

October 2008  
Fall Edition

# The Paw

Newsletter for the Pierre/Ft. Pierre Area Humane Society

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## You are never too young to help.....

On Tuesday, August 5th, 2008, I received a call from Lynette McCarty of Net's Daycare. This was not unusual for me, as I talk to Lynette on a daily basis. You see, she's my sister!

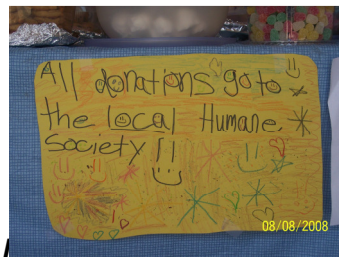
Lynette was calling to tell me that her daycare kids wanted to have a "goodie" stand to raise money for the Humane Society. I am sure she could hear the pride in my voice as I told her that was an **excellent** idea!!

The big day came and the kids were **more than** excited! You could feel the electricity in the air! The kids had made signs, a donation jar, and set up two tables: One for goodies (and a lot of them, there were) and one for beverages.

As people arrived to partake, the kids informed them that the food and drink were free and there was a donation option. In the jar went \$1, \$5, and even some \$10 bills.

1 and ½ hours later, tables were cleaned, signs were taken down and the money was counted.

THESE **WONDERFUL** KIDS, RANGING FROM LESS THAN 1 YEAR TO 9 YEARS OF AGE, HAD RAISED **\$83 "for the kitties and puppies"!!!!**



Jessika, Jesse, and Taya sending "customers" the right direction



L to R: Taya, Jessika, Spencer, Brooke, Lynette, Alayna, and Matthew  
(not pictured: Josh, Ethan, and Chris)

**"THANK YOU, NET'S DAYCARE!!!"**  
**LOVE,**  
**THE KITTIES AND PUPPIES**

# 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Dog Days of Summer



Abbey enjoys the Duck Pond

*A dog can express more with his tail in minutes than his owner can express with his tongue in hours.*  
-Anonymous

Mother Nature was in a **very** good mood on Saturday, August 16<sup>th</sup> 2008. The weather was perfect: Sunny, calm, and no bugs in sight!!

We were excited as this was the day the Humane Society was holding their **2<sup>nd</sup> Annual "Dog Days of Summer"**!! To provide icing to the cake, August 16<sup>th</sup> was also International Homeless Animals Day.

Though the event didn't start until 10 a.m., we had numerous volunteers in the park at 8 a.m. to help get everything organized.

The food/beverage tent was set up, as well as the

various stations, including games, face painting, tattoos, and balloon animals. There was also an obstacle course and a duck pond for the dogs. A raffle ticket table, sign up table, and Apryl's Animal House table were also set up.

Apryl generously donated the money she made at her table to the Humane Society. *Thank you, Apryl !!*

Kathy Hammond did a wonderful job as our MC!! She talked about the various services the Humane Society provides, as well as drew names for the large number of raffle prizes.

The variety of dogs that enjoyed the day was a sight to see! You looked around and saw small dogs, large dogs, ones with curly fur, and ones with straight fur.

The judges (Dr. Craig Howard, Lindy Bouchie, and DT Meyer) had a tough job choosing the dog that was smallest, biggest, cutest, look-a-like, and could perform the best talent/trick, but they did it! See the winner's photograph below.

We would like to **thank** the donators, judges, volunteers, friends, and members for making this a **very successful** event!! With your help we raised over **\$1,500!!!!**



Lindy Bouchie does face painting



Bonnie Stroh mans the tattoo table as Misti Adams checks out the assortment.



A large turnout!!



Kathy Hammond - our MC!!



Eugene Gissal enjoys the wet sponges! He and wife, Dana, entertained the attendees.



Dr. Howard, DT & Lindy - Judges



Contest Winners - CONGRATS!!!

# “Memorials”



## Pet Memorials

### July 2008

Memorial for Nanette Dailey's dog from Ann Sines

### June 2008

Donation for Torque by Leticia Garza

*Heaven would not heaven be,  
without my cats to welcome  
me.” -Author Unknown*

## In Memory or Honor

### June 2008

Memorial for Building Fund in memory of Cliff Branaman, father of Mrs. Donna Hawk, by Gaylord & Cathy Sonnenschein

In memory of Paul Volk, father of Jerry & Paula Hunsley, husband of Nina Volk, by Gaylord & Cathy Sonnenschein

### May 2008

\$25 donation in Karen Allen's name by St. Mary's Hospital Auxiliary

\$50 donation to the Building Fund - Jean Coull Memorial by Peggy Neiles

### March 2008

Jean Coull memorial from Stephanie and John Briggs

Memorial for Jean Coull by

Chris & Gerry Ganz

Joan Likness

Pat Engebretson

Tania Hinesh

Caroline Sorensen

South Dakota State University Foundation

### February 2008

In memory of Luella Strudle from Cathy Sonnenschein

## **HELP US TURN THE HUMANE SOCIETY WINDOW INTO A PUMPKIN PATCH!**

Be watching your email soon for the details on how to participate in “Pumpkins for Paws”!

\$1.00 per pumpkin (**no limit**). Write your name on your pumpkin(s) and look for your pumpkin(s) on the window.

Your \$1.00 will feed a cat or dog for one day!



## Upcoming Events:

**October 13<sup>th</sup> – 15<sup>th</sup>, 2008:**

### **Pet Portraits with Shalista**

(If you are interested, please email Lindy at [pets4adoption@yahoo.com](mailto:pets4adoption@yahoo.com) and she'll contact you with the first available appointment.

\$40 for 20 minute session and 8 x 10

**October 18<sup>th</sup> from 4 p.m. – 6 p.m.:**

### **Dogs at HS Shelter**

(A meet and greet with some of the dogs in our care – They'll have a “kiss” and waggin' tail waiting for you!)

**October 18<sup>th</sup> – Hunter's Wives' Day Out –**

Pierre Mall

**November 15<sup>th</sup> – Fall Zonta Fair –**

Ramkota Inn, Pierre, SD

# Volunteer's Corner

*Volunteers don't get paid, not because they're worthless, but because they're priceless.*

-Sherry Anderson

(A quote from [www.quotegarden.com](http://www.quotegarden.com))



In the July newsletter, I mentioned how much we rely on our wonderful volunteers! This month I would like to feature Holly Kelley, a terrific cat volunteer!

Through an email interview, I asked Holly how long she had been a volunteer. "I think I have been a volunteer for about four years now. I started out volunteering Wednesday nights and cleaning on Saturday mornings. I think it was two months later that I started cleaning every morning." She quit for a while, and when the opportunity came along to clean once a week she took it because it fit her schedule better. "I have been enjoying it ever since."

Holly thought long and hard about my next question. I asked her what she got out of volunteering. "Well, there is no one word to explain how I feel about or get out of volunteering at the Humane Society. It's all the good words you find in the dictionary... I have volunteered for other things during my school days and I have always walked away with the

If you would like to volunteer for this great cause, please call

(605)223-CATS!!

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-Holly



**Fiji - Foster Kitty of Holly's**

feeling of accomplishment. It is giving back of what is given to you. You can't expect to keep something without giving back something. It's a continuous cycle that never ends."

One activity Holly has helped with is the Pizza Ranch fundraiser. "That is a lot of fun. I get to see and talk to people about their animals and the funny things they do." She also sets up a raffle at the Winter Expo (KGF) because the Humane Society



**Holly at the HS Shelter**

doesn't have a booth, but her husband, owner of Kelley Electronics, does. She's done this for the last couple of years.

The first year she started volunteering, she helped man the booth at the Farm and Home Show (KCCR) and the Zonta show. When you think she can do no more, Holly has answered the Humane Society phones for a week a couple of times.

"I have covered for other volunteers when they can't be at the shelter and help clean on Saturdays whenever I could."

You could "see" the smile on Holly's face when she answered this next question:

"How many dogs and cats do I have? A LOT!!!! My stepson says that I have an addiction to cats. He might be right. I have a total of ten cats, two dogs and a turtle."

Holly's love for animals shows in her hard work she does for the Humane Society.

Thank you, Holly, for all that you do!!!!

## Rummage Sale Fundraiser

At one of our monthly Humane Society meetings, we talked about various ways to raise money. A mention was made of holding a rummage sale with various items being donated by our **wonderful** friends and members.

I sent out an email looking for donations and the response was amazing! Books, clothing, furniture, household items, computer screens, office items, stereos, and so much more was dropped off at 1510 E. Sully (the centrally located home of Bob and Lynette McCarty).

Just when we thought the donations had stopped, another vehicle would pull up with more items.

Lindy Bouchie and I worked 6 consecutive nights preparing the items, placing them in the "ideal" spot to catch the buyer's eyes. We can't take all of the credit in getting it set up. Debby Bouchie, Chris Cressy, and Lynette McCarty gave us a hand, as well!

Friday night, we looked at ALL of the items we had received, grinned and hoped for nice weather. If it rained, I was going to

have to sweet-talk Bob into letting us "take over" his garage for another week. A task I was not looking forward to! To be quite honest, he would have said "yes"; he just likes to act tough!

Saturday morning, September 13<sup>th</sup>, arrived and yes, it was raining! All I could think was, "Nooooooooooooo!!!!!!!"

Bonnie Stroh, Lindy and I arrived at Lynette's early hoping the rain would let up, so we could pull the items out onto the driveway to make for easier shopping.

The sale was to start at 7 a.m. and at 6:50 a.m. the rain stopped! We opened the garage doors in time to see people walking up the driveway.

Giving credit to the residents of the Pierre/Ft. Pierre Area, the shoppers didn't step aside and wait for us to pull tables and racks out, they jumped in to help!!

The sale was under way!! From 7 a.m. until 12:30 p.m. (the sale was scheduled to end at 11 a.m.), we had droves of people. It was a **great** turn out and we thank all that stopped and shopped!

I want to thank Kim Kusser, Jodi Owen, Rob White Bird, Ruth Rehn, Kay Ferraro, Matt Geraets, Lindy Bouchie, Bonnie Stroh, Crayton Bouchie, Lynette and Bob McCarty, and all of the donators for their help! Without you, we would not have been able to raise **\$410.00!!!**





**Amelie**

1 – yr old spayed female  
Calico (black/orange/tan).  
Approximate DOB:  
5-3-2007

**Four-legged Furry Friends**



If you see a “cutie” that you would like to adopt, please call (605)223-CATS.

*“We have lots of love to give!”*



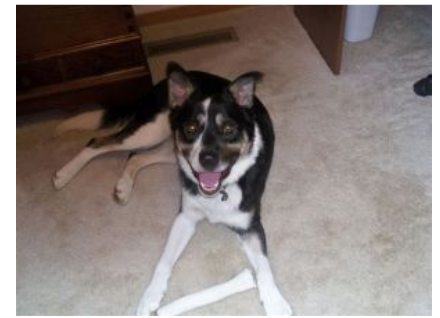
**Bogart**

1-yr old neutered long-haired male Tabby (black/grey/white)  
Approximate DOB:  
10-21-2007



**Dillyn**

12-week old male Springer (black/white) Spaniel.  
Approximate DOB:  
7-7-2008



**Jasper**

16-month old neutered male Husky-mix.  
Approximate DOB:  
June 2007



**Lucky**

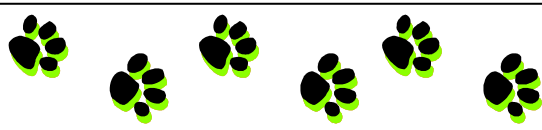
16-month old neutered Springer/Basset mix  
Approximate DOB:  
June 6, 2007



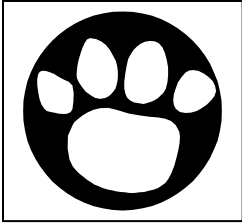
**Lava**

2-yr old neutered male. Orange in color.  
Approximate DOB:  
July 2006

To view more information on these animals and/or to see all of the other dogs and cats in our care, go to [www.pets4adoption.org](http://www.pets4adoption.org).



**About Our Organization...**



The Pierre/Ft. Pierre Area Humane Society is a **no kill** organization. We are a non-profit group that relies on donations, fundraisers, and our wonderful volunteers!!

Last year we adopted out 225 cats and dogs to their new families. Though these animals may have come to us abused or abandoned, with the love of our members and volunteers, they learn to trust again.

See page 4 for the article on Holly Kelley, one of our loving cat volunteers.

A GREAT BIG **THANK YOU** HOLLY KELLEY, FOR ALL YOU DO!!!

**Foster Homes Needed**

We are still looking for foster homes to help us care for the dogs we get in. If you can open your heart and your home, please email me:

[sayler@pie.midco.net](mailto:sayler@pie.midco.net)



**WISH LIST**

- Kitty Litter
- Dog/Cat Food
- Bleach
- Garbage Bags
- Cat/Dog toys
- Leashes/Collars
- Paper Towels
- Laundry Detergent
- Rawhide Chews

**PIERRE-FORT PIERRE AREA HUMANE SOCIETY**

P.O. Box 954, Pierre, SD 57501-0954

Yearly Membership Categories:

- Student \$10 (under 18)
- Senior \$10
- Individual \$15 (1, over 18)
- Family \$25 (2+)
- Business \$50
- Lifetime \$500 (Free t-shirt)

I cannot become a member at this time; however, I am enclosing a donation of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ to further assist the Pierre-Ft. Pierre Area Humane Society.

I am already a member & am enclosing a donation of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ to further assist the Pierre-Ft. Pierre Area Humane Society.

I would like this donation to go to the following fund(s):

- General Fund (Rent, medical, expenses, food, litter, day to day needs)
- Building Fund (We are raising funds to build a permanent HS building)
- Special Needs Fund (Sometimes our animals need extra medical attention)

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_ Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Work Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_ New \_\_\_\_\_ Renewal \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Please indicate whether you would be willing to be an active member:

- Yes, Call me when needed.
- No, I'd rather not be actively involved

I hope you enjoyed this issue of "The Paw". I would like to thank everyone that helped make this edition possible!! If you would like to become a member of the Pierre/Ft. Pierre Area Humane Society, please fill out the above form and send it to the address provided.

--Lisa Sayler, Humane Society Secretary