treating for heart-

your veterinarian which medications are safe for flea and tick prevention and treatment.

## Ticks

Besides fleas, ticks are prevalent in our area and are active from early spring right after the first couple thaws until winter and the hard-freeze. In fact, we have seen imbedded ticks as early as late February at TCHS! Ticks not only cause skin irritation and potential infection at bite sites, they also carry diseases. A few of the common tick-borne infections seen in pets are Lyme disease, anaplasmosis, and ehrlichiosis. All have different effects on your pet, but all can

cause illness and all are spread through tick bites. Routine preventative medications will decrease the likelihood of a tick imbedding itself on your pet. Plus, tick prevention on your pets should help decrease the ticks that come into your home and into contact with you! Perform regular "tick checks" on your pets after coming in from outside and discuss safe tick preventatives with your veterinarian.

## Heartworm

The last spring parasite to discuss is the dreaded heartworm disease. Heartworm is spread through mosquito bites and can affect dogs and cats, although dogs more

## We Can Help!



TCHS' Re-Tail Shoppe sells Frontline in various sizes as well as individual doses for dogs and cats.

## Did You Know?

We treated 18 dogs with heartworm in 2022.

commonly get infected. Heartworm disease is exactly as it sounds — worms that live in the heart (and the larva live in the bloodstream). As you can imagine, heartworms cause significant illness in pets and will generally be fatal if left undetected and untreated. Fortunately, there are effective and safe preventative medications you can give your pet to prevent infection. Prevention is a much safer option than treatment (and more cost effective!), so please discuss safe heartworm prevention with your veterinarian!

So, make sure your pet is up to date on parasite prevention and get outside and enjoy the Minnesota springtime!

*Rose Hegerle is TCHS' Manager of Animal Care.*



# Let's Take a Peep Into Spring Ecology Around the Shelter

Spring is in the air! After a very cold winter with record inches of snow, we are ready to spend more time outdoors soaking up the sun. Here at TCHS we always have lots of furry friends inside looking for new homes. But have you thought about the animals and plants outside the shelter that make TCHS a part of the local ecosystem?

Our drainage pond was created when we built the new shelter, it sits where the old building stood for a whopping 32 years! Usually, people don't pay much attention to ditches and drainage outside buildings, but we think there's stuff worth pondering about our ponds. It helps protect our parking lot from flooding and is replenished by rainwater and snow-melt runoff.

These past three years since we moved into our newer shelter have seen the pond sprout with a population of Minnesota's native broadleaved cattail. A study done at



By Cassidy Morris  
Guest columnist

Cornell University in 2021 determined that cattail roots harbor tiny microorganisms that help remove heavy metals from the soil and then filter the water! This helps prevent pollution from spreading into our local waterways. The cattails and pond also provide homes and food for a variety of amphibians, birds, and insects.

## Pest control

During evenings in the upcoming months, we can look forward to hearing Spring Peepers, Northern Leopard frogs, and American toads happily serenade us as they try attracting a partner. These hoppy fellows provide pest control by eating mosquitoes, gnats, and flies that pop up around our

back kennels. We gave the frogs a home and they came ready to work!

The cattail roots and grass on the lawn are a great source of food for Canadian geese who come to raise their fluffy goslings here. Mallards and wood ducks love paddling around the pond and leading their babies on the dog walking trails. The cattail stalks are home to Red-Wing Blackbirds. The males perch on the maple and spruce trees out front to loudly sing and compete for territory. They build nests by weaving tiny bits of grass, feathers, and cattail reeds into a cozy cup to lay eggs. The females have less flashy coloring than the males; their brown and cream coloring helps them stay unnoticed by predators so they can raise chicks in peace.

## Bird-watchers

The pond isn't the only place you'll see wild birds on our property. You might notice when you come inside that



cat rooms have lovely windows letting in sunlight for cats to nap in. But have you noticed the bird feeders outside the windows? We keep those stocked with black-oil sunflower seeds that feed a variety of birds and squirrels all year round and keep our cats very entertained! During just the month of December we saw Northern Cardinals, Chickadees, Dark-eyed Juncos, Crows, American Robins, and Blue Jays at the sill. These feathered fellows team up with the amphibians in the pond by also eating lots of insects that might bug our animals and customers.

## We love our neighbors!

We at TCHS would like

to extend a warm thank you to the plants and animals on our property that enrich our lives and environment. We look forward to a productive spring of many adoptions and of hearing the birds sing again! We invite our patrons to come take a stroll on our dog walking paths, peek at our pond, and join us in celebrating the local ecology of TCHS.

*Cassidy Morris is a Customer Service and Animal Care Staff Member at TCHS. She also is one of our nature enthusiasts.*

*Note: Part of this article referred to "Controlling Cattails" by Cornell Cooperative Extension, 2021. (To read the full study, go to our website to find a*

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# Tickets Now On Sale for In-Person Wine, Kibbles & Bids!

After a four-year absence, a Tri-County Humane Society tradition is back in person! Wine, Kibbles & Bids will return May 5 to the Gorecki Center on the College of St. Benedict's campus, and we hope many of you can join us.

In the past, Wine, Kibbles & Bids has been one of TCHS' most-attended and financially successful fundraisers. However, in 2020, COVID-19 put our plans for that year's event on pause. Because we always want to keep our team and supporters' health and well-being top of mind, it became obvious that pause would have to be longer than we had hoped.

So, TCHS did what it always has done: We got creative! We pivoted to virtual Wine, Kibbles & Bids celebrations that featured online silent auctions. (Online silent auctions were a first for us, and they proved to be wildly successful, even now – see Page 7 about the latest one's results.)

With an eye on COVID



cases in the community, TCHS kept this event virtual until now.

"We're thrilled to be back to an in-person event for this year's Wine, Kibbles, & Bids," TCHS Manager of Fund Development Emily Prodinsky said. "It promises to be a night of inspiration and generosity as we come together to support the animals at TCHS. We've kept all the ele-

ments that our guests will recognize from previous years such as the fabulous silent auction and wine and beer tasting. You can expect a slightly more casual atmosphere this year as we give a nod to the event's date: Cinco de Mayo!"

Because we want to emphasize socializing and interaction, instead of a sit-down meal we'll be doing a

## Get Your Tickets!

### Wine, Kibbles & Bids

**When:** 5:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m., Friday, May 5  
**Where:** Gorecki Center, College of St. Benedict  
**Tickets:** \$75 each, buy at the shelter or online.



[www.tricountyhumanesociety.org/wkb](http://www.tricountyhumanesociety.org/wkb)

*We are still taking donations for our silent auctions! Contact Emily Prodinsky at [events@tricountyhumanesociety.org](mailto:events@tricountyhumanesociety.org).*



Emily Prodinsky

variety of hors d'oeuvres and a dessert during the program.

But along with the new things, attendees can expect the old favorites associated with the event: a live pet auction (where furry guests are brought out as attendees contribute to our spay/neuter fund), wine pull, raffle

drawings, live music and, of course, a one-of-a-kind silent auction. (We'll also have an online silent auction.) Watch our website for a link to the online auction, which will be April 28-May 12.

"Whether you make Wine, Kibbles, & Bids a tradition, or you have never been to this event, we would love to see you there," Prodinsky said. "I'm especially looking forward to meeting many of you in person for the first time and putting faces with names that I have gotten to know in the past year."

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# Sponsorships Available for 2 Cat Colony Rooms, Small Animal Room



TCHS is so thankful we've had such success with our kennel sponsorships: All the opportunities in the Cat Room have sold! (See Page 10.) However, we still have availability for sponsorships for two of our Cat Colony Rooms and our Small Animal Room!

Putting a plaque at these locations could be a wonderful way to honor or memorialize a pet or loved one. (It also could be a great way to advertise your business—these areas get a lot of foot traffic!) Sponsors will receive a personalized plaque displayed by the door for one year. The cost is \$2,500 per year.

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To learn more, contact TCHS Manager of Fund Development Emily Prodinsky at 320-252-0896, ext. 14, or at [events@tricityhumanesociety.org](mailto:events@tricityhumanesociety.org).

## Cold Noses, Warm Hearts Auction Sizzles

TCHS would like to thank everyone who helped make our January 2023 Cold Noses, Warm Hearts online silent auction a success! Our team set a fundraising goal of \$7,000, and the silent auction brought in \$8,151. "The number of unique and handmade items that TCHS receives is truly what makes our silent auctions so special," TCHS Manager of Fund Development Emily Prodinsky said. "Thank you to area businesses, crafters, artists, and individuals who contributed and placed bids. Your support is vital to the work we do for people and pets at TCHS, and we are glad to have you as part of our team."

**More than 100 items drew a total of 1,190 bids!**

Our Virtual TCHS Kitten Shower will be April 27-28! Stay tuned to our website as well as our Facebook/Instagram pages to participate!



## It's Last Call for TCHS Flower Fundraiser Orders!

We're still able to take some orders for our 2023 Flower Fundraiser! Timed to coincide with Administrative Professionals Day, this event allows you to send a vase with two roses to a colleague (or friend or a loved one) at their workplace! Deliveries to St. Cloud-area businesses (only) will be made between the hours of 9 a.m. and 12 p.m. on Wednesday, April 26. The cost is \$15 for one vase; stop by the shelter for an order form or order at [www.tricityhumanesociety.org/flowers](http://www.tricityhumanesociety.org/flowers). **Deadline is April 23!**



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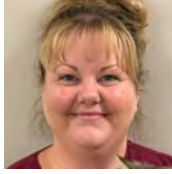
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## A Cool Piggie Procedure!

In what we believe could be a first for our shelter, Dr. Deanna Quade (pictured) performed an enucleation (eye removal) on a guinea pig named Bugs in March. Bugs, who is 1, had severe glaucoma in her right eye. (Glaucoma is elevated pressure within the eye; it can be very painful.) Bugs did great during surgery and recovery, and as of this newsletter's publication time, she's healing in her foster home.



## A Purr and a Wag of the Tail To ...

**St. Cloud Area Chamber of Commerce members** for visiting our shelter and making special enrichment treats for our cats and dogs.

**Backwards Bread** for arranging a drive for cash and pet supplies for us. (They also brought in homemade treats for our dogs, which were very much enjoyed by our canine residents!)

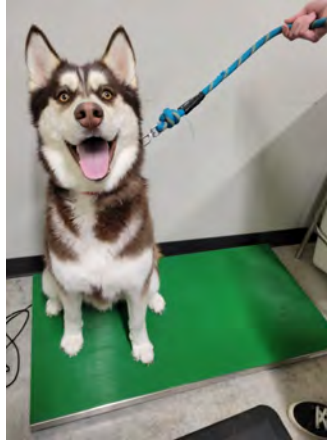
**Crossroads Center** for partnering with us on a special Valentine's Day-themed adoption event. All the pets who were part of the event got deposits that day, then were all adopted!

**Scott Fischer of Climate Air** for fixing our heat free of charge!

**Companions Animal Hospital** for choosing TCHS as its charity of choice for monetary donations during the holiday season.

**Oakhill Kidstop Torch Club** for collecting cash and donating a box of toys, treats, and pet food to our shelter after hosting a drive in December.

**Lara Moline** for singing to benefit TCHS as her preferred charity as part of Youth Chorale of Central Minnesota's "Central Minnesota Idol" at the Paramount Theatre.



**Ken Fischer and Patrice Sullivan, and Gail Falk** for donating money for TCHS to purchase a new veterinary-grade walk-on scale for our dogs for use in our exam room. (See above!)

## New Role at TCHS!



Bryn Liffrig is our new foster care coordinator! She has been with TCHS in a variety of roles during her more than five years at the shelter. We are so happy to have her talents!

## TCHS Community Report

*In the interest of being transparent, TCHS is now providing updates in our newsletters about these key statistics. For monthly reports, go to our website and look under "About"/"Monthly Reports" The below numbers are from January 2023 through March*

### Pet Placement

**Adoptions** 1,039  
**Reclaims\*** 70  
**Return to Field** 60

*\* Includes strays, safekeeping, and bite quarantines release to their owners.*

### Animal intakes

**Owned surrenders** 786  
**Stray intakes** 228  
**Transfer intake** 137  
**Other intake\*** 28

### Humane euthanasia

**Medical reasons** 30  
**Behavioral reasons** 11  
**Owner-requested immediate evaluations** 26



# TCHS Bids Farewell to 3 Board Members, Welcomes 4 More

Tri-County Humane Society's volunteer Board of Directors elected four new members at their meeting in February. They are (pictured left, starting from top left and going clockwise): Emily Bezdicek, Cheryl Ley, Meghan Woods Lehrer, and Pat Dosch. Emily and Cheryl have served on the TCHS board in the past; Meghan and Pat are newcomers. At the same meeting, TCHS thanked board members Ron Brandenburg, Kelly Sayre, and outgoing TCHS Board of Directors President Kourtney Piepenburg for their service. Also at the meeting: Jason Hallonquist was elected President, Ryan Coye was elected First Vice President, Jody Terhaar was elected Second Vice President, Kelly Werner was elected Secretary, and Matt Larson was elected Treasurer.



# TCHS Hosts Free Valentine's Day Microchip Clinic, Next One Is June 13

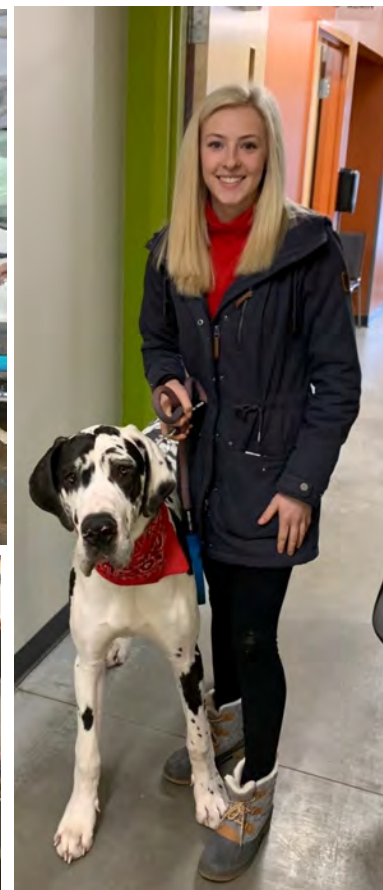
This is something that deserves a "heart": TCHS served 73 animals during our free Valentine's Day microchip clinic! This was the second time our shelter hosted a clinic of this nature, and it's the first time we accepted and even encouraged walk-ins. Pet Evolution brought its mobile nail trim van, too! We easily passed the 28 animals we microchipped during our first clinic, Gettin' Chippy Wit' It, in July 2022.

## Free Microchips!

Our next free microchip clinic will be from 12 p.m. to 5 p.m. on Tuesday, June 13, at the shelter. Appointments can be made by calling 320-252-0896, but we will welcome walk-ins, too. Help us spread the word!



*TOP: The crew from Pet Evolution at the clinic; FAR RIGHT: Odin was our first doggie customer; RIGHT: Staffers Jennifer Hass (left) and Brenna Habel did*



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Annual Companion Walk for Animals  
Saturday, Sept. 9, 2023  
Wilson Park, St. Cloud



Stay tuned for all the details about the walk in our July/August newsletter! One thing's for sure: It will help homeless animals — AND BE FUN!

*And here are some hints for this year's walk theme ...*

