

We speak for those who cannot speak for themselves!

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Foster Family of the Month

Sarah Schlicter: I've been fostering about 6ish yrs. I've lost count on how many fosters I've had but I would say well over 100 dogs, puppies, cats, and kittens. But I have always had at least one foster dog over the last 6 yrs. My longest break was maybe 1 month or two with no dog. Watching the diversity of different dogs is great, knowing the background of a dog and seeing them trust you and love you knowing they came from the worst.

"Fun Fact: I see a lot of my fosters yrs later as I also run a dog boarding business out of my home so many people bring them back which is the best!!!"



Peanuts' Happy Tail!

Peanut was one of our quickest Happy Tails! She came in on November 22 and was adopted December 11! Peanut came from a broken home – her mom could no longer take care of her so a wonderful neighbor stepped in to help! This neighbor went above and beyond what others might have done to save this little one.



News & Information

Steele County Humane Society

Merry Market Craft &

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On December 7, we held our annual craft & vendor show (Merry Market). This even has been held since 2010 and every

year I am surprised by the talent of our community. I want to say thank you. Thank you to the Owatonna Eagle's for their support, their patience, and their hard work. Each year they work with us among all the other activities happening this time of year. Their staff on that day is awesome so helpful, kind, and attentive. Thank you to our generous vendors, dedicated event volunteers, and our shoppers. Without you, I'd be sitting in an empty room at the Eagle's. Your support, skills, and talents do not go unnoticed. Last, but not least, thank you to the Steele County Humane Society for allowing me the privilege to chair this event. Cheers to another successful event because all of us worked together. Thank you! Submitted by: Liz Bratsch, Merry Market Chairperson

New Shelter Naming & Sponsoring Opportunities

We are honored to recognize individuals and Corporations who make significant contributions to our Shelter Building Capital Campaign. Please contact the Office for more information. 507-451-4512 steelecountyhumanesociety@qmail.com



THANK YOU MERRY MARKET for donating proceeds to SCHS!

Become a Member!

To become a sustaining member of the Steele County Humane Society, email <u>steelecountyhumanesociety@gmail.com</u> with the below information:

Purr-fectly Pampered	\$25
	Covers laundry for 1 month
Belly Bowl	\$50
Democra Com	Feeds 1 dog or 1 cat for a month \$100
Pawsome Care	ې100 Vaccinate 1 animal
Whiskers to Tails	vaccinate i animai \$200
WINSKETS to Tails	Spay/neuter 1 animal
Raise the Ruff	\$500
	Utilities for 1 month
Pawsitively Perfect	\$750
	Veterinary care for 1 week
Quazzie Klub	\$1000
	Covers 1 emergency surgery
1 Month3 mon	ths6 monthsYearly
Starting:	Ending:



MYTH: Spaying and neutering is unhealthy for pets.

FACT: Just the opposite! Neutering your male companion prevents testicular cancer and some prostate problems. Spaying helps prevent uterine infections and breast tumors, which are malignant or cancerous in about 50% of dogs and 90% of cats. Spay/neuter will help your pet live a longer, healthier life.

https://www.aspca.org/pet-care/general-petcare/low-cost-spayneuter-programs

MNSNAP is a S/N resource: mnsnap.org 612-720-8236

How to Help Our Furry Family Members

Mona, Pet of the Month!

Hey everyone! Mona here. I'm about 1 year old and love everyone! I like to go for walks and after wearing myself out from that, I sleep as close to my foster family as I can - I love my people! I am also a very happy young lady with a good appetite. I am spayed, up to date on shots, and microchipped. From Mona's foster family: She has the biggest heart and just wants to move and play with everyone she meets! She does amazing with other dogs (does play hard so another pup who can handle her energy would be amazing!). Does not do well with cats. She is kennel trained, goes in when we leave for the day and at night. Is not a barker. We are working on potty training, she is doing great but have to be consistent with letting her out. She loves toys and playing but is a tough chewer so needs tough toys.



What to do if you see a pet left out in the cold

It can be a crime to leave pets outside in extreme temperatures without food and shelter. *Report what you see: Take* note of the date, time, exact location and the type of animal(s) involved and write down as many details as possible about the situation. Video and photographic documentation of the animal, the location, the surrounding area, etc. (even a cell phone photo) will help bolster your case. *Contact your local animal control agency or county* sheriff's office and present your complaint and evidence. Take detailed notes regarding whom you speak with and when. Respectfully follow up in a few days if the situation has not been remedied. If you need advice, contact us. The Humane Society of the United States 1255 23rd St. NW, Suite 450 Washington, DC 20037 202-452-1100 or 866-720-2676 Monday through Friday 8 a.m. to 11 p.m. If you have pets, follow our advice for keeping them safe in cold weather.

Source: https://www.humanesociety.org/resources/what-do-if-yousee-pet-left-out-cold

Find Your Next Furry Family Member Here steelecountyhumanesociety.net/current-pets

If you find a stray cat or dog, please first contact Owatonna Animal Control (if you live in Owa) at 507-451-8232. Email us information/photos and we can post this to Facebook to try to help find the owner.



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