Northwoods Humane Society - Deanna Persson, President

As recently celebrated, the Northwoods Humane Society thrift shop just celebrate 30 Years as an "All Volunteer Thrift Shop". The Northwoods Humane Society Shelter has also been dependent on caring volunteers for the past 27 years.

There are some specific needs for volunteers as we go into our summer season. The shelter is in need of someone that likes to work outdoors. We need someone that likes mowing, edging, trimming, weeding, planting and yard cleanup. These are tasks that can be done any day of the week and we have all the necessary tools. If this is of interest to you go on-line at <u>www.northwoodshumanesociety.org/adult-volunteer-application.html</u> and fill out the application. You can also take a drive out to the shelter located on Highway 77 and O'Brien Hill Road and look at the grounds. Alecia, our shelter manager and Mark P. can any answer questions you might have.

The Shelter also welcomes dog walkers, cage cleaners for cats and dogs and office help. Again if these are of interest to you, fill out the volunteer application.

The Thrift Shop has gone into summer mode. We have expanded our hours to 11 am to 4 pm. There is a need for a few cashiers. The other need is help on Thursdays or Saturday in the Thrift room. This involves receiving donations as they come to the back door, sorting, cleaning and pricing. Volunteer applications may be picked up at the front desk or on-line. Paula Bilitz will contact you and help with questions and training. Barbara Hoeft will guide you in the Thrift area.

Fundraising is an important part of the Northwoods Humane Society meeting their financial needs for each fiscal year. The Thrift Shop provide approximately half of our budget the other half is dependent on donations, bequests, adoption fees, memorial gifts, grants and fundraisers.

Our thanks to NHS Board Member Shirley Armstrong for organizing and working Dining for Cats and Dogs at Lynn's Custom Meats and Catering over Memorial Day Weekend. She had a super crew! Cindy and Brian Lehner hot at the grill, Carol Williamson and Liz Klien working the Brat Mobile and Jean Morris and Jean Morris and Christine Mikkelson as the cashiers and order takers and Bety Stoker who made sure all 'I's were dotted. It was fun and successful.

Next on the agenda will be NHS Tag day on August 5, and Rob Taite and David Nemec are going to take the lead. We have done Tag day since 1992.

Our big summer event will have a new flavor and location. Mark your calendars and save Friday August 30<sup>th</sup> for "BARK AND ROLL". If you love rock and roll and maybe like to do a little dancing, please join us at the Sawmill Saloon beginning at 6:30. 'BARK and ROLL' will feature the Been There Done That Band, a local favorite. The Sawmill is a prettying amazing place. We will be in the Performance Hill that has a big stage, dance floor, tables and special areas for the silent auctions, and outdoor seating. Our silent auction will be the CATS MEOW! Along with the 50/50 raffles and hot dogs on the grill. Tickets will go on sale August 1.

If you have an item for the raffle, a gift certificate or service to donate, please let me know – 715-634-4543.

Giving of time and talents enriches your life and helps the lives of animals in need. Thank you to all that care.

Dates to Save: August 5 – Tag Day August 30 – BARK and ROLL – Sawmill Saloon – 6:30 pm