



CAPITAL HUMANE SOCIETY

SHELTER SHARING

SUMMER 2010

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

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🐾 **Blessing of the Pets**
June 19th
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🐾 **Fall Phonathon**

🐾 **Tails 'n Trails Pet Walk**
September 19th
Haymarket Park

International Visitors

The Capital Humane Society hosted guests from Lagos, Nigeria and Cairo, Egypt through the Humane Society International Internship Program. The guests arrived in Lincoln one week prior to attending the Humane Society of the United States Expo held in Nashville, TN.

Emmanuel Eyoh is from Lagos, Nigeria and is the Executive Director of the SPCA of which he has been a member for over 20 years. When the SPCA was in danger of closing, the World Society for the Protection of Animals asked Emmanuel to become Director. Because of his love for animals and involvement with animal related organizations throughout his life, he was compelled to take over the responsibilities of the organization. Emmanuel was excited to learn ways to both develop and improve programs in Nigeria.

Hassan Abd-El-Rahim, BVS, is a veterinarian from Cairo, Egypt. Dr. Hassan has been a surgical veterinarian since 2006, working in a governmental practice prior to working in a private practice in a Cairo shelter. Recently, HSI invited Dr. Hassan to work with them as a companion animal consultant and a representative for Humane Society International in the Middle East. Dr. Hassan will work to develop surgical training programs and help to resolve animal related issues in the Middle East.

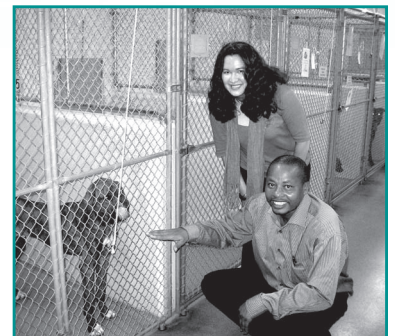
Emmanuel and Dr. Hassan were guests of Larry and Michelle Schmieding and children while in Lincoln. They enjoyed learning how different our culture is from theirs and also how many similarities there are in shelters around the world.



Dr. Hassan visits with Director of Operations, Pat Williams and Lead Kennel Staff, April Cruse



Dr. Hassan and Emmanuel observe a health exam given by Dr. Lynn Fry-Collins



Emmanuel hears more about adoption dogs from Director of Education/Volunteers, Alisa Eichorn

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Tails 'n Ties Wrap Up

The Tails 'n Ties Annual Animal Awareness & Awards Dinner and Silent Auction was held on May 20th at the Holiday Inn Downtown, with *Noteworthy Ensemble*, providing beautiful dinner music throughout the evening. Guest speaker, Steve Dolezal, Program Director for Urban Search & Rescue spoke about the Lincoln program. Greg Ford, Ford & Ford Auctioneers enticed the diners with a wide variety of decadent desserts during the Dessert Auction. The evening was also a time when the society recognized shelter volunteers, and local community individuals and businesses for their support throughout the year. Highlighting the evening was the presentation of the Akin Award, given in memory of past board member Rick Akin, who died as a result of Lou Gerhig's disease.



The Capital Humane Society wishes to thank the following sponsors, vendors, businesses and individuals for their generosity and support of the Annual Dinner. We could not have done it without you!

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A special thanks to the Capital Humane Society Board of Directors & Staff who donated desserts for the live auction.

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Staff Profile – Ashley Lewis



Ashley Lewis with a favorite adoption dog

Ashley Lewis has been a member of the Animal Care Staff at the Capital Humane Society since July 29, 2008. Ashley has loved animals all of her life and has always wanted to work in an animal related field, possibly even as a Vet Tech. Ashley's favorite part of her work is seeing and meeting the different types and personalities of the dogs and cats.

When Ashley is not at work, she spends time with her husband Justin and their 9 month old son, Tray. Along with spending time at the park with a toddler, Ashley loves to paint and cook. The Lewis family also has Bandit – a 1 ½ year old Bichon Terrier Mix adopted from the shelter.

Volunteer Spotlight – Annie Ness



Photo by Brandon Johnson

Daphnea and Annie

On Sundays at the Capital Humane Society, you might see the bright and smiling face of volunteer Annie Ness doing adoptions. She has been volunteering at the shelter since November 2008. Annie is a devoted volunteer that has done everything from walking dogs, helping with Critter Corner and community events to helping the office on Sundays. Annie says, "I love doing an adoption where you just know that the animal and the family/person click and are the right fit."

Annie grew up in Lincoln and has a lot of family in the area. She graduated from Boston University with a degree in business management. She works at Fiserv in Lincoln.

Annie is engaged to her high school sweetheart, Brandon, and they have two dogs of their own. Daphnea is a Papillion and Lucky is a Golden

Retriever. One of her passions is training her dogs in both obedience and agility. She also enjoys spending time with her fiancé. They enjoy hiking, skiing, reading and traveling.

Sundays are a very busy time for adoptions. Annie helps to make those possible. We can't imagine Sundays without Annie here.

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, 10:00 am

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Thursday, 6:45 am

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Thursday, 8:45 am

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- Bleach
- Shoe Boxes
- Aluminum Cans
- Collars & Leashes
- Grooming Supplies
- Kitten Milk Replacer
- High Quality Pet Food
- Non-Clumping Cat Litter
- Rubber Gloves
- Cat & Dog Treats
- Dish Soap
- Washable Cat Toys
- Hard Rubber Chew Toys
- Paper Towels
- High Efficiency (HE) Laundry Detergent
- Wooden Chewing Blocks
- Blankets/Towels
- Flea Combs
- Dishwasher Detergent
- Aspen Bedding for Small Animals
- Puppy/Kitten Canned Food
- Purina Kitten Chow
- Little Critter Food
- Shirt Boxes
- Batteries (AA or 9 volt)
- Cotton Balls
- Dryer Sheets
- Isopropyl Alcohol
- Zip Lock Sandwich bags
- Purina Dog Food
- Purina Puppy Chow
- Purina Cat Chow

Hot Summer Days Lynn Fry-Collins, DVM

The sunny days of summer are finally here. What a great time to enjoy the beautiful outdoors with your pet. However, many pet owners don't realize how damaging the sun's rays can be to their companions.

Just like people, pets can get sunburned. The most susceptible animals are those with white or light colored skin and coat, thin coated pets and ones that have recently been shaved.

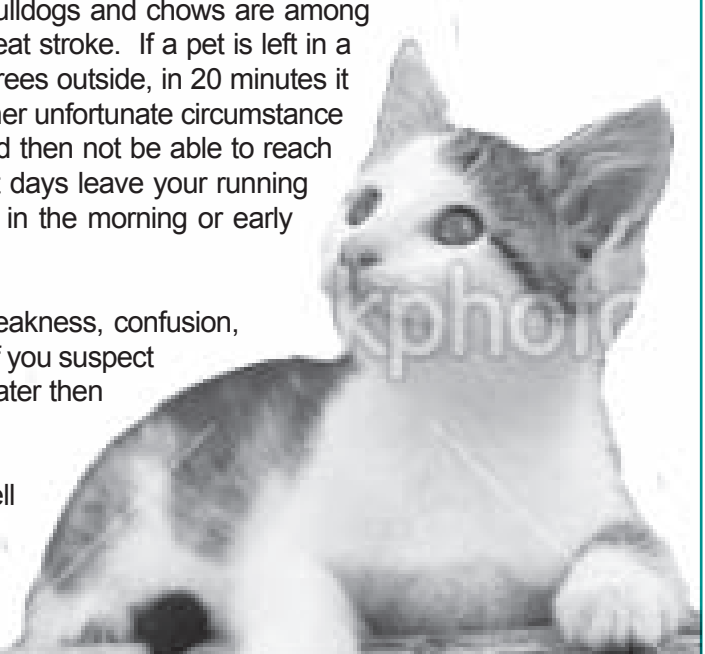
Not only can these burns be painful but also, as with people, sunburns can predispose them to skin cancer. The most common areas to find skin cancer are on the face, nose and ears. White cats especially can develop cancer on the edges of their ears that appear as non-healing scabbed areas. If you find any suspicious areas on your pet have your veterinarian check them as soon as possible.

The best way to prevent sun related skin injuries is to keep your pet out of the sun as much as possible and apply sunscreen. An unscented sunscreen with an SPF of 50 should provide adequate protection for pets. Concentrate application on the ears and nose.

Another very dangerous condition that pets are susceptible to on hot summer days is heat stroke. Remember dogs and cats can only sweat between their pads, plus they have on a fur coat!!! Some breeds are more likely to suffer from heat stroke, the brachycephalic breeds, like pugs, boston terriers, bulldogs and chows are among those. There are several common scenarios that may lead to heat stroke. If a pet is left in a parked car on a hot summer day it can be deadly. If it is 93 degrees outside, in 20 minutes it will be 125 inside and in 40 minutes it will be 140 degrees. Another unfortunate circumstance is a dog that is tied up in the yard may get his tether tangled and then not be able to reach water or get into a shaded area. In addition, on excessively hot days leave your running companion at home. If you must take your dog along, go early in the morning or early evening, and take along water for both of you.

Signs of heat stroke are heavy panting, excessive salivation, weakness, confusion, vomiting, diarrhea, pale or gray gums, even seizures and death. If you suspect heat stroke try to cool off your dog by hosing it down with cool water then seek emergency veterinary care as soon as possible.

Protect your dog from the dangers of the sun. Keep your dog well groomed, a well kept coat insulates in the winter and cools in the summer. Always provide plenty of clean fresh water and access to day long shade for a safe healthy summer.



Counter-Surfing

Jill Morstad, CHS Puppy Kindergarten Teacher

To discourage the dog from stealing food or other objects from tables and kitchen counters, the use of time-honored booby traps such as yelling, penny shake cans, mouse traps or pepper-laced food might be effective to halt a sensitive pooch, but a hardened counter-surfer will only be amused by your exertion. (And the clever pup will perform her scandalous acts on the sly.)



Save yourself time and trouble by using a combination of training and management:

- Use trash cans with lids and keep them sealed. Child-proof lid locks work well for all but the most determined dogs.
- Crate your dog. If your dog is young, new to the home or a proven trash thief, a cozy and well-appointed crate will put your mind at ease while you're out of the house.
- Clear the counters and tables of all food unless preparing a meal. **Make sure each member of the household understands that even one slip-up on a person's part means many more weeks of training for the dog.** Dogs who steal food see the kitchen as a kind of doggy Las Vegas; they may get nothing, or it could pay off big-time.
- **Supervise your dog.** A dog who steals food should be on a leash or tethered out of reach of the counter while in the kitchen. With your dog on a leash, teach an alternate behavior, such as a sit-or down-stay, or a stay outside the kitchen's entrance. Only remove the leash once you trust the dog to maintain the stay. While you're in another part of the house, make sure the dog does not have access to the kitchen.
- Create a diversion. If you catch your dog running his nostrils along the table rim, firmly interrupt him and ask for a sit- or down-stay out of the theater. A peanut-butter filled Kong toy or another attractive article can be used to reward the obedient dog.
- If your dog gets hold of something he isn't supposed to have, do what you must to get it back — but be careful. Many dogs who otherwise don't guard resources will act aggressively if they have something of high value, such as a loaf of bread. If you have not been actively TRAINING your dog, he may not respect you enough to release the food or object without a confrontation (which will only make your problem worse). **Training is KEY.**
- Teach your dog to "leave it." We teach this in puppy kindergarten...have you continued to practice?
- Make a "food bowl" zone. Show your dog there is an appropriate place to eat treats, but not off the counter. Put a place mat or food dish in a corner opposite the food-preparation area and place treats inside on a random basis. Combined with a strict policy of keeping food off the counter, the dog will learn to check the food bowl instead.
- Use counter-conditioning — literally. With your dog on-leash, place a very boring treat (or even a non-food item, if a treat is too exciting) on the counter. Stand beside the boring treat and tell your dog to "leave it." Before your dog has a chance to snatch the treat on the counter, drop a more enticing treat on the floor (or in his "food bowl" zone). Repeat, placing increasingly high-value items on the counter.

A Guardian Angel for Sophie

There's a special place in the staff's hearts for pets with special needs. We have dealt with some extraordinary dogs recently that we were able to find very special homes for. We would like to share their stories and hope these special needs pets will win your heart as they have won ours.

Sophie is a 10 year old miniature schnauzer that was surrendered to us because her owner couldn't afford to pay for her dental work. Sophie had several teeth that needed to be pulled, plus a good dental cleaning. She was taken to KOLN/KGIN for an on-air visit. We mentioned that she needed her teeth cleaned and some of them pulled. By the time Sophie made her way back to the shelter that day, a television viewer had called us and offered to pay for her dental work. Today, Sophie is living vicariously with her new owners and other four-legged shelter friends.

The Capital Humane Society is so glad that Sophie was able to find a home that is filled with so much love and devotion. Her story is a true testament to people wanting to help pets with special needs.

