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the petsgo home post





Recent Dog Adoptions to Celebrate!

Every adoption is special, but we want to call extra attention to two recent adoptions - Scoobs & Hairy. Scoobs came to HSSW back in March and had met several potential matches, but none quite the right fit for his large stature & his rambunctious personality. Until last week when he found his match!

Hairy came to HSSW in June and he took a little bit of time to get comfortable with us. Once he knew he could trust us, he showed us his goofy personality and we all fell fast in love with him. He spent most of his days enjoying play groups while waiting for his match. And now he spends his days at home with his loving family.

Your match might be waiting for you at HSSW, too! Visit our Adoptable Dogs page or stop by HSSW to find out!



Photos with Santa AND Mrs. Claus is Coming Up!

Guess what's back for the holiday season?? That's right Photos with Santa & Mrs. Claus 2026!!

Bring out the whole family (yes, your four-legged family members, too!) and capture some holiday memories with professional photos by the talented **Have Camera Wisconsin** at the beautiful **Rotary Botanical Gardens**!

NEW THIS YEAR! Santa *AND* Mrs. Claus will be joining us! You can choose to have your photos taken with Santa and Mrs. Claus or keep it all about your own family. Either way, it's sure to be a fun holiday memory!

And the best part? Portraits are just $20! That's a GREAT deal for you and a wonderful way to support the pets still searching for their forever homes this holiday season. *Cash, credit card, and Venmo accepted at the event.* And all photos will be available for digital download after the event.

Bring the kids, bring the pups, bring the holiday spirit, and help us make a difference for animals in need!

The Dave & Cheryl Duffield Foundation Bet Big on Us with a Boost Grant!



Duffield Foundation's
Big Bet *for* Pets

THANK YOU, Duffield Foundation!

Please join us in giving a big THANK YOU to the **Dave & Cheryl Duffield Foundation** for investing in our Spay and Neuter Program with a Big Bet for Pets Boost Grant!

This program helps us to provide spay and neuter procedures to pet in our community at a price within their budget. While we already offer low-cost spay/neuter services, at times folks need a little more help to get their pet spayed/neutered - that's where this program comes in.

So, please join us in another THANK YOU to the Duffield Foundation for their support of HSSW!



Retail Restock - Just in Time for the Holidays!

YOUR FAVORITE HSSW MERCH IS BACK!

You asked, and we've got you covered! Tie-Dye Sweatshirts & Leather Logo Hats are BACK!

But that's not all! Shop our retail collection featuring:

- Flannels & T-Shirts
- Candles
- Decals
- Cups
- 2027 Calendars
- And MORE!

Whether you're shopping for yourself, finding the perfect gift for a fellow animal lover, or showing off your HSSW pride, we've got something for you! Plus, every purchase helps support our mission of helping pets go home again!

Stop by the Humane Society of Southern Wisconsin and shop your favorites today!



October Events Recap

In October, we were the Round Up Recipient at Basics Co-Op, partnered with the Janesville Jets for Pucks & Paws Night, held three adoption events, our annual Mutts & Martinis gala, our annual trunk-or-treat event, and partnered with 608 CrossFit for a Halloween Walk!

All month long, when you shopped at Basics, you will had the option to round-up your total to the nearest dollar and your change was donated to HSSW. Plus, we went out for a visit with an adoptable dog in October, too! *We're still totaling up the round-ups, but we're sure it will help plenty of pets go home again.*

At the Pucks & Paws Night with the Janesville Jets, we sold 50/50 raffle tickets, cracked open cold ones in the arena, and collected donations from our wish list. All 50/50 raffle proceeds & tips from the mobile beverage stand came back to HSSW. AND we had a few furry

friends at the event to meet everyone. *Together, we raised almost $400 to help pets go home again!*

This year, we held Mutts & Martinis at a whole new venue - and everyone loved it! We still had our Wine Pull, Silent Auction, Live Animal Art Auction, and - of course - delicious food and specialty martinis. Thank you to everyone that made this event happen! Thank you to our sponsors - Janesville Veterinary Clinic, Data Dimensions, Hesser Toyota, Lake Ridge Bank, Blackhawk Community Credit Union, TRICOR Insurance, CORE Association Management, & Baker Tilly US! Thank you to all of our Silent and Online Auction donors, to all of our staff and volunteers that helped plan and execute this event, to everyone that bid in our auctions, and everyone that came out to the event! Thank you to The Stack for hosting us this year! And thank you to everyone that supported this event in any other way - sharing our posts, promoting this event, and more! *We are still tabulating a total raised at this event & will share it as soon as we have done all the math!*

At our annual Lick-or-Treat event (our version of a trunk-or-treat event), we got to see so many two and four-legged friends in costume! We all got to enjoy plenty of candy, baked goods, and win a few raffles. We'd like to give an extra special thank you to everyone that decorated a trunk and passed out goodies, all of our staff and volunteers that helped plan and execute this event, and everyone that helped promote this event as well! *Together, we raised nearly $600 to help pets go home again!*

Our friends at 608 CrossFit put on a Halloween Dog Walk in our honor AND sold event t-shirts as well! We had a few HSSW Volunteers participate in the walk with adoptable dogs, too. AND one of them (Lily) was adopted by an event goer! *Together, we raised nearly $600 to help pets go home again!*

We also had three adoption events in October - the Squash our Shelter Population event, the Make a Dog's Day event, and the Halloween event. All three helped so many pets go home again! During our Squash our Shelter Population event, we found homes for 33 cats and 11 dogs; during our Make a Dog's Day event, we found homes for 13 dogs; and during our Halloween event, we found homes for 29 cats and 8 dogs!

Thank you to everyone that made these events a success!

October Shelter Data Recap









To see our full October Shelter Data Report, visit us HERE.

Upcoming Events

Adopt a Senior Pet Month - November



November is Adopt a Senior Pet Month!

To celebrate, we're lowering all senior dog adoption fees to $100. Our senior cat adoption fees are already WAIVED thanks to the Cat-R-Walkin' Home Fund, so our senior cats adopted in November will go home with a special goody bag.

Adopters must still follow all normal adoption processes to adopt a pet and pay for any additional required purchases.

If you've been thinking about adding to your family – now's the time!

Chili Cookoff - Nov. 7th



Our friends at Hop Garden are putting on their annual Chili Cookoff again this year!

Care to eat? $7 will get you a bottomless bowl and a vote for your favorite chili. 100% proceeds will come back to HSSW to support our mission of helping pets go home again!

Plus, we'll be out at the event with a few furry friends for you to meet. And there will be live music for everyone to enjoy as well!

Luminary Walk - Nov. 13th



Join HSSW on Friday, November 13th, between the hours of 5:30 PM and 7:30 PM for a night-time lighted walk on our trails!

This event is free to the public. We will have hot cocoa and sweets available, Pup Cups for our four-legged friends, and raffle baskets to be won as well. And of course, donations are always welcome as are well-mannered and leashed dogs.

Special thank you to our sponsors – Culver's, Janesville Veterinary Clinic, & American Family Insurance Agent Colleen Frentzel!

Tell your friends, we can't wait to see you there!

Black Friday Adoption Event - Nov. 27th



Join us for our Black Friday Event where we will be lowering adoption fees all day long!!

All of you doorbusters will get the best deal – adoption fees lowered by 50%!! If you get to HSSW a little later, don't worry – you'll still get a great deal. At 2pm, adoption fees will be lowered by 40%, at 4pm – 30%, & at 6pm – 20%.

Come on in for a great deal and even better pets!!

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