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

COVID: We are continuing to monitor all MDHHS requirements and will make changes as needed. We all know someone or multiple someones that have or have had covid by this point. Please stay vigilant in your mask wearing, hand washing and social distancing.

FOSTER SCHEDULE: Sabrina is in the building on Monday and Thursday, Stephanie is in the building on Tuesday and Wednesday. Stephanie will also be here on either Friday or Sunday each week depending on foster needs.

STAFFING: For those of you that don't know, Shanice has given her 2 weeks notice. Her last day at the shelter will be December 3. We will miss you Shanice! Best wishes on an amazing future. This position will be posted Monday.

Gabe Khasen and Hilary Brown will be joining our animal care staff on Dec.1.

CULTURE COMMITTEE: If you are submitting a concern to the anonymous culture committee email or suggestion box, please make sure to include as much detail as possible regarding people, dates and times. We cannot correct a problem if we don't have information to help us do so!

CARES ACT INFO: With increased cases of COVID in our community, we want to remind staff that through the Federal CARES Act, staff are allowed the equivalent of two weeks (80 hours for full time and 60 hours for most part time staff) pay at 2/3 their normal hourly rate if you are required to be off due to being COVID positive or under quarantine for possible exposure.  Staff must be employed for at least 30 days and provide a written request to Stephanie Hills including the circumstances for claiming this benefit for documentation purposes.  This benefit is currently available through the end of the year - 12/31/20.

The winner for last week's trivia question of how much food has Kibble Konnection handed out so far this year is Megan Ellinger, with an answer of 4500 pounds, The correct answer is 4600 pounds. Great job Megan!

This week's question is this: What is the one thing that most helps you stay positive during this difficult time?

I will not be sending an email next Friday due to the holiday. Wishing everyone a safe, healthy, relaxing Thanksgiving! Thank you for all you do for the animals (and people!) of our community.

Best,

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