



## **Bags & Wags Tournament Only THREE WEEKS AWAY!**

#### Our 3rd annual Bags & Wags Cornhole Tournament is coming up fast and we still need more teams!

The tournament will be held at Sammy's Hilltop in Janesville starting at 11am on June 1st. Team Registration is \$75 and includes a drink chip for each team member and a chance to win CASH prizes! Plus, we promise there will be delicious food, tasty drinks, and plenty of dogs to pet between rounds.

Not interested in competing? Come on down for the MYSTERY wagon raffle packed with over \$1,500 worth of prizes, 50/50 raffle, and great company! All well-mannered and leashed dogs are welcome!

Special thank you to our sponsors for this event - <u>Bobcat</u>, <u>E&D Water Works</u>, <u>Minuteman Press</u>, <u>The Beloit Mattress Company</u>, and <u>Blackhawk Community Credit Union!</u>

Sign Me Up!



# **Camp Unleashed**

### We have just a few spots left in our $\underline{\text{Camp Unleashed}}$ sessions this summer!

Looking for a summer camp that's paws-itively awesome? Join us for Camp Unleashed at the Humane Society of Southern Wisconsin—where kids ages 7–17 can connect with animals, learn about pet care, and have a blast with hands-on activities, games, crafts, and more!

- Multiple sessions available all summer long
- · Perfect for animal-loving kids
- Fun, education, and furry friends in every session!

Spaces are filling—don't miss out on the most tail-wagging camp in town!

Register Today!



**Just 15 Minutes Makes a Difference!** 

### Do you have 15 minutes to spend with a shelter dog? Yes? Then keep reading!

15 minutes may not seem like much to us (let's be honest, we all spend WAY MORE than 15 minutes scrolling on our phone every day), but to a shelter dog it can really make a difference. According to a recent study (linked below), even just ONE 15-minute petting session with a shelter dog often reduces their stress levels.

PLUS, the person doing the petting doesn't even need to be someone the dog already knows - the benefits are still there for the dog even if the person is a stranger to them! Caveat here - not ALL dogs will readily accept pets from strangers, but those that do almost always benefit.

So, if you're up for 15 minutes of dog snuggling and sweet talking, sign up to volunteer! And click HERE to read the full study.

Sign Up to Volunteer!



**Our Intake Team Needs Your Help!** 

Our Intake Team is the team that sees pets that come to HSSW first. They fill out all the initial paperwork, give the pets exams and vaccines, and provide routine medical care to our pets.

As we continue to grow and learn new and better ways to care for the pets that come our way, we often also need to change the equipment and supplies we use. This is where we need your help! **We're looking to raise \$300** to purchase new bowls that attached right to our intake enclosure doors, Pill Pockets to help us give routine medications to our pets, and treats to help us comfort the pets that come our way during their intake exams and vaccinations.

If you'd like to help us achieve this goal, we have plenty of donation options! You can donate in-person at HSSW via cash, check, or credit/debit card, mail in a check, online on <u>our website</u>, via <u>Venmo</u>, or <u>PayPal</u>. Just be sure to let us know that your donation is for our Intake Fundraiser!





# **April Events Recap**

This April, we had our annual Pups & Peeps Egg Hunt where dogs and their families explore our trails and find a few hidden prizes along the way. This year, we had over 50 dogs & their families come out and enjoy our trails and hunt for eggs! Lots of prizes were given out and tons of fun was had. We even had 2 golden eggs found along the way! Eggciting!!!

We also partnered with My Apartment to throw a Yappy Hour Meat Raffle! It was a HUGE success (and tons of fun)! Together, we raised over \$4,100, which Chuck & Patty from My Apartment then graciously rounded UP to \$4300, to support our mission! WOW! AMAZING!! The best part ... Patches found his forever home at the event!! We also want to send out a big THANK YOU to everyone that came out to support us. Hopefully you went home with some tasty treats or fun raffle item!

See you at one of our upcoming events!

## **April Shelter Data Recap**



Pets that found loving homes in April:



Pets that went into foster care in April:

69



Pets that were reunited with their owners in April:

**30** 



Surgeries performed in April:

## **Upcoming Events**

### Bags & Wags - June 1st



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## **Donut Dash - August 2nd**



Join us at Skelly's Farm Market for a 5k/1-mile run/walk on August 2nd at 8am!

Participants of all ages will have the opportunity to race/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!

Early bird registration is only \$35 and ends May 1st. Signup includes a race bib with time tracking, admission to the sunflower field, and an apple cider donut at the finish line.

#### **Get Involved at HSSW!**







#### **Our Contact Information**

- \*{{Organization Name}}\*
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