Happy Friday everyone! Here are your updates for this week:

ADOPTIONS: We will continue to do adoptions by appointment only until we are allowed to have more than 10 people in the building at one time. Our current system is working well (even with 30 puppies this week).

4TH OF JULY HOLIDAY: The shelter will be closed on Friday July 3 and Saturday July 4. Everyone gets paid one day for the holiday. B team staff that typically work both Friday and Saturday will work remotely on Friday to get their full hours. Animal care staff that works on Saturday will get paid double time for the holiday. If you have any questions, please see your supervisor.

ADMITTING: We will continue to do intake by curbside appointment only until we are allowed to have more than 10 people in the building at one time. Kaitlyn is going to start uploading surrender forms into Shelterluv so adoption counselors have access to that information when they are working remotely.

TRAINING CLASSES: Puppy classes will begin June 18. There is a new hand out in the  puppy adoption folders and a link on our website for adopters to sign up. This class is only for puppies adopted from HSWM. Adult dog classes will be starting in July-again, only for dogs adopted from us at this time. More info to come soon on dates and class sizes.

COMMUNITY SERVICES: Camp starts on Monday! Kelsey continues to operate the Kibble Konnection pet food pantry. We are working on plans for vaccine and microchip clinics to resume this summer. We will have more info in the next couple of weeks. Volunteer dog walkers started back this week. Kathy and Ashley have made a few changes to that process. Time slots will be available for volunteers to pick up dogs from the outside kennels at 9 am, noon and 3 pm. This should streamline the pick up process and make life a little easier for animal care staff. We will be looking at adding in shelter volunteers in the next couple of weeks and will keep you all updated on what that will look like.

STAFFING CHANGES: Jim will not be returning to work so his position is open and will be posted soon. We will also be hiring another part time veterinary technician to help support both the vet team since Tania and Sam are currently out, and also the foster program. This position will be posted as well. If you know anyone that may be interested in either of these opportunities, please have them submit a resume.

HSUS VIRTUAL CONFERENCE: This is a great opportunity for continuing education for anyone that is interested. There will be a wide variety of topics related to animal welfare. If you are interested in participating, please let Steph or I know by Monday so we can get everyone registered.

FOSTER: The foster program is going strong. It is our goal to house about 50% of our animals in foster homes on a continual basis.

DEVELOPMENT: We will be doing a Facebook fundraiser this weekend for our Birthday Party event since we can't hold it in person this year. Please share with your friends and family! Megan is continuing to work on getting our cans organized and returned. If you are working at the shelter and have any spare time, please let her know. We need help getting the training room organized so puppy class can begin next week

MISC.: The fallen trees on the trails have been removed and the dog parks have been mowed. Please make sure to thank Sara Cozolino and her husband if you see them!

Our board member Val Young will be doing a personal wellness/emotional resilience seminar for our next all staff meeting. Thank you Val! We are working on a date for June and will let you know as soon as we have that scheduled.

Please let me know if you have questions or would like more information about anything. I hope everyone has a wonderful weekend!

Best,

Holly

I just want to clarify for Animal Care staff on B team.  You will still work your normal Friday shift.  If you are full time and not already scheduled to work the July 4 holiday, you will get paid your normal shift at straight time.  For any Animal Care staff that have signed up to work the July 4 holiday, that will be paid at double time for the day as normal.

Thanks, everyone!

Stephanie Hills