

Mission: To fulfill the promise of animals, the Capital Humane Society shelters animals, protects animals and teaches compassion and respect.

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2010 Tails N Trails Pet Walk & Festival

A cool and damp fall day brought over 250 dogs and their faithful owners to Haymarket Park on Sunday, September 19th. Dogs and walkers enjoyed visiting with vet clinics, pet supply & specialty vendors, crafts, books and animal welfare groups as well as creating a Doggie DaVinci or bobbing for a hotdog in the wading pool. Greater Lincoln Obedience Club gave demonstrations on obedience, the agility course and a Frisbee demonstration while Lincoln's Animal Control gave information on animal care and city ordinances. Paul Zanderholm, artist, drew long lines as he created caricature drawings of pets and owners. Fairbury hotdogs grilled by Ayars & Ayars, Pepsi products, ice cream, popcorn and cotton candy were also enjoyed by the walkers.

A number of CHS alumnae attended the walk, leading the way in the 1 mile or ½ mile walk around the park. Jade Fung (2009 Top Dog), Brad Anderson and Jon & Taryn Vanderford (Channel 10/11 personalities) led the way with Terrier's, Chihuahua's, Beagle's, Shepherd's, Pyrenees, Great Danes and Irish Wolfhounds along with every other breed of dog in attendance following close behind.

2010 Top Dogs

First Place – Jade Fung (\$4,608.00) Second Place – Millie Ober (\$870.00) Third Place – Tim & Midnight Star Tompkin (\$730.00)

2010 Top Teams

First Place – Ameritas Fallbrook (\$2,468.00) Second Place – Crazy 4 K9s (\$1,811.00) Third Place – Crooks 'n Pals (\$1,420.00) Fourth Place – Security 1st Bank – (1,120.00)



Raffle prizes were donated by the following businesses & friends:

- UNL Athletic Department Kevin Fischer Greg Holloway Capital Humane Society Nellies Pet Snacks Ehaweh Arts & Massage Prairie Skies
- Let's Talk Dirt Leanne Snook Gladys Weidebien Alisa Eichorn Laura Claus Larry the Cable Guy Godfather's Pizza

Bayer Healthcare LLC Animal Health A'door'ables Lied Lodge & Conference Center Mindy Shortridge Canine Design



Winners of the Contests were: Littlest Dog – 'Sara' Kapke Biggest Dog – 'Lou' Hardesty Best Trick – 'Zeke' Fletcher Best Costume – 'Pumpkin' Broeker Biggest Shedder – 'Kiba' Kapke Pet/Humane Look-a-like Contest – Marcia & 'Betty' White

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From the Executive Director



I am pleased that through an anonymous grant we have been able to implement a portion of the ASPCA Meet Your Match program.

Many potential adopters go to a shelter and believe they have fallen in love with the perfect cat just by looking into its eyes. Anyone who has lived with cats (or been owned by one!) knows that they can be very unique animals in their behavior and the

way they interact with people. An important part of choosing a cat is picking one whose behavior matches your lifestyle.

"Feline-ality" is a scientifically based program developed by one of the foremost animal behaviorist in this country. In simple terms this program identifies the personality of a cat and places it into one of nine categories. Potential adopters fill out a questionnaire about their lifestyle and how they want a cat to behave in their home. This then places the adopter into one of nine categories. Matching the pet and the person in the same category, or a very close category, increases the chances of them ending up with the perfect cat.

Next time you are thinking of adopting a cat from the shelter try the "feline-ality" program. It can make the adoption process interesting and interactive. We already know it is fun!

As we approach the holiday season I want to thank you for the support that you provide to Capital Humane Society, its staff and its volunteers. You play a vital role in our ability to help animals and people who care about them. Best wishes to you and your loved ones for the holiday season.

Thank you,

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Adopt A Dog Month

Adopt-a-Dog Month held in October united over 110 dogs and 68 cats with new families. A \$20 discount on dog adoptions and a 50% discount on cat adoptions made this fall month great time to adopt a new pet for the family. When adopting a dog, families were given a certificate for one free session of training. Thanks to the following trainers for participating in Adopt-a-Dog Month:



Prairie Skies PetCo Teacher's Pet PetSmart Canine Consultants Kenl Inn Train 4 Life Nebraska Premiere Dog Training Nebraska Animal Medical Center

Staff Profile - Bethani Salazar



Bethani Salazar

Bethani Salazar began working at the Capital Humane Society 2 years ago after moving to Lincoln from North Dakota. Bethani has a Biology degree, but her love for animals led her to volunteering at veterinarian clinics in Dickinson, N.D., so finding a position at the shelter seemed a perfect fit. The best thing about working at the shelter is seeing how excited people are when adopting a new friend into the family or even finding and being reunited with a lost pet. "People love these animals – they are important!"

Bethani and her husband Mykel, share their home with 2 dogs - Chica and Buster, 2 cats - Allie and Cruz and Lucy, an Angora rabbit. They have also opened their home to fostering a number of shelter kittens

needing to gain weight or recover from a health issue. Bethani also enjoys spending time with Mykel and their pets, gardening and baking.

Volunteer Spotlight - Carrie Didrichsons



Carrie Didrichsons

A bright and smiling face greets customers on Friday afternoons! Carrie Didrichsons has been volunteering at the Capital Humane Society for the past year and a half. She does so much for us and for the animals. Carrie volunteers in the office. She also helps with the filming of the Critter Corner television show every Tuesday. She's helped with numerous events, fostering pets and walking dogs. Carrie says, "It's never a dull moment at the shelter!"

Carrie owns Into Skin Aesthetic Studio and also teaches classes at Advanced Aesthetics Elite Education and Day Spa. In her spare time, she likes

to read, do crossword puzzles, go to the dog park and spend time with her friends and family.

Carrie must have a lot of energy. In addition to all of this, she has three dogs, two cats, a husband and a baby on the way. Carrie says that she considers Capital Humane Society her "other family". We are so lucky that she has adopted us!

Planned Giving means giving today, to make possible a substantial financial contribution in the future. It is one way that you can be assured that the care given to all animals of our community continues. To ensure that your planned gift will go the Capital Humane Society, please speak to your attorney or financial planner. Use the shelter's formal name in all documents:

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Capital Humane Society Out & About

Critter Corner Time Warner Cable, Ch 13 Wednesday, 6:30 pm Thursday, 5:30 pm Saturday, 4:00 pm Sunday, 7:30 pm

Lincoln Journal Star Pet of the Week - Friday

Neighborhood Extra 1st Saturday of the month

> KOLN-TV 10/11 Thursday, 12:15 pm

KLKN-TV 8 Every Wednesday, 11:50 am

> KZVM 89.3 AM Saturday, 10:15 am

KLIN 1400 AM Thursday, 6:45 am

KFOR 1240 AM Tuesday, 6:50 am Thursday, 8:45 am

KFRX 106.3 Thursday, 9:00 am

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Helping Hands 👑 🖐



Run for the Hounds sponsored by the SILVER SPOKE SALOON was held on July 24th. Thanks to the bikers who donated \$239.00 towards the care of the shelter animals.

Participants attending the "Other Westminster Dog Show" on Sunday, September 5th, at WESTMINSTER **PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH** brought towels, pet food, pet clothing, leashes, collars, blankets and other supplies to help make the shelter animals more comfortable.

A fundraiser sponsored by the NORTHSTAR DAZZLERS raised \$270.00 to help with the care of the animals. Thank you dance team!

stand.

their street.



Hallie with the items she and Troop 226 collected in the neighborhood.

they love animals and want them to have a long & healthy life, they donated \$38.94. GIRL SCOUT TROOP 226. led by HALLIE, KATIE & GRACE, organized a neighborhood donation drive. They delivered fliers to homes with the 'wish list' and returned later to pick up donations! Thanks to our young philanthropists.

Hutane

BECCA AND ALLYSON

earned \$20.00 with their late summer lemonade

ELI shared \$20.00 from

the proceeds of tomato sales. JESSIE, GAVIN

AND SHANNON set up a lemonade stand on

JORDAN AND

Because

Becca & Allyson, along with sister Caitlyn donate proceeds of lemonade sale

Sweetheart.

Keifer.

her

Miss Nebraska, Preteen

gifts in memory of her

grandfather, Leo Scherer

Keifer reminisced how

her grandfather loved

animals and shared that

to Bob Downey.

along

family presented

Emma

with

Miss



Miss Nebraska, Preteen Sweetheart and Bob Downey

love with his own children and grandchildren.

The following clothing stores provided great deals for shoppers while also helping the Capital Humane Society! The shelter animals and staff are grateful for the support of the stores and the shoppers!

CHRISTOPHER BANKS & CJ BANKS - Shoppers were invited to bring a donation for the Capital Humane Society to Christopher Banks or CJ Banks located at South Pointe or Westfield Shopping Center during the week of October 18th through October 24th and then receive an additional 10% off their entire purchase.

CHICO'S - Shopping at Chico's at South Pointe on Thursday, November 11th was a great way to help the shelter animals. A portion of the sales during that time was donated to the Capital Humane Society.

YOUNKER'S - Younker's Community Day was Saturday, November 13th. Community Day booklets purchased at the Capital Humane Society became a \$5.00 donation to the animals at the shelter. Shoppers experienced great deals and great savings!

Celebrating а 60th birthday became very special to **JEAN** HULBERT when her friends made donations to one of her favorite causes - animals! The gifts helped support discounts on dog and cat adoptions during Adopt-A-Dog Month held in October.



Jean Hulbert

Pet Oxygen Masks

The Capital Humane Society presented 18 sets of Pet Oxygen Masks to the Lincoln Fire Department during Fire Safety Month in October. The masks were made possible through donations from P.D. Duensing, United Veterinary Emergency Treatment Services (UVETS) and a gift given in memory of Jodi Maughan-Kos.

The oxygen masks will help resuscitate and save lives of pets that are suffering from smoke inhalation. Having a set of three oxygen masks of varying sizes on a fire engine at each station, will help save and protect lives of our loved pets.

Winter Pet Care Lynn Fry-Collins, DVM

Cold weather can be hard on pets, just like it can be hard on people. Sometimes owners forget that their pets are just as accustomed to the warm shelter of the indoors as they are. Some owners will leave their animals outside for extended periods of time, thinking that all animals are adapted to live outdoors. This can put their pets in danger of serious illness. There are things you can do to keep your animal warm and safe.

Keep your pets inside as much as you can when the mercury drops. If you have to take them out, stay outside with them. When you're cold enough to go inside, they probably are too. If you absolutely must leave them outside for a significant length of time, make sure they have a warm, solid shelter against the wind, thick bedding and plenty of fresh, non-frozen water.

Some animals can remain outside safely longer in the winter than others. Your pet's health will affect how long she can stay out. Conditions like diabetes, heart disease, kidney disease, and hormonal imbalances can compromise a pet's ability to regulate her own body heat. Very young and very old animals are vulnerable to the cold as well. Regardless of their health, though, no pets should stay outside for unlimited amounts of time in freezing cold weather.

Cats will curl up against almost anything to stay warm--including car engines. Cats caught in moving engine parts can be seriously hurt or killed. Before you turn your engine on, check beneath the car or make a lot of noise by honking the horn or rapping on the hood.

Pets that go outside can pick up rock salt, ice, and chemical ice melts in their foot pads. To keep your pet's pads from getting chapped and raw, wipe her feet with a washcloth when she comes inside. If your canine friend will tolerate it there are special booties that can help protect their paws from the winter elements and any chemicals or salts that are put out.

Be particularly gentle with elderly and arthritic pets during the winter. The cold can leave their joints extremely stiff and tender, and they may become more awkward than usual. Stay directly below these pets when they are climbing stairs or jumping onto furniture. Make sure they have a thick, soft bed in a warm room for the chilly nights. Also, watch stiff and arthritic pets if you walk them outside; a bad slip on the ice could be very painful and cause a significant injury.

You can also keep an eye out for two serious conditions caused by cold weather. The first and less common of the two is frostbite. Frostbite happens when an animal's body gets cold and pulls all the blood from the extremities to the center of the body to stay warm. The animal's ears, paws, or tail can get cold enough that ice crystals can form in the tissue and damage it. The tricky thing about frostbite is that it's not immediately obvious. The tissue doesn't show signs of the damage to it for several days.

Hypothermia is a condition that occurs when an animal is not able to keep her body temperature from falling below normal. It happens when animals spend too much time in cold temperatures, or when animals with poor health or circulation are exposed to cold. In mild cases, animals will shiver and show signs of depression, lethargy, and weakness. In either case, get your pet warm and take her to your veterinarian as soon as possible.

Winter can be a beautiful time of year. It can be a dangerous time as well, but it certainly doesn't have to be. If you take some precautions, you and your pet can have a fabulous time. For more information, check Healthypets.com. a division of the American Animal Hospital Association.





A Training Song for the Musical Trainer

(Sung to the The Wizard of Oz tune, "If I Only Had a Brain") by Sue Pearson Submitted by Jill Morstad, CHS Puppy Kindergarten Teacher

If I'd gone to puppy classes, I'd not have chewed your glasses Or caused you such great pain Oh I woulda been a good dog, and I coulda been a good dog If I only had been trained.

I would not be just a nothin', my mouth all full of stuffin' From your new couch and chair I'd behave – you must believe me Don't you know you're s'posed to leave me: In my crate when you're not there.

(chorus)

Oh gee, I'm running free – I slipped out of the door You can chase me but you'll never catch me cause You have two legs – but I have four!

I've been all alone for hours, your plants are missing flowers Your socks are re-arranged... I've been just so very busy, it's enough to make you dizzy You really should have had me trained.

I could dig my way to China, or at least to Carolina When I'm left outside too long. I'm your little Rover Tiller and the neighbor Mr. Miller Thinks you should have stuffed my Kong.

You thought that I was lonely, would be better if you only Got another pup Time unsupervised was ample, so I served as his example Now there's twice as much torn up!

(chorus) Take a look, at all these books Puppy training 101 I know you won't believe it but they say Living with me – could be real fun!

And in terms of my housetraining, I wish you'd stop complaining And get out of my face Oh my breath will just amaze ya, I've developed copraphagia I've been cleaning up the place.

They say that I'll get bigger, and it only goes to "figger" Your troubles will grow too You could teach me while I'm little, what to chew and where to piddle And then you'd be happy too.

There could never be another, your sister or your brother Who'd love you more than I For a dog I'd be classy, I could be another Lassie All you have to do is try.

(chorus) Picture me -- obediently -- sitting by your side I would never dump the trash or chase the cat I'd be so good -- OK, I lied!

There's a moral to this story, I could be your pride and glory My behavior well maintained I would not be a disaster, you could be a better master If you'd only get me trained!

Pet Walk Continued

Over \$36,000 was raised with the help of the following sponsors and vendors who participated in the events of the day:

Lincoln Saltdogs Wachal Pet Health Center Alpha Dog Marketing Assurity Life Ins. **RD** Engineering Ameritas Life Ins. Union Bank Pinnacle Bank **US Bank Engineering Technologies** Solution One **KOLN/KGIN 10/11** SitStay.com **PetCo Foundation** PetCo Laminated Wood Systems Raising Cane's Chicken Fingers WOW!FM Antelope Creek Veterinarian Healthcare Center **KLKN TV 8** Domesti-pups Superior Vet Care **Invisible Fencing Brand** Avars & Avars Jackson's Cage Boarding & Bath **Animal Control** Greater Lincoln Obedience Club Prairie Skies Kevin & Kim Fischer at the Photo booth PetSmart American Red Cross - Cornhusker Chapter Petlane Nellie's Pet Snacks/Helen's Boutique **Canine Design** Camp Bow Wow USA Nature's Logic Second Chance Pets Paws N Art A Pause for Paws Scentsy Lincoln Animal Ambassadors/Cause for Paws Teacher's Pet Miss Ky's Couture/Natural Balance Pet Food Vintage Heights Vet Hospital **NE Voters for Companion Animals** Usborne Books & More Nebraska Animal Medical Center Wimmers/Fairbury Pepsi Lee's Refrigeration-Seward Dairy Queen Russ's Market Hy-Vee **Union College** Alisa Fichorn

We would also like to thank the many volunteers who make this day such a great event for pets and their owners; Capital Humane Society volunteers, Kappa Alpha Theta from the University of Nebraska and the UNL Rifle Team.