

# The Pet Dispatch



The Official Newsletter of Bond County Humane Society

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## Happy Tails

Stories of recent happy adopted endings

### Happy Tail for Tramp, the Beagle

*(Story adapted from Tramp's adoring pet parent's longer narrative.)*

It was October 2005 and Bond County Humane Society was holding an adoption event at PetSmart. We had cats, but my husband Dan really wanted a German Shepherd. But I saw a Beagle, cowering away from noisy kids who were poking inside his crate. When they left, I went softly over to the Beagle. He got up off his bed to check me out. Then he licked my hand and I just had to have him. I learned that before BCHS rescued him, Tramp had been a skittish, hungry stray suffering from heartworm disease.

Tramp was a feisty little boy! When all of us would be out in the yard, Tramp would get a particular look on his face and I knew he was leaving. I would go on foot or in my car to look for him; I'd come back home, he'd be on the back patio sitting there waiting. He also didn't like Dan at first; he would growl at Dan when he came home from work. Rachel from BCHS put me in contact with someone to help this situation. Tramp always played chase with my cat Cocoa (she passed 7 years ago) and they were so funny to watch. We got Dutch (a German Shepherd mix) eight months later and Tramp decided Dan wasn't such a bad guy after all! Today we have a total of four dogs in our home.

Tramp's travels have included camping at Bull Shoals White River State Park for trout fishing, travels to Arlington, Texas to visit family, Niagara Falls, New York and all the way to Maine. He travels well and doesn't like to leave my side. If someone else would have adopted Tramp, I don't know what his life could have been like. All I know is since we've had him, he's been happy, loved, well traveled, well taken care of and I wouldn't trade him in a million years or dollars. If it wasn't for Tramp, we would never be involved with Paws In The Park, Wag 'N' Walk or the BCHS dog shelter.

Mignon & Dan Fetterhoff, August 1, 2013



### Happy Tail for Quincy, the Terrier Mix Puppy

"Hi, Bond County Humane Society! I stopped by PetSmart today and spoke with a kind gentleman from Bond County. I told him how we adopted Quincy last February and how he is such an awesome dog with a huge personality. He loves to play soccer, squeaky ball and in the snow. And boy does he love walks; besides playing in the back yard with his older brother Scrappy. The most entertaining thing during the winter months is Quincy and our 13 year old cat love to play games indoors and aggravate each other. Anyway, here are some pictures. I'll try not to go overboard and just give you a bit of a timeline. :-) Thanks for all you do!!"

Valerie Tindle, February 15, 2014

**Make Pet Adoption  
Your First Option**

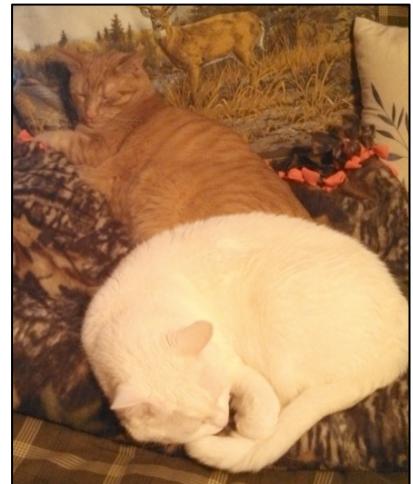
2014 Pet Adoptions (Year To Date): 40 cats, 24 dogs



### Happy Tail for Cuddles, the Black Shorthair Kitten

"Hello Bond County Humane Society! I just wanted to write you and tell you how much we love Kit Kat (formerly known as Cuddles). He loves his laser and mouse and snuggling on the couch. He has just stolen our hearts and we are so thankful that he is a part of our family. I have wanted to bring him over to visit, but we have been really busy with [Greenville College] volleyball season in full swing. However, I'm attaching a couple of pictures. He's getting so big so fast, but looks so handsome with his little red collar! Anyway, we appreciate all that you guys do. Thanks so much!"

Kristine & Carl DaCorte, September 23, 2013



### Happy Tails for Patrick, the Orange Tabby Kitten & Morgan, the White Cat

"Just thought I would give you an update on our kitty! We adopted him in July of 2013. Patrick (renamed Oliver) is doing great! He has gotten so big. He really enjoys naps on mom's or dad's lap and running around the house at top speed. He likes the bathtub (when it isn't full of water, that is) and he gets along with our other kitty, Morgan (adopted [from BCHS] in 2010), except when she isn't in the mood to play. He really is a fun, energetic and playful kitty, and we are so happy to have adopted him. His story really touched our hearts and we just knew he was the one for us. Thank you so much!!"

Cole and Megan Boatright, February 25, 2014

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## News & Happenings

### Local 4<sup>th</sup> Graders Organize Donation Drive to Help Homeless Pets

We send a giant paw high five to Bill and Pam Schatte for supporting daughter Eileen and her friends Katie Peppler and Lexie Griffin to organize their recent donation drive for Bond County Humane Society! The three girls at Greenville Elementary came up with the idea to help the homeless animals all on their own and we are so proud. The girls planned for weeks, Mr Schatte helped by placing newspaper and radio advertisements, and they held their donation drive May 24, 2014 at Buchheit in Greenville. One of the adopted dogs from the shelter, Lola, was on hand for petting and serving as BCHS ambassador. The drive collected lots of items on our wish list like cleaning supplies, kennel supplies, pet food and treats plus over \$340 in cash!

Photos courtesy the Schatte family.



## **Birthday Girl Donates Gift Money to Bond County Humane Society**

Long time Bond County Humane Society supporter, fundraising event volunteer and Paws In The Park trophy winner, Anastasia Baird, celebrated her 14th birthday February 8, 2014 in superhero style, asking her party guests to bring donations for our animal shelter operations. Anastasia told the local radio station in an interview that she appreciates the work BCHS does to provide safe homes for stray animals and she is passionate about supporting the financially struggling private non-profit organization. Anastasia collected money, posted photos of adoptable pets and spread the word that volunteers are greatly needed to keep BCHS going. She even provided volunteer sign up sheets. Thank you so much, Anastasia, and your mom Jennifer, too!



## **Bond County Humane Society Launches Barn Cat Program**

On November 19, 2013 after months of research and weeks of planning, five Bond County Humane Society cats were relocated to a county resident's horse barn. During the summer of 2013, we had to reduce the number of cats housed in our shelter due to an escalating lack of volunteers. Five particular cats had been at the shelter for many years and were considered unadoptable because though they were physically healthy, they never became sociable and preferred little to no human contact. Acting president of BCHS Rachel Hundsorfer began looking into alternative options for their accommodations and care. Best Friends Animal Society referred Rachel to a network partner in northern Illinois that runs an organized barn cat operation. It turned out that the Illinois group, Safe House Pets, was presently filled to capacity, but they had documented procedures for BCHS to start its own independent working barn cat program.

So then BCHS needed a barn! Liz Miller, a long time supporter and volunteer with BCHS and a 4H Club youth development educator for the Bond County area, expressed great interest in helping and she showed Rachel a horse barn on her Mulberry Grove property. Liz and BCHS volunteers prepared the barn and the cats for the transition. They formed straw bales into a protective area inside the barn, found large dog crates for the cats to stay in while they acclimated to all the new outdoor smells and sounds, and added blankets and litter pans and cardboard 'privacy' boxes inside the crates. Portable heaters were added when the overnight temperatures dropped at the start of winter. Since these cats had been used to shelter life and may never successfully hunt mice, Liz would provide fresh water and dry kibble food every day. It was everyone's great hope that in a short time the five cats would come and go from their new barn home as they pleased, staying relatively close to their dependable food supply, living out the rest of their 9 lives free and safe in the country air.

As moving day approached, Dr Jennifer Ostrom of Greenville Veterinary Clinic came to our shelter to give all of the cats being relocated a booster for their FVRCP and rabies vaccinations.

As of June 16, 2014, the BCHS working barn cats continue to thrive in their new lifestyle arrangement. Arthur and Tiger are rarely seen, but Sampson enjoys snoozing on a tractor inside the barn and allows caretaker Liz to pet him. And Crystal is Liz's little helper, always following her around as she does other chores around the property. Liz told us: "I can tell you that all of the barn cats are doing great. Sweet Pea and Crystal spend a lot of time out in the woods near the barn and the boys prefer to nap inside during the day. At one point I thought Sweet Pea was hard of hearing; I now know that was wrong because I can go into the woods anytime and call her and she answers me. The post and beam structure of the barn has become Crystal's catwalk. She likes to sleep in the hayloft and then walk on the beams between the horse stalls. It's pretty cute. Allowing these cats to become barn cats was a very good idea. They have a very happy life!" Thank you Liz, Safe House Pets and Best Friends Network for your inspiration and support!

## **New Roof for Cat Shelter Building**

The roof of Bond County Humane Society's cat shelter and office on South Fourth Street required emergency repairs in early 2014. Jewett Roofing of Greenville provided a quick temporary fix at no charge while the Bond County Board (who own the building) made arrangements for Joiner Sheet Metal & Roofing to replace the roof in February 2014. Materials and labor for the project were donated by Joiner. Thank you, Jewett and Joiner, for keeping the rain and snow off of our precious kitties!

## **Glamorous Studio Portraits for Adoptable Pets**

Randalyn Bingham, operator and talent of Randalyn's Photography in downtown Greenville, made a small gesture this February 2014 that has profoundly improved the online profiles of some of Bond County Humane Society's adoptable pets. Randalyn

offered to donate her time and expertise to take professional portraits of some of our cats and dogs still waiting in our shelters for their forever homes. We bathed, brushed and beautified 3 dogs and 3 cats, and Randalyn went straight to work with her camera lens, capturing their unique physical looks and their warm, bright-eyed personalities. Since that first occasion in February, Randalyn has kindly photographed over 25 more adoptable pets. Pet photography is often a challenging task so we are very grateful for Randalyn's contribution, plus her gift keeps giving! She has furnished every adopter of a studio-photographed pet a gift card towards a full photo shoot and portrait package!

### **Judy Jovi Appointed Office Manager**

Stop by the cat shelter and say hello to our office manager, Judy Jovi. Judy is a local retired professional office worker, and in August 2013 she began volunteering with Bond County Humane Society as an office administration assistant. Rachel Hundsorfer, acting president and director of BCHS, reports Judy is a fast learner, and she's quickly proved herself by becoming acquainted with nearly all of our office procedures including handling all correspondence to donors and adopters, spay/neuter applications and invoices, updating pet files in the computer database, and fielding basic questions over the phone and from walk-in clientele. She's also gotten several programs' backlogged paperwork organized and whipped into shape, most notably the dog spay/neuter voucher program. In addition, Judy has graciously fostered and bottle-fed several baby kittens in her home. Her companion dog, Max, a male Bichon Frisé, helps to "mother" the kittens, as well.



### **Chubb's Chow for Charity**

Five Greenville College students taking the spring semester Entrepreneurship class (Haley Durham, Amanda Land, Ben Cunningham, Ryan Besse and Josh Enloe) supported Bond County Humane Society with their start-up business project. Led by BCHS shelter volunteer Amanda, they developed a delicious, chocolaty, gourmet cereal snack in five flavors dubbed "Chubb's Chow," and marketed it all over campus the week of May 12-16, 2014. To kick off the first day of sales, the students also involved some adorable real dogs, including the yellow Labrador who inspired the name and logo of the product. Chubb's Chow sold over 400 bags and announced on their Facebook page: "We managed to make over \$200 that will go to the humane society for their everyday expenses!" Thanks, guys and gals, for your charitable partnership through your class project start-up! Rachel Hundsorfer, acting president of BCHS, said, "We sincerely appreciate the support of the students. This is just one example of our youth at work to help us achieve our goal of saving animal lives."

### **Ongoing Programs, Meetings & Volunteer Opportunities**

- **Low Cost Spay/Neuter Programs** At press time in August, no less than 19 companion cats, 52 companion dogs, and 138 feral/free roaming cats were spayed or neutered so far in 2014 through all of the various low-cost programs offered by BCHS. Please call our office at (618) 664-4068 for more information about financial assistance to have your companion animals spayed or neutered. BCHS also offers programs to help with the spay/neuter of feral or free roaming cats.
- **Recycle For Rescue** Don't forget about the recycling program at Ted's Recycling (1164 Mulberry Grove Rd., Mulberry Grove -- south of the Interstate, 618-326-7399, Open M-F 8-5 & Sat 8-3). The account for donating to BCHS is still available. Recycling aluminum cans for BCHS credit provides us with a constant income that is desperately needed to remain in operation. If you don't already do so, please consider collecting your beverage cans for this great cause!
- **Open Volunteer Positions** include 2-4 hour shifts of shelter care, animal feeding, dog walking, etc. and assistance at Saturday adoption day events. We have volunteer opportunities available for responsible and dependable adults, families, teens, and retirees with a wide variety of interests and abilities. Volunteering at BCHS provides valuable job training, pet education and all those warm "doing good for your community" feelings. Volunteer once a week, once a month, or more!
- **Membership Meetings** are held the 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of every month at 7:30 PM at the Bond County Housing Authority Building in Greenville, IL at 220 East Winter Avenue (near the intersection with South Prairie Street). All members, and those interested in becoming a member, are welcome! Learn more about BCHS activities and how YOU can get involved!

Bond County Humane Society's  
11th Annual

# PAWS -in the- PARK

## **Wag-n-Walk 8am - 10am**

Collect the most pledges and win an RCA 4 GB MP3 & Video Player!

## **Pet Parade 9am**

Starts at West Entrance of Park and ends at main pavilion.  
Pre-register for Best Costume and Parade King and Queen.

## **Agility course 9am - 2pm**

## **Pet Photos 10am - 3pm** Courtesy of Randalyn's Photography

## **Police K-9 Demonstration 10:30 am**

## **SAR K-9 Co-op Demonstration 12pm - 1pm and 2pm - 3pm** K-9 Based Search and Recovery

## **Petco Tent** Courtesy of Fairview Heights Petco Store

## **Pet Nail Trimming/Polishing 9am-2pm**

Courtesy of Tara Baum Carsrud & Team of Pet Designs Salon

## **Micro-chipping Clinic 1pm**

Vet Services courtesy of Greenville Veterinary Clinic

## **Pet Contests - 8:30 am registration. Contests start at 11am and continue approximately every 20 minutes. Free T-shirt with every \$10 spent on contests (while supply lasts).**

Fastest Fetch (Bring your pet's favorite fetch item), Best Kisser, Best Trick, Prettiest Pure Breed & Mixed Breed, Most Sits and Longest Down

## **Pet Friendly Lodging in Greenville**

Red Carpet Inn, Econo Lodge, Comfort Inn & Suites, Super 8

visit us online at [www.bondcohsh.petfinder.com](http://www.bondcohsh.petfinder.com)

**September 20, 2014**

**8am - 4pm (rain or shine)**

**Patriot's Park - Greenville, IL  
(Junction of IL Rt 140 & IL Rt 127)**

Questions? Contact Rachel (618) 664-4068

## **Food & Beverages**

## **Vendor Booths:**

**Enchanted Day Dreams**

**Lucky Paws Dog Training**

## **Adoptable Animal Meet & Greet**

## **Children's Activities:**

**Face-painting**

**Dogs In Art Tent**



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## **Thank You To Our Dedicated Fundraisers**

- Julie Juarez framed up our Photos with Santa plus Bake Sale December 14, 2013. Julie's elves included John Gillard who played Santa and photographer Randalyn Bingham. A snowstorm that morning did not prevent us from raising over \$650.
- Julie Juarez also sorted out our annual Garage Sale May 9-10, 2014. She was assisted in cleaning, arranging & tagging by Pam Chase, Nancy Grotts and Ted Wise. We collected tons of donated items and raised close to \$1200 to help the animals.
- Gayle Wise staged our 5<sup>th</sup> annual Puttin' On The Ritz For Fritz Dinner & Show Friday, May 16, 2014. Dinner was catered by Brad Ward of Joe's Pizza & Pasta and Liz Kious of Sweetest Things Confectionery. Shawn Cox directed the extremely talented Greenville High School Select Choir, and he performed with them as well! Plus, violinists Kylie Johnson and Haven Robart wowed the room with their selections.
- Claudine Hickam coordinated a fundraising Road Block at three high-traffic Greenville intersections along Third Street and Harris Avenue on Saturday, July 5, 2014. Claudine and her volunteers - Carolyn Johnson, Don & Victoria Beaver, Larry Boudouris & Brenna Weiss - asked drivers and passengers to donate to BCHS and they collected over \$700.
- **UPCOMING EVENT! 11<sup>th</sup> Annual Paws in the Park plus Wag-N-Walk September 20, 2014. Info flyer and pledge form in this issue. Don't miss our 9AM Pet Parade where we'll crown a Canine King & Queen plus award a Best Costume trophy!**

If you haven't done so already, please take a moment to "like" Bond County Humane Society's [www.facebook.com/bondcohs](http://www.facebook.com/bondcohs) page. Stay up to date with the fun events we have planned throughout the year and get to know the animals we have available for adoption. Your support and excitement is what helps us take care of the animals every month and lead the progress toward a new cat shelter! Thanks so much!

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## **In Loving Memory**

Honor a departed loved one, animal or human, with a donation that will help the animals at BCHS. Each donation is tax-deductible and many companies will match their employees' donations to 501(c)3 charitable organizations such as Bond County Humane Society. Recent donations have been received in memory of...

### **Animal Sponsors (\$501 & up):**

...Shirley Meyer by Family & Friends

### **Animal Lovers (\$101 - \$500):**

...Gabriella beloved cat by Rebecca Clausen (sponsored a litter of 4 kittens: Calypso, Celine, Hercules & Hector)

### **Animal Lovers (\$101 - \$500):**

...John Meyer by Family & Friends  
...Bob Helmkamp by Kay Helmkamp  
...Dan Gable by Family & Friends  
...Molly beloved dog by Dave & Beth Martin  
...Max beloved dog by Mary Holt  
...Jake beloved dog by Mark & Lori File

### **Animal Friends (\$25 - \$100):**

...Chico beloved cat by Mary Burdette  
...Lobo beloved dog by Robert & Pam Chase  
...Newton beloved cat by Kathy & Roger Reeves  
...Boo beloved cat by Steve & Andrea Hull  
...Jasper beloved cat by Steve & Andrea Hull  
...Ali beloved cat by Harriet Gibson

## **Permanent Shelter Donations**

Steve & Marjorie Cuvar, Mary Kasmark, Mary MacDonald, Al & Nancy Machmer,  
Randall Neumann, Larry & Betty Shenkle, Al Warren

## **Monthly Pledge Donors**

Donald & Susan DeNike, John & Judy Harrison, Rob & Tracy Johnson, Lonnie & Karen Kessinger, Mike Lotz, Al & Nancy Machmer, Kent & Carla Maples, Jennifer Mendes, Jerry Mocaby, Dr. Charlotte & Alan Rosenak, Steve Schmitt, Meg Sybert

# Lifetime Memberships

Joe & Caryl Culumber Debra Dixon	Dorothy Hawley Jane Hopkins	Mary Kasmark Mike & Cindy Lotz	Ken & Carol Slatton Nyla Strole	Dave & Mary Ann Willey Amanda Zeller
Dan & Mignon Fetterhoff John Goldsmith	Carolyn Johnson Julie Juarez	James & Nona Nance James Plunkett	David Voils	Kit & Mark Whittington

## Thank You for all of your Donations

### Animal Sponsors

**(\$501 & up):**

Carolyn Johnson  
Jennifer Mendes  
Steve & Kae Schmitt  
Paul Schorsch

### Animal Lovers

**(\$101-\$500):**

Arthur Kaaz  
Richard McClure  
Donna Summars

Gerald & Alesia Valentine  
Greenville College Entrepreneurship Class  
United Stationers  
Bond County 4-H  
Schatte Family (Eileen & friends Katie & Lexie)

### Animal Friends (\$25 - \$100):

Karen Brewer  
Chase Chrenka  
John D. Coleman  
Eve Conant  
Thomas & Betty Dawdy

Barb Dothage  
Howard & July Elmore  
Frances Fansler  
Gary Forshaw  
Greenville Vet Clinic  
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Debbi Keillor  
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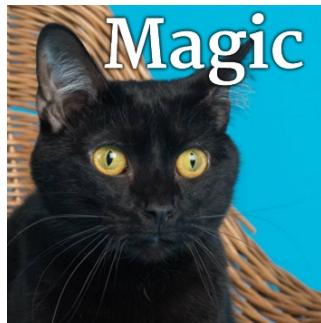
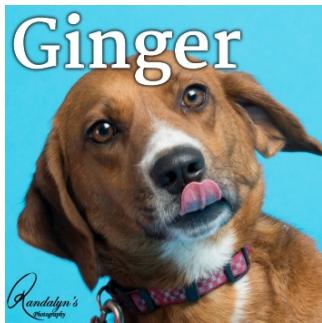
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Charles & Joyce Poelker  
Patrick & Lynne Slack  
Beverly Sublette  
Jesse Thompson  
Bill & Ardith Wylie  
Connie Zimpfer

## Available, Adorable, Adoptable!

Please help us find homes for these wonderful animals. **Adoptions** are conducted at the BCHS office at 1403 S. Fourth Street in Greenville, at the Petco in Fairview Heights on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturdays, at the PetSmart in Glen Carbon on the 2<sup>nd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> Saturdays, and at Buchheit in Greenville on 5<sup>th</sup> Saturdays. You can visit our website for more information and see more adoptable pets, plus grab a pet adoption application form – [www.bondcohs.petfinder.com](http://www.bondcohs.petfinder.com).

Standard adoption fees range from \$55 (for adult cats) up to \$200 (for purebred dogs) and the fee includes veterinary testing and treatment, routine shots/vaccinations, spay/neuter surgery and state-mandated microchipping.

**2014 Adoption Report:** So far, 40 Cats & 24 Dogs have found their furever homes. These sweet animals below can be next!



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Thank you to everyone who has contributed stories, letters, facts, ideas and photos that have helped create the Summer 2014 issue of The Pet Dispatch, the Official Newsletter of Bond County Humane Society.

—Rebecca Clausen, newsletter editor, lay-out design editor & VP Communications; Rachel Hundsどrfer, Acting President; Dennis Hundsどrfer, VP Facilities; Julie Juarez, VP Membership; KayAnna Warthen, VP Feline Wellness; Jane Hopkins, Secretary.

**The Pet Dispatch Summer 2014**

Buying pet supplies or a treat for your darling kitty or puppy?  
Buy a second one for BCHS pets who need your help!

**View our complete Wish List online!**

[www.bondcohs.petfinder.com](http://www.bondcohs.petfinder.com)

And we can always use more:

**Volunteers, Foster Homes, Animal Supplies, Office Supplies, Cleaning Supplies and More. All donations TAX-DEDUCTIBLE!**

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**11<sup>th</sup> Paws In The Park +  
Wag-n-Walk is Saturday,  
September 20, 2014 @ Patriot's  
Park, Greenville. Info Flyer and  
Pledge Form inside!**

Send [bchs4pets@sbcglobal.net](mailto:bchs4pets@sbcglobal.net) an email message and ask to be added to the huge (and growing) notifications-by-email list!!

**Or Current Resident**

If you are not yet a member, please consider becoming a member of Bond County Humane Society. If you know someone who is a pet lover and has not yet joined, invite them to become a member. Also, take this occasion to 1) contribute to BCHS's permanent shelter building fund, or 2) sponsor a cat or dog living in BCHS care by making your selection in the space provided below. Each donation is tax-deductible and many companies will match their employees' donations to 501(c)3 charitable orgs like BCHS!

**ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP AND DONATION FORM:**

Yes, I would like to become a member of Bond County Humane Society:

- \$1,000.00 Lifetime  
 \$100.00 Corporation / Organization  
 \$50.00 Family  
 \$30.00 Individual  
 \$15.00 Senior (60 and older) / High School or College Student  
 Other (Donation only, non-member). \$\_\_\_\_\_ Gift in memory of \_\_\_\_\_ (cat/dog/person).  
 Contribute to building the BCHS Permanent Shelter: \$\_\_\_\_\_ One-Time \$\_\_\_\_\_ Monthly \$\_\_\_\_\_ Annual.  
 Sponsor-A-Pet Donation: \$\_\_\_\_\_ One-Time \$\_\_\_\_\_ Monthly \$\_\_\_\_\_ Annual. Pet Name \_\_\_\_\_.

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Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Work Phone (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Please mail check or money order payable to: Bond County Humane Society