

WHAT'S WAGGIN'

In the Clinton County Humane Society

PET CONNECTIONS Brutus!



Brutus, a good-looking 10-month-old Corgi mix, is a great family guy. He loves to snuggle with his people and likes being loved on by his 10-year-old foster girls. He stays close to his family, either at their feet or at least in the same room. Brutus is a good watch dog, and his big bark will let you know if someone comes up. Weighing in at 40 pounds, he is very strong so he needs some leash training and someone with authority to walk him for now. He is okay with adults who can handle him, but is a bit much for kids. He is kennel-trained and housebroken. He is good with other dogs, but a little protective of his food and toys around them. He is working on that. Brutus is a normal youngster who needs to be watched so he doesn't get into mischief and who needs some leash training and socialization. Brutus is up-to-date on shots, neutered and micro-chipped. If you are looking for a sweet and loving addition to your family, call 526-4500 for information about adopting.

Other available dogs and puppies include **Bismark**, Catahoula; **Eva**, Red Heeler mix; **Presto** and **Sunbeam**, Lab mixes; **Brutus**, Corgi mix; **Bama** and **Rhya**, German Shepherd mix; **Tinker**, Terrier mix; **Diamond**, Husky mix; **Emerald** and **Topaz**, Australian Shepherd mixes.

AVAILABLE CATS...



Blaire

Adoptable cats and kittens include **Wilbur**, white/buff; **Sheba**, Siamese mix; **Ices**, gray/white; **Blaire** and **Elsa**, black; **Jackie**, black tabby; and kittens **Opie** and **R J**, orange tabby; **Bach**, gray; **Sousa**, black tabby; **Pogo**, black; **Arthur**, black/wt; **Flicker**, **Flocka**, long-haired Calico; **Shubert**, brown tabby; **Shawna**, gray.

Most of the cats may be visited at the CCHS building during store hours.

Dogs are fostered with families and may be visited at the next Meet and Greet at Jansen Chevrolet in Germantown on Saturday, Nov 15, or by appointment.

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 WEST HELPS CCHS

Lorie Frein, community inclusion specialist, of Community Link West has been bringing her crew of Community Link West participants to CCHS to help out every Wednesday.

They do some cleaning and preparing cleaning rags, but lately they have focused on helping with some office chores, like cutting scratch pad paper or placing stamps and return labels on envelopes.

Their help in repurposing donated items helps CCHS save money on paper towels so it can be used on pet needs.

CCHS appreciates all of the help they give.



Lowell helps Lorie Frein tear donated sheets into rags used for cleaning cat kennels, which saves on the cost of paper towels.



Jason helped reuse paper by cutting it into scratch pad paper.

ARE YOU CAUSING YOUR DOG TO MISBEHAVE?

According to Woofapedia, sometimes we are the cause of our pets' bad behaviors.

If your pet doesn't get enough exercise, you probably won't like the methods he might use to expend all of his energy, including digging, chewing your stuff, scratching walls and doors, getting into trash or even cabinets and tearing up pillows or clothing. If you have to be gone all day, make sure your pet gets a long walk or run before you go and when you get home.

Lack of training may be part of the problem. If you stopped training after sit, lie down and potty outside, your dog may get bored. Even your old dog can learn new commands. Try teaching him new things regularly and practice old ones, too. Your dog will learn what you want him to do, and it provides mental stimulation he needs.

Sometimes without realizing it, we actually reinforce bad behavior. If your dog begs and you give him something just to get rid of him, you are actually teaching him to beg. If he steals food off your counter and you just give up and let him eat it, then it's paid off. If your dog barks for attention and you speak to him to quiet him that may be just what he wanted. Retrain your pet. If he begs, train him to lie down some distance from you and reward him for that.

Problems can arise because we aren't familiar enough with our dog's breed and needs. While twice a day long walks may be enough for a Labrador and more than enough for a Basset Hound, it won't do for a Border Collie. Border Collies were bred to work hard all day every day. In addition to walks, lots of fetch or agility work is more suited to them. Choose a pet suited to your energy level to avoid this problem. If you already have an athletic breed, power up your game or face the consequences.

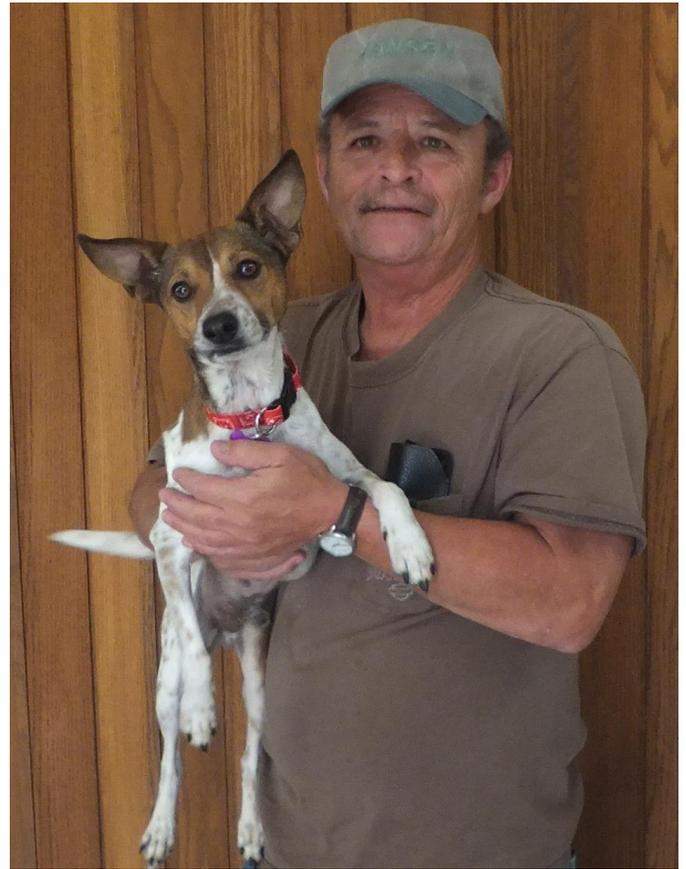
If your pet is an adolescent between 5 months to 18 months old, bad behaviors during this period may not be caused by you, but how you respond is critical. Adolescent pets may be rebellious like teenagers, testing to see what they can get away with. You may have to be extra firm, consistent and patient in correcting those behaviors so they don't continue as your pet grows up.

In the end you are responsible for most of your dog's behavior—good or bad—whether you realize it or not!

ADOPTIONS...



Shasta will be happy in her new home with Melina and Elizabeth Kunkel.



Martin was adopted by his new buddy Harold Lasell.



Flame is comfy in the arms of her new mom Candice Reiter.



Jamie Fields will have her hands full with little Slugger.



Evie is ready to start the next phase of her life with Patty Knight and Greg Hoffmeister.

STRAW BALES

We have enjoyed everyone's fall and Halloween yard displays.

When you take them down, CCHS would appreciate donations of any straw bales you no longer need.

Anyone who has bales can drop them off at 1301 Apple Lane in Breese, and folks who need them can pick them up there.

CCHS COOKBOOKS ARE HERE!

The CCHS cookbook Wags, Whiskers & Recipes is now available for only \$12!

The cookbook contains recipes for appetizers, soups, veggies, entrees, breads, desserts, as well as treats for dogs and cats, and more!

Pick up your copy and copies for your friends at the CCHS store at 1301 Apple Lane in Breese.

PET TAG/ MICRO-CHIP MAY BRING YOUR LOST PET HOME QUICKLY

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

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

This tiny implant carries a number to identify your pet so the company where the chip is

registered will contact you if your pet turns up at a vet, shelter or the police.

CCHS offers both tags and micro-chipping!

NEW ITEMS ARRIVE AT CCHS STORE

A new item at CCHS is the "Anxiety Wrap, The Healthy Hug" vests to calm and sooth dogs that may be fearful of storms, car travel, separation and loud noises. Made of flexible, breathable fabric that is machine washable, this wrap may be the answer to your dog's anxiety issues.

"Flash and Glow" lighted bracelets are great safety items so dog walkers who walk after dark will be more visible.

Blank note cards featuring beautiful dog portraits are a lovely way to say "Happy Birthday" or "Thanks" or whatever the occasion calls for.

Check out the discount bins of collars for \$3.50 and leashes for only \$5.

Take advantage of huge markdowns on CCHS apparel at 1301 Apple Lane!

The store is open Sunday through Friday 10 a.m. until 2 p.m., Saturday 9 a.m. until noon, and Monday through Friday 5:30-7:30 p.m.

Proceeds from the store are used to help CCHS pets.

NOTICE

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

CONNECTIONS

Keep informed at our blog at <http://cchsil.wordpress.com> which is filled with tons of helpful information for pet owners.

Keep up with us at our website ccilhs.org.

Friend us on Facebook.

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.

MEET AND GREET

CCHS holds Meet and Greet the first and third Saturdays of each month. The next Meet and Greet will be held at Jansen Chevrolet in Germantown Saturday, Nov 15, from 10 a.m. until noon. Folks can stop by and meet the CCHS adoptable dogs. Pet micro-chipping and nail trimming will also be available.

MEETING

The next regular CCHS meeting will be held Wednesday, Nov12, at 7 p.m. at the Bowling Alley in Bartelso.

SURRENDERING YOUR PET

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

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.

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

There is no charge for surrendering your pet.

SUPPORT OUR EFFORTS

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