



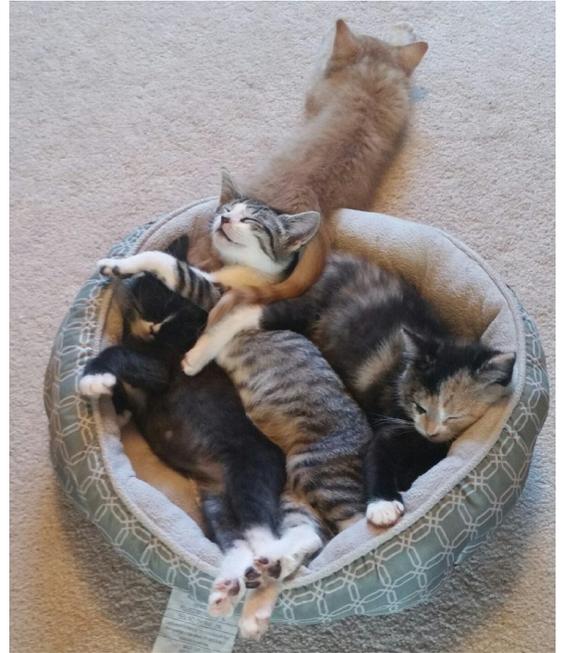
Humane Society of Kodiak

♥ Foster Families ♥



What can we say? We just can't thank you enough for all you do. Thank you so much to all of our foster families for opening your hearts and your homes to

these often special needs pets. In this issue we would especially like to thank the following individuals and families for their hard work fostering kittens which are sometimes in need of bottle feeding, sick, or feral: Claire Denning, Jeri Mainero and family, and Aaron and Melissa Griffin. You've done wonders to help these kittens survive and thrive. Thank you for helping these pets find their forever homes.



And the winner of our 2017 Pet Idol Contest is....

Mala!

Pick up your 2017 HSK Calendar at the HSK booth at the AAUW Bazaar on November 5th or stop by the Kodiak Animal Shelter.

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Thank You Kodiak!

The HSK wishes to thank all of our supporters, members, and volunteers whose contributions are vital to the work we do on behalf of Kodiak's pets.



Thank you to Grace, Emma & Gracie who held a bake sale for the Kodiak Animal Shelter. They baked cookies, brownies, muffins, and snickerdoodles and donated the proceeds to the KAS.

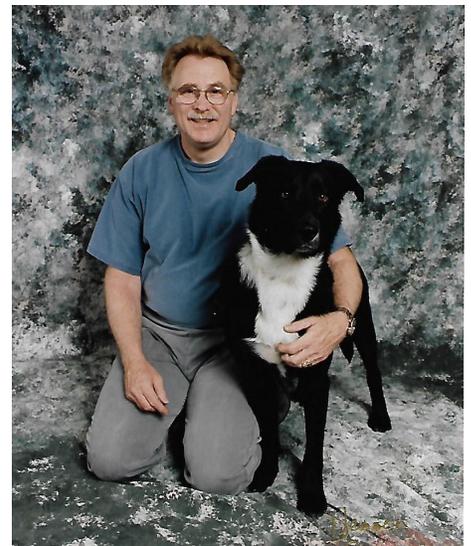
A big thank you goes out to Rose Cobis for her generosity in donating proceeds to KMXT and the Humane Society of Kodiak from her final moving sale this August. Many folks braved the rain to support this rummage/perennial plant sale to say good bye to a long time Kodiak resident and to take a piece of Rose's garden home with them. Thanks again to everyone who helped to make this endeavor a successful and fun gathering of the Kodiak community.



Thanks to those who donated a portion of their PFD through Pick. Click. Give.



A donation was made to the Humane Society of Kodiak in memory of Jeff Thrasher by his friends on and off of Kodiak Island. Jeff was recently retired after working many years as a longshoreman. He was a dog lover, and in his honor a portion of the donation will be used to purchase much needed supplies (such as industrial floor and wall paint) to spruce up the shelter's indoor dog room. Max (pictured at right) was rescued by Jeff as a puppy and was his constant companion until he died of old age a few years ago. They were often seen walking the beach together by Sometimes Island in Woman's Bay.



Do you know the signs of Gastric Dilatation-Volvulus (GDV)? (aka "stomach torsion" or "twisted stomach")

GDV is a very common condition and it is important that dog owners recognize the symptoms. GDV can happen to any dog but is most common in large dogs with narrow, deep chests (common breeds include Great Danes, Weimaraners, St. Bernards, Irish setters, and Gordon setters).

'GDV is a rapidly progressive life-threatening condition of dogs. The condition is commonly associated with large meals, where the stomach dilates due to food and gas, and may get to a point where neither may be expelled. The increased pressure and size of the stomach may have several severe consequences including: prevention of adequate blood return to the heart from the abdomen, loss of blood flow to the lining of the stomach, rupture of the stomach wall, and pressure on the diaphragm preventing the lungs from adequately expanding leading to decreased ability to maintain normal breathing. The entire body suffers from the poor ventilation leading to death of cells in many tissues. Additionally, the stomach can become dilated enough to rotate in the abdomen, a condition called volvulus. The rotation can lead to blockage in the blood supply to the spleen and the stomach. Most pets are in shock due to the effects on their entire body.' Modified from the American College of Veterinary Scientists.

Signs of GDV include:

- * Having a swollen stomach
- * Trying to vomit without anything coming up
- * Drooling
- * Abdominal pain
- * Rapid shallow breathing
- * Acting restless or anxious
- * Pacing
- * As the condition progresses, weakness, lying down, and/or collapsing

GDV is a life threatening condition that requires emergency medical intervention. If you think your dog is experiencing GDV contact your veterinarian immediately.

We strongly encourage you to become aware of the signs. Please find more information about risks, preventative measures, and treatment here: <https://www.acvs.org/small-animal/gastric-dilatation-volvulus>.



Thank you to Kodiak Veterinary Clinic for their assistance in reviewing and helping us put together this important information. We appreciate all they do for the pets in this community!



The HSK Spay and Neuter Program

In addition to operating the Kodiak Animal Shelter and caring for homeless pets in our charge, the HSK has increased efforts to prevent more homeless pets. By providing reduced cost spay/neuter coupons for pets of city and borough residents we have made some inroads in the number of litters brought to the shelter. During FY 2015-2016, 127 community pets were spayed or neutered. Our efforts are making a difference! Help us continue this trend by considering a donation to the HSK Spay and Neuter Program. Spay and neuter coupons are available to city residents thanks in part to the city of Kodiak for granting nonprofit funding to the Humane Society of Kodiak.

We are currently offering the following spay and neuter coupons:

City Residents:

- K-9 Spay - \$250 off coupon
- K-9 Neuter - \$200 off coupon
- Feline Neuter - \$150 off coupon
- Feline Spay - \$50 Co-pay

Borough Residents:

- K-9 Spay - \$250 off coupon
- K-9 Neuter - \$50 off coupon
- Feline Neuter - \$50 off coupon
- Feline Spay - \$50 Co-pay

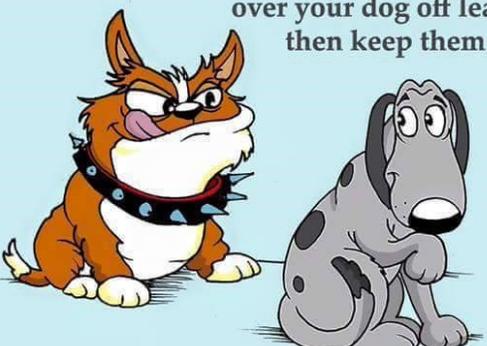


'It's okay, my dog is friendly...'

No it's NOT okay! Just because your dog is friendly doesn't mean all dogs are - please remember:

Never let your dog run up to a dog on leash- they could be scared or become reactive.
 Try to respect other owners and their need for space.

Not all dogs want the added attention or intrusion.
 If you have no voice control over your dog off leash then keep them on.



Many of us love the freedom of letting our dogs run in the great outdoors. While you are taking advantage of all the great trails and beaches Kodiak has to offer please be respectful of other dog owners and obey leash laws where they are present. Dog owners have many reasons for not wanting even the friendliest of dogs to approach their leashed dog including training, injury, and advanced age. Please be respectful and nonjudgmental of other dog owners and lets all enjoy this amazingly beautiful island together.



Looking for a way to help?

You can help just by shopping online!



Amazon donates 0.5% of the price of eligible purchases to the charitable organization of your choice. Go to www.smile.amazon.com and choose the Humane Society of Kodiak as your charitable organization. Then just shop on amazon as usual; there is no cost to you to participate in this program.

The HSK Animal Shelter is currently in need of: kitten and puppy food, lamb and rice dry dog food, grain free pet food, and non-clumping kitty litter.

Volunteer

Whether you walk dogs, cuddle cats, brush dogs, clean cages, wash dishes, fold laundry or even scoop poop, you can make a difference in the lives of our fur babies!

Donate!

♥ Your donations help support all activities of the Humane Society of Kodiak and are tax deductible.

♥ Donations can be accepted at the shelter, by mail, or through our website (PayPal accepted).

Become a member of the HSK or renew your annual membership.



HUMANE SOCIETY OF KODIAK MEMBERSHIP FORM

Pay online (www.kodiakanimalshelter.org), mail to: PO Box 8783, Kodiak, AK 99615,
or drop at: Kodiak Animal Shelter, 2409 Mill Bay Road, Kodiak, AK 99615

Name _____ Date _____
Mailing address _____
Home # _____ Cell # _____ Work # _____
Email _____
_____ New membership _____ Renewal membership

Membership categories and annual dues

_____ \$20 Individual _____ \$250 Lifetime membership
_____ \$40 Family _____ \$2 Child / \$5 13-18 (non-voting)
_____ \$50 Business (one vote) \$ _____ Donation

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