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CHAMPAIGN COUNTY HUMANE SOCIETY



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Year old Zipporah, top fundraising dog, will be on a Triptych brew this fall!

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Dogs licking peanut butter at the same time in the Peanut Butter Licking Contest!

\$21,000+

Amount raised to provide food, shelter, veterinary care, TLC, and more to the pets at CCHS.





SPECIAL THANKS

The Urbana Park District
 Doug from Mix 94.5 & the Illini Radio Group
 Anthony & Michael at Triptych Brewing
 Colorfil Air Filters
 The crew from Serra Subaru Champaign
 Loving Paws Pet Clinic
 Stevie Jay Broadcasting
 Meijer
 Hickory Point Bank
 The Upper Bout
 Mahomet Animal Hospital
 First Federal Savings Bank of
 Champaign-Urbana
 Molly Blazier
 Smith Burger Co.
 Ice Daddy's
 Dave's Dogs
Our hardworking volunteers!

MYTHS & FACTS:

addressing misconceptions

by Mary Tiefenbrunn

MYTH:

"If I surrender an animal to the shelter, I'll be banned from adopting a pet in the future."

FACT:

Animal relinquishers are NOT automatically "black listed" or banned from future adoptions.

I hear this misconception quite often in conversations with the public, and I often see it stated as fact on social media. To set the record straight:

This is NOT our policy.

There are many reasons for relinquishing a pet to CCHS. For most people it's not a quick or easy decision and when the decision is made, it's the right one. Would it make sense for us to blacklist people for doing the right thing for their animal? Absolutely not.

That said, we do keep business records. We retain information on every animal that enters our facility, every animal-relinquisher, and every adopter. So, yes, if you relinquish a pet to CCHS, it will become part of your "permanent record," but so will the circumstances.

If an adoption-applicant's record shows they surrendered an animal to us in the past, we'll take a look at the details and see if they raise any red flags. What was the reason? How long ago was it? Maybe the applicant's circumstances have changed and they're now in a better position to make the long-term commitment we're looking for.

We *will* deny an adoption application if something in the record suggests that the adoption would not be in the best interest of the animal. For example, if the applicant surrendered animals to us in the past and those animals were in poor physical condition and/or the relinquisher showed a lack of compassion for their pets, that might be a red flag. Another red flag would be a history of multiple relinquishments, which might suggest a compulsion to obtain pets without the ability to care for them.

But if you're worried about bringing an animal to CCHS because you found him, but can't keep him; or she belonged to a family member who went into a nursing home; or you adopted a dog and he is hard to handle - or not working out for any reason - please don't be afraid to reach out. We're here to help pet owners in crises, big or small.

A Lasting Legacy

August is National Make-a-Will Month!

If you're working on your will, we hope you'll consider making a gift to CCHS to build a legacy of compassion for animals and protecting pets in need.

To make it easy for you, we've partnered with a free online resource called **FreeWill**. The FreeWill tool helps you create your will in just 20 minutes. You can also use FreeWill as a tool for preparing to meet with a lawyer about your estate plan.

Visit FreeWill.com/CCHS or scan this QR code with the camera on your smartphone to get started.



Save The Date!



FRIDAY, OCTOBER 7, 2022

IHOTEL & CONFERENCE CENTER • CHAMPAIGN, IL

- WINING & DINING!
- RAFFLES & PRIZES!
- LIVE & SILENT AUCTIONS!

FOSTER HOMES NEEDED!

Fostering animals in need is an incredibly rewarding way to help save lives in your community! If you are interested, scan this QR code to fill out an application.



THANK YOU



Pups N Pints

Pour Bros. Taproom in downtown Champaign with Tito's Handmade Vodka
6.12.22

Custard for a Cause

Jarling's Custard Cup with Sunset Funeral Home
6.30.22



Steak & Egg Breakfast

Longhorn Steakhouse in Champaign
7.23.22

If your business, group, club, or organization would like to hold a fundraiser for CCHS, email Development Director Sarah Sheppard at sarahecuhumane.org or scan this QR code for more information.





Bubble, Bubble, Toil, and Trouble!

Catnip bubbles are an easy and cost effective way to brighten up your cat's day.

Bubbles have been so popular with shelter cats, we sometimes turn on a battery-powered bubble-blowing machine to entertain them while the staff is otherwise occupied.

Your Daily Dose of Enrichment!

Make Feeding Fido Fun!

Making your dogs' meals a fun time is a great way to build enrichment into their daily routine.

Puzzle feeders come in a variety of different shapes, sizes, colors, textures, and levels of difficulty. There are many options!

Some dogs may need you to show them how to use the puzzle feeder, but most are able to figure it out with a little trial and error.

