

# HIAWATHA ANIMAL HUMANE SOCIETY

## SAY HELLO TO AMY BAKER

Amy Baker is Hiawatha Animal Humane Society's (HAHS) newest foster home. Amy and her family live in rural Alma, WI. Having grown up with dogs and horses, Amy is a natural to be a foster home for HAHS.

Amy's family includes her spouse, two daughters, one son, a blind senior cocker spaniel, two cats, fish and rabbits. She hopes to finish fencing in her pasture so she can begin to care for rescue horses.

Amy's career as a Forecast Analyst for Ashley furniture came to an early end when she was diagnosed with late stage melanoma cancer and chemotherapy took its toll on her health. The good news is, she has been in full remission for several years and will reach her 5 year cancer survivor milestone this year. Amy's husband's health has been tough too. He has had several strokes in the past year, but has recovered well and returned to work.

In 2017 Amy began Mill Creek Boarding and Grooming. She is a self taught groomer and has a busy thriving business. Her 6 year old daughter Addie keeps busy as her grooming assistant.

Despite the blows that have been delivered to the Baker family's health, they have persevered. Amy enjoys life, her new career, and now, fostering dogs for HAHS.

When asked why she chose to foster, Amy replied, "During these trying times, people have been so generous with helping my family. I wanted to give back in some way. Working with Hiawatha Animal Humane Society to help animals in need seemed natural and I feel as though I am following the path that God has laid out for me. I hope to become an asset to HAHS and make a difference in the lives of people and animals."

When not fostering, grooming or boarding, Amy and her family enjoy camping and fishing. And when she has alone time, Amy is a self-taught quilter and enjoys creating quilts.

Welcome to HAHS Amy!!



*The Baker Family*

**Hiawatha Animal Humane Society wants your adoption stories.**

**If you have adopted an animal from HAHS and wish to provide us with an update story and digital photos, we will include it in an upcoming newsletter.**

**WE WOULD REALLY LIKE TO HEAR FROM YOU. Please send your story and photos to:**

**[dogzncats815@hotmail.com](mailto:dogzncats815@hotmail.com)**

**THANK YOU!**

## BARK YOUR CALENDARS

A spaghetti luncheon and silent auction will be held July 15th from noon until 2 pm at the Wabasha Pioneer Supper Club on the beautiful Mississippi River. A cash bar will be available. Please stop in and show your support for our humane society. Enjoy the beautiful river view while enjoying a delicious lunch with HAHS. The Pioneer Club is located at 14026 657th St. in Wabasha, MN.

If you wish to donate a silent auction item or if you need more information about the luncheon, contact Darlene at 210-273-5710 or at 651-560-4557. **WE HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE.**

## FOSTERING CATS PREVENTED HER FROM BECOMING A “CRAZY CAT LADY”

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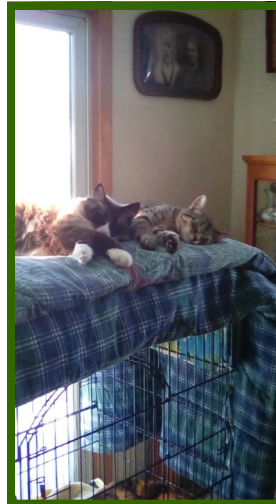
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AT THE LAKE CITY  
LIBRARY.

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Jean Mustain has never ventured too far from home. Born and raised in Wabasha, she and her husband Lynn have been lifelong residents of this small community. Jean and Lynn, married for 47 years, have raised two sons and now have seven grandchildren. During her working career, Jean was employed by St. Elizabeth's Health Care System in Wabasha.

It was at one of HAHS's spaghetti luncheon fundraisers that Jean was able to meet some of the members and talk to them about a colony of feral cats she was feeding and caring for. HAHS helped her trap them and get them spayed and neutered. The cats were then released again to Jean's care. She was so impressed she decided to volunteer as one of their cat foster homes.

Jean is no stranger to animals. Growing up she had hamsters, dogs, cats, an iguana and even a tarantula. It's no wonder why Jean and Lynn, their sons and now grand-children, three



*Foster cats lounging at Jean's home.  
HAHS's website and [PETFINDER.COM](http://PETFINDER.COM)  
have information on all our  
animals available for adoption.*

generations, all love animals.

It has been about 1 1/2 years now that Jean has volunteered with HAHS to care for unwanted and abandoned cats until they are adopted into new homes. When asked why she fosters Jean replied, "I would love to keep them all. Fostering has helped me from becoming that crazy cat lady".

HAHS is grateful to Jean and all the other wonderful foster families volunteering their time and homes until these animals find new homes.

***THANK YOU JEAN!!***