

WHAT'S WAGGIN'

In the Clinton County Humane Society

PET CONNECTION !

CCHS has wonderful pets available including **Glory**, black; and kittens **Pooter** and **Mosley**, gray/wt; **Sam**, orange/wt; **Manning**, buff/white; **Sabrina**, black tortie; **Glinda**, buff tabby; **Lila** and **Rocky**, Siamese mixes. Most of the cats reside at the CCHS building at 1301 Apple Lane where folks can visit them daily from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. and weekdays from 5:30 p.m. until 7:30 p.m.

Available dogs include **Charley**, Black Lab; **Harley**, Black Lab mix; **Bugsy** and **Dotty**, Cocker Spaniel/Chihuahua; **Titus** and **Willow** and puppies **Birch**, **Cypress**, **Oak-Lee**, Staffie mixes. Dogs are fostered with families and can be visited by appointment or at the next Meet and Greet Saturday, Jan 4, from 10 a.m. until noon.

All CCHS pets are vet checked, up-to-date on shots, spayed/neutered and micro-chipped. Cats are also feline leukemia negative and litterbox 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.

A DAY AT THE CCHS BUILDING

As we wrap up 2013 we'd like for you to follow a day with us at the CCHS building.

Our primary concern is our pets, so our day starts with their care.

If we have visiting dogs, a special 6 a.m. volunteer stops by to serve breakfast and provide a potty break, and a midnight volunteer does a final potty break for the day.



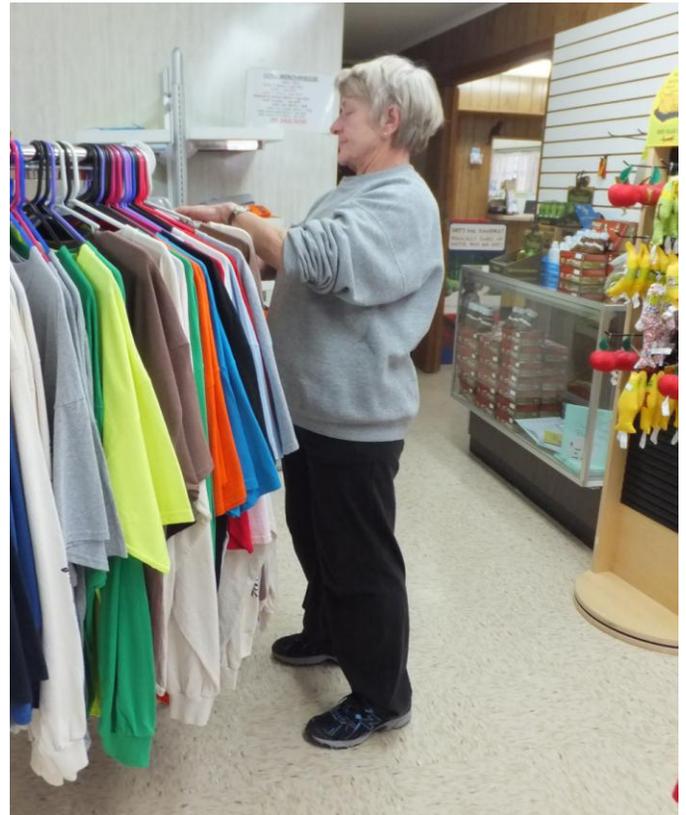
The 10 a.m. shift opens the building, takes dogs for potty breaks and then tackles the cat kennel cleaning. Lynn Garrett greets Aspen and Oaklee before the pups head outside to potty.



While the cats and kittens are romping in the playroom, their kennels and litter-boxes are cleaned and their dishes are filled with fresh water and food. Mark Langenhorst sweeps out scattered kitty litter.



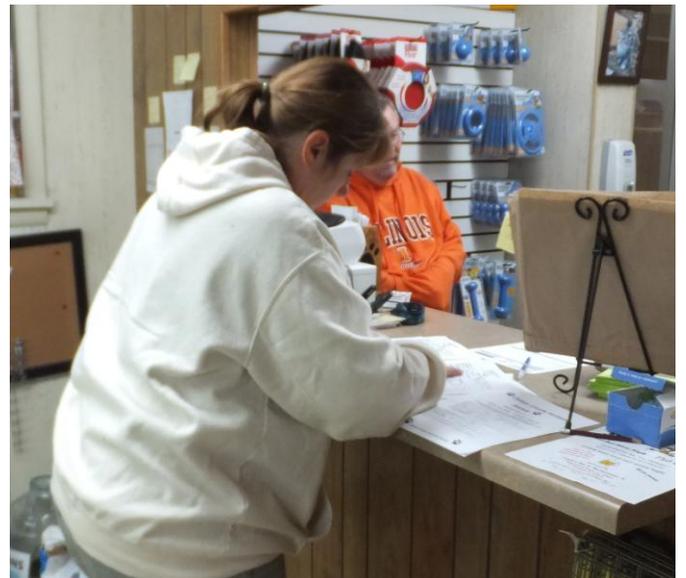
Sinbad, the scarlet macaw, will need fresh water and food, as well as a change of newspaper at the bottom of his cage. Mark Langenhorst and Eric Schulte spray off Sinbad's old cage after setting up his new digs.



Volunteers help customers who have come to shop, check out the cats or inquire about adoptable dogs. New merchandise has to be displayed and organized. Sharon Burke organizes the tees on the rounder.



Between various pet duties, volunteers answer phones, return calls and take messages and handle various office chores.



On a good day at CCHS someone will come in to finalize an adoption, and a lucky pet will go home with his new family. Deb Wesselmann finishes the paperwork on an adoption.

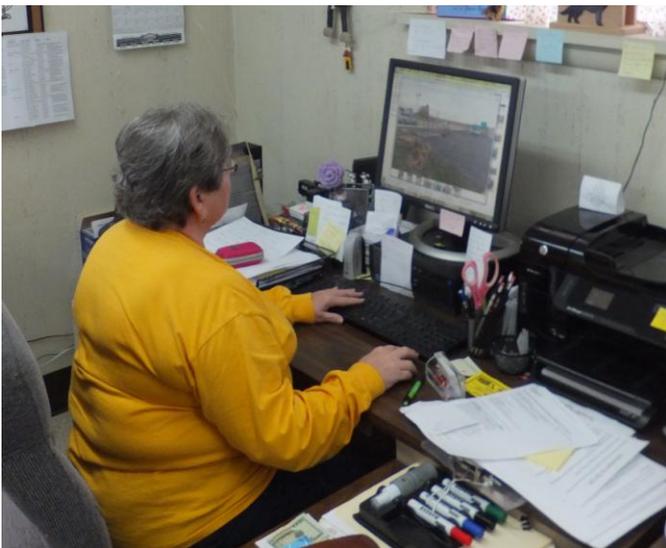


When time allows, sweeping, mopping, cleaning bathrooms, dusting and regular maintenance chores are on the "to do" list. Eric Schulte cleans up after Sinbad's old cage was moved out.



Sometimes volunteers are lucky enough to get time to play with the pets and give them much needed attention. Kim Jeremias gets a few minutes to pet the kittens in the playroom.

The second shift arrives at 5:30 p.m. and starts the whole process over again—dogs, cats, bird, office, customers and cleaning.



Of course, careful records and files have to be kept on all pets. Dixie Parson is the keeper of the records and photos of CCHS pets.



After a long day at CCHS everybody is just exhausted. Pistol (adopted) enjoys a nap atop his crate after a tough day.

CCHS relies entirely on the generous help of our volunteers. Stop by any time and help us help pets.

STRAW BALES NEEDED

CCHS is collecting straw bales again this year for folks in need.

If you have any to spare, bring them to the lot at the CCHS building at 1301 Apple Lane or call 526-4500 to arrange pick up.

CCHS has set up a pallet on the lot where folks who have extra can bring bales and where folks who need bales can pick them up.

RECIPE BOOK NEEDS INPUT

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

Stock4pets.com is a new and growing website that offers discounts on pet items for shoppers and donations for CCHS.

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.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Volunteers are needed to man the building and care for our pets. We know December is a busy month, but we hope you can spare a couple of hours, especially during evenings this month to help out.

Check your calendars and contact ccilhsvolunteer@gmail.com or call 526-4500 if you find a little time available.

You can now conveniently check the CCHS building work schedule online by clicking on the link under the events list on the website.

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.

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

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

Volunteer and see how good it feels to be part of an organization helping pets find loving homes.

SHOP AT CCHS

Stop by the CCHS facility at 1301 Apple Lane in Breese for some shopping.

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

For adult humans up to size 3X we have new long-sleeved tees in pink or light blue and short-sleeved polos in teal or blue, tees, sweatshirts, hoodies and denim shirts.

For children we have tees and even onesies.

Just in we have thirsty microfiber "Dirty Dog Doormats" to soak up water and mud from messy paws.

2014 CCHS pet calendars filled with beautiful pictures of CCHS pets and CCHS pet friends are now available for \$20, if you don't have yours yet!

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 and Christmas day.

Proceeds from the store are used to help CCHS pets.

REMINDER

Never get your pet from online sites like Craig's list! You never know if you are getting a puppy mill pet or even a stolen pet! Go through Petfinder or a licensed shelter. Adopt from a place you can actually visit and check out the conditions. The Internet can be a dangerous place.

NOTICES

Regulations prevent the CCHS from accepting strays or drop offs. If you want to surrender your

own pet, please call 526-4500 for information on the proper procedure. It is illegal to dump animals.

Check us out at one of our new locations at <http://cchsil.wordpress.com> or find us at our website ccilhs.org, friend us on Facebook and tweet us on Twitter! Email us at ccilhs@ccilhs.org or ccilhs@gmail.com. Contact us at our snail mail address Clinton County Humane Society, 1301 Apple Lane, Breese, IL 62230 or by phone at 526-4500.

CCHS Meet and Greets are held the first and third Saturdays each month. The next Meet and Greet will be Saturday, Jan 4, . Micro-chipping for your pet will be available for \$25, including registration.

The next regular CCHS meeting will be held Wednesday, Jan 8, at 7 p.m. at the CCHS facility at 1301 Apple Lane. Plans are underway for the March fundraiser. 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.

Donations can be made to the CCHS
-at CCHS Meet and Greets and events
-online at www.ccilhs.org

