Happy Friday everyone,

Here are your updates for this week:

HUDDLE CHANGE: Beginning June 1 we will be going back to our daily, in person huddle in the back hallway at 10:45 am. We will be taking notes and sending them out to all staff after each meeting. The weekly zoom huddles will end on May 26. Please let me know if you have any questions.

SENIOR DOG PRICING AND DENTAL FEES: We are increasing the age for senior dog pricing to 8 years. We will also be adding an additional dental fee (similar to our heartworm fee) for animals that we provide dental cleaning and/or extractions for while they are in our care. The fee for cats is $50 and the fee for dogs is $75 in addition to their adoption fee.

VOLUNTEER PHOTOGRAPHER: We have a new volunteer photographer named Kiki that will be coming in on most Wednesdays around 2 pm to get photos of our animals. Please give her a warm welcome and a big thank you when you see her!

ADMITTTING ANIMALS: Just a reminder that any animals entering the care of HSWM need to complete the normal process through admitting. Please let Kathy or admitting staff know if you have any questions.

COVID UPDATES: Many of you have probably heard that the CDC changed the requirements for people that are fully vaccinated for covid. Our state health department and MiOSHA requirements remain the same, so everyone must still wear masks and social distance in our building. Skyla will update everyone once MiOSHA changes the requirements for businesses and workplaces in MIchigan, but until then, we will be operating as we have been at the shelter.

ADMITTING DOORS: Beginning next Tuesday, May 18, the admitting doors will remain unlocked during open hours. Due to the limited space in admitting, signs will be posted asking clients to wait outside if there is someone already in the lobby being helped by our staff.

ALLSTAFF MEETING: Just a reminder that our May all staff meeting will be held on Thursday, May 27 at Walker park from 11 am to 3 pm. Lunch will be provided. The shelter will be closed that day.

SELF CARE: It is going to be a beautiful weekend and I encourage all of you to get outside and enjoy the sunshine and fresh air!

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|  A Breath of Fresh Air |

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| Nice weather is here and the outdoors are calling. As we start to venture outside to our favorite beach, park, or just around the neighborhood, it's good to understand the perks of doing so. According to Sharp Health News, [*5 ways being outdoors can make you healthier and happier*](https://advancementresources.us16.list-manage.com/track/click?u=b2a81eb4bb4c796b9e339a391&id=56036d1d2c&e=237e8d64cc), spending time outdoors can have noticeable benefits for physical and mental health.Here are five good reasons to get outdoors:1. Lower your blood pressure and reduce stress
2. Improve mood
3. Improve focus
4. Heal quicker
5. Support graceful aging

Take advantage of the beautiful weather and enjoy the extra benefits of being outside! |

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Wishing you all a wonderful weekend!

Best,

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