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# ANIMAL CRACKERS



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## Happy Tails | Meet Buzz

Buzz originally was brought to a shelter in TX with his 3 siblings. He was one of the last to find what they hoped would be his forever home; unfortunately, he was returned for being "untrainable". The shelter soon discovered he was never brought indoors and spent most of his time in a kennel. From here, Buzz made his way to Wisconsin at the HSBC. He was adopted soon after and has found his forever home with his new brother Doc. For an "untrainable" dog, we've learned he's pretty smart. He's pretty good with his basic commands but maybe most impressive is learning that "bed time" means that his nightly cuddle session in the big bed with his humans is over and he hops right down into his custom made doggy bed. We don't know about you, but we think that bed looks comfy enough that we might not even leave it when asked! Good boy, Buzz!



### OUR MISSION

Assist in the reduction of pet overpopulation, while improving the lives of homeless animals through quality care, adoption, education and advocacy.

### OUR VISION

Create communities where every companion animal has a safe and loving forever home and people value animals and treat them with respect and kindness.

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## Fast and The Furriest Car Show

Save the Date | Sunday, May 16th | Stardust Drive-In Theater

Join us for a day of fast (and not so fast) cars, furry adoptable friends and fun. The event will include raffles, live music, food and awards. Make sure your favorite car gets one of the "Top Dog" awards; participants and public alike will get the chance to vote for the Top 10 cars by making cash donations at their favorite cars. Participants of the show will also be invited to vote for awards in other categories. Who's going to earn the title of "Ruffest Ride" or "Cat's Meow"?

We are thankful to be able to use this location that allows us to host this in person event in a safe, socially distanced manner. Everyone is encouraged to come support the HSBC and enjoy viewing these cars in this spacious outdoor area. We kindly ask that attendees follow the recommendations set forth by the CDC and practice social distancing, mask use, and proper personal hygiene. Please stay home if you're not feeling well.



### A SPECIAL THANK YOU

We wanted to share a special thank you to our friends at **Computers with Byte**, for donating a laptop to the HSBC!

With this new computer, potential adopters are able to fill out digital applications at the shelter, streamlining the adoption process; and, we have been able to streamline many of other processes with the increased access to technology.

Thanks for supporting us to put more resources towards our four-legged friends!

## Doc Stanley Memorial Walk

We missed you in 2020, but we are currently hard at work planning a bigger and better event for 2021. Stay tuned for more details, but for now, mark your calendar for August 7th. We're excited about the changes that are coming and hope you will be too!

At HSBC, we are always looking for opportunities to increase our visibility, build connections and promote a strong community presence. This year, we're hoping to do just that.

## Welcome Katie

**We're so glad you're here!**

AT HSBC, finding purr-fect matches is kind of our thing. And let us tell you, we did it again! We are so lucky to have Katie Bard join the HSBC as the new Shelter Manager. Please join us in extending the warmest welcome to Katie.

Katie, her husband Ben, and their four-legged friend Heeni packed up and shipped (yes, shipped!) their belongings, and made the move to Wisconsin all the way from Alaska!

Katie's passion for working within the non-profit industry is evident by the many years of her career that she has dedicated to it. In addition to her work experience, Katie has also earned a Master's Certificate in Non-Profit Management. We are certain that Katie's combined education, knowledge and experience will

be supportive of creating a strong future for the HSBC.

She also brings with her skills in event planning, grant writing, budgeting, animal care, fundraising, and social media management.

In just a short time, we have seen the positive impacts that Katie has had on the animals, the HSBC and the community! **Thank you, Katie!**



## Newsletter Distribution Notice

Animal toy for enrichment: \$8.00  
Annual newsletter mailing cost per member: \$8.00

It might seem like we run on pure love, but quality animal care costs money too! And while love goes a long way - with your help we can stretch it even further.

Moving forward, newsletters will be distributed electronically to your email, by default. If you wish to continue receiving your newsletter via postal mail, please reach out via phone or email.

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## Upcoming Events

**Annual Membership & Election Meeting**  
March 11, 2021 at 6:00 PM.

All members and public are invited. Voting members will elect board members to positions that are open due to term expirations or that were filled by appointments during the preceding year.

Board meetings are open to all members and the public. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the meeting is being held virtually, via zoom. Visit the Upcoming Events section of our website to access the zoom meeting details.

Interested in becoming a voting member? Visit our Donate page and sign up for one of our membership options.