# friends of madacc April. 2024 MONTHLY ROUNDUP

#### FROM THE PRESIDENT:

We had an incredible April and are looking forward to our 'busy' season coming up in the next couple of months! It's impossible to pick a favorite event or moment from the last 30 days - from the incredibly well-attended shot clinic, the outpouring of support for our bed fundraiser and the happy tails stories and updates from recent adoptions of some of our long-term dogs, I know I speak for all of FoM and MADACC when I say - we LOVE our community!

Shelter work is never easy, but when we see you stepping up to

help us do more, it makes every ounce of effort worth it. Thank you!



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#### **BED FUNDRAISER UPDATE**

We asked our community to help us ensure dogs get a good nights sleep - and you showed up!!

In just a few weeks, you donated over \$14,000! Once the 130 beds were delivered, volunteers spent a sunny afternoon assembling and distributing them to some grateful MADACC residents.



### MARK YOUR CALENDAR

May18 May 25

May 1-31

PetFest @ The House of Harley Free Shot Clinic @ Clinton Rose Senior Center

Rescued Roasters donating aportion of their sales to Friends of MADACC www.rescuedroasters.com

Interested in volunteering at an event or our shot clinic? Emails volunteer@friendsofmadacc.org to join our invite list. We offer sameday training and support from our board members at every event.

### **OUTREACH UPDATE:**

### SHOT CLINIC STATS

On March 30, we hosted our first free vaccine clinic at MADACC since before COVID and it was incredible to see how many people were willing to give up their Saturday to do right by their pets. In one day, we were able to:

- Provide free vaccines for over 450 animals.
- Work with over 100 people to schedule free spay/neuter services.
- Offer free nail trims to countless animals (seriously, we lost count.)
- Hand out over 1,000 lbs of • food and hundreds of leashes and collars.

# NEXT SHOT CLINIC ANNOUNCEMENT

FoM will be hosting another free vaccine clinic on MAY 25 at CLINTON ROSE SENIOR CENTER (3045 N. Martin Luther King Jr. Dr in Milwaukee). Registration will open on 5/8 via madacc.org.

You do not have to pre-register to attend - but doing so will save you time and make the process much smoother.

## WHAT WE'VE BEEN UP TO

#### **EVENTS**

We want to extend a huge thank you and congratulations to Winston's Wishes for putting on another amazing Doggy Day at the Deer District - we had a great time, great weather and met a lot of amazing people. Can't wait to see you next year!

### WALK RUN WAG IS BACK - JULY 27 - HART PARK

2024 Limited Edition **Fundraising T-Shirt** 



#### **FUNDRAISING UPDATE:**

Our limited edition fundraising tshirt design has been announced. We partnered with local artist, Ivan Merlin, and he came up with an amazing design that we can't wait to wear. But don't forget, you can only get



#### **REGISTER TODAY**





We also want to thank Zocalo Food Truck Park for inviting us to their Pet Day **Celebration - and** congrats to our raffle basket winners!



#### **ENRICHMENT** PROGRAM

Together with FoM, MADACC launched a new program to offer daily food enrichment to the shelter dogs to help calm their minds and quiet the kennels! Staff and volunteers fill slow feeder toys for a mid-day snack - giving every dog a tastey treat when they are most active and alert. And thanks to a generous donation from West Paw, we have been able to provide enough Toppl toys so that multiple 'batches' can be made and frozen and staff just has to hand out toys instead of having to fill toys up every day.

#### Want to help with the prep-work? **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!**

Do you have a group of friends or coworkers looking to help! The new enrichment program is reliant on volunteer support - we provide the toys and supplies and you can fill them at work, at home, at school or at MADACC. We'll give you all the tools and instructions if you'll provide a few hours of your time.

Groups and individuals are invited to help. Head over to madacc.org/donatevolunteer/ to find out more!

it by raising \$50 - so start fundraising today!

#### **ADORABLE ADOPTABLES**

Note: All of these pets were available when this newsletter was released, but may have since been adopted. Please make sure you check out the current adoptables page https://24petconnect.com/MADACCAdopt before coming in for a specific pet.

> DORA 2 y/o || 52 lbs

Dora is MADACC's longest resident - and we aren't sure why. On field trips, she does great as a patio pooch, loves meeting new people, and appears to be potty trained. Are you ready to give this sweet girl a chance?



Check out Dora, Leona and all of MADACC's adoptable pets at:

https://24petconnect. com/MADACCAdopt

LEONA 1.5 y/o || 51 lbs



We know the cherry-eye can be a little unsightly, but it WILL be fixed before we send Leona home. And, based on her sweet, cuddly demeanor, we're confident Leona wouldn't judge anyone for looking a little different. So maybe you can find it in your heart to do the same for her.

Want to spend time with a dog, but your not in a position to adopt? Sign up for MADACC's fido field trip program! Take a dog out for an hour, a day or overnight - any break from shelter life makes a huge difference!

### **AGILITY EQUIPMENT FOR THE YARD!**

In addition to the feeding enrichment program, we wanted to give the dogs at MADACC a new way to move, explore and, most importantly, have a little fun! So FoM purchased some new agility equipment for the play yard. Not only does the new playground provide a way to burn off some energy, but figuring out how to climb and crawl and jump is a great way to tire out their brains - and mental work is one of the most imporant parts of a successful enrichment plan.



# **INTERESTED IN VOLUNTEERING?**

Whether you want to help out at an event (or a bunch of them), join a committee to help support our board efforts or work directly with animals, FoM and MADACC only work because of volunteers. If you have the interest and the passion, between FoM events and shelter operations, there is a volunteer position that will fit with your lifestyle. Scan the QR code or head over to friends.madacc.org/waystohelp to find out more!



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