Northwoods Humane Society – Deanna Persson, President

The raffle ticket team will be setting up at Fall Fest in Hayward and at Cranberry Fest. This year's raffle prize is \$1,000. If you'd like to be a part of the team selling tickets call Alecia at the shelter – 715-634-5394. The drawing is on Tuesday, October 4 at the NHS Shelter. You do not need to be present to win.

A side note – Alecia Austin, our Shelter Manager, heads the Raffle selling efforts – organizing, getting supplies in place, setting up and taking down the tents and tables and greeting visitors and buyers to the NHS tents. Well, she broke her leg three weeks ago and it unable to put any pressure on it for two more months. But that does not slow her down – well, just a little. Our thanks to her super crew Kim Kral, Susan Sams, and Joan Cervenka for stepping forward to make it all happen at Fall Fest and Cranberry Fest. Alecia will be there, too – she's the one in the wheelchair. If you would like to buy raffle tickets but not able to go to one of the festivals, they are also for sale at the Shelter and at the NHS Thrift Shop.

A special way that volunteers help the animals at the shelter is by baking dog treats that are sold at the Thrift Shop and at the different affairs NHS attends. We need more dog treats. If you would like to help with the baking, the following is the recipe people use. There are some supplies available at the Thrift Shop. So please stop buy and get some supplies if you are able to help. If you have questions about the baking, please contact Pat Brummel at the NHS Thrift Shop -715-934-3121.

Dog Biscuit Recipe.

Ingredients: ¹/₄ cup oil 2 eggs 1 tbsp. brown sugar ¹/₂ cup creamy peanut butter ¹/₄ cup honey or molasses

2-1/2 cups quick cooking oatmeal3 cups flour1 tsp. cinnamon

Mix wet ingredients together (oil, eggs, brown sugar, peanut butter and molasses/honey). Mix well. Add in the dry ingredients (oatmeal, flour, and cinnamon) and mix completely. Mixture will be stiff. You may add milk or water as needed to make the mixture more pliable. Prep a jelly roll pan with spray Pam, quick release foil, or parchment paper. Press biscuit mixture into prepared pan. You can use a rolling pin (sprayed lightly with Pam) to press down the mix and make it even. Use a pizza cutter to cut and score the dough into the desired size of the individual biscuits. (This is important as they are difficult to cut once baked). Bake at 325 degrees for one hour. Let the biscuits cool down enough to handle and break them apart and turn them over in the pan. Put back in the oven at 200 degrees for 2 more hours to dry completely. Once cooled store covered in a container or bag. Can be refrigerated or frozen.

Our thanks to our regular bakers Virginia Rasmussen, Pat Brummel, Eileen Brossard, Sharon Goodacre, Chris Czebelka, Paula Bilitzm, Kathy Zajac, JoAnn Evans, Melissa Wallace and Susan Horrocks. They could use some more help.

A reminder that the NHS Free Spay and neuter for Cats will be held on Tuesday October 11 at the NHS Shelter. The Purple Cat Van and Dr. Rupel's mission is to provide affordable spay and neutering for cats to help prevent the suffering of unwanted litters of kittens. NHS is able to offer the clinic free to owners of cats or those caring for feral cats because of the gift given in honor 'Musky Hoeft'.

Please contact assistant shelter manager Lisa Lew or Angie Larson to schedule an appointment – 715-634-5394.

If you are getting ready to decorate for Halloween, fall or Thanksgiving – the Thrift Shop volunteers have recently put out many super items for sale. They are also moving some Xmas onto the floors.

Happy Fall – what a beautiful place we live in.