



CAPITAL HUMANE SOCIETY

# SHELTER SHARING

FALL 2010

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

Capital Humane Society  
2320 Park Boulevard  
Lincoln, NE 68502  
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## Chuck & Trucker Reunited



*CHS Office Clerk, Lisa Clover helps to reunite Chuck with owner, Gabriel Palomares after a 6 week separation*

In early April an over-the-road trucker stopped on the west side of Lincoln to let his dog take a break. An errant rabbit must have hopped by, because his beautiful young Golden Retriever disappeared and was nowhere to be found. Heartsick, the trucker had to move on. His girlfriend in California called Capital Humane Society to leave a detailed lost dog report, including a microchip number.

It wasn't until the middle of May that a young Golden turned up at our building. An alert office staff member, Lisa Clover, thought to check the old report and found the microchip match. She was able to contact the trucker in Florida and confirm that we had his dog, safe and sound.

We found out that the wayward pooch's name was "Chuck" and when animal care staff started calling him by name he jumped up and down and barked, as if to say "At last, you've figured out who I am!"

Gabriel Palomares, the owner, was overjoyed and immediately arranged to drop his truck box in Texas, so he could hightail it back to Nebraska to retrieve his Retriever! The reunion between man and dog was on a rainy Sunday, but the sun was bright in their hearts, as the photos clearly show. We love happy endings!



**Community Services Fund of Nebraska**

Looking for a new way to support the Capital Humane Society? Donate through Community Services Fund during your workplace's employee giving campaign. Designating your payroll deduction to your favorite agency is a simple way to provide annual contributions that make a lasting impact. Community Services Fund conducts campaigns in over 75 companies and workplaces throughout Nebraska particularly in Lincoln/Lancaster County.

Community Services Fund annually reviews the financial information for the 30 member agencies to allow you to donate with confidence. If your workplace does not include Community Services Fund in your annual employee giving campaign, please contact the Capital Humane Society or visit the website at [www.communityservicesfund.org](http://www.communityservicesfund.org) for more information.

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Registration and check-in begins at 12 Noon  
Vendors, demonstrations & events Noon - 4:00 pm

### JOIN IN THE FUN AND EVENTS OF THE DAY:

-  **Live Music by local Artists: Cory Kibler, Bonehart Flannigan & AcouStika**
-  **Grilled hotdogs/drink/ice cream cones**
-  **“Doggie DaVinci’s” - let your dog create a painting**
-  **Teach your dog “2-minute Pet Tricks”**
-  **Vendors, Demonstrations & Games including the Dunk Tank, Hotdog bobbing, puppie pools, face painting, poop bag raffle & more for you and your pet!**
  
-  **Costume Contest, Big Dog/Little Dog Contest, Dog Trick Contest  
Biggest Shedder, Pet/Human look-alike Contest**

**Raffle Drawing & Prize Winners announced**  
**Prizes will be awarded in the following categories: Individual/Team**

Register online at [www.capitalhumanesociety.org](http://www.capitalhumanesociety.org) or fill out and return to the:  
Capital Humane Society, 2320 Park Blvd, Lincoln, NE 68502

Participant Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Pet Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Veterinarian: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

My pet is a Capital Humane Society Alumnus (he/she was adopted from CHS)

T-shirt size (circle one): Small Medium Large X-Large XX-Large  
Additional t-shirts are available for \$15.00 each.

I do not wish to receive a t-shirt. Please use this to help the animals.

My check for \$25 is enclosed. (Single)

My check for \$35 is enclosed. (Family)

My check for \$100 check is enclosed. (Multi-Family)

My check for \$100 is enclosed. (Team)

Liability Waiver: I hereby indemnify and hold harmless the Capital Humane Society, its employees, directors, representatives, independent contractors, volunteers (including the Tails n Trails Pet Walk Committee), the Saltdogs/Haymarket Park (including but not limited to its affiliates, employees, and independent contractors) and any other individual or group associated with the Capital Humane Society's Tails n Trails Pet Walk for liability for any injury or damage to (or caused by) me, my pet(s) or guest. I intend this waiver and indemnification to be legally binding on myself, my pet(s), my heirs and administrators, personal representatives, assignees or any party holding a durable power of attorney for me.

## Staff Profile – Lisa Saltz



Lisa Saltz with Adoption dog Diamond

Lisa Saltz has a real passion for nurturing relationships between people and pets. For this reason, she has chosen to work at the Capital Humane Society at two different times in her life. From 1995 – 2000 Lisa worked as an office clerk. When her daughter reached the age of going to school and her family moved out of town she had to give up her passion. When the opportunity came back to her in 2009, Lisa jumped at the chance to reconnect with the Capital Humane Society and work as an office clerk once again.

Lisa feels that the human/pet dynamic is so important – it is so exciting for her to help in reuniting a lost pet with the owner. Hearing the relief in the pet owner's voice when they are told their pet is safe makes the difference for Lisa.

In her free time, Lisa enjoys spending time with her daughter Sarah and walking with Spike, her 9 year old Beagle and friends. She also enjoys reading and watching sporting events, especially if Sarah is a participant.

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## Volunteer Spotlight – Jorge Samayoa



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Angus, Daizie, Smokey, Leo, Patches and DJ have a great life. Jorge Samayoa is their owner. Jorge has been volunteering with the Capital Humane Society since August 2008. He enjoys teaching his dogs and our shelter dogs how to mind their manners. Angus is an Australian Heeler mix, Daizie is a Chihuahua. Smokey, Leo and Patches are his cats. He also has a thoroughbred horse named DJ. Angus is a very energetic dog that requires Jorge to walk him at Holmes Lake just about every day for a couple of hours. What a lucky dog.

Jorge has helped with numerous things, including walking dogs, training, events and taking dogs to Petco. Jorge says, "I enjoy volunteering at the Humane Society, because I find it very relaxing and rewarding and because I truly love the animals."

Jorge works for the City of Lincoln in the Environmental Laboratory. He also is a volunteer tutor for the Lincoln Literacy Council. Jorge belongs to a nonpartisan organization advocating socio/political change. Jorge also shares a household with his wife Sue. In his spare time, he enjoys weight lifting, equine sports, traveling, going to concerts and a good Italian meal. After a two-hour dog walk most days and all that he has going on, we are so glad that Jorge is able to find time to share with us and our pets.

## 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

### KZUM 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

[www.FROGGY981.com](http://www.FROGGY981.com)

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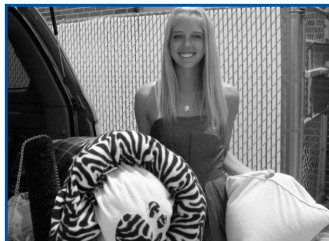
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# Helping Hands



When **REBECCA JOHNSON** attended a volunteer orientation at the shelter this past Spring, she shared with her mother that she wished she could do more. Rebecca decided to do just that, by organizing a drive at Lincoln East High School along with receiving a check for \$500 from her place of employment, Lincoln Pulmonary. Thanks Rebecca!



*Rebecca Johnson helps unload donated items from East High School.*

**RUSS'S MARKET** at 70th & Van Dorn and 17th & Washington and **SUPER SAVER** at 27th & Pine Lake, along with Purina organized Poocha-Palooza, Petacular and Kanine Karnival at the super markets. The day long events featured adoption pets & information from the shelter along with information from Camp Bow Wow. Thanks to **PURINA** and the **B&R STORES** for holding 3 great events.



The **AMERITAS WORK PRIDE COMMITTEE** held the annual June fundraiser to help the shelter animals. Committee members encouraged fellow employees to bring items of food, litter, cleaning supplies, towels and pop cans for recycling. A heartfelt thank you goes to the Ameritas employee's from the shelter animals and staff!



*Ameritas Work Pride Committee members prepare donations for delivery.*

**GRANDMA CUDDLES** is a great place to order quilts, fabrics, quilt patterns, notions and kits online. Creator Laura Lenzen, A/K/A Grandma Cuddles loves the quilting world along with her family pets. Laura is donating profits of orders placed through her website [www.grandmacuddles.com](http://www.grandmacuddles.com) to help the animals at the Capital Humane Society. Thanks Grandma Cuddles for your warm & cozy kindness.

**DYLAN DEKLAWS** and fellow scouts from Troop 25 saved pop cans as a troop project. The scouts then chose to donate the proceeds of their recycling project to the Capital Humane Society. A big thank you to Boy Scout Troop 25.

Garage sales can be a lot of fun, found to be true by **KIM & PAT KENNEY**. Posting a sign on the trinket table that proceeds from these items would be donated to the Capital Humane Society was a great experience. The Kenney's found that buyers were intrigued with the idea and many made donations higher than the asking price. Thanks Kim & Pat for creating a fun way to help the animals.

Thanks to **BRAEDEN, CARSON AND HANNAH** for opening a lemonade stand with the proceeds to help the shelter animals.

When the **CALVERT ELEMENTARY FOURTH GRADE CLASS** was given \$25 by their Junior Achievement teacher to decide on a way to help the community, they voted to help the Capital Humane Society. Thanks to the fourth graders for helping the animals of Lincoln.

**HALEY EICHER** wanted to help the shelter animals so she planned and organized a bake sale. With the help of her mother, sister and family friends, the 2nd annual bake sale occurred on July 5th at the Eicher family cabin near South Bend. The girls raised \$52.90 and brought smiles to the adoption dogs and cats.



*Maudie, Haley, Sarah, Teddie & Dodie visit the adoption cats*

## Girl Scout Day Camp

By Taylor Olson

The Capital Humane Society hosted a day camp for Lincoln area Girl Scouts July 21, 22 and 23. Each day was a different age group: Seniors, Juniors and the Brownies & Daisy troops. Each Girl Scout was able to earn their pet care and animal badge while learning about what the Capital Humane Society does along with interacting with pets available for adoption.

The girls participated in activities like grooming and teaching obedience to adoption dogs, learned about the importance of pet population control and the science of microchips. Guest speakers Dr. Fry-Collins and Jill Morstad spoke about animal health and animal behavior. The girls interviewed local animal professionals such as a zookeeper, an officer with the LPD K-9 Unit, an Animal Control Officer, Boarding Kennel staff and a Veterinarian.



The shelter was filled with laughter and excited chatter as pet care charts and 'my favorite animal' scrap book pages were created and games like 'Creature Moves' and 'Sound Charades' were played. Awards were given out to girls who were the most helpful, bravest and creative among other titles. Thanks to all the Girl Scouts who came to learn and congratulations on earning your animal badges!

## Geriatric Pets Lynn Fry-Collins, DVM

Due to the improved health care that we give our pets, the population of healthy senior pets has dramatically increased over the past fifty years. In fact the senior pet population is healthier than ever before. A senior pet is defined as seven or eight years of age. Small breeds age more slowly and live longer than large breeds. The life expectancy of a giant breed such as a Great Dane is no more than 12 years, whereas most terriers easily live up to 17 years of age. Cats live an average of 18 years but some as old as 22 years of age.

Most people don't notice their pets getting older since it occurs gradually. As pets age, their internal organs and joints also age. The senior pet will begin to show signs of early arthritis, such as the inability to jump onto the bed or couch, or stiffness when it gets up in the morning.

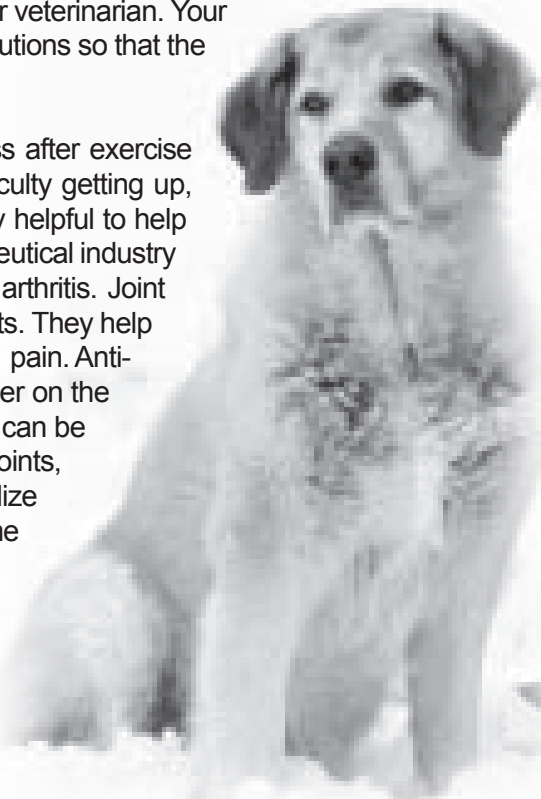
The senior pet may also begin to show signs of organ dysfunction or insufficiency, for example if their kidneys age and lose the ability to concentrate their urine properly, they will have to drink a lot more to compensate and their urine volume will also increase. Overnight 'accidents' due to an overfull bladder may become more common in the aging pet. Caring for your senior pet properly will extend his life and give him a better quality of life overall. Here are some simple things that may help.

**REGULAR WELLNESS EXAMS** Now is the time to make sure you keep that yearly appointment with your veterinarian and take your pet for his annual wellness exam. Your vet will listen to his heart and lungs, checking for heart murmurs and early signs of heart or lung problems. Any lumps or bumps that have developed can be checked for potential cancerous changes. A full dental examination will be done as older pets tend to develop dental disease. Your vet will also discuss your pet's habits with you, such as any changes in appetite or water consumption, and any changes in behavior that could indicate pain or an internal problem. If any problems are detected they can be dealt with quickly, before the disease process has become too advanced to treat. Frequently your veterinarian will recommend blood work and urinalysis to screen for early internal organ problems.

**DENTAL DISEASE** Plaque and tartar build up in pets leads to tooth decay, infection and tooth loss, it can also contribute to heart and kidney disease. Regular cleaning and polishing of your dog's teeth is essential to keep them healthy. Teeth cleaning has to be done under general anesthetic by your veterinarian. Your veterinarian may recommend blood work prior to the procedure to take precautions so that the procedure will be safe for your pet.

**JOINT DISEASE/ARTHRITIS** Early arthritis shows itself merely as stiffness after exercise or when getting up in the morning. This may progress to limping, pain, difficulty getting up, and possibly incontinence. Keeping your pet at a healthy weight can be very helpful to help control the pain associated with arthritis. In the last fifteen years, the pharmaceutical industry has brought many products out on the market that help your pet deal with arthritis. Joint supplements containing chondroitin and glucosamine are helpful for many pets. They help to slow down cartilage damage in the joints and also reduce inflammation and pain. Anti-inflammatories specifically for dogs have been developed which are far gentler on the stomach than regular over the counter aspirin type anti inflammatories. They can be given on a daily basis if need be, to control pain and inflammation within the joints, thus greatly improving your pet's quality of life. Many times people don't realize that cats can develop arthritis too. Though some of the treatments are the same as dogs, the signs may not be the same. A veterinary exam is the best way to determine the extent of the problem and the best way to treat the arthritis.

Your veterinarian is your best source for information and advice to keep your geriatric pets happy and healthy. Annual or biannual wellness exams are very important to find and treat problems before they develop.



# Dogs Who Sleep On The Bed

Jill Morstad, CHS Puppy Kindergarten Teacher

**One question I get asked a lot is this one: Should I let my dog sleep on the bed with me?**

## Here is my answer:

We all know people with dogs who sleep on beds or in bedrooms happily and successfully. These are well-adjusted dogs with reasonable leadership in place and a properly-structured relationship with their people. **Success with bedroom sleeping all depends on who makes the rules and enforces them — whatever they may be. It's contingent on who decides — when and where — on such issues.**



Are we talking about a problem dog, or a young puppy who hasn't yet learned the rules and how to control her impulses? If so I will recommend that the dog sleep elsewhere, somewhere 'neutral' in the house. I do not feel they need to 'bond in the bedroom'; they can bond well enough through their waking time interactions.

Most of the challenging dogs that I deal with have more than one behavioral problem in the home. The relationship between dog and owner is likely the reason that things are out of sorts, so the dog loses bedroom status, at least until the relationship is right (sometimes permanently with some dogs).

Some aggressive dogs have never entered a bedroom, but often there is usually some complicating issue such as 'space guarding' (as a feature of the relationship) physically in the home. Some dog's issues revolve around their possessions, or their beds/cages, or the couch, or the yard, or their food bowl or their own personal space (objections to handling, grooming etc.) They have some area in which they have established themselves as 'in charge of' and will not yield to the human(s) in their lives. When this issue becomes unacceptable to the owner, they call us and one of the areas we can start giving the owner control back in is the bedroom/den relationship, if the dog does in fact have those privileges. If not, then the dog is taught to yield in other areas as 'pack rules' are established for the other areas where the relationship is out of balance.

For the shelter dogs, rescues or re-homes, we often have dogs that do not know boundaries at all. Our job is to help the humans/owners define them and then help the dogs to find them.


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**EAT CHICKEN, SUPPORT OUR SHELTER**

When you visit Raising Cane's Chicken Fingers and show this flyer, we will donate \$1 for each combo meal purchased back to the Capital Humane Society.

It's never been easier to support the Humane Society, just come to Raising Cane's and enjoy our ONE LOVE-great chicken fingers!  
We look forward to serving you,  
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