



Heartland News



October 2020

HAPPY HALLOWEEN FROM THE HEARTLAND

The year 2020 has been one for the record books...and not in a good way. Many businesses have had to close their doors. Families have been affected by furloughs, job loss, schools closing and so many changes to their lives. Heartland Pet Welfare is no exception. We can't just shut down until things get back to "normal". We have resident cats that need our care and the cats and kittens that need our help are still there.

We have no paid staff and the shelter operates strictly with volunteers. We rely on donations to survive and every penny goes for the care of the cats and maintenance of the shelter. We apply for grants when available, but they are very hard to receive. With the shutdowns and Covid fears fundraisers are almost out of the question. Donations have been down through this pandemic, and the expenses of the shelter remain.

We realize that there are priorities as to where each person or family can spend their money, but we are asking that our loyal supporters remember Heartland when possible. In addition to cash donations we can always use cleaning supplies and other items. If you choose to donate items there is a tub by the front door for placing donations if there is nobody at the shelter. Our wish list will be included in this newsletter.

Our supporters and volunteers are the reason we are able to help the cats and kittens in our care and they have been very loyal in the past. We are thankful for their past help to us. We hope their caring and generosity will continue as we get through these difficult times.

Annual Board Meeting

This year's annual board meeting will be held on October 25th at 2:00pm at the shelter. Due to the ongoing Covid-19 crisis, it will not be open to the public. Any thoughts or concerns you may have can be e-mailed directly to the board at admin@heartlandpetwelfare.org. We appreciate your understanding in this matter and hope to see you all at next year's meeting.

Happily Ever After

Several months ago one of our volunteers brought a black kitten to the shelter. Peanut had been a feral kitten and she had spent time befriending and socializing her. It was obvious that the two had bonded and she wanted this kitten to find a loving home.

It was immediately obvious that Peanut did not like being confined to a cage. It was also evident that while she had trusted one person that did not extend to all the shelter volunteers. There was hissing and some scratching but she eventually calmed down and tolerated us. Being a lovely black kitten there were people interested in adopting her but she refused to bond with anyone.....until Emily came along.

Instead of being shy and holding back she came forward and was interested in Emily. Emily fell in love with Peanut and the feeling was mutual.



Peanut is now named October and loves her new family. She sleeps with Emily and has the family she deserves. She was just waiting for her person to come find her and love her. A very happy ending for October and Emily..... and Heartland.

The most common ailments in young cats

Eye infection

\$86

Abscessed tooth
with extraction and
dental cleaning

\$80 ▶ Anesthesia
\$62 ▶ Fluids
\$205 ▶ Dental cleaning
\$206 ▶ Radiographs
\$122 ▶ Pain medication
+ \$156 ▶ Extraction

\$831

Upper respiratory
infection

\$147

Allergic dermatitis
with secondary
pyoderma

\$49 ▶ Exam
\$25 ▶ Anti-inflammatory
\$50 ▶ Antibiotics
+ \$34 ▶ Antiseptic

\$158

Asthma/allergic
bronchitis

\$206

Vomiting/upset stomach

\$255

Diarrhea/intestinal upset

\$133



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Shelter Wish List

Non-monetary donations to the shelter are always welcome. Here are a few items we are always grateful for:

- Black garage bags
- Disinfecting wipes
- Laundry soap
- Printer paper
- Gift/gas cards(Wal-Mart)
- HP printer ink 63(black)
- Purina brand Kitten chow
- Tall kitchen garbage bags
- Dish soap
- Bleach
- Stamps

As ever, thank you for your support!

DONATION CARD

- Yes, I can volunteer
- \$10 a month Sponsor-a-pet
- \$20 Yearly membership
- \$50 Initial vet check/check-in for one kitty
- \$125 Cat food and litter
- \$200 Shelter supplies
- \$ _____ Other

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