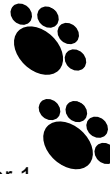


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animals

BARK! in the PARK

Helping Homeless Pets, One Step at a Time

What could be more fun and, at the same time, beneficial? That's right- Bark In the Park at Centennial Park in Champaign! By participating in this annual event, you will benefit, your canine companion will benefit, and the



Champaign County Humane Society will benefit. This year, WICD, Prairieland Feeds and Petco team up with CCHS for this fun-filled event. Registration and the

Canine Carnival run from 8:30 a.m. to 11 a.m., and the 1- or 2-mile walk follows.

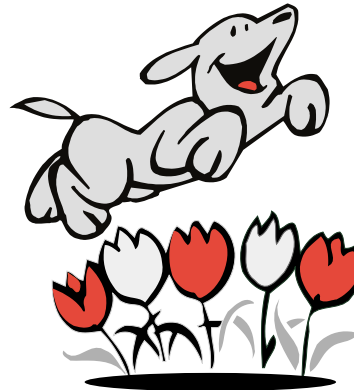
You are invited to bring your dogs to the walk and participate in the Canine Carnival and watch the demos. This year's program features some of the same popular games from last year's event such as ...

- Lure Coursing
- Doggie Paw Painting
- Hide and Seek
- You-Try Agility and Flyball

There will be new games such as the Rally Obedience Course, a new and improved version of the ever-popular Target Practice game where you and your pup team up to show off your skills in basic obedience (the dogs don't always have totally obedient people but they do a pretty good job most of the time).

And, of course, we'll have demonstrations by experienced flyball and agility dogs – always a crowd favorite.

As you know, our goal at the Champaign County Humane Society is to help you find a companion whose life you will enrich through adoption and who will enrich your life through the relationship you will build together. The Canine Carnival



Bark in the Park Helping Homeless Pets, One Step at a Time

gives you a taste of the wide variety of activities you can do with your canine companion.

Bark in the Park culminates in a walk with all participants walking a one- or two-mile course with their canine companion. While you and your pup enjoy the fun of strutting your stuff, the shelter benefits from the generous contributions yielded from your efforts.

How can you get involved?

It's easy! Pick up a Bark in the Park sign-up sheet and start collecting pledges. Flat donations are suggested and you need to raise a minimum of \$25 to participate, \$50 to receive a limited edition long-sleeved t-shirt. All participants receive a Bark in the Park doggie bandana.

Please check www.cuhumane.org for updates about this popular event or call Ann at 344-7297 for information. The registration fliers will be available at the Humane Society and Prairieland Feeds. •

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From the Director's Desk

This past year was unlike any other period in our lives with many people taking a second look at what is really important to us. Through this time of great change, the generous gifts from you, our supporters, made it clear that helping the homeless pets in our area was still very important. The donations we received in 2001 allowed us to save more pets than ever with 2,398 being adopted in to new homes. Nearly 600 other lost pets were reunited with their owners.

Your donations also allowed us to expand or start new programs. In 2001 we expanded our shelter spay/neuter program so that more pets than ever were altered prior to adoption. Also, a record number of veterinarian clinics participated in Spay Week 2002, A Tail of Two Kitties. Combined with our shelter spay/neuter program, this means more pets were neutered in our area than ever before. We expanded our humane investigation program to better respond to reported cases of cruelty and neglect. We started the PhD (people helping dogs) program to train shelter dogs prior to adoption. The initial results are remarkable. The dogs have responded by learning better behavior and many adopters have welcomed these PhD dogs into their homes.

In 2002, we're continuing to expand and add programs to help more



Photo by Tom Schaeffges

Stephen J. Notaro and his dog, Smokey

homeless pets. Cats 101 is a new program offered this spring. This fun-filled and informative program helps first-time cat adopters with vital information on their pet's health, behavior and needs. We also are expanding our volunteer program in 2002 so that more of you will have the opportunity to help with your time and talents as well as your donations in caring for the homeless pets. Whether you volunteer to walk a dog, cuddle a cat, or help with an event, your time will directly impact the number of homeless pets we can save.

Every donation of time, money, care and compassion is what makes the Champaign County Humane Society able to help so many pets. In 2002, all of us can join together to reach a new level of compassion and service to the pets in our care. The result will be more happy pets living in loving homes. Thanks for being such an important in helping our homeless pets. ■ SN




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Mark Your Calendars for Our Giant Memorial Day Fund-Raiser


It isn't too early to start thinking about it. Whether you have treasures to donate that you are no longer using or you are looking forward to the shopping experience of the year, you need to mark your calendar now! The CCHS Annual Garage Sale will be held Memorial Day weekend at the Champaign County Fairgrounds in Kessler Hall on May 24 and 25.


This fund-raiser needs you and there are plenty of ways in which you can participate.

 Your donations are the foundation of our event. Start setting aside the clothes, jewelry, housewares, small




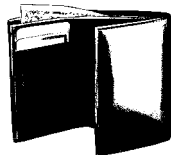
appliances,

 tools and any other usable, unbroken items you are no longer using in anticipation of the drop off dates.

 Call CCHS to see how you can help out. Over 2,000 volunteer hours were needed to put on this event. Contact Julie Keith at CCHS at 344-7297 or julie@cuhumane.org.

 Come to the sale to shop.

 Tell all your friends, including retailers, about the event. They can help out with donations of time and sales items.



Sale Dates

Friday, May 24, 7 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Saturday, May 25, 8 a.m.

Bag Sale starts at 1 p.m.

Donation Drop Offs

Kessler Hall, Champaign County

Fairgrounds

Thursday, May 16, 11 a.m. to 7 p.m.


Friday, May 17, 11 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Saturday, May 18, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Sunday, May 19, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Monday, May 20, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Donations of good, usable, unbroken items are gratefully accepted at Kessler Hall at the times indicated. While we appreciate the generosity behind every contribution, there are some items we must turn down. We cannot accept large furniture pieces, large kitchen appliances, windows, doors, outdated computer equipment, paint, chemicals, and remainders from other organizations' sales.

Retailers: Donations of your excess inventory are welcome. 

The Foster Program:


Giving the Neediest a Future

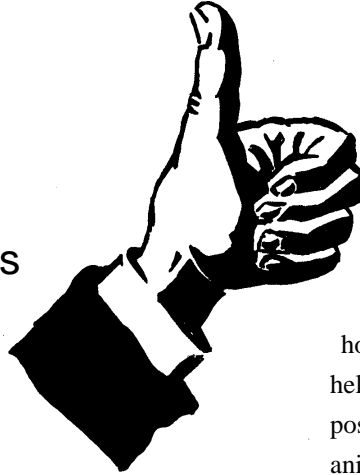
The end of kitten season in the fall usually means "a little break" for our Foster Program members. But, with newborn kittens arriving in December and January, the end and the new beginning of kitten season are blending this year.

Our dedicated Foster Program members provided temporary homes for 578 needy animals in 2001. Among them were heartworm-positive dogs, pregnant or nursing cats and dogs, orphaned puppies and kittens in need of round-the-clock bottle-feeding, feral kittens (lovingly referred to as "Hissy Spitters") and animals needing various medical treatments or rehabilitation.

If you can provide a Foster Home for just a few animals, you will be helping us save even more lives. Each case is a different challenge and we need both long- and short-term homes. The more Foster Homes we have available, the more lives we will save.

Are you too limited on time or space? You can still be a driving force in this program by becoming a Foster Program Sponsor. A monthly or yearly donation to the Foster Program will help provide medical supplies, food and cages for a licensed Foster Home.

For more information on becoming a licensed Foster Home or a Foster Program Sponsor, please contact the Volunteer Coordinator or the Foster Program Coordinator at CCHS, 344-7297. 



Thank You to All of Our Volunteers

Volunteering your time is one of the best ways to help animals. Whether you walk dogs at your shelter, stuff envelopes for an educational mailing, or assist with a fund-raising event, you can make a difference in the lives of animals. When you give animals the gift of your time, you'll get back as much as you give – maybe even more! The Humane Society would like to thank all of our volunteers. Your time made a huge difference at the Humane Society in 2001. Our volunteers put in about 5,000 hours of their time at the shelter alone. The total jumps to more than 10,000 hours when you add in all of the activities that take place outside of the Humane Society, such as special events, the garage sale and the foster program. When you consider how scarce spare time is these days, it is nice to know that so many people are willing to give their free time to the animals of the Humane Society.

There are five volunteers who managed to give more than a 100 hours of their time at the Humane Society. We would like to thank these five for giving so much of themselves. Lisa Burgoon gave 122 hours to the Adoption Counselor program, Bree Guidi gave 103 hours to the lab and PhD program, Nan Holda gave 101 hours to the PhD program and dogwalking, and Lisa Kelly-Wilson gave 111 hours socializing cats. A very

special thank you goes to Brad Hudson for giving us a whopping 255 hours as a groomer.

We would also like to thank all of the 2001 garage sale volunteers who gave 2,398 hours of their time. Without your time and dedication the garage sale would not be the huge success it is. The 2001 garage sale was the largest, and most successful to date, all because of you. We truly appreciate all of your time and effort. Without you, this event would not be possible.

We cannot forget our wonderful foster caregivers who have opened their hearts and homes to animals that need extra care. From the bottle-feed kittens to the dogs that need some extra attention and a caring hand to feed them, our foster homes have helped hundreds of animals that wouldn't have had a chance otherwise. It is impossible to calculate the countless hours our foster homes dedicate to the animals, so we would just like to extend a heartfelt thank you. You have made it possible to give so many animals a chance to live a full life in a permanent home.

To everyone else who was generous enough to give their time last year, we thank you. Everyone helped to make a difference in the life of at least one

homeless pet. It is your continued help and support that makes our job possible, and helps to keep these animals happy and healthy during their stay in our facility. We look forward to working with all of you again this year.

If you have been thinking about volunteering, contact Julie Keith at 344-7297 or julie@cuhumane.org. Here are just a few of the benefits of volunteering at the Humane Society:

Get warm fuzzies. You'll never find a more grateful and accepting comrade than an animal you have comforted. Who can't use another loyal support in life?

Keep good company. You'll make lots of new friends – and not just the four-legged kind. Working side by side with people who share similar interests can forge lifelong friendships.

Meet the new you. You'll discover skills you never knew you had, and you may be surprised at what you're capable of achieving. Be all that you never knew you could be.

Gain a new career. You'll learn things that may lead you to the career – or career change – of your dreams. Employers and college admissions officers look favorably on time spent in volunteer service.

Enjoy a wagging tail, a purr, and a smile. Didn't someone once say that the best things in life are free? 🐾



Party On

There once was a Corgi pup named Merlin who was adopted into a family of five. Little Merlin now had parents and three beagle sisters! While visions of his new family life danced in his head—a warm, loving, safe home; healthy meals; the daily walks; canine finishing school; dog park play; and more—he couldn't get one thing off his little mind. He was a lucky little puppy, much more fortunate than his homeless friends at the Champaign County Humane Society.

Merlin's family was so happy to have Merlin and they wanted all their friends to meet him. So they decided to throw a Coming Out party for him and to invite all their friends. What a wonderful gesture this new family was making to ensure little Merlin would feel like part of the family. But still, he could not turn his thoughts from those less fortunate.

Merlin just couldn't hold back any longer. He didn't want to hurt his new parent's feelings but he just couldn't imagine receiving more gifts than the greatest gift he'd already received – a family to love him. He told his parents how he felt and their hearts burst with pride at the total goodness embodied in this tiny soul.

So the family wondered what they could do to celebrate their good fortune in finding this special little canine. And then it clicked ... they'd throw him his party but they would let everyone invited know that a donation could be given to the shelter instead of a present to the young pup. So that's what happened and this is the story of that party.

December 8, 2001,
CHAMPAIGN, IL — Beagles Nikki, Tango and Lilith Schenk threw a Coming Out party for their new brother, Merlin, a Welsh Corgi pup. Guests were asked to come in casual attire and to have their booster shots current.

Complimentary dog hair was provided to all human guests to enhance their deficient coats with something more substantial.

The invitations included the CCHS Annual Wish List that gave the guests some ideas for donations in addition to the cash gifts that were made. More than 125 pounds of dry and canned food for dogs and cats topped the list. In addition, treats, rawhide chews and toys as well as grooming tools and feeding bowls

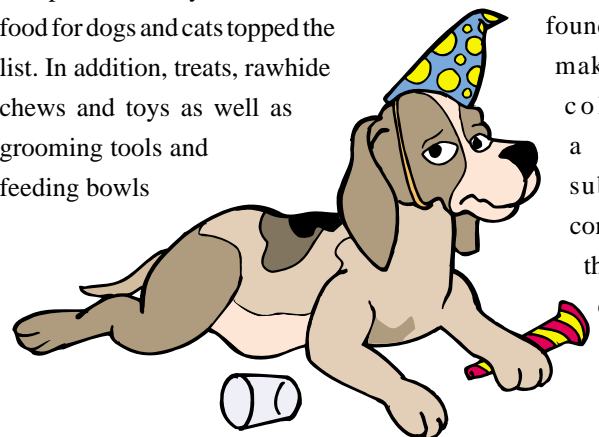
were donated. Kitty litter, bleach, paper towels, garbage bags, window cleaner, buckets, soap, paper, latex gloves, and housebreaking pads filled out the generous gift.

Food, friendship and diversions were served. The house was packed with canine

camaraderie and the highlight of the dog's evening was the tasty smorgasbord of treats and tidbits that were served.

The event, which went into the wee hours of the night, was a huge success. Merlin met new friends. But, more than that, he helped his new-

found friends make a collective and substantial contribution that they all could be proud of.



Dealing With Your Pet and Your Allergies

One thing to know about being a pet owner is that it is never easy. While pets bring joy and companionship to our lives on a daily basis, they also require training, veterinary care, time, love, attention and even tolerance. And that tolerance is especially necessary when a pet owner is allergic to his or her companion animal.

All cats and dogs are allergenic (allergy-causing) to people who are allergic to animals. Cats tend to be more allergenic than dogs for most allergic people, although some people are more sensitive to dogs than cats. Contrary to popular belief, there are no “non-allergenic” breeds of dogs or cats; even hairless breeds of dogs and cats may be highly allergenic. Dogs with soft, constantly-growing hair—the poodle or the bichon frise, for example—may be less irritating to some individuals, although this may be because they are bathed and groomed more frequently. One dog or cat of a particular breed may be more irritating to an individual allergy sufferer than another animal of that same breed.

The source of irritation to pet-allergic humans? Glands in the animal’s skin secrete tiny allergy-triggering proteins, called allergens, that linger in the animal’s fur but also float easily in the air. Allergens are present in the animal’s saliva and urine, too, and may become airborne when saliva dries on the fur. The severity of reaction to these allergens varies from one person to the next, ranging from mild sniffing and sneezing to life-threatening asthma, and can be complicated by simultaneous allergies to other irritants in the allergy sufferer’s environment.

If your or a family member’s allergies are simply miserable, but not life-threatening, take these steps to reduce

the symptoms. To begin with, create an “allergy free” zone in the home – preferably the bedroom – and strictly prohibit the pet’s access to it. Use a high-efficiency HEPA air cleaner (available at almost any home and garden store or discount department store) in the bedroom. Consider using

impermeable covers for the mattress and pillow because allergen particles brought into the room on clothes and other objects can accumulate in them.



Use HEPA air cleaners throughout the rest of the home, and avoid dust-and-dander-catching furnishings such as cloth curtains and blinds and carpeted floors. Clean frequently and thoroughly to remove dust and dander, washing articles such as couch covers and pillows, curtains, and pet beds. Use a “microfilter” bag in the vacuum cleaner to effectively catch all the allergens you vacuum up.

Bathing your pet on a weekly basis can reduce the level of allergens on fur by as much as 84%. Although products are available which claim to reduce pet allergens when sprayed on the animal’s fur, studies show they are less effective than a weekly bath. Even cats can become accustomed to being bathed; check with your veterinarian’s staff or a good book on pet care for directions about how to do this properly, and use whatever shampoo your veterinarian recommends as best for your pet.

Don’t be quick to blame the family pet for allergies. Ask your allergist to specifically test for allergies to pet dander, rather than making an assumption. And understand that allergies are cumulative. Many allergy sufferers are sensitive

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When It's Time to Say Good-Bye

BY CAROLE LINDHOLM

Having to make the decision to end the life of a beloved companion is the most difficult task pet owners face and one that is incredibly painful. We love our pets so deeply that the mere thought of their loss is one that is impossible to comprehend. Having the ability to free them from pain and suffering is our final gift to them but causes us to experience grief and a terrible sense of loss.

Our companion animals are woven through the fabric of our lives and anticipating their loss can cause intense feelings of grief. Our animal friends are there for us every day of their lives, offering comfort and companionship unlike any other relationship. It is very

understandable, then, to recognize the difficulties faced when we're put in the position of having to be the one to decide that life is to end.

Friends and family members can provide you with the support you may find you need as you approach the euthanasia decision. Attending pet-loss support group sessions may be of great benefit as you realize there are others who are having a difficult time saying goodbye. Choosing to end our animal companion's pain and suffering intensifies our own emotional pain, yet postponing the decision could cause our pet to experience pain and suffering

needlessly. At times such as these it is important to attempt to understand all aspects of the euthanasia decision with your veterinarian, to listen to what your companion is trying to tell you and to trust your own intuition. Your veterinarian also can help you explore quality of life issues, pain management and allay your fears regarding the actual euthanasia procedure.

Believe that you will know when the decision is the right choice for you and your friend. Remember the joy, the friendship, the love and you will keep them alive in your heart. 🐾

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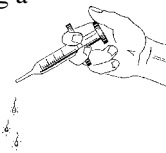
to more than one allergen. So if you're allergic to dust, insecticides, pollen, cigarette smoke, and cat dander, you'll need to reduce the overall allergen level in your environment by concentrating on all of the causes, not just the pet allergy. For example, you may need to step up measures to remove cat dander from your home and carefully avoid cigarette smoke during spring, when it is difficult to avoid exposure to pollen.

Immunotherapy (allergy shots) can improve symptoms but cannot eliminate them entirely. They work by

gradually desensitizing a person's immune system to the pet allergens.

Allergy-causing proteins are injected under the person's skin, triggering the body to produce antibodies (protective proteins) which block the pet allergen from causing a reaction. Patients are usually given one dose per week for a few weeks to months (depending on the severity of their allergy) and then can often manage with one injection per month.

Additional treatments for allergies to



pets are symptomatic, including steroidal and antihistamine nose sprays and antihistamine pills. For asthma, there are multiple medications, sprays, and inhalers available. It is important to find an allergist who understands your commitment to living with your pet. A combination of approaches—medical control of symptoms, good housecleaning methods, and immunotherapy—is most likely to succeed in allowing an allergic person to live with pets. 🐾

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who touched our lives
Maxine Belle

James McCracken
Honey Bear, Matty and Boo Kitty

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Your special thoughts are
meaningful to those who send
them, to those who receive
them, and to those who are
helped by them. We make
every effort to list memorial
and honorary donations
correctly; if there is an error,
please let us know. This issue
contains all the special
thoughts recorded at CCHS
through Feb. 10.

Special Thoughts

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Willie the Wonder Weiner, my best little buddy
Marsha White

Bailey
Malinda Craig

Katie
John and Candy Avallone

Roy Kimbrell
Mr. and Mrs. L. Leon Campbell

Marge
The Finkin Family

Susan McGrath's beloved Sinbad
Marion and Joe McGrath

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The Wegeng Family

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Lisa Helgesen

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Carol, Charlotte, Marge, Nancy and Stephanie

Roberta Cox and Mittens
Robert Corley

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From his friends in the Prairie

Maxmillian, our cocker spaniel

The Derby Family and Felicia Greenwood

Marvin, Cynthia and Bob's beloved Siamese cat

Bruce and Sue Wood

Pauline Morris

Naomi Roberts

Maggie Bagger

The Eisner Park Rowdy Club

Spunky

Gail and Ed Pfeifer

Holly O'Donnell

The Danenhower Family, The Sensenbrenner Family

Nick, my best friend for 17 years. He was the best cat I ever knew.

Alicia Winder

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Larry Johnson

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Justine Marie "Tina" Mendel

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Mary Green, Piewacket, Magic and Luther

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Dianne Andrews

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Pola Triandis

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Virginia Lee

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Eloise Brown

Dixie Leigh Dean

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James and Rita Jessup

Penny Carrow

Holly and Arthur Hoover

Watson

Priscilla Huls

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Special Thoughts

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Dallas, Tigger, Pinkle Purr I and Tuffy
Sheila Pelichoff

Mindy Harrington
Patricia and Dean Evans

Our good friend Kramer Worthington
Eric, Lisa, Thurston and Charo

Screamer
Charles and Marilyn Pratt

Molly and Mitchell Bentsen's
Dalmatian, Prairie
Ann Bergeron and Kevin Fahey

Charles "Dick" Lee
Kenneth Simonis

Kao Wasson
Mike and Jeanne Fritz, Pam Lowrey

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*Her friends and co-workers at the
Provena Covenant Cancer Center*

Renee Potter
Harold and Jean Anderson

Sonda Gabriel
*Lizanne DeStefano, Beth Grosshandler,
Karen Mott, Betsy Innes, Rachel
Palmisano*

Pippin's 15th birthday
Emily Rogers, Mary Wallace

Our wife and mother
Gene, Fritz, Tweety and Baby

In honor of T.J. and in memory of
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Tim and Donna Fogerson

Monckton and Chatterley
Julia Saville

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The Eisenhauer

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The Rock Family

Blackjack
The Twoheys

Diva and Kira
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E.J. and Sherry Webb

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Robert Schaefer

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and Ms. Benson
Kurt Clapper

Vera Vogel
Pat and Roger Martin

David Johnson
Renita Johnson

Pamela Hahn
Victoria Krouse

Ellen Graves
Kelley Graves-Millsap

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DeMay, Harletta Hamilton, Ken
Merrell and Sandy Long*

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May Berenbaum

“Aunt Bert”
Sherry Slade

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Molly
Olive Carnine

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Tribute to Mary Hussey

When asked to describe Mary Hussey, her friends might say: She was always cheerful. She enjoyed people and animals. She was a high school teacher. She was on the University of Illinois faculty. She traveled the world teaching English as a second language. She was a friend to everyone who met her.

Indeed this was an accomplished, sensitive, greatly respected woman. But no matter how she is remembered by her friends, there’s one thing that describes her above all others...

Mary Hussey loved cats.

Mary adopted cats. She cared for strays. Her house was decorated with every conceivable image of cats.

Mary passed away in August 2000. Yet even now, her spirit, that desire to help the helpless, lives on at the Champaign County Humane Society. A portion of the Mary Hussey estate was bequeathed to CCHS. We are grateful to Mary for her generosity. Her bequest to further the shelter’s work in improving the lives of homeless animals will serve as an enduring reminder of the gifts she made in life.

She will be missed.

Lost a Pet?

Most people consider their pets a part of the family and do a great job of providing the protection and care they need. But even the most diligent pet owner can have a pet slip through an open door or gate and then the heartache begins.

What to Do When Your Pet is Lost

Act fast. Don't wait days hoping they will come home. The quicker you begin your search for your lost pet, the better the odds are of finding them.

Check at the Humane Society every day. Don't just call, but visit the shelter and physically search for your pet. Many animals are difficult to describe over the phone, and only you really know your pet.

Use your pet's photo to make "lost pet" signs. Put them up in your neighborhood and in local post offices, libraries, pet supply stores, veterinary offices, and grocery stores. Inform your veterinarian that your pet is lost in case they receive a call.

Place ads in local newspapers and offer a reward in case someone found your untagged pet and was thinking of keeping him.

Watch the found ads. Respond to any that might be close to your pet's description. A week of wandering can make white pets look a drab gray, and their description may not exactly fit.

How to Protect Your Pet

Make sure your dog or cat always wears a collar with a current identification tag. The tag should include a name, address, phone number (day and evening is best), the pet's name, and the special medical needs of your pet.

Put a temporary tag on your pet when you move that includes a relative's or friend's telephone number. Many animals are lost when owners move. Use masking tape over the current tag or consider purchasing an instant tag, now available at pet supply stores.


Keep a file with a written description of your pet that includes their size, markings, weight, and unusual features. Keep a current photo on file to use for posters or to take to the Humane Society.

Keep your cats indoors and tagged! Many stray cats that

end up at CCHS are indoor cats that have slipped past an open door.

Get your microchipped. Microchipping involves implanting a tiny electronic capsule under the skin that can be scanned to identify you as the owner.

Keep dog license tags and rabies tags up-to-date.

Search your neighborhood or area where the pet was lost. Ask people if they have seen your pet. Let them know your pet's missing and offer a reward. Call your pet's name and check any places they could have become trapped, such as basements, garages, or under vehicles. Often times lost pets will hide during the day, so be sure to go out again at night with a flashlight and call out for them. Sometimes a can of food can lure a hungry and scared pet to you. 


2002 Kitten Shower Kittens Rule!

You're Invited!



Join us June 15th at Lincoln Square Mall when the Champaign County Humane Society hosts one of the largest kitten adoption events in Illinois. We'll bring nearly 100 cats and kittens from the shelter to the mall for you to visit with and adopt – last year nearly 80 frisky felines had found new homes by the end of the day. From its humble beginning in 1996 with only a handful of kittens in attendance to the record-breaking shower held on June 16, 2001, this event has proven to be a unique and exciting experience for all involved.

What is it?

It's like a baby shower, but for kittens! The kittens are hard at work on their special wish list, which includes moist and dry food, Kitten Milk Replacement, non-clumping litter and Pedialyte. Last year community members generously contributed more than 500 pounds of food and litter – along with lots of toys – to this special event. If you would like to volunteer at this year's shower, contact Julie Keith at 344-7297 or julie@cuhumane.org. 

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CCHS, 1911 E. Main St., Urbana, IL 61802. Gifts to the CCHS are tax deductible. Thank you.

'Promoting Human-Companion Animal Bond' topic of April 6 seminar

The department of animal sciences at the University of Illinois will present its fourth annual humane education seminar, "Promoting the Human-Companion Animal Bond in Communities," on Saturday, April 6, in Champaign. The seminar Web site at <http://www.ansci.uiuc.edu/humane> has lots of details.

Speakers and topics:

🐾 Patty Finch: "Humane Education's Radical New Era"

🐾 Suzanne Hetts: "Behavioral

Assistance Programs for Animal Shelters and Others"

🐾 Joan Kellogg: "Pet Loss and Bereavement"

🐾 Samuel B. Ross Jr.: "Maintaining a Vision - The Benefits and the Concerns"

🐾 Joanne Vining: "Human Perspectives in Nature"

🐾 Jesse Winters: "ASPCA National Shelter Outreach Program"

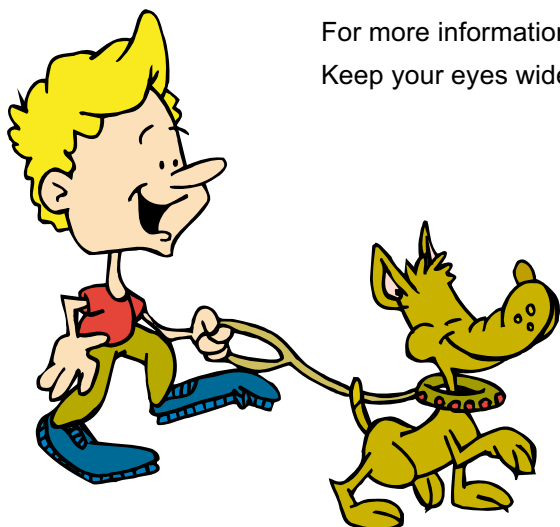
New for 2002

Has your organization developed an

innovative humane education program in the last five years? The seminar's Program Showcase will feature four speakers who will each showcase their program in a brief (10 minutes), informal, interactive, and, it is hoped, FUN presentation for the speakers and audience alike! See the Web site for details on how to become a part of the Program Showcase. 🐾

Champaign County Humane Society
1911 E. Main St.
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Mark Your Calendar



For more information on these events, contact the shelter at 344-7297 after 11 a.m.
Keep your eyes wide and your ears pricked for these and other events to come.

- April 6 'Promoting Human-Animal Bond' seminar
- April 20 BARK in the Park, Centennial Park, Champaign
- May 3-5 Spring Fling Adopt-a-thon
- May 5-11 Be Kind to Animals Week
- May 24-25 Gigantic Annual Garage Sale, Champaign County Fairgrounds
- June 15 Kitten Shower, Lincoln Square