



# Wellington Humane Society Newsletter

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2022

## UPCOMING EVENTS

- 3/19 Monthly Dog Wash
- 3/27 Adoption Event, Mulvane Pix Center
- April Kitten Shower
- No April Dog Wash
- 4/17 Happy Easter!
- Run for Paws Registration TBA
- Paint Event TBA
- Watch for microchip clinics around the county!

## FOSTERS NEEDED!

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## 2021 — A Year of Many Successes

Our second year of being opened was a huge success, thanks to our community members such as you! We hosted numerous fundraising events throughout the year, with our most notable being Doggy Dive and Run for the Paws. After being rained out in 2020, we were thrilled to have beautiful weather for 2021's Doggy Dive. The Run for the Paws event was our first in-person race, and we were thrilled at the number of race entries! We are looking forward to having both events again in 2022.

We took in 266 dogs and cats that were either relinquished by their owner or pulled from the pound after serving a stray hold. These animals were given up-to-date vaccinations, flea, tick, heartworm prevention and microchipped. We also performed 225 spay/neuter surgeries on those coming in that weren't

fixed already. This is a huge success for controlling the pet population! We found loving homes for 258 animals. Thank you to those who shared our Facebook posts, stopped in, and helped us spread the word about the animals in our care.

Our Low Cost Spay/Neuter program had 87 animals fixed. This program replaced the vouchers the Humane Society used to give out. We are seeing a lot of community members take part in this program and hope to continue to offer it. We also spoke at schools, had information booths set up at various town festivals, hosted microchip clinics, and set up off-site adoption events.

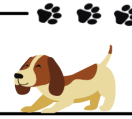
We couldn't have had such a successful year without our members, volunteers, and supporters like you! Our goal for 2022 is to save more lives, fix more animals, and do more outreach programs.



## Mason worked hard on his painting!

When the weather keeps the dogs inside, we like to do enrichment activities to help with the boredom. Check out other paintings done by the dogs. (See p. 2) These are created using peanut butter on the outside of a zip-lock bag with paint on a canvas on the inside. The dogs love the treat and create a unique work of art!





## Our Newest Foster Fails!

Bella (previously known as Monica) has finally got the life she so deserves! She was rescued from an abandoned trailer that was scheduled for demolition and brought to us. She now has a loving home that she shares with Bruiser, another one of our shelter dogs. Have we mentioned that we love our repeat adopters?! These two are becoming best buddies. Happy tails Bella!



Bella



Bruiser

## Need Exercise?

### Skip The Gym



Walk A Shelter Dog!

## You Can Foster Too! They Need You!

There is always a need for fosters, but we are especially needing dog fosters right now! Fostering is such a wonderful way to give back to not only the shelter but make a special impact on a dog's life! Each dog has its own story and needs. We have puppies, adults, and even seniors that would benefit from living with a foster until the right person adopts them.

If you think the foster program is right for you, find out more information on our website and register to foster now! [www.wellingtonhumansociety.org/fostering](http://www.wellingtonhumansociety.org/fostering)



Asa



Tiny



Moose

Painting enrichment activity for the dogs. We have many wonderful artists!

652

Number of animals taken in since opening

521

Number of spay/neuter surgeries performed

550

Number of animals with forever homes



These sweet kids have been spoiling Curley for the last month, and just had to make him a member of their family! We know that he is in good hands. Happy Tails Curley!

Sweet Pea was found stuck in a drain pipe and rescued by a good samaritan and brought to us. This little ball of fluff may have had a rough start in life, but her future looks bright. She has a very happy young lady to spoil her rotten! Happy Tails Sweet Pea!!



Congratulations TJ and Coffee! These sweet ones have been spending their days together in one of our cat colonies. Now they get to spend the rest of their lives together in their new furever home.. Happy Tails TJ and Coffee!

## Nursing Home Residents Visit Twice Monthly

Over the last year, we have partnered with two local nursing homes, Wellington Health and Rehab and Botkin Care and Rehab, through the Retired Senior Volunteer Program to provide socialization to the animals at the shelter. These volunteers come to the shelter twice a month, spending an hour loving cats and petting dogs.

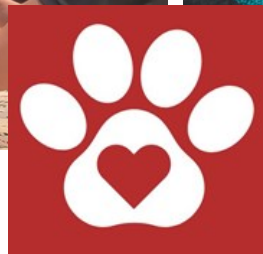
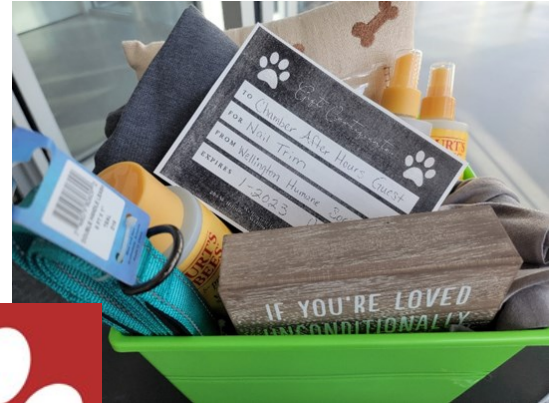
This partnership is not only beneficial to the residents who volunteer but is a huge help to our animals. We've seen shy dogs come out of their shells when these volunteers come. Some residents are in wheelchairs or have walkers, yet the dogs don't shy away from them. We often see the cats curled up on the volunteers' laps as they enjoy being petted.

The residents tell us each visit that they love coming to help out. We've built such a wonderful relationship with these facilities and we hope to continue this for many years to come.

 ***Kitty Cuddles!***



# Chamber After Hours—Food, Music, Door Prize, Dogs



A big thank you to those that attended the After Hours Chamber Event. We had fun hosting! A special thanks to Wellington Health & Rehab for helping with decorations and The Wellington Street Musicians for some awesome music!



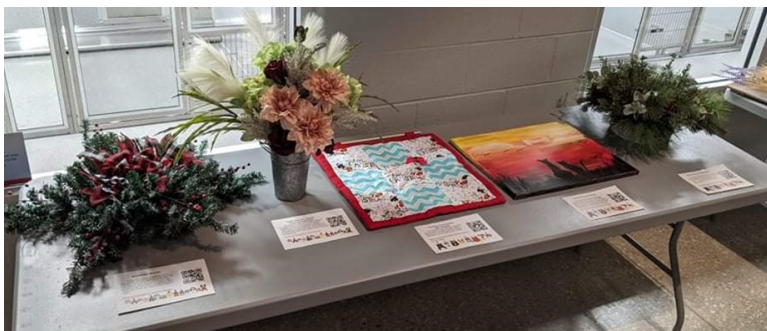
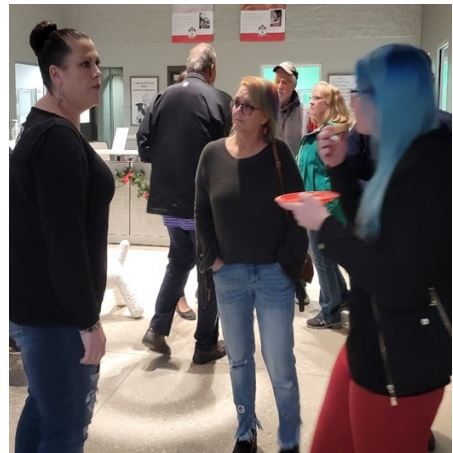
# Holidays Unleashed Celebrates Facility's Two Years



Each year we love to celebrate our anniversary of the opening of the new shelter building. That means celebrating the members and contributors that made the new facility a reality and the staff and volunteers that contribute to the daily operations. We couldn't have done it without each and every one of you! This year we featured a members- and volunteers-only event Friday evening, December 3. It was a nice evening to enjoy snacks and each other's company!



Then Saturday was the open house, when the public was invited to stop in. That week we featured an online auction with lots of beautiful craft pieces and paintings that could be bid on. We also had multiple raffle baskets with lots of goodies. We appreciate all the donations that helped make this event possible and successful! We hope that everyone enjoyed the events, the prizes, and, of course, the animals!





Mercedes, secretary and a long-time Aktion Club member and regular volunteer for the Wellington Humane Society, delivered a donation from the club. Humane Society director Jodie Hearlson accepts the donation.

The Humane Society partnered with Dillon's Floral Department in Wellington again this Valentine's Day to deliver flowers. Each delivery earned the Humane Society a donation. If you had Dillon's deliver flowers to your loved one this Valentine's Day, the animals thank you!

## Dillon's Flowers Help Local Animals!



These girls did it again! Thanks to all the likes and shares, the Crimson Dancers won the social media challenge! Innovative Choreography will be making a donation to the Humane Society in their name again this year! Thank you, girls, for choosing us and supporting our animals. By the way, a few of these girls also volunteer their time cleaning and walking our dogs, fostering, and adopting!



**You Can Make a Difference—and You Did!** You are awesome! We appreciate everyone that participated in the [#BettyWhiteChallenge](#)! We received \$3,161.00 in donations! All of this money stays in our shelter to help with surgery costs, vaccinations, food expenses, and much more. Your contributions make a difference! We sincerely thank you!



We love it when kids think about our animals on their special day! Brooklyn has donated with her Girl Scout troop for a couple of years. This year, she asked for donations for the animals instead of birthday gifts! Thank you, Brooklyn, and we hope you had an amazing birthday!

We had some donations dropped off recently (Thank you!). These are 3 items we use a lot of and always have a need for. We appreciate all our donations that we receive and can't thank our community enough!



# Kennedy Students Read to Rescues in February

Kennedy Cardinals traveled to the Wellington Humane Society in February to read to rescue animals. Kennedy Facebook posted, "This was a great experience for both our students and the animals. Thank you to the Wellington Humane Society Serving Sumner County for allowing our students to read to your rescue animals!" The animals love the attention and it is a wonderful enrichment activity for our animals that also benefits the children! Plan a visit today by calling to schedule a time that works for you.



## Ways to Contribute

The Wellington Humane Society is a 501c3 nonprofit organization relying heavily on donations and fund-raising efforts. There are many ways to donate to help our efforts with animals in Sumner County!

### Membership

You can become a member and help with the daily shelter needs. Membership also gets you discounts to many things at the shelter! See more here on our website: [www.wellingtonhumanesociety.org/become-a-member](http://www.wellingtonhumanesociety.org/become-a-member)

### Recycle Cans

Saving your aluminum cans is an easy way to donate! Put them at one of our location bins, and we contract with a recycler to get paid for the aluminum. That's why we can ACCEPT ONLY POP & BEER CANS! Our recycler will not accept anything else, and our volunteer has to sort through them all to pull anything else.

Locations: Orscheln's Parking Lot (1203 W 8th St); Behind Penny's Diner (1104 E 16th St).

### Amazon & Current Wishlist

[www.wellingtonhumanesociety.org/our-wish-list](http://www.wellingtonhumanesociety.org/our-wish-list)

### AmazonSmile

When shopping on Amazon, go to smile.amazon.com and choose Wellington Humane Society, Inc., as your organization to benefit. It's the same website with the same products, and every purchase will automatically benefit the shelter!

### Dillons

Dillons makes donating to the shelter animals easy! All you have to do is shop at Dillons and use your Plus card and Dillons will donate a percentage to the shelter! To sign up, go to Dillons website and link your Dillons Plus Card to the Wellington Humane Society.

**More ways to donate can be found on our website!**

[www.wellingtonhumanesociety.org/donations](http://www.wellingtonhumanesociety.org/donations)

## Wellington Humane Society Information

### HOURS

Friday: 3-6pm

Saturday: 10am-2pm

Sunday—Thursday: Open by appointment

Call 620-440-4375 to schedule!

### STAFF

- Director—Jodie Hearlson
- Bookkeeper—Katie Reichenberger
- Kennel Managers—
 

Nikki Peninger	Betrai Taylor
Victoria Sandoval	Janean Whitmire
Sara Stowers	Jeromy Whitmire
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### SERVICES OFFERED

- ⇒ Cat & Dog Adoptions
- ⇒ Dog Wash/Nail Trim
- ⇒ Microchip Implanting or Scanning
- ⇒ Relinquishing a Pet
- ⇒ Low Income Spay/Neuter
- ⇒ Volunteer Opportunities
- ⇒ Education Opportunities
- ⇒ Boarding
- ⇒ Membership Discounts
- ⇒ Events & More!



**More info on our services can be found on our Website:**

[www.wellingtonhumanesociety.org](http://www.wellingtonhumanesociety.org)