

WHAT'S WAGGIN'

In the Clinton County Humane Society

PET CONNECTION Meet Charley!



Charley is a big old handsome lab with a shiny black coat. He is 3 ½ years old and weighs over 80 lbs. He is a happy fella and loves people. His exuberance can be overwhelming because he has no idea he is so big. He would love to be petted all day long. He is playful and gets along with other dogs, but may need supervision during introductions. He is learning to walk on a leash and sit, but needs more training and manners. He is housebroken and crate-trained. Because of his size and lack of manners, Charley would probably work best in a home without small children. He would love to have a home with lots of space to run and play. Charley is up-to-date on shots, neutered, heartworm checked and micro-chipped. If Charley sounds like the guy for you, fill out an application at www.ccilhs.org or pick one up at the CCHS building at 1301 Apple Lane, Breese.

CCHS has other wonderful pets. After a month-long hiatus, the cats are returning to CCHS. We currently have **Prim**, Siamese mix, and **Kali** the Calico. More cats coming soon!

Available dogs include **Charley**, Black Lab;

Harley, Black Lab mix; **Bugsy** and **Dotty**, Puggles; **Maximus**, Bull Mastiff mix; **Trinity**, Staffordshire; **Toby**, Shih Tzu; **Ollie**, Beagle; and pups **Birch**, Staffie mix; **Tris**, Terrier mix. Dogs are fostered with families and can be visited by appointment or at the next Meet and Greet from 10 a.m. until noon Saturday, May 3, at Carlyle Lake Pavilion 2 in conjunction with the Community Link 8th Annual Buddy Walk.

All CCHS pets are vet checked, up-to-date on shots, spayed/neutered and micro-chipped. Dogs are heartworm checked, and cats are also feline leukemia negative and litter box trained. If you are interested in adopting a CCHS pet, fill out an application online at www.ccilhs.org or pick one up at the building. You can call 526-4500 or email ccilhs@ccilhs.org or ccilhs@gmail.com for information or an appointment. Check out our pets on www.petfinder.com or www.adoptapet.com.

COMMUNITY LINK TO HOST MEET AND GREET

Community Link will host the CCHS Meet and Greet Saturday, May 3, during the 8th Annual Community Link Buddy Walk.

Folks may meet CCHS adoptable pets from 10 until noon and may participate in the Buddy Walk, which starts at 10:30 a.m.

The walk celebrates the value, acceptance, and inclusion of people with Down syndrome and other developmental disabilities with a one-mile fun walk from the Carlyle Lake Dam West Recreation Area Pavilion 2 on an accessible path on top of the main dam and back to the pavilion for a picnic lunch.

Check-in and on-site registration begins at 9 a.m. and costs \$15 and includes a Buddy Walk tee shirt and lunch ticket.

Other activities include music, kids' activities, tour of the dam, water safety information, and sales of baked goods and crafts made by individuals with developmental disabilities.

Folks may register online and may build a personalized fundraising page by visiting www.commlink.org/buddywalk.

Community Link is a non-profit organization and proud United Way member agency dedicated to enhancing the lives of individuals with disabilities

through a person-centered approach that promotes self-directed living choices and community integration opportunities.

The mission of Community Link is to challenge, teach and inspire both participants and the community, linking them in way that enhances their lives.

For more info visit www.commlink.org or call Jamie at 526-3938.

HELPING WILD ANIMAL BABIES

CCHS has gotten calls regarding what to do with baby birds or squirrels that have fallen from their nests.

Generally it is illegal to help wild little critters.

For more detailed information check out the Blog by Eric through the link on our FB page or go to cchsil.wordpress.com.

PET TAGS MAY BRING YOUR LOST PET HOME QUICKLY

Pets sometimes wander off unexpectedly or run during a storm.

Often they end up with a neighbor who doesn't know where the pet belongs.

If your pet is wearing a tag with his name and your phone number, all it will take to get him home is a phone call.

Cheap and easy!

Another good way to improve your pet's chances of getting home is to microchip him.

A collar and tag could be lost, but a microchip is actually inserted under your pet's skin.

This tiny implant carries a number to identify your pet.

The company where the chip is registered will contact you if your pet turns up at a vet, shelter or the police.

Micro-chipping costs a little more, but chances are it will never be lost and will last for the life of your pet.

GOT A FAVORITE RECIPE?

CCHS volunteer Lynn Garrett is still looking for recipes and photos to include in a recipe cookbook fundraiser for CCHS.

If you have recipes for appetizers, game day snacks, main courses, veggies, casseroles, desserts or whatever for people or for pets, please send them to Lynn at lygarrett@charter.net.

If you have photos of your pet(s) to include, send those along with your recipes!

STOCK 4 PETS

You can help CCHS by purchasing pet items at Stock4pets.com.

Stock4pets.com carries pet food, treats, toys and more at a 10% discount for shoppers and will return 10% in credit to the CCHS if shoppers just fill in CCHS's customer #22570 when they check out the first time.

Shipping is \$4.95 on orders under \$50 and free on orders over \$50.

Take a minute to look over the items at www.stock4pets.com and see if there is a bargain for you, and you can help CCHS at the same time.

WE NEED YOUR HELP!

CCHS is entirely run by volunteers. We hope you will find a little time each month to volunteer at CCHS and make it possible for us to keep our building open and to care for our cats that live there or our dogs that visit. Be a part of the process!

Check your calendars and contact cchilsvolunteer@gmail.com or call 526-4500 if you find a little time available, especially evenings from 5:30 until 7:30 pm.

If someone is already listed for a time you are available, feel free to join them. The work is easier if you share it.

Feel free to stop by anytime and ask what you can do to help.

VOLUNTEERS ALSO NEEDED...

CCHS needs volunteers for other services besides the building.

Extra handlers and helpers are always welcome at Meet and Greets, parades and other CCHS events.

CONSIDER FOSTERING

Fostering is a big commitment, but worth the effort. The more fosters we have, the more dogs we can help.

Fosters house and care for pets, take them to vet appointments, and bring them to CCHS events and Meet and Greets. Whenever possible, fosters help with basic training, including housebreaking, crate-training, leash walking.

If you have room in your home and your heart, volunteer to foster and see how good it feels to help a homeless animal get a second chance.

SHOP AT CCHS

Stop by the CCHS facility at 1301 Apple Lane in Breese for CCHS apparel and pet items.

NEW at CCHS engraved pet tags! Pet tags made possible by a grant from the ASPCA are available in various shapes, colors and sizes and will be engraved while you wait. Stop by and have one made for your pet for \$6 or print on both sides for only \$7.

The CCHS May Special is junior tanks for only \$8. Originally \$12, they come in four sherbet colors including green, pink, blue, orange

2013 Lucky Dog Band Family Reunion tees are half off at only \$6!

We have food dishes, supplements, treats, collars, leashes, beds and lots of toys.

For adult humans up to size 3X we have polos, tees, tanks, sweatshirts, hoodies and denim shirts.

For children we have tees and even onesies.

The store is open from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. every day and 5:30-7:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. The store will be closed Saturday and Sunday evenings.

All proceeds from the store are used to help CCHS pets.

NOTICES

Regulations prevent the CCHS from accepting strays or drop offs. It is illegal to dump animals.

Keep up with us at our blog at

<http://cchs.il.wordpress.com>.

Find us at our website ccilhs.org.

Friend us on Facebook.

Tweet us on Twitter @ [cchs_il](#).

Check out our pins at Pinterest

Email us at ccilhs@ccilhs.org or

ccilhs@gmail.com.

Phone us at 618-526-4500.

Contact us at our snail mail address Clinton County Humane Society, 1301 Apple Lane, Breese, IL 62230.

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The next regular CCHS meeting will be held Wednesday, May 14, at 7 p.m. Meetings are open to the public and new members are always welcome.

If your health, finances or housing make it necessary for you to surrender your pet, CCHS may be able to help.

Call the CCHS at 526-4500 to start the process.

You must provide your pet's medical history from your vet, a photo and a completed surrender application with information about your pet's personality and training, and your pet will be tested for adoptability.

The surrender form is available online at ccilhs.org or at the building at 1301 Apple Lane in Breese.

If all goes well, he will be added to the CCHS roster, and the search for his new family will begin.

There is no charge for surrendering your pet.

You can support the work of the CCHS by joining, fostering, donating, volunteering, purchasing CCHS merchandise, supporting fundraising events or sponsoring a pet.