Northwoods Humane Society – Deanna Persson, President

Super busy times for the Northwoods Humane Society both at the shelter, the NHS Thrift Shop and in the community.

The shelter staff received 11 small terrier-type dogs from Austin, Texas. The precious dogs were apart of 51 dogs removed from a hoarding situation. The shelter they were taken to was at 140% capacity – no room at the inn. Euthanization was on the table. We were eager to embrace these dogs knowing that there will be wonderful families waiting for a small dog.

Special thanks to Sheila Strain, owner of Puppy Love, for donating a morning to bathing and grooming these needy little guys. They were caked in feces and urine, but after two baths and new hairdo's they are beautiful. They are now waiting for their spay or neuter appointments. Volunteers are working on their socialization. Adoption applications are being accepted. Adoptions will be based on first come, first approved basis. Interested approved adopters can make appointments for meeting the dogs. Pre adoption forms are available on our website https://www.northwoodshumanesociety.org/adoptable-animals.html.



Volunteer Cherie Arzola cleans cats and helps with the mailing list and online donations. She shared her good news on Thursday that 'Selena' was adopted. Selena was the last of a litter to be at the shelter. She had been with us for a year. She also showed me a picture of 'Chloe', a tiny kitten. Chloe was found in the woods and brought to the shelter. Lisa Lew broke the news to the rescuers that 'Chloe' was going to be 'Bobbie'.

This was a big week for Cloud, a blond retriever that came to us awhile back from transport group from Austin Texas. The Austin Humane Society was again overwhelmed at their shelter. Cloud had needed eye surgery and their shelter offered to pay the expenses to remedy Cloud's condition.

Cloud is about 13 months old. She came to us with Glaucoma in her right eye, it was too far advanced for treatment so for her comfort and to avoid further complications it was decided removing the eye would be best. We began to foster her a few days before surgery so she would get used to being in our home thus hoping for the most comfort during her recovery. The July 28 surgery went very well. Cloud is sleeping and eating just fine and is her usual sweet, easy going self. There shouldn't be much change in Cloud's life or further medical needs as she was unable to see through the affected eye. She will be going to her forever home soon where she'll have a play buddy and two great "parents". "Dad" is a retired veterinarian and a member of the NHS board, "Mom" is a regular volunteer at the shelter and thrift shop. They will be naming her Cleo. I'm sure she'll be just fine with that, a pretty name for a pretty girl.

Big Thanks to Steve and Karen Menke who prepared the lunches at the Piece Makers Quilt show held last Saturday at the Hayward Wesleyan Church. Thank you to helpers Pat and Rich Nelson All proceeds from the meals were given to the Northwoods Humane Society.

The Piece Makers Quilt Show was a very beautiful show filled with creative energy. There were several categories of types of quilts. One was the 'Challenge' quilts. Each quilter received teal fabric that was to be used in the quilt, the quilts were 12 inch by 12 inch and had to have an image of the Hayward area. Two quilters chose to honor the Northwoods Humane Society – Marty Currie chose the shelter and pets and Lynn Kunz created the NHS Dog Park and shelter – both were so precious and successful.

The beagle update is that we are still waiting for a notification about their arrival date. NHS is scheduled to receive 31 of the 4,000 beagles that were part of a rescue by HSUS from a research facility in the state of Virginia.

Special welcome to new Thrift Shop Volunteers Irene Farone, Sharon Walp and Shirley Armstrong.

Dates to Save: August 24 – Bingo – Red Schoolhouse Wines – 5:30 p.m. September 11 – NHS Dog Walk and Ice Cream Social – 12:30 p.m. – NHS Shelter Grounds