

WHAT'S WAGGIN'

In the Clinton County Humane Society

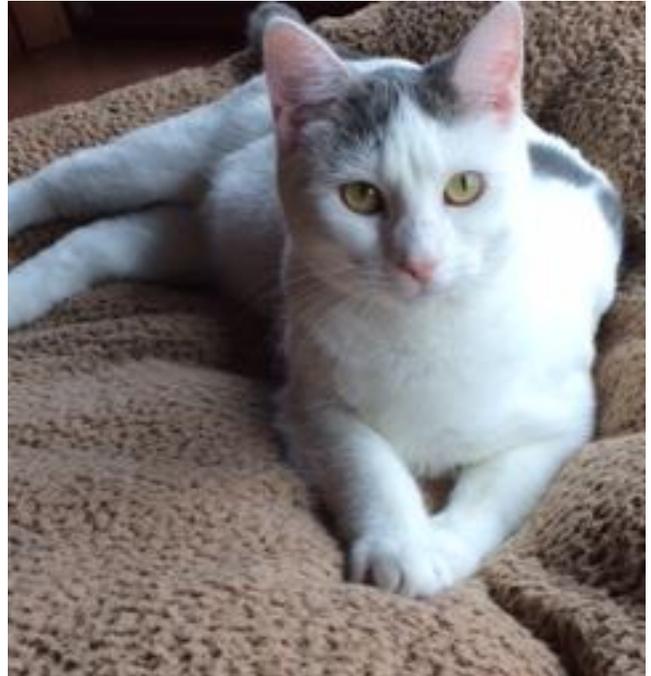
PET CONNECTIONS Meet!



Sunbeam, 6-month-old Lab mix, has a beautiful shiny black coat. She is a friendly girl, who likes to play with other dogs and people. She is crate-trained and is doing well with walking on leash and house-training. She is vet checked, up-to-date on shots, neutered/spayed and micro-chipped. Call 526-4500 for information about meeting and adopting her.

Other available dogs and puppies include **Ferne, Presto and Sunbeam**, Lab mixes; **Brutus**, Corgi mix; **Bama and Rhya**, German Shepherd mixes; **Tinker**, Terrier mix; Cinnamon, Wire-haired Terrier mix; **Tex**, Boxer mix; **Mikka**, Schipperke; **Amarine and Zinc**, Shepherd/Terrier mix.

AVAILABLE CATS...



Ices, a one-year-old, gray and white beauty, is laid-back, affectionate and loving. She enjoys being around people and other kitties. She is health checked, up-to-date on shots, spayed, feline leukemia free and micro-chipped. If she sounds like your kind of gal, contact 526-4500 for adoption information. Ices is health checked, up-to-date on shots, spayed, feline leukemia free and micro-chipped. If she sounds like your kind of gal, contact 526-4500 for adoption information.

Adoptable cats and kittens include **Wilbur**, white/buff; **Ices**, gray/white; **Sheba**, Siamese; **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 the CCHS building at 1301 Apple Lane in Breese on Saturday, Dec 20, from 10 a.m. until noon 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.

SANTA VISITED CCHS MEET AND GREET AT K AND J CHEVROLET

Santa made an appearance at the CCHS Meet and Greet hosted by K and J Chevrolet in Carlyle Saturday, Dec 6, from 10 a.m. until noon.

Santa posed for photos with children or pets, and folks stopped by to meet CCHS adoptable pets.

K and J generously provided pizza and soft drinks for CCHS volunteers for lunch, as well the warm location for the meet and greet. Thanks!



Jill Daugherty of Jill Daugherty Photography was on hand to take photos of Santa with kids and pets at the Meet and Greet hosted by K and J Chevrolet in Carlyle Saturday, Dec 6.



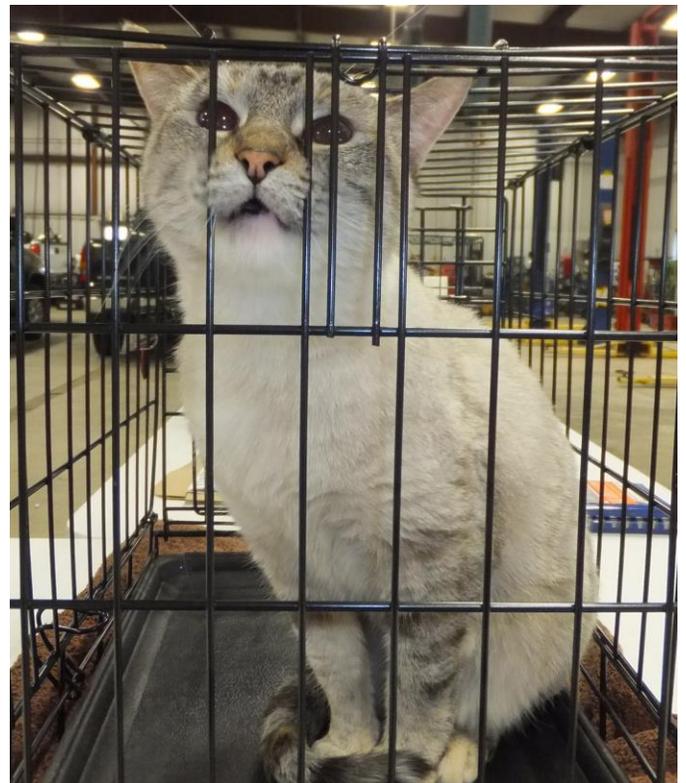
Flocka got some special attention from visitor Brian Frerker at the Meet and Greet.



Hugs and love for Elijah (now adopted) from handler Abby Harpstrite.



Handler Macie Beer checked Ferne's collar at the CCHS Meet and Greet at K and J Chevrolet.



Sheba waited sweetly for someone to come by and choose her for their family.



Mikka sat patiently while foster Kim McCauley chatted with guests at the Meet and Greet.



Julie Jansen took charge of a pooped Amarine while her foster was busy.



Laura Beckmann trimmed a nervous Sissy's nails for Wil Donaldson.

KAWASAKI TERYX LE RAFFLE FOR CCHS



This Kawasaki Teryx LE will be raffled at the CCHS fundraiser in March. Get your tickets now!

CCHS will raffle a 2014 Kawasaki Teryx LE at the Spring fundraiser in March with a \$1000 bonus for the winner if he or she is present for the drawing.

Tickets are available now for \$20 or 6 for \$100 at the building at 1301 Apple Lane in Breese where the vehicle is displayed or at various locations as the vehicle travels around the county on weekends.

The Candy Lime Green 2014 Teryx LE features a 783cc 90-degree V-twin with digital fuel injection, FOX Podium shocks, double X frame design with ROPS cage. It comes with new seat covers, LED headlamps, steel front brush guard and secure latching doors. It has Electric Power steering, continuously variable transmission and dual front disc brakes.

Priced around \$15,000, this stylish, rugged side by side could be yours for \$20!

PETS ARE NOT PRESENTS

Every year thousands of pets fill up shelters in January and February because they are unwanted Christmas presents.

Well-meaning folks who think a pet is the perfect gift may be surprised to find that the recipient isn't ready for a pet.

Holidays are crazy enough with shopping, cooking, decorating, guests, and activities at church and school and parties. Even if the recipient is considering a pet, he or she might rather wait until summer when the timing is better.

Winter weather is not appealing for housebreaking a new puppy. Ice, snow, wind and cold temperatures make summer a better time for folks to introduce a pup to the family.

If the pet is a surprise gift, it may come as a surprise to the giver that the recipient who casually said "I would like to have a puppy" is not ready for the commitment a pet requires. Renting, work schedules, children, finances and other factors may make the decision one for the future rather than now.

Pets are not like toys for children like Xbox or a new bike that can be pushed aside when the newness wears off. Pets are a commitment for years to come, and the decision to add a pet to the family should be a separate and well-planned decision.

Major considerations for pet ownership are whether or not a person has the time, energy, money and interest for pet.

Getting a pet requires considering whether or not a person has the time that is required for daily

training, cleaning, walking, feeding and grooming a pet. Do not underestimate! Dogs and cats may live 10-20 years. Some parrots live 75 years!

Does the person have the energy a pet requires? Dogs require plenty of exercise. Athletic breeds like border collies do well with a couple of hours a day at least. Puppies need exercise and training and constant supervision throughout the day.

Pets can be costly. Besides the initial cost, there will be food, crates, cages, treats, toys, bedding, grooming, medicines and other supplies. Generally pets can cost \$600 to \$1000 and up; even more if there is an accident, illness, boarding or day care.

Before getting a pet, a person must have a real desire to have a pet, not a whim or impulse to get the cute kitty at the pet shop or a need to impress friends with a beautiful parrot. A pet parent must really want to love and care for a new member of the family.

The decision to add a pet to the family is a major commitment and a personal decision that should be made by the person, not a well-meaning gift giver.

STRAW BALES CAMPAIGN

CCHS is again running their straw bale collection campaign.

Anyone who has extra bales may drop them off at 1301 Apple Lane in Breese.

Folks who need them for pet bedding during the cold weather can pick them up there.

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!

SHOP CHRISTMAS AT CCHS STORE

CCHS is loaded with Christmas gift ideas!

2015 CCHS pet calendars are available for \$10 or 3 for \$20 at the store at 1301 Apple Lane. Pick yours up now and get several for Christmas gifts for friends!

The CCHS cookbook Wags, Whiskers & Wecipes makes a great stocking stuffer for only \$12! The cookbook contains recipes for appetizers, soups, veggies, entrees, breads, desserts, as well as treats for dogs and cats, and more!

For your humans CCHS has hoodies featuring the new heart/paw logo available for \$25, as well as other styles of hoodies and tees.

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

For Christmas get your pet the comfort of an “Anxiety Wrap, The Healthy Hug” vest to calm and sooth him if he is 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.

CCHS also carries a variety of pet toys, as well as leashes and collars in a number of styles and colors.

Check out the discount bins of collars for \$3.50 and leashes for only \$5, and take advantage of huge markdowns on CCHS apparel.

The store at 1301 Apple Lane 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.

MEETING

The next regular CCHS meeting will be held Wednesday, Dec 10, at 7 p.m. at the Bowling Alley in Bartelso.

MEET AND GREET

Meet and Greets are held every first and third Saturday of each month. The next Meet and Greet will be held at the CCHS building Saturday, Dec 20, from 10 a.m. until noon.

Stop by and meet the adoptable pets and do a little Christmas shopping as well.

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.