



Paw Prints

The Newsletter of the Brown County Humane Society

The mission of the Brown County Humane Society is the protection and welfare of animals through education, sanctuary, adoption, and promotion of responsible pet ownership.

Board Of Directors

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Deb Alsleben
Jean Freiderich
Deb Roiger
Sandy Freiderich
Tiffany Sellner
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Gerald Woodley

Change...

What comes to your mind when you hear this word? Some definitions of change are:

1. To Undergo Transformation Or Transition
2. To Go From One Phase To Another
3. To Give A Different Position; To Become Different

The last few months have been full of change. Recognizing that change is never easy...we are asking for everyone's patience as we continue to move the Brown County Humane Society forward.

Change started with our newsletter. After many years of dedicated work, the responsibility for producing the "Paw Prints" newsletter is changing hands, with this edition. Special "Thanks!" go out to Susan Allen, Emma Iverson and Sonja Decramer for their creative skills in this area. At this point in time, we are trying to keep the format similar...but you may notice small changes and we hope that this is o.k.

Change came again, as we are seeing transitions among our Board of Directors. After devoting many hours to BCHS, 2 Board Members are electing to devote their time to other causes. The Brown County Humane Society is extremely thankful to Jill Tostenrud and Naomi Stewart for their many years of service. We are working with these ladies, to transition their knowledge & experience to others. They cannot be replaced & we will miss them dearly. Hopefully we will continue to see them at future BCHS events.



FUND RAISING REPORTS...

Caged 4 Critters (Saturday, March 6th)

Caged 4 Critters was held at the shelter in New Ulm. Cell phone use donation by Unicef, Thrivent Financial for Lutherans matching grant dollars and Hy-Vee providing lunch for participants helped make this event a huge success. Those “arrested” were charged with violations such as, but not limited to: wearing mismatched socks, putting cat food in the meatloaf and failure to mow the lawn during December, February and March. Bail was set and each “inmate” called family and friends to pledge money to the shelter. Thanks to everyone who had a part of this great day. (Approximately \$4,800 Raised)

New Ulm Thrivent Financial For Lutherans “Tip Night” At the Pizza Ranch (Monday, April 26)

A new fundraiser this Spring was brought to us through the New Ulm Thrivent Financial For Lutherans Group. They assisted with greeting people, clearing tables, and collecting tips. 100% of the tips collected, as well as 10% of the sales from this evening were donated to BCHS. Our “Thanks!” go out to Thrivent Financial For Lutheran Individuals & Pizza Ranch for this wonderful evening.

BCHS Garage Sales (May 15 and June 5 & 6)

Deb Alsleben and Jean Freiderich graciously hosted garage sales, where the proceeds went directly to support BCHS. Donations were received from numerous parties. It is amazing how money counts up, which helps to cover the never ending expenses. A big thank you to all who made these sales successful! (A little over \$1,000 raised)

BCHS Plant & Bake Sale (Saturday, May 22) When you think of Spring...you next think of the outdoors. BCHS Volunteers gathered plants (perennials & annuals) to donate to this fund-raising event. In addition, bake sale and other pet related items were offered for sale. (About \$800 Raised)

19th Annual BCHS Dog Walk (Saturday, August 21) A warm & sunny day greeted participants in our annual dog walk. It was fun to see all of the different dogs that showed up to help raise dollars for the pets at our shelter. Two volunteers each raised over \$1,000 in pledges. They were Jackie Rohde and Gerald Woodley. Participants completed either a 1 or 2 mile walk with their pet(s). Schwan’s was on hand, selling their products (with a percentage of the sales going to BCHS). Artist Malia Krohn set-up & explained about her portrait painting business. Participants received an event t-shirt, a bandana for their pet, and a pet samples gift bag (provided by Pet Expo). (Approx. \$5,000 Raised)

OTHER NEWS OF INTEREST...

Comcast Cares Day (Saturday, April 24)

Each year, Comcast selects a non-profit group to offer 1 day of service to. In 2010 they selected the Brown County Humane Society. A large group of Comcast volunteers assisted BCHS volunteers on Saturday, April 24, 2010. The group successfully completed many tasks. Among these tasks were:

- Preparing the dog exercise area for the future changes
- Planting potted plants to help welcome visitors
- Installing sanitary wall board in an Isolation Room
- Priming & painting the shelter bathroom
- Assist with walking dogs

We would like to extend our most gracious “Thanks!” to our friends at Comcast!



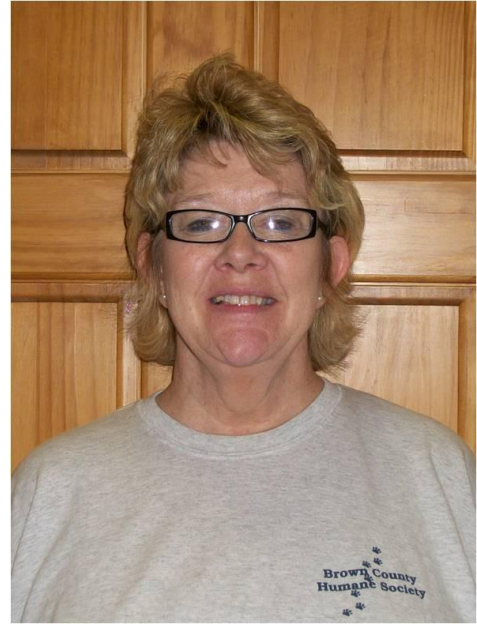
Mankato Pet Fair (Saturday, July 10)

The Brown County Humane Society participated again in the Mankato Pet Fair. Jean Freiderich & Sara Keller brought over BCHS Pets (2 Dogs, 4 Kittens & 5 Cats. One dog & one kitten each found their new “forever home” at this event! Look for this event next year....it was fun!

OTHER NEWS OF INTEREST...



Left Photo:
Deb & Her
Husband, Paul



Congratulations to Deb Roiger Volunteer Extraordinaire

Deb Roiger was awarded the KEYC Jefferson Good People Award in April 2010. She traveled to Washington DC (June 21, 2010) to attend the National Awards Ceremony. "The entire trip was busy, it was my first time there and was very memorable!" said Deb, in a recent interview. "Day 1, we (myself & my husband, Paul) attended a Welcome Meeting at the Mayflower Hotel." At this meeting, Deb gave a speech in which she praised her fellow volunteers for their teamwork, here at the shelter. In addition, she shared a condensed version of the daily routine followed at the shelter. Deb added, "I told them I started out volunteering just once a week but it was easy to increase the time spent there because I am doing what just comes naturally; taking care of the animals." While she is humble and grateful about receiving the local award, she also told me that the competition was fierce. "I was up against doctors; of which one did get honored for helping AIDS patients in Third World Countries." Day 2 allowed for some sight-seeing. "We did lots of walking: to the White House, to meet with Senator Amy Klobachur on Capital Hill, and we saw other historic sites. We then had to get into formal dress for the Gala Dinner. More speeches were done by award nominees, then awards were presented. Both evenings the meals were quite fancy." All walks of life share in volunteering, both in local community and global settings. Schools, students, corporate / employee groups, and community folks comprised the volunteers at this event. "The oldest volunteer was 92 years old and she has helped at multiple places in her community – Incredible! Oh and I want everybody to know that I bought my most expensive pop ever....\$6.05 for 1 can...crazy!" While we proudly wished her well, no doubt her absence did not go unnoticed at the shelter, for those few days that she was gone. Feel free to visit with Deb so she can share with you brochures that detail her experience in Washington, DC.

Story Submitted By Barb Becker

Day to Day...

Celebrate Summer!

The shelter is busier than ever...On the Dog Side, the shelter has been at or near full capacity since the spring. On the Cat Side it seems like kittens keep arriving every day. In the early spring, three mother cats gave birth to their kittens at the shelter. The first mother cat (Daisy) was in labor when she was abandoned outside of the shelter on a frosty spring morning. The 3 mother cats did a great job with bringing up their total of 12 kittens. All 12 of these kittens have found their new forever homes.



Daisy With
Her Kittens

In the late summer, 4 puppies (Hanz, Franz, Cruiser & Kaydra) arrived with their mother, Momma Mia. Then Betsy (a Black Lab) delivered her puppies (Barney, Rollie & Andy) during Saturday Adoption Hours



National statistics:

Only 1 out of 10 dogs born ever get a home. Only 1 out of 12 cats born ever find a home. 800 dogs & cats are KILLED each HOUR in the U.S., because there are not enough homes for them. Please adopt a rescue or shelter pet and remember to spay or neuter them.

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CASH WISE

This summer, the Brown County Humane Society started collecting "Pet Points" coupons from Cash Wise. Pet Points are earned by buying products in the Cash Wise pet aisle. By donating these coupons to the Humane Society, they can be turned into gift cards to help purchase pet food, paper towels, bleach & laundry soap for use at the shelter. To date numerous individuals have stopped off at the shelter and donated the "Pet Points" coupons that they had collected at home. Thanks goes out to everyone who has donated these coupons! Please consider donating your "Pet Points" coupons to the BCHS. There is a collection box at our shelter, as well as a box in the Customer Service area at Cash Wise.

Volunteers Needed!

Do you love animals?

Are you looking for a fun and rewarding place to volunteer?

If so, please give us a call at 507-359-2312

The Brown County Humane Society is staffed 100% by volunteers. The majority of the volunteers assist with the direct care of the dogs and cats at the shelter. "Cat Chores" are done twice a day (morning & afternoon). "Dog Chores" are completed three times a day (8 a.m., 3 p.m. & 8 p.m.). Most volunteers select 1 time slot to assist with, on a weekly basis.

Other volunteers assist with jobs such as: shelter laundry, board members, writing the newsletter, taking photographs of the pets for use on Petfinders.com, transporting animals, assisting with fund-raising committees and events, baking items for bake sales, working as adoption agents, completing office tasks, mowing lawn, snow removal, and pop can recycling.

Needless to say, we can help find a job that will fit with your skills and time available.

We would not be here, without our volunteers!

Thank You To Those Who Help Us, Each & Every Day!

Memorials (As Of 07/08/2010)

Memorials

IN MEMORY OF:

Lyle Eichten
Harley Hoffman
Florence Arbes Lehrke

Angie Tauer

Leo Tauer
Louise Gulden
Agnes Rieger

Donald Kopischke
Brandon Schaefer
Lloyd Fleegel
Betty Taylor
Dan Kaehler
Stella Schirlinger

Brian Bauer

Robert Prekker

Allen Bausch
Susan Windschitl
Marlyn Kuck
Kenneth Spoon

Kelly Ann Miller

Doris Briese

Carol & Dennis Thompson
Helmunt Schmid
Jerry Filzen, Jr.
Tom Ganske
Linus Shane Tauer III
Jim Stadick

FROM:

Ray & Mary McClellan
Tom & Marcy MacAulay
Patty Rodewald
Myra Meyer
Richard P. Runck
Herb Brunner
Jan Raitz & Dave Schrimpf
Donna Lowinske
Gene & Janet Poirier
Myra Meyer
Donna M. Suess
Gene & Janet Freeman
Nick Reinhart
Ann Scharfencamp
Nancy Buker
"Skip" & Mary Davis
Gene & Pat Freeman
John & Lorna Leupke
Robert & Bonnie Schirlinger
Ross & Julie Hellendrung
Charles & Paula Achman
Theresa Prekker
Sue Keller
Walter & Cleo Koester
Gene & Janet Poirier
LaVerne Kuck
Jim & Sarah Spoon
Dan & Deb Alsleben
Dale & Mary Ann Stolt
The Family Of Kelly Miller
Pam Tobong & Steve Lindahl
Barb & Melanie Becker
Doug & Betty Roiger
Warren Schmid
Jan & Tom Anderl
Phyllis Halvorson & Pearl Willis
Amanda Griebel
Gene & Pat Freeman



Memorials



In Feb. 2010, a tragic home fire took the lives of 2 New Ulm residents: David & Marlene Gulden. The couple's 2 dogs were rescued & survived. Bandit is a Springer Spaniel & Jeffy is a Burmese Mountain Dog Cross. The Brown County Humane Society was asked to seek assistance in finding a new home for these 2 loyal pets. They were adopted & were able to stay together. Many individuals sent donations to the BCCHS, in memory of David & Marlene Gulden. These individuals were:

Anonymous - Thomas T. Grimshaw - Steven T. Grimshaw - Catherine A. Grimshaw - Larry & Peggy Kronpinski (McDonald's) - Evelyn A. Knisley - Chet Wheelless - Kimberly J. Schreiber - Capstone Publishers Editorial Dept., Mankato, MN (Catherine A. Neitge, Nickolas & Helen Healy, Gillia M. Olson, Jill K. Katz) - Grant & Michele Kruckeberg - Andrew & Anne Biebl - David Steinberg - Linda L. Thornton - Mary A. Novak - David R. Beniak & Janet M. Schmidt - Mark E. Dohmeier - John Puhl & Gayle Mercil - John & Susan Van Loy - Hiawatha Community School, Mpls., MN - Jared & Cynthia Shorba - Marjorie & Jeffrey Noyes Aamot - Angels L. & Cory S. James - Tammy & Bruce Blaine - Grace Jagers - Sandra J. & Roger D. Willrock - Rachel A. Marks - James A. & Sandra K. Davis - Marlene E. Domeier - Florence & Donald Wilfahrt - Ervin & Janice Helget - Barbara & Daniel Reilly - Gerald Dannheim - D. Wieland - Richard & Sylvia Salvati - Mariel & E.E. Grams - Barbara Runck - Daniel & Trudy Beranek - A.R. Mueller - Herb & Dorothy Schaper - Marlene (Schmidt) Gulden's High School Graduating Class of 1974 - Diane & Wayne Stolt - Larry Pederson - Helen Esser - Merle R. Jugnke - Circles of Light Ministries, Bloomington, MN

Bandit



Jeffy



Pet Memorials

Pet Memorials (As Of 07/08/2010)

PET DOG MEMORIALS:

"Teddy" Pet of Orville &
Barbara Freitag

"Pax" Pet of Vera &
Jeanne Epp

"Molly" Pet of the Doug
Patterson Family

"Missy" Pet of Ron & Annamarie
Wilfahrt

"Boots" Pet of Jan & Gary Jacobs

"Charlie" Pet of Shauna Dirlam

"Hope" Pet of the Mike Roeder
Family

"Lucy" Pet of the Jacobs
Family

FROM:

Orville & Barbara Freitag

Dave & Jill Tostenrud

"Josie" Dog Pet of Gary & Sharon
Pascher

Ron & Annamarie Wilfahrt

Dan & Diane Abraham

Dr. Karl & Gwen Papierniak

Marilyn Roeder

Dan & Diane Abraham

PET CAT MEMORIALS:

"Thelma" BCHS Shelter Cat

"Belle" Pet of Mark & Sue
Ullery

"De Do" Pet of Delores
Schwarzrock

"Mitsi" Pet of Kolstad Family

"Lady" Pet of Annamarie
Wilfahrt

"Charlie" BCHS Shelter Cat

"J.J." BCHS Shelter Cat

"Rastus" Pet of Denise & Brian
Kuester & Family

FROM:

anonymous

Dr. Karl & Gwen Papierniak

Vicki Pieser

Dustin & Melissa Cross

Mark & Sue Ullery

Eileen Kokesch

Brother of Sharie Kolstad

Annamarie Wilfahrt

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Jamie & Gregg Holm & Family

Jodi & Dean Runck & Family

*Gone yet not forgotten,
Although we are apart,
Your spirit lives within me,
Forever in my heart.*