

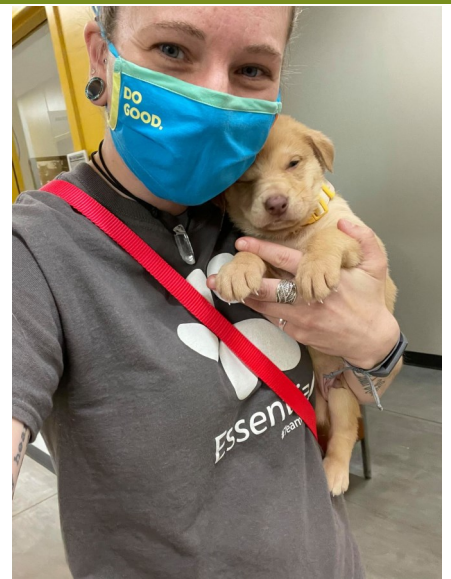


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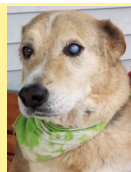


Bigger shelter brings us a record number of transfers

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Message From the Executive Director

When we moved into our new shelter last fall, we knew many things would change. They would have to, by nature – we're in a facility with twice the square footage of the building that served us so well for 30-plus years! We approached the change with excitement and some anxiety – while we needed our facility to be larger for the animals and staff/volunteers, we didn't want to lose our "Mom and Pop" feel. It's the personal connection with our customers, our volunteers, our supporters, that has defined us.

Of course, with a bigger building, it takes a lot longer to find one another than it did in the last one. (We invested in walkie-talkies early!) But we've quickly found a very big plus with this new space: We can help so many more animals! (And by extension, people, too.)

As we celebrate all the reasons we love our new shelter, I'd like to bring your attention to a subject you probably can't recall me highlighting in the past. In the "old days" (which is only about seven months ago!), we were very limited on how many animal transfers we could take in from other shelters and rescues. It's time to share a stunning statistic: By the end of April, we took in 400-plus transfers. In ALL of 2020, there were 297 transfers. Now, we always help our neighbors first – Minnesota/Upper Midwestern animal welfare organizations are among our top priorities. When our Upper Midwest partners are taken care of, we can expand our reach to help our friends in the Southern states.

Believe it or not, we've even transferred in several cats so far this year – something that would've been nearly unheard of in the days of our old building. It's no secret there's a cat overpopulation issue in the Upper Midwest, and we already take in many more cats than dogs. In the old building, while we worked hard to place cats, we didn't necessarily "go looking" for extra ones – well, this year we've been able to do that through our transfers! We're so very grateful and fortunate there's still a high demand to adopt, and people come looking to us to help them grow their families by four paws.

This new building is giving us so much; more room for people and animals, bigger and better medical space, and a welcoming place for people to meet and greet their new family member. And while we may need walkies now, we're never going to lose that personal, caring connection with our community. That bond means the world to us and makes us who we are.

We're just delighted that now we have the ability to help even more people (and animals) far beyond our three-county area.

Thank you for helping us extend our reach and abilities!

Vicki Davis,
CAWA



TCHS Executive Director Vicki Davis poses with Freddie, a baby guinea pig. Naming rights for Freddie and his siblings were an online silent auction item for our Wine, Kibbles & Bids fundraiser. Learn how that fundraiser did on Page 6. (The other siblings were named Bowie, Stevie, and Dolly in honor of the 1970s music icons.) Freddie was adopted the same day that this picture was taken!

Our Current Wish List

For the Animals

Help support our new shelter by making your donation at www.tricountyhumanesociety.org/donate

Money for veterinary expenses

Feliway for cats, both sprays and diffusers**

Adaptil for dogs, both sprays and diffusers**

Kitten and all-life stages dry food**

Clay cat litter (non-clumping is preferred)**

Timothy Hay**

Meat-flavored baby food

Kitten milk replacer

For the Shelter

Gift cards to

local businesses for pet/office/shelter supplies

Laundry detergent

Hand soap

Dish soap

Clorox wipes or other disinfecting wipes

Command strips (so we don't put holes in walls!)

For the Office

White copy paper

Postage stamps

(forever and postcard)

Volunteer Needs

Fosters (for any kind of animal, but especially dog-savvy ones without any other pets!)

Cleaners/dishwashers/laundry attendants

Customer service specialists

Animal transporters

Re-Tail Revisited volunteers

Recycled Items for \$\$

Aluminum cans (they can be dropped off in the fenced-in area along the west side of our shelter)

Used small ink cartridges (we **cannot** accept cellphones or large ink cartridges or toners anymore, they cost the shelter money to dispose of — thank you in advance !)

*** Sold in the TCHS Re-Tail Shoppe; buy here and donate back to us! Because all our profits help us, that's a double win for our animals!*

Note: Prospective volunteers and/or fosters must apply to join our programs; applications can be found at www.tricountyhumanesociety.org, or paper applications are available at the shelter. Thank you!

Shop at TCHS



Protect your pets during flea and tick season

Spring is here - and you'll want to be prepared! Pick up some Frontline at Tri-County Humane Society's Re-Tail Shoppe - we have the product available in various sizes as well as individual doses for dogs and cats. All the profits benefit the animals.



Pet supply thrift shop has new hours for summer

We know many of you might be out hitting garage sales this time of year, so we changed our hours for Re-Tail Revisited! They are:

9 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Thursdays

9 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Fridays

9 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Saturdays

Closed on holidays.

Cash and check are preferred; face masks are required.

'Smile' and help TCHS

Use Amazon Smile while you're shopping and designate TCHS as your charity of choice! (Make sure you pick us, as there are other humane societies with similar names.) It won't cost you a penny, but it can mean hundreds of dollars in donations to us!



TCHS hopes to add a special, permanent enclosure to our small animal room. If you are interested in donating to this effort, please email Crystal Specht at give@tricountyhumanesociety.org



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The Scoop ... Separation Anxiety Do's and Don'ts

By Laura Lund
TCHS Animal Care Manager

As pandemic restrictions loosen, most of us will find we are spending more time away from home. However, our dogs have become accustomed to us being constantly by their side—letting them out whenever they go to the door, or just spending more time cuddled up next to us on the couch.

Dogs are very social creatures and enjoy having us around. There will be an adjustment period, to some degree, for all dogs as we resume normal activities. There are many ways dogs suffering from separation anxiety act out. They may urinate, defecate, bark, chew, or dig. Another more extreme behavior is to try to escape through windows and/or doors, which may result in self-injury and/or destruction of your home.

If you think about it, their normal routine will be changing right along with ours. When you prepare to leave the house, your dog might pace, bark, or whine. It's tough to leave them when you hear the distressful behavior. However, upon returning your dog might act as if he hasn't seen you in years.

It is recommended that you maintain a normal routine by scheduling walks and feedings around the same time every day. If possible, some physical exercise prior to leaving the house may help to work off your dog's energy.



Laura Lund relaxes at home with Timber.

Also, finding short periods of time your dog can spend alone when you are home can help smooth the transition. Set up a comfy bed in another room that's gated off or set up a crate with a radio or TV playing to drown out noise you might make in other parts of the house. Your routine when leaving should remain the same whether it is for work or just running out to the mailbox. Puzzle toys and easily digestible chews like bully sticks keep your dog busy for a little while. You should "practice" leaving at least once a day.

Here are some more tips about separation anxiety, from the ASPCA:

What to Do if Your Dog Becomes Distressed: If your dog barks, cries, whines or scratches at the door

during alone time while you are in the house, try to wait him out. Most dogs will give up after a few minutes and go to sleep. If he persists or the behavior escalates, you may need to do something to distract him (such as knocking on the door and saying "Quiet!") and then, after a few seconds of him being quiet, praise him and let him out. Next time, provide him with more enticing goodies and be sure to let your dog out of their alone space while they are still engaging in their puzzle toy or chew and before they begin vocalizing or scratching at the door. Just minutes per day is a good place to start.

If your dog is happily engaged in activities or resting, you can allow him to practice being alone for gradually longer stretches of time. If your dog is only distressed when you're in another part of the house, you may opt not to worry about it and simply maintain a routine of leaving your dog home alone while you leave the house for a short period of time each day. The important takeaway is that your dog routinely spends time away from the family while you stay at home and that your dog is not distressed during those periods of alone time.

What NOT to Do: Do not scold or punish your dog. Anxious behaviors are not the result of disobedience or spite. Your dog displays anxious behaviors when left alone because he's upset and trying to cope with a great deal of stress. If you punish him, he may become even more upset and the problem could get worse.

Seven years ago, I adopted Timber, a husky/shepherd mix, with an extreme case of separation anxiety. With appropriate time, work, and plenty of patience, he has become the most well-behaved, amazing companion. Instead of acting out in distress, he understands that I will always come back and has developed patience. He does still get a little anxious when he sees us packing the camper because he doesn't want us to leave him behind. He loves to camp!

We are so happy that despite the pandemic our adoptions have continued to climb. That means a lot of you appreciate the company of a four-legged companion. We all want the best for our pets, and this sometimes means we need to take the extra time to make them as happy and comfortable as they make us.



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Jeff Engholm for choosing TCHS to receive his proceeds from the "Central MN Idol" competition for Youth Chorale of Central MN.

Employees of Gilleland Chevrolet for holding a "Jeans for Jingle" event. We received a check with a generous match from the owners!

St. Cloud Technical & Community College Computer Aided Mechanical Design Program ADDA club who hosted fundraising events throughout the school year.

Abbey Minke and Minnesota Mutt Co. for her donation from the sale of dog bandanas.

St. Cloud Flea Market for donating items for Re-tail Revisited.

Chamber's Emerging Leaders met onsite at Tri-County Humane Society for their Feb. 9 meeting. They enjoyed lunch and networking with group members, followed by a presentation on our organization's history and a tour of the newly built shelter.

Brenny Transportation for choosing TCHS as their Charity Recipient for March.

Don & Lois Blonigen (Digital Majik) for dropping off supplies for our shelter!

Chewy for sending us eight boxes of pet clothing.



TCHS Manager of Fund Development Crystal Specht and Don Blonigen.

Bryan Cory for volunteering his time and talent to create custom fabricated metal display pieces.

Amazon customers who made purchases through Smile. Amazon.com and designated TCHS as their charity.

Designer Caitlynn Craine for helping with our Wine, Kibbles &

Bids logo.

Designer Jennifer Stricker for designing our TCHS Best Friend Blend coffee label. (See Page 6.)

Volunteer Sherry Olson for obtaining a Thrivent Action Grant to benefit our surgery program. We were able to order much-needed equipment!

The Weisenbecks for bringing over donations from the Rice vet clinic.

All the volunteers who helped us transport items back from the former Kitty Korner.

Danielle Kalla for creating and donating blankets for our animals.

Karen Howard for creating beautiful hand-made cards for us to use.

Cassidy Morris and Rachel Maurer for providing TCHS with accessories to use in bird care.

To the anonymous donor who gave us a basket of goodies in honor of Luna, the K-9 killed in the line of duty in Duluth.

TCHS Virtual Kitten Shower is the Cat's Meow!

For the second consecutive year, Tri-County Humane Society organized a virtual kitten shower to help prepare our foster department for the impending kitten season! TCHS asked for in-kind and financial donations during the April 19-20 event. Well, our feline fanatics answered the call for help, as they always do: We received much-needed supplies and raised about \$1,000 for the shelter! Thank you to everyone who donated!



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Virtual Wine, Kibbles & Bids Breaks Silent Auction Goal

By Kate Kompas

Volunteer Coordinator

Hundreds of bidders helped Tri-County Humane Society's virtual Wine, Kibbles, & Bids pull in a great haul for the shelter's animals.

Although, at press time for this newsletter, organizers were still figuring out the final totals for the overall event, the silent auction raised more than \$19,000 in profit, far exceeding their \$15,000 goal.

Last year was the first time the major fundraising event was online only, due to COVID-19. TCHS Special Events Coordinator Angela Mundis was unsure if another virtual silent auction would capture people's attention like it did in

2020. (Last year's silent auction raised about \$18,000.) She said she was pleasantly surprised that it did so well again.

"Our supporters really made this auction a huge success with many items being bid above their value," Mundis said. She noted that the online wine pull also did very well, nearly selling out.

An online event isn't the same as the traditional Wine, Kibbles & Bids dinner and silent auction at Gorecki Center at the College of St. Benedict. Still, Mundis said she was happy that 338 bidders competed for 181 items.

"Our auction is so unique with all of the handmade items we receive, it's like no other I've ever seen," Mundis said. Mundis has been special events coordinator for a little more



TCHS Manager of Fund Development Crystal Specht (left) and Special Events Coordinator Angela Mundis pose with some of the silent auction items from Wine, Kibbles & Bids. The auction featured 181 items.

than a year, but she was a longtime volunteer for TCHS' fundraisers.

TCHS Manager of Fund Development Crystal Specht, who started in

her role in February, said she was impressed with how the virtual event turned out.

"Being on this side of the Wine, Kibbles & Bids Fundraiser was really

fun," Specht said. "We have the most amazing supporters and watching them be just as excited as we were makes the event even better. They truly made this a successful year, even with the modifications to the event. We are incredibly grateful for that!"

The complete total for this year's Wine, Kibbles & Bids will include earnings from special fundraisers put on by TCHS Board Member Bill Nelson. He was still working on some of them at the time this newsletter went to press, but suffice to say, TCHS' fundraising team is pleased.

"Thank you to our donors and our bidders, they are the ones who have made this auction and event so successful," Mundis said.



Volunteers prep the flower vases.

Flower Fundraiser, By the Numbers ...

Number of vase orders: **202**

Number of volunteers involved: **9**



Estimated profit for 2021 event: **\$2,450**

Thank you to our customers, volunteers, and St. Cloud Floral for another great year!

TCHS, Muggsy's Beans Collaborate on Special Brew to Benefit Shelter Animals

Calling all fans of animals and coffee — there's a new blend in town from master roaster Muggsy Lauer of Muggsy's Beans!

Some of the proceeds from the Best Friend Blend go to our shelter, which is a more than good enough reason for us to stay caffeinated!

The Best Friend Blend is available exclusively at www.muggsysbeans-onlinestore.com.



Special Events Coordinator Angela Mundis absolutely loves the Best Friend Blend. She also couldn't resist a pun (or two). "It's purr-fectly rich and flavorful, but not too rich. All different tastes will find common ground while drinking this delicious brew."

The Best Friend Blend made its debut on the Wine, Kibbles & Bids silent auction. A bag retails for \$12, and remember, a portion of the proceeds benefit the animals at TCHS.

Holy Cats (and Dogs)! TCHS Sets Transfer Record

By Kate Kompas

Volunteer Coordinator

One of the immediate benefits of Tri-County Humane Society's new shelter is how much more space it has for both people and pets. Although TCHS still does all its intakes by appointments, with more space the shelter is able to help more animals.

The shelter doesn't have time limits on its animals – as long as an animal is happy, healthy, and generally considered fit for adoption, it will have a place at TCHS.

(Sometimes, if an animal has been with the shelter for a while, staff get it placed with foster volunteers to give it a mental and physical break.)

TCHS leadership have the stats to back that we're helping more pets. In 2020, the shelter took in 297 transfers from other animal welfare organizations. By the end of the first week of May, TCHS



TCHS staff member Bre Johnson gets in a little cuddle time during a transfer.

had taken in 430 transfers – a number that stuns even staff members.

"Adding to our life-saving abilities is so amazing," TCHS Animal Care Manager Laura Lund said. "We are taking from overcrowded rescues, some that are foster-based only, and giving the animals more exposure."

In some cases, some of the dogs and cats who have been transferred in to TCHS are adopted within days of arrival.

"The rescues we work with are in awe of how quickly we place the animals in loving homes," Lund said. "They trust us to do the best for the animals they are sending, which is a great feeling



Collars await incoming cat and kitten transfers.

that our reputation is that good."

This year, TCHS has had the majority of its transfers from Leech Lake Legacy (Cass Lake, Minn.), Furry Friends Rockin' Rescue (Bismarck, N.D.), Let Love Live (a Texas-based organization with an outlet via Waseca, Minn.), Turtle Mountain (Rolla, N.D.), and Forget Me Not (Clarksville, Tenn).

"We have always said we want to help in our backyard first," Lund said. "So working with local rescues has been a priority, and we have developed a very good relationship with Leech Lake Legacy,

and have helped a few local smaller rescues since moving into our new facility."

The demand to adopt from TCHS, up ever since COVID, is still strong. Other areas of the country are not as fortunate.

"There is a big need out there to help with shelters that are overcrowded, especially from the South," Lund said. "The transport teams do a great job of getting them to areas of the country that seem to have less of a problem. Fortunately, we have the ability to place animals quickly here in Central Minnesota while also helping the animals in need in our area."

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"I adopted Otis, whose name was Chester at the time, in November of 2016. Although he was a little shy at first, he quickly settled into his new home! Otis now free-rooms the home 24/7 and is fully litter-box trained. He loves expressing his excited 'binkies' by hopping around the home with his excited Zoomies. Otis enjoys being pet and will come up to any person when he wants attention. He has become great friends with our golden, Winston, and the two are frequently seen snuggling together throughout the day or following each other around! Otis is such a great family member and I am so happy to have found him thanks to Tri-County Humane Society!"



-Otis' family: Kiahna, Dylan, Winston

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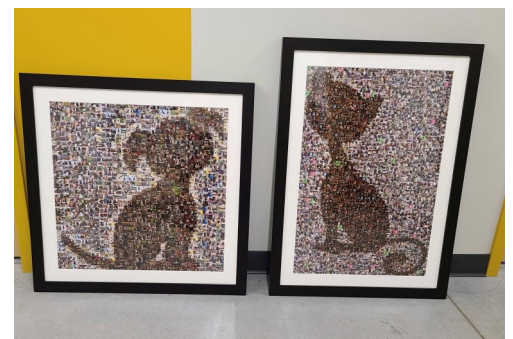
The Strommen Family - All dogs here are blessed. Adopt me!

Marvelous Mosaics: TCHS 'Family Portraits' Arrive!

Recently, Tri-County Humane Society received our long-awaited mosaic photos; they are made up of TCHS Capital Campaign donors' dog and cat photos. This "Family Portrait" drive helped support our now-completed campaign for our new shelter. We can't wait for you all to see our "Family Portraits" while you're visiting the shelter!

NUMBER OF CAT PHOTOS: 148

NUMBER OF DOG PHOTOS: 174



Dedications: In Memory of Pets

Abby
Lori, Brian
& Abby Kapsner

Ace
Kate Kompas

All my pets
Lorraine Huebner

All our pets
Merle & Linda Schindele

**All our pets, past, present
and future**
Ted & Jan Dahl

All pound puppies
Loretta Delk

**All the special
pets in my life**
Pam Loehrer

Amy
Phil and Mary Daubanton

**Angel, Summer & Breezy
who all crossed the
rainbow bridge in 2020**
Margaret Hesse

Azazel
Tabitha Herrington

Bella & Mike
Marci & Keith Rich

**Belle, beloved dog of Brooke
&
Dennis Strassburg**
Joey & Kendel Torkildson

**Billy - beloved pet of Aman-
da MacGregor**
Kelly Crue

Black & White Tuxedo
Catherine Green

Buddy
Diane & Bill Winscher

Bugsey
Robert Barr

Charley
Sara Goodrum

**Charlie: My loved
companion for 16 years and
10 months**
Julie Aronson Dehnel

Chase
Pam Gacke

Chewy & Ewok
Michelle M. Rengel

Chloe & Annie
Mark & Laurie Mannolett

**Chuck, Judy, Liza,
Brandon & Madeline**
Jamie Fuchs

Cinderella
Marcia Marshall

Cleopatra
Wendy Hamm

**Cookie, Kitty, Tabby,
Tigger, Ernie, Abby, Lucky &
Sampson**
Susan Held

Diana
Rose & Patrick Hegerle

Doke
James Bruemmer

Dot Dot
Irv and Jean Loftus

Draco
Michelle Garber

**Emma, beloved cat of
Todd & Rita Ackerman**
Jerry & Rosalyn Fritz

Emma, Kelly & Foxy
Larry & Marilyn Grover

Etta Jane, Abby & Reggie
Jacquelyn Brunn

Eureka
Mark Zabee & Julie Peters

Freckles
Cindy Schultz

Gink & Smidgen
Phillip Moessner

Grandma Kitty
Larry Ellis

Gus
Kris Stewart

**Gus, the dog who
sometimes confused
fetching a stick for pulling a
tree up out of the ground!
Much loved and greatly
missed by Kris Stewart**
Vicki Davis

Henry Thomas
Esther Rhoades

Homer
Loren & Renee Weinberg

Ike
Renee Dowsett

Jack
Shawnra Rakhshani

Jack

Kathy Zenzen

Jack, Roxie & Rex
Jack & Joni Tardiff

Jazz
Jack Seibert

Jeanie
Annette Peters

**Joey, Ehma, Jake,
Molley, Abby, Hunter,
Eleot,
Stellah, Grettah**
Brenda Stanger

Josie
Melinda Anderson

KC, Mia, Willow & Oliver
Sue Cummings &
Justin Heurung

**Kindi, Maddie,
Brie & Stewie**
Ross and Romelle Anfinson

Kya
Carol McNeal

Lady & Barley
Barbara & David Burandt

**Leo, cherished canine friend
of Bill, Emily, McKenzie, Jas-
mine & Maevelyn**
Carole Pike

Little One
Rachel Kapsner

Lobo
Trish & Dave Welle

Loki Sabyan
Lisa Sabyan

Louie
Debbie and Kevin Wood

Louis Francois
Rebecca Benoit &
John Peterson

Louise
Harry & Jean Reynolds

Lucy & Kaydee
Carla Cantrell

Maggie
Rene' & Rollie Krueger

Maggie
Kate Rolstad

Meisha, Margo & Maddie
Joanne & David Dickson

Miami
Susan Rosenberg

& Jeffrey Roos

Misty
Wayne & Sue Stevens

Mitch
Catherine Mohs

Mittens
Tammy & Kate Kraemer

Mittens
Jill and Dustin Miller

Mollie
Julie Olson

Murray, Daisy & Buddy
Carole Packer

Nikko Elizabeth Herold
Libby Herold

Otis
Lois Coleman

Otto, Hooter & Weezel
Kris & Jack Daniels

Our sweet boy Jasper
Ray & Donna Kellerman

Ozzy
Roxane Long

Peanut, Buddy & Sunny
Wayne & Ginny Peterson

Penny
David Gangl

**Pubert, Pugsley, Shiloh &
Newmon**
Lisa Brownstein

Pug
Marit Elliott

Pumpkin
Shaun Merritt

Purry
Jenny & Steven Genereau

**Rex (formerly Rolex) who
lighted up my life from 2012-
2017. Gifted little therapy
dog. My heart.**
Becky Coulter

Rodd & Dillon
Adam & Holly Nelson

Ronrico, Max & Toby
Bernice Tschida

Rosie
Chuck & Kitty Haselkamp

Sadie & Izzi
Lynn Simonson

Sammy
Jim Sharbono,

Danielle & Mackenzie
Kudrna

Shadow & Hammer
Cory & Steph Boeckers

Sidd
Kathleen & John Parker

Simba & Shorty
Pam & Don Wostrel

Smiege
Kim Goenner

Smokey
Taylor Montag

Snickers
Bruce & JoAnn Carolson

Sylvester & Sawyer
Kirk & Terry Atkinson

**Tari, Melissa, Laddie, Patch-
es & Ladd**
Barbara & Thomas Frank

**Taylor, the gentle warrior
beagle and distance
runner. RIP.**
Carl Stemm

**Teddy - beloved pet of Joyce
& Neil Nyhus**
Linnea & Dick Hagemeister

**Tinker, Tigger, Timber, Ban-
dit & Buddy**
Jim and Karen Howard

Tiny & Melanie
Mya Justin

Tobie
Carol Koenig

Toby, Brock, Winston & Natti
Dan & Cecilia Rathbun

Tonks
Alice, Sue & Mark Becker

Trudy & Dakota
Ginny Gapinksi

Weezie Roche
Yvonne & Maurice Roche

Wendy & Kirbee
Stephanie Horvath

Whiskers
Lynn J. Cairns

Woody Pennie
Jasmyne Pennie



Spirit, an American Paint horse, passed away unexpectedly at age 21. Spirit and his owner, Alan Dresow, served as a team in the Stearns County Sheriff's Mounted Reserve for more than 14 years. At the time of their retirement from the SCSMR in 2019, no other horse and rider team had served the SCSMR for a longer period of time. Spirit was proud and very social. He will be remembered for his intelligence, his bravery, and his inquisitiveness.

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Rachel Kapsner

Beth Miller
Michael & Janet Reagan

Bruce Shorter - the animal lover
Jennifer Shorter

Bud Davis
Mert & Marcia Thompson

Bud Davis & Nancy (Davis) Hommerding
Mary A. Davis

Carol Harbeck
Dina Pierskalla

Carol Mayer
Mary L. Mayer

Catherine Fox
Jill Fox

Clifford Sandlund
Michele & Scott Decker

Dennis Tiede
Stacy Bartel

Dianne Iburg
Michael Boulka
Daniel Iburg
Joyce Raetz

Donald Pflipsen
Joan & David Bender

Dr. Ken Reinertson, DVM
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Rebecca and Jeffery Fiene

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Gary Abraham
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Gary Craig Thomas
Kris Vennegut

Gerry McGarry
Paulette & Patrick Hogan

Harold & Loretta Kasel
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Jake Jacobson
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Judy Johnson
Janis Cimperman

Kathryn M. "Kathy" Huben
Barb Robinson

Kim & Bob Ritsche
Jan Ritsche

Laura Wancenried
Lisa McLouden
Karen, Dale and Gwyn,
Myra and David Palmer
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Mary Roda
Marge Roda

Matthew T. Ruona
Amanda & Tom Seaton

Megan Atkinson
Kirk & Terry Atkinson

Megan Atkinson
Keith Smith

Melodie Dukowitz
Jamie Morrow

Owen Dean Haroldson
Beth Schramm

Paula Chirhart Rubald
Leanne
and Wayne Chirhart

Phyllis Dresow
Linda L. Pauley

Sandra A. "Sandy" Skaja
Marti & Harvey Purcell

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Mary Surma

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Lucille Johnson

Violet Eickenbrock
Michelle Wurzbacher

Will Z. Ellenbecker
Sam Burt

Dedications: In Honor of People

Alicia King's Birthday Fund-raiser

Wendy Dougherty
Rhonda King
Elizabeth Long

All the staff and volunteers at TCHS
Jan Stanley

Ashley Rose Christianson's Birthday
Becca Dahlseid

Bill Atkinson's Birthday
John & Mary Flock
Todd Hasz &
Dena Redmond-Hasz

Bill Nelson
James Donnelly
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Carl Stemm

Cait Peterson's Birthday Fundraiser
Andrea Afarmgirl
Rebecca Coffin
Cait Peterson

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Patty Mason

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Tom Johnson
Thor Mattick

Eric Swanstrom
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Debbie Budig's Birthday Fundraiser
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Drew Hall
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Mishelle Mehr
Nicki Reinarz
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K. Diane Rouch

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Ardith Andersen

Emma Jean Spero's Fundraiser

Sandra Bogenrief
Jena Hensley
Allison Meed
Kelsey Meyer
Shannon Ras-Huebner
Emma Spero
Heidi Tuorila

Emma Voigt's Birthday Fundraiser

Tina Scepaniak
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Heidi Voigt

Jackie Litzinger's Birthday
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Jennifer Everson Gulden
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Jan Hovda
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Jan Ritsche
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Jessica Scherer's Birthday
Miranda Bastien
Rose Hegerle
Kate Kompas

Kalynn Cherish Gray's Birthday Fundraiser

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Diane Mccahill
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Andy Shefchik

Kayla Carry
Venus King

Kimberly Charles Birthday Fundraiser

Terriane Brown
Margaret Charles

Kirsten Calvert's Birthday

Gerry Lukaska
Ann Morency
Melissa Patrick
Fredel Wiant
Fritz Wiant
Kathryn Wiant
Sam Wiant

Kris Buterfass Birthday
Jean Hanson

Krista Siems' Birthday Fund-raiser

Maggie Bayerl
Marilyn Bayerl
Ben Hochstein
Brittany Suckstorff

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Karen Newstrom-Peitso
Joy Sales
Angela Sales-Hilgart

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Penny Autey
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Shannon Henrickson
Rachel Mrosla
LeeAnne Smoot

Mariette Adelman's Birthday Fundraiser

Mary Fasen
Laurie Rogosheske

Megan Foster's Birthday

Rose Williams

Michele Marie's Birthday Fundraiser

Brianna Carlson
Valorie Dubois
Kathy Haines
Michelle Marie

Michelle Peterson's Birthday Fundraiser
Alan Poole

Natalie James Spengler
Carol and Timothy James

Pat Provencher's Birthday

Angela Maikkula
Patty McKenney
Pat Provencher

Kim Saghy
Karla Smart-Morstad

Roberto Cediell, DVM
Kevin & Jean Euteneuer

Ron Purinton
Nina Von Drachenfels
Beth Schramm

Sarah Larsen
Darius and Cynthia Larsen

Stacey Spadafore
Joseph Spadafore

Terry & Randy Heisick
Joan and David Bender

Tessalyn Senart's Birthday
Mark Yost

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As for the theme, we'll give you some hints ...



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