WHAT'S WAGGIN'

In the Clinton County Humane Society

JUNE IS ADOPT-A-CAT MONTH!

To celebrate Adopt-a-Cat Month, cat adopters save 20% on cat merchandise when they adopt a CCHS cat in June. Don't wait! Time is running out.

Meet Shasta!



Shasta, a lovely one-year-old, short-haired female. This buff-colored sweetie is a friendly gal, who likes to play a little, but is pretty laid-back. She has been vetted and cleared of parasites, is up to date on shots, spayed, micro-chipped and feline leukemia negative. If your family needs a fun little addition, fill out an app online at www.ccilhs.org or pick one up at the CCHS office at 1301 Apple Lane, Breese.

CCHS has wonderful pets. We currently have; **Pickles**, black tabby/wt; **Felix**, orange tabby; **Shasta**, buff; **Blaire**, black; **Ices**, gray/wt; **Skyla**, orange/wt; **Tabitha**, gray tabby.

Available dogs include **Bugsy**, Puggle; **Maximus**, **Trinity** and **Boone**, Staffordshires; **Ellie**, Min Pin mix; **Bailey**, Husky mix; and puppies **Reeta**, Chihuahua/Terrier; **Penelope**, Terrier mix; **Sammi**, Shepherd/Plott Hound mix; **Tilly**, Lab 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, July 5th.

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.

TIPS FOR ADOPTING A CAT

Adopting a pet is an important change in your life and should not be done on a whim.

According to www.petinsurance.com you should consider these 5 tips.

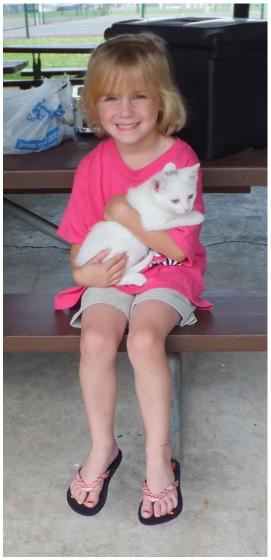
- 1. Research cats and spend time with candidates so you get to know their personalities. You can make a better match for your family.
- 2. Cats have different personalities. If you want a lap cat or a play partner, pick one that seems to have those tendencies. A cat or kitten that slinks away or won't be held may not be what you are looking for.
- 3. Choose a cat that matches your lifestyle. Kittens require more training and supervision. If you're not up to that, perhaps an older cat would be less demanding and more suited to you.
- 4. Inquire about the health of the cat. Some shelters do shots and spay/neutering. Ask if here are health issues. Ask for a copy of the medical paperwork so you can take that to your own veterinarian.
- 5. Take your new pet to your veterinarian right away. He can exam the pet and offer advice. Most shelters have a return policy, but time is limited so act quickly.

A cat may be a 20-year commitment so make the decision carefully!

CCHS MEET AT GREET

CCHS pets met visitors at the CCHS Meet and Greet held at Breese North Side Park from 10 until noon Saturday, July 5th.

Zurie and Triton were adopted and headed home with their new families.



Peyton Kessel met the new CCHS kitten named Mark at the Meet and Greet at Breese North Side Park.



Boone took it easy while his handler Kaitlyn Albers waited nearby.



Bailey got a big smooch from handler Brandy Kessel.



Peyton(left) and Sophia Kessel(right) accompanied handler Kim McCauley on a walk with Maximus.



New to the CCHS roster, Tilly attended her first CCHS Meet and Greet with foster Brandy Kessel.



Maximus stretched out for a little rest after a walk in the park at the CCHS Meet and Greet.

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.

Remember "A tag in time saves your canine" or feline for that matter.

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.

IT'S HOT OUTSIDE!

Temperatures are climbing. Make sure your pet has food, fresh water and plenty of shade! When the temperature gets really hot, bring your pets inside. If you wouldn't trade places with your pet on a hot day, make an adjustment for him!

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 ccilhsvolunteer@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, cratetraining, 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 June Special is 10% off dog and cat toys. Choose from Kong toys, water toys, catnip toys and lots more.

Dog Gone Smart lounger beds are available in five sizes and colors at specially discounted prices.

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 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.

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Tweet us on Twitter @ cchs_il.

Check out our pins at Pinterest

Email us at <u>ccilhs@ccilhs.org</u> or <u>ccilhs@gmail.com</u>.

Phone us at 618-526-4500.

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

The next regular CCHS meeting will be held Juyl 9th at Knotty Pine at 7pm. The group is currently make plans for the "Bark for Life" in October and will need volunteers to help. Meetings are open to the public and new members are always welcome.

If your health, finances or housing makes 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 www.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.