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Central Dakota Humane Society Holds Shaggy Shuffle and Celebrates 50 Years

The Central Dakota Humane Society is holding its annual Shaggy Shuffle walk at the Capitol Grounds on Sunday, September 19. This year's event also will include a celebration of the organization's 50th year.

The celebration starts at 11 a.m. with food, inflatable fun, face painting, clowns and music. Registration for the walk portion of the event will begin at 1 p.m. and the walk will start at 2 p.m.

Everyone who registers for the walk will earn a CDHS reusable tote bag. Walkers who collect donations can earn several incentive prizes, including t-shirts, pet water bottles and fleece blankets. Walkers raising more than \$1000 will have their choice of a Wii game system or a \$200 gas card.

"This year the Central Dakota Humane Society turns 50 years old and we are adding a new family-friendly activity before the walk," said Mandy Schaaf, Shaggy Shuffle organizer. "You can purchase a wristband for \$10 to play on the inflatables and enjoy food, face painting, live music and a balloon clown. We will have cotton candy, hot dogs, popcorn, and snow cones. It will be a fun-filled day where we can all have a good time while raising money for the shelter animals."

Walkers will be able to choose the length of the route they walk – a 2-mile walk or a 1/2-mile walk. People can walk with or without a pet. When requesting donations, walkers can direct donors a secure, online donation form at www.cdhs.net. By clicking Donate To A Walker, people can easily donate online.

CDHS does not receive any federal, state or local funding and relies completely on its members and fundraisers to raise enough money to care for the animals at the shelter. All money from the Shaggy Shuffle event will go directly to the animals at CDHS. For more information about Shaggy Shuffle or for pledge forms, visit the website at www.cdhs.net or call the shelter at 667-2020.

CDHS is a no-kill animal shelter that serves Bismarck-Mandan and the surrounding communities by housing and finding homes for lost, strayed or abandoned animals, promoting spaying and neutering and offering educational opportunities. The shelter is located three miles north of Mandan on Highway 1806 and is open Tuesdays through Saturdays from 1 p.m. to 6 p.m.