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Tuesday - Friday: 12 p.m. to 5 p.m.
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Mondays & Holidays: Closed



What better time to pick up a pet at HSBC and give it a Furever Home?



HSBC currently holds its monthly meetings the second Thursday of every month at 6 p.m. at the Barron City Hall. Members, volunteers, and everyone interested in HSBC are invited to attend.

Your Board Members for 2018 are:

Mike Harvey	President
Katie Koser	VP
Cari Colegrove	Secretary
Katherine Elchert	Treasurer
Holly Gonzalez	Board Member
Danielle Schultz	Board Member
Shoshonna Moe	Board Member

HSBC DONATION/MEMBERSHIP FORM

Name: _____ Date: _____

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Membership

_____ \$100- This gives you a five year supportive membership (Membership, Newsletter and Voting Rights for 5 years)

_____ \$25-This gives you a one year supportive membership (Membership, Newsletter and Voting Rights for one year)

Donation

_____ I would like to make a donation to HSBC in the following amount \$_____.

Mail this form along with your tax deductible donation to: HSBC, 1571 Guy Avenue, Barron, WI 54812

PLEASE MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO HSBC.

Thank you for your support!

Please use a thin flat edge to tear circle seals. They are needed for mailing but will rip newsletter if you just try to pull them apart.

Critter Chronicles



"Jack and Leo (was Huckleberry and Finn) we're both from HSBC and we're adopted together. I was told they were brought to the shelter together after being abandoned in their previous owners home. They now live together happy and healthy as they should be. "



"I got Zeplin November of 2017, and he immediately claimed a place in my heart. He was a little on the skinnier side when I first got him, and now he is becoming one large fella. (He may be slightly spoiled). He has become one of the sweetest cats I have ever met. He loves hugging my arm when he falls asleep on me. If I've been having a bad day, he always jumps up and lays down next to me. He'll reach his paw out until I finally hold it. His brother Koal welcomed him into the family as soon as he saw Zeplin.

"This is Maura now Mighty Mo she rescued me not me her. It's like we have been together forever thanks so much for all you did for us."

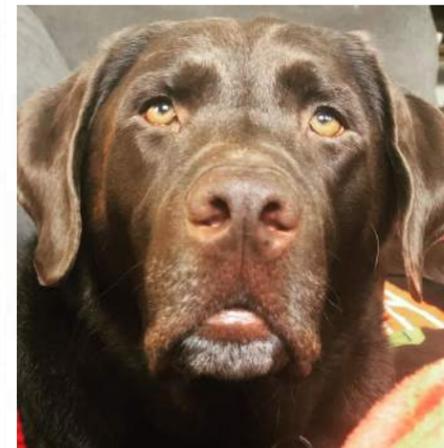


Critter Chronicles

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This is Marmaduke. He was Kat when we adopted him last summer, but this name fits so well, trust me. He loves his people and running around the property following fun smells. He has brought us all so much joy! I just can't imagine us with a different dog.



This is Moose we adopted this beautiful big boy New Year's Day 2019. New year new you and this dog digs it! He is the best boy and fits right in with his brothers Noah and Tank! There's a lot more to snuggle these days and we are all about it. We couldn't imagine our family without his big happy butt and we think he feels the same! The smile says it all!



Here is my adoptee, my late husband named her that because she went everywhere with me. She was a very special present from my husband we got her in August 2017 at your shelter. She never really warmed up to Oakley but when he was dying last October she sat by his bed and watched over him. She is my constant companion and I don't know what my life we be like without her.

2019 Annual Meeting

The HSBC Annual Meeting will be held Thursday, March 14th immediately following the regular monthly meeting which starts at 6:00 PM.

The meeting will be held at the Barron City Hall. Election of officers and voting on proposed changes to bylaws will occur. Motion to change was made at Feb meeting.

Proposed changes to the bylaws are posted on the Humane Society of Barron County website at: hsbcshelter.com and are available at the shelter office.



Chance the DOG away from shelter, and "Cartoons with Cats" groups at shelter!



UNABLE TO ADOPT OR VOLUNTEER TIME? CONSIDER OUR SHELTER WISH LIST!



PET SUPPLIES

- Purina Kitten Chow
- Purina Cat Chow
- Clumping Cat Litter
- Purina Dog Chow
- Can Dog Food (Soft)
- Bones
- Cat and Dog Beds
- Frontline, Petguard or Revolution
- Buckets with Handles
- Large Plastic Totes with Covers
- Slip Leashes
- Regular Dog Leashes

CLEANING SUPPLIES

- Brooms
- Mops
- Toilet Paper
- Hand Sanitizer
- Garbage Bags
- Dish Soap
- Bleach
- Laundry Detergent

OFFICE SUPPLIES

- Fine Tip Erase Markers
- Pens
- Postage Stamps
- Printer Paper

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You can also help us raise money when you shop online. Sign up at smile.amazon.com and select Humane Society of Barron County as your charity of choice. We will receive a percentage of whatever spend while shopping online. No extra cost to you!



On behalf of the animals, thank you for donating!

New Co-Manager Bio

Maureen Mlejnek spent most of her life growing up in Rice Lake, graduating in 2001, she went from the National Guard into active Army status where she served as a 91W Army Medic in Fort Hood, Texas.

Maureen has always had a love for animals, and is proud to be a part of such a caring and dynamic team!

She believes every animal has a perfect home, and with the help of Co-Manager, Vail, and caregivers Nick, Debbie, and Mark, she feels they are doing their very best in finding those homes.

Maureen and Vail have been working overtime in helping as many animals as possible, and making the shelter a warm and welcoming place for the whole community to enjoy and be a part of!



Vail, Maureen “aka Chance the DOG” and friend at the Shelter.



We dig dogs™. Period.

We like to train dogs, bathe dogs, play with dogs, rub dogs, and talk dog. Our staff comes from a variety of backgrounds, which allows us to offer so many things under one roof.

We all share one thing...we dig dogs.

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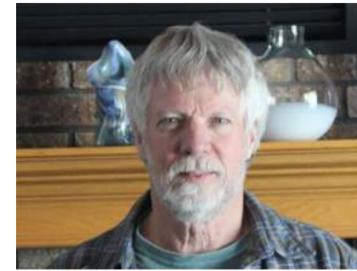
Don't forget to check out the web page at <http://hsbcshelter.com/> for the bylaw changes that are proposed to be voted on at the March meeting. Also keep up with us on Facebook at our Humane Society of Barron County page which carries our day to day news.

Texas Rescues

You may have noticed some of our Texas Rescue dogs online, and we are happy to receive each and every one of them! The managers at HSBC have been working closely with Amazing Grace Animal Rescue of Midland/Odessa, Texas, to make these second chances possible!

With the help of the rescue, and our great staff and volunteer support, we have been able to receive over 30 dogs in the last couple of months! These dogs are often pulled from euthanasia lists, or from the rescue after they have already been pulled out of the shelters down south.

Amazing Grace Pet Rescue has been great in helping raise the funding needed to transport the dogs all the way to Barron, Wisconsin. The response we have received from our community about helping these dogs makes it very clear that they, too, are invested in their well being. We have been very fortunate with amazing adopters, some driving as far as three hours to come pick up their new family members!



The President's Corner—HSBC President Mike Harvey

As we roll into the New Year, it is looking like 2019 will be an exciting one at HSBC. As you can see from the articles in this newsletter, our shelter managers and staff are doing an excellent job across several different fronts. Vail and Maureen are creatively showcasing the shelter and all the animals we have available for adoption. They are truly a dynamic duo. Adoptions continue at a high rate, and the shelter itself looks great.

Excess equipment and goods that were just sitting around taking up space have been donated to other organizations with compatible missions to ours so they could get some use. It also freed up space a lot of space within the building. With input from our cooperating veterinarians our policies and procedures have been fine tuned to insure we do the best job possible with all the animals entrusted to our care.

Our economic situation is currently sound, and we constantly planning and discussing new ways to keep HSBC on solid financial ground now and into the future. If you haven't visited in a while we invite you to do so, and if you don't mind getting your hands dirty, think about volunteering. We have a variety of tasks both indoors and out we can always use some help with.

If you have a special skill we might need from time to time, or just want to work with the animals, let us know. Finally, check out our Facebook page. All the recent positive comments posted are the best testimony to the great things currently going on at HSBC.

Thank you all for your continued support and interest.
Mike Harvey — HSBC Board President

Cartoons with Cats

The managers at HSBC have been busy finding new and fun ways to get the community involved with their local humane society! One of these ideas is Cartoons with Cats. Cartoons with Cats is a program that was started the beginning of December, has become a valuable tool for the Humane Society, and also a great way for local children to participate at the shelter.

Every Saturday from 1 to 3pm, the staff and volunteers at the HSBC invite local children to come and watch a movie in our open cat room! The staff provides all snacks (juice boxes, chips, cookies, fruit snacks, and pizza,) as well as coloring pages and crayons! Parents sign their child/children in on a permission form, and are welcome to stay during the movie, or run errands. The staff then take the children on a meet and greet tour for our current residents, they go over the do's and don'ts of handling animals, and then the pizza party begins!

We have received great feedback from the children in attendance, parents, volunteers and online supporters! The most valuable thing we receive from these events is the socialization of our cats. Most cats and kittens we receive at the shelter are strays, and having children come in and spend a good amount of time with them has helped the cats acclimate to what “house life” will be like, and thus, helping them find homes faster.