



Skelly's Donut Dash - August 3rd!

HSSW is partnering with [Skelly's Farm Market](#) to offer a beautiful and delicious 5k and 1-mile run/walk!

On Saturday, August 3rd, participants of all ages will have the opportunity to race or mosey through Skelly's 6-acre sunflower field, scenic nearby roads, and strawberry beds, with an apple cider donut waiting at the finish line. Well-behaved, leashed dogs are welcome!

Registration is \$50 and includes a race bib with time tracking, admission to the sunflower field, and an apple cider donut. Race T-shirts will be available for purchase with proceeds benefiting HSSW's mission of helping pets going home again.

A significant portion of ticket sales will also benefit HSSW, as well as \$1 from every non-race participant sunflower field admission that day!

Sign Me Up!



Keep Your Pets Safe in Hot Weather!

As you know, we have had HOT temperatures this summer it is important to consider how your doggo feels in the extreme heat. Remember - if it is hot for you, it is even hotter for your furry friend.

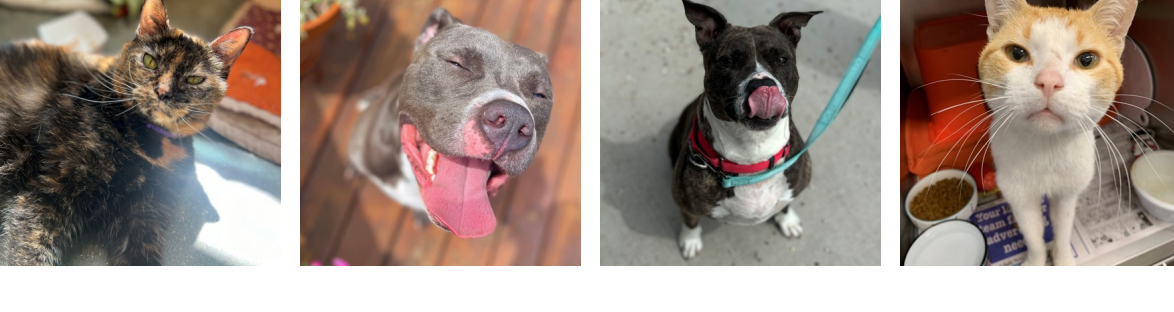
Never leave your pet in a parked car!
We know this should be common sense for pet owners at this point, but unfortunately, hundreds of dogs still die every year from being left inside parked cars. Did you know the temperature inside your car can rise 20 degrees in just ten minutes? A cracked window DOES NOT keep the car cool enough for your pet. Keep the car running with air conditioning on or leave your dog at home.

Take your pet to the vet!
A vet checkup is always a good idea, but especially at the beginning of the hot summer months. This checkup should include a heart-worm test and a flea and tick protection plan. These are year-round issues but in the summer months, with much more outdoors time, it's especially important to monitor them.

Avoid the heat, bring plenty of water!
- Any outdoor exercise should be limited to the cooler parts of the morning and evening.
- Collapsible travel water bowls are a good way to make sure your pet stays hydrated on hot days!
- Put the back of your hand on any asphalt you are about to walk your dog on. If you can't keep it there for five seconds, it is too hot for your pup's feet. Try putting booties on your dog to insulate against dangerous hot pavement.

Is your dog overheating? Know the signs!
-Heavy panting
-Dry or pale gums
-Increased drooling
-Deep and rapid breathing
-Glassy eyes

Is your cat overheating? Know the signs!
-Restless behavior as they try to find a cool spot
-Panting, sweaty feet, drooling, excessive grooming in an effort to cool off
-Rapid pulse and breathing
-Redness of the tongue and mouth
-Vomiting
-Lethargy
-Stumbling, staggering gait
-Rectal temperature is over 105° F



Bissell Pet Foundation's Empty the Shelters Event So Far

We have been participating in the [Bissell Pet Foundation's](#) Empty the Shelters event since July 8th. Through the support of the Bissell Pet Foundation, we are able to reduce adoption fees during this time period! After you fall in love with your new best friend, you can spin our 'Wheel of Adoption Fees' to see what your adoption fee is - adoption fees will range between \$0-\$25.

As a result of this event, we've been able to find homes for over 90 pets since July 8th. In those 90+ adoptions, there are some notable adoptions of pets that are considered "Long-Staying Residents" as they have been with HSSW looking for their new families for over two months and other pets with some special challenges of their own. Pictured above are four of these pets that were able to find loving homes because of this support - Luna, Mudge, Peroigi, and Nelly.

Luna had been with us on and off since February 2024. She found a few families throughout her journey, but none were quite the right fit for our majesty, Luna. Finally, this July she was able to find a family that would treat her like royalty and appreciated her royal torti-tude!

Mudge came to HSSW in December 2023 and was adopted not long after he arrived. He then came back to HSSW under emergency circumstances in May 2024. Mudge was a staff, volunteer, and foster favorite pup and we all noticed his spark slowly fading as he waited for a family. Then this July, we saw Mudge's spark come back as he met his new family and went home again!

Peroigi came to HSSW in May 2024 and was just as sweet as pie, but had sustained some injuries while outside. We worked diligently on healing his wounds and comforting him as we knew he was in pain. His wounds didn't make him the most beautiful cat on the block, but that didn't matter to him or to his new family once they met and fell in love this July.

Nelly came to HSSW in April 2024. Despite being a snuggle-bug with some cutie-patootie ears, she was unable to find her match until July 2024. We hate to see her go, but we loved to watch Nelly leave with a new loving family.

To see all of our adoptable friends, head over to our Adoptable Pet page at [petsgohome.org/adopt](#) and you can be a part of the BPF Empty the Shelters event too!



Thank You, Foster Parents!

We currently have over 200 pets in foster care! This number has been pretty steady all summer long. To add to this - we have an additional 143 pets in-shelter right now. That means that we are able to more than double our population and our impact on the pets in our community because of our foster parents! Without our foster network, we would simply not be able to do what we do at the scale we need to. So THANK YOU to all of our foster parents!

If you'd like to join this incredible team of HSSW Fosters, visit us here: <https://www.petsgohome.org/volunteer-foster/foster-friends/>! And keep in mind that all HSSW Fosters are provided all the supplies (food, litter, toys, kennels, etc.) needed to care for their foster pets. Plus, we promise there will be lots of snuggles from cute shelter pets when you sign up to foster!



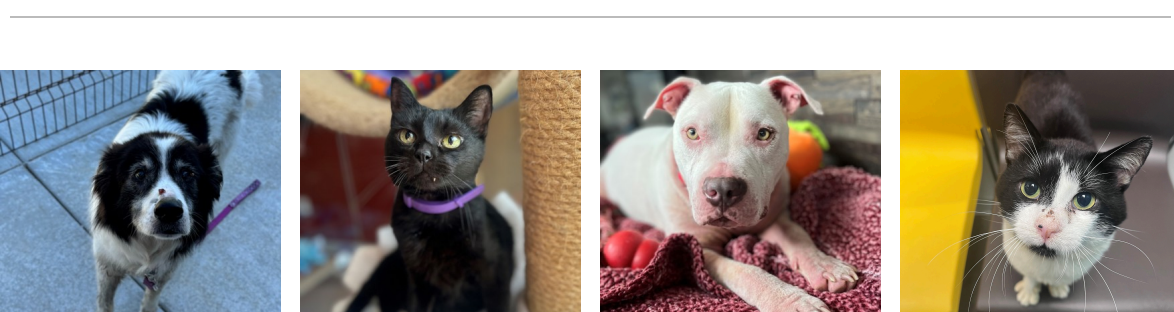
The Cat-R-Walking Home Fund

Have you heard of our Cat-R-Walking Home Fund before? Or maybe seen the logo above on a cat's picture on our website? Maybe you've always wondered what that logo means?

Well let us tell you all about it! The Cat-R-Walking Home Fund was created by two passionate cat lovers in our community. They have a strong desire to help cats in our community go home again and stay home again - no matter their medical needs, no matter if they are older in age, no matter if they are bonded with another cat.

To help these cats, they created this fund with HSSW. They entrust us to use the funding to help cats that have above-average medical needs, have been at HSSW looking for a new home for three or more months, are bonded with another cat, and/or are senior cats (7 years old or older). We often times waive the adoption fees of cats that fall into one (or more) of these categories and offer post-adoption support such as providing prescription food for the cats or covering the cost of a follow-up vet visit.

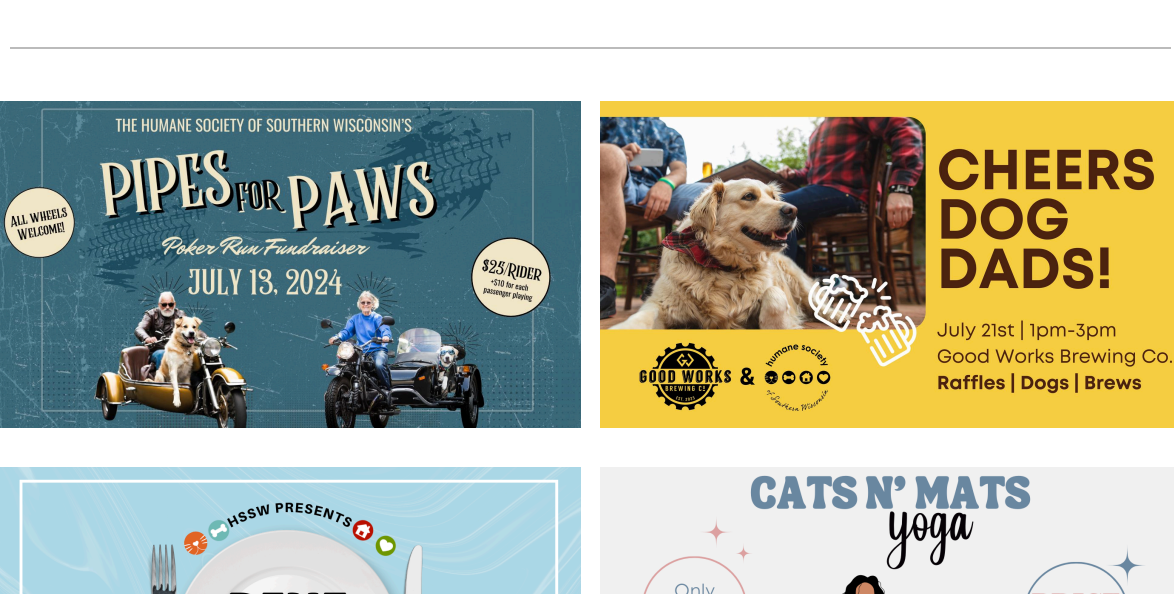
This fund has made a huge impact on our cats, especially those that may be overlooked by potential adopters. Peroigi may be a little harder to find the right homes for. Our cats and all of us at HSSW, say THANK YOU to the Cat-R-Walking Home creators!



Don't Forget about our Senior Pets!

At HSSW, we currently have five senior cats and six senior dogs. We define a 'senior' pet as a pet that is seven years old or older. They may be older, but they have not lost their spark. In fact, our senior pets have been telling us all about how happy they are to be in their golden years! No more wandering the streets, no more chasing red dots that they can never seem to catch, no more going through the trash for a snack, and LOTS of time for napping in the afternoon sun.

Pictured above are just a few of our seniors that are still looking for a forever home with a sunny windowsill or a comfy couch. Could you be their new family? Visit them today at the Humane Society of Southern Wisconsin today! To browse all of our available senior pets, please visit our website at <https://www.petsgohome.org/adopt/>.



July Events Recap

This July we had our first [Pines for Paws Poker Run](#)! Thank you to everyone that made this event a success! Thank you to our dedicated staff for their behind the scenes work leading up to the event and day-of! Thank you to our volunteers who helped us at each stop along the route.

Thank you to everyone that road and competed this year and congrats to our winners (several of whom donated their winnings back to HSSW)! And thank you to our winners that supported us in other ways too, like sharing our event online and telling your friends about it. Together, we raised over \$1,400 to help pets go home again!

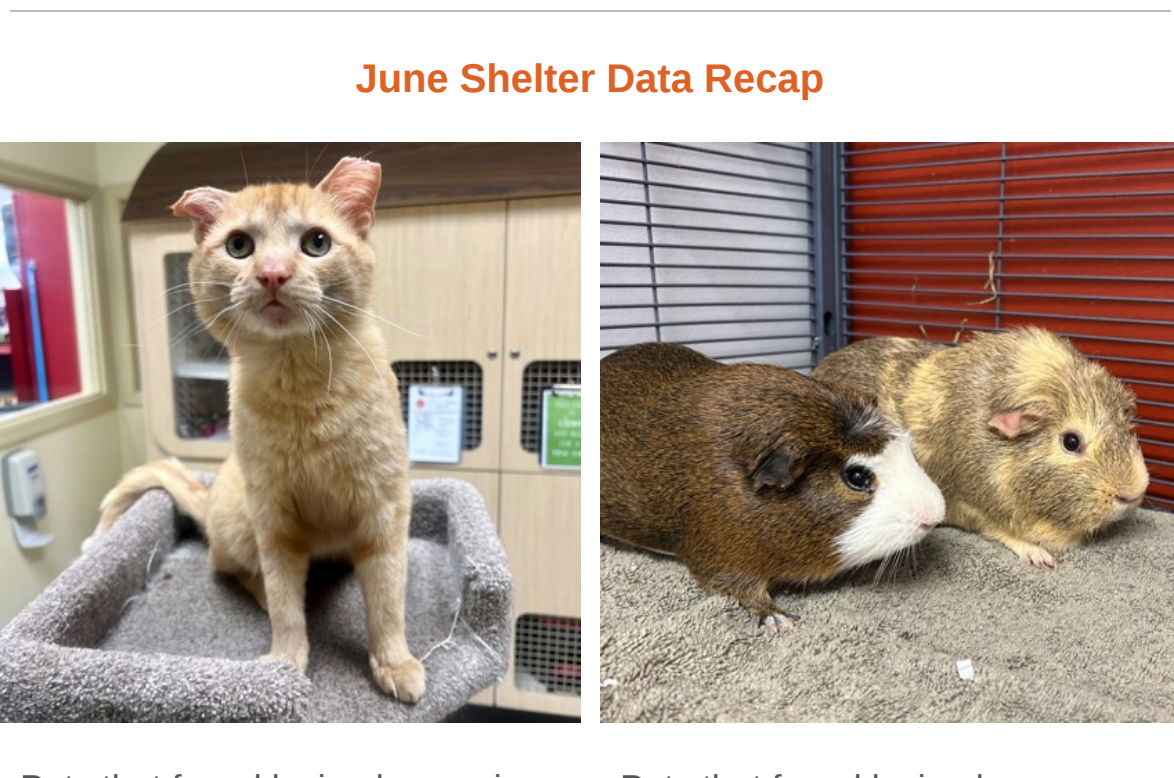
We also partnered with [Good Works Brewing Company](#) to put on a [Dog Dad Day](#) event! This event was a day of celebrating the dog dads in our lives. We had a few fun raffle baskets to be won, plus everyone could bring their dog(s)! What more could you ask for than dogs, brews, and prizes to be won? We sure had a tail-waggin' good time! Thank you, Good Works!

We also continued our [Dine Around Town](#) series this past month. July's Dine Around Town partner was [GR's Sandwich Shoppe](#) who donated 20% of proceeds from orders on July 17th from 4pm-8pm back to HSSW! Thank you, GR's!

We continued our [Cats-n-Mats Yoga](#) series in July as well! This event is held one Saturday each month from 9:30am-10:30am at HSSW. Ages 12+ are welcome to join. It is preferred that you bring your own yoga mat with you, but we will have a few to borrow if needed.

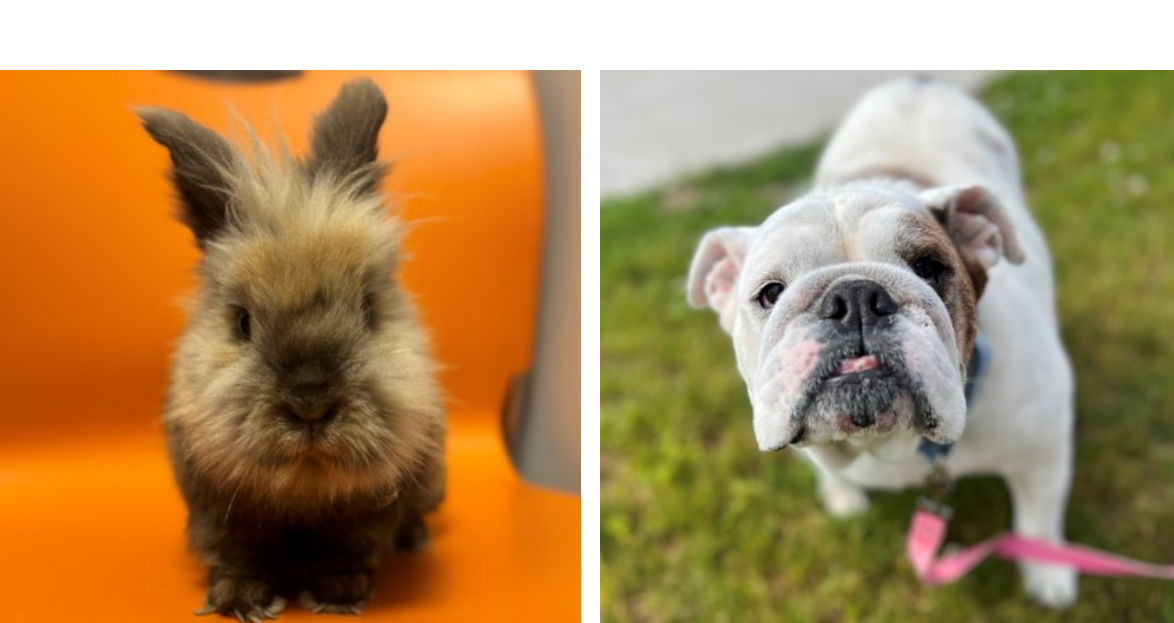
There are only 12 spots available, so don't wait to sign up! You can sign up by texting Megan at 608-676-7090 or by emailing lifestylefocusfitness@gmail.com. The cost is only \$23 with \$10 coming back to HSSW as a donation! Thank you, Lifestyle Focus Fitness!

June Shelter Data Recap



Pets that found loving homes in June:
229

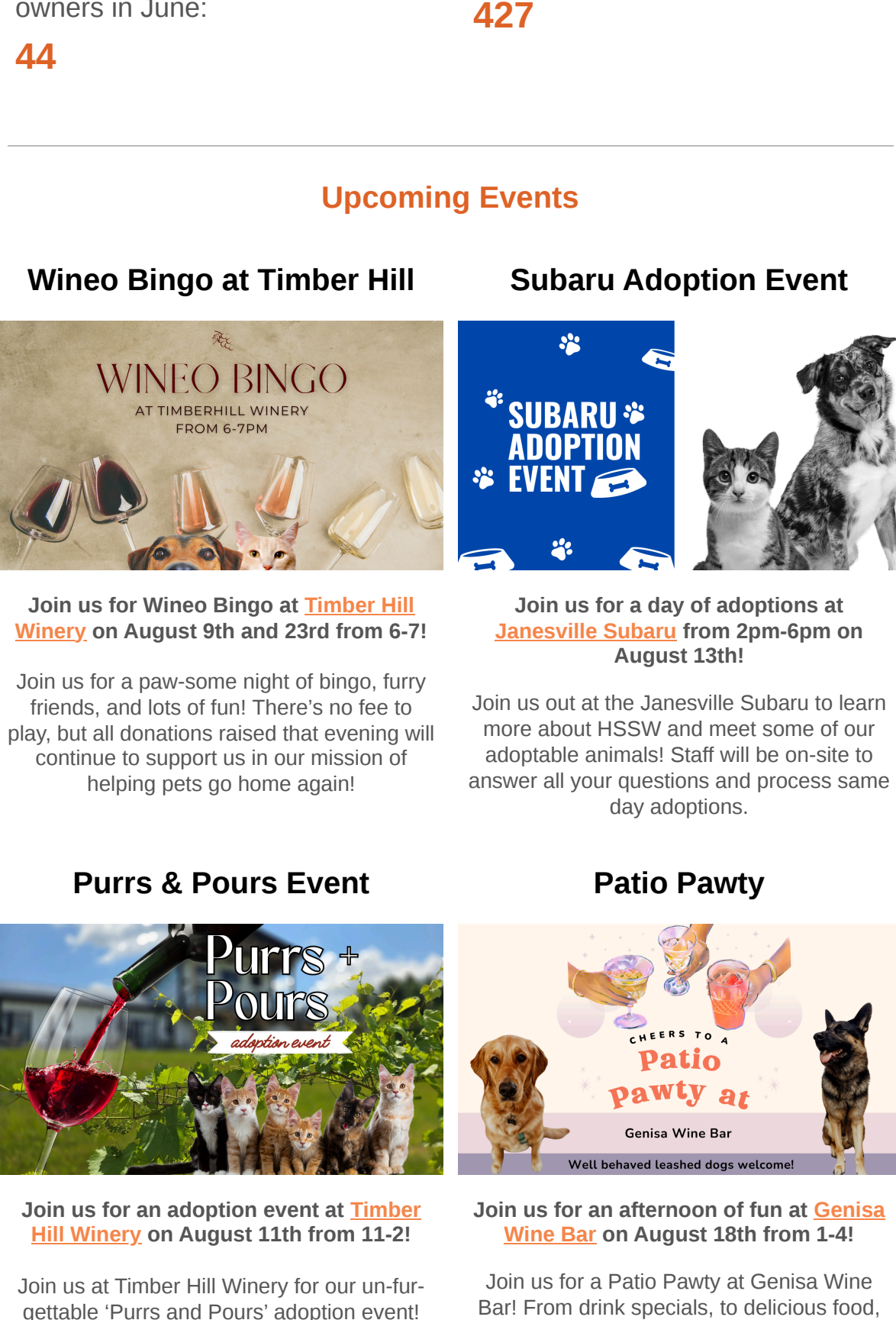
Pets that found loving homes so far this year:
1,181



Pets that were reunited with their owners in June:
44

Surgeries performed in June:
427

Upcoming Events



Join us for Wineo Bingo at [Timber Hill Winery](#) on August 9th and 23rd from 6-7!

Join us for a day of adoptions at [Janiesville Subaru](#) from 2pm-6pm on August 13th!

Join us for a pot-some night of bingo, furry friends, and lots of fun! There's no fee to play, but all donations raised that evening will continue to support us in our mission of helping pets go home again!

Join us out at the Janiesville Subaru to learn more about HSSW and meet some of our adoptable animals! Staff will be on-site to answer all your questions and process same day adoptions.

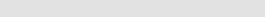
Join us for an adoption event at [Timber Hill Winery](#) on August 11th from 11-2!

Join us for an afternoon of fun at [Genisa Wine Bar](#) on August 18th from 1-4!

Join us at Timber Hill Winery for our un-fur-gettable 'Purrs and Pours' adoption event! Let's toast to good wine, good times, and a great cause!

Join us for a Patio Pawty at [Genisa Wine Bar](#)! From drink specials, to delicious food, and a perfect outdoor area to hang with your favorite pooch, you're sure to have a paw-fect time!

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