



The Pet Dispatch

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Official Newsletter of Bond County Humane Society

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Happy Tails & Rescue Stories

Stories of Bond County Humane Society pets' happy adopted endings

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Luna, One-Eyed Rescue Cat & Foster Fail, Loves to Snuggle!



Good Samaritans found five-week old Luna at a Greenville park 10pm August 7, 2020. The family called Bond County Humane Society and agreed to foster her; nursing her weak body through sickness, ear mites, and severe eye infections. She ultimately lost her left eye but the right eye – and her vision – was saved! Luna, a mild and sweet gray tabby with a feisty side played great with the other cats and even large dogs in her foster home, and even though the family once thought they could give her up for adoption, they decided they couldn't bear to see her go and adopted her themselves that November! Now they write:

“Every evening after we administered her medication, Luna would curl into our arms on the couch; always with the sweetest smile on her face and her front paws stretched high above her head. Following her eye surgery Luna's kitten personality

began to show and she loved to play and chase balls. We had a really hard time keeping her settled so she wouldn't tear her stitches. Even with all her new found energy and silliness one thing remained the same: Luna loved to snuggle. Our children were begging to keep her; our fur babies would miss their free-spirited friend; and my husband and I would miss her precious snuggles. We would adopt Luna!

Losing her eye did not slow Luna down in the least. She is just as capable as our other cats who do not have disabilities and her care is also similar. Since her adoption not much has changed for Luna. She spends her days curled up in the living room with her feline brother Toby or stretched out in the sunroom, engulfed in sunshine. Luna loves to watch the birds and squirrels in the yard: cat TV. Her favorite game is to scoop pieces of dog food out of the dog's bowl and bat it around the house; this works because her canine brother Lincoln, who is some type of Hound, loves to find the pieces! But the one thing that hasn't changed: Luna LOVES to snuggle.

Every night, without fail, she finds one of us on the couch. She jumps up and finds a comfy spot in your arms or on your chest and she settles in for her nightly snuggles.”

—Sarah Hulbert, June 4, 2021



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Shelter hours, 1-5pm
 Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri.
 (Sun, Wed by appt only)

VOLUNTEERING can mean shifts of shelter care, animal feeding, kitten socializing, dog walking, fostering, etc. **OR** assistance at adoption events. We have these opportunities and more for responsible and dependable adults, families, teens, and retirees with a wide variety of interests and abilities. Volunteer once a week, once a month, or more!

Membership Meetings, Volunteer Opportunities, & Spay/Neuter Programs

In order for BCHS to fulfill its mission it takes a lot of effort on the part of many people!

Membership Meetings are held **FIRST** Wednesday night of the month at 7:30pm at the BCHS Shelter Conference Room—2510 South Elm Street. Memberships are renewed in the first part of every calendar year. See membership form on back page!

Low Cost Spay/Neuter Programs We continue our Low-Cost spay and neuter financial aid and 2021 year-to-date, we've helped alter **150** animals in Bond Coun-

ty and close surrounding areas, preventing the unwanted litters.

An April 2020 donation from disbanded *SNIP Alliance*, a Madison County non-profit, has allowed BCHS to expand Low-Cost Spay/Neuter opportunities. Please call our office at (618) 664-4068 for more information about Trap-Neuter-Return or about financial assistance to have your companion animals spayed or neutered.

Rabies Vaccines for Cats—Illinois State Law now requires companion cats at least four (4) months old to receive a rabies vaccination with a veterinarian certification. The requirement does not apply to feral cats unless the feral cat is taken to the vet for sterilization.

Pet lovers and supporters of BCHS can easily make a donation online at <https://www.paypal.me/bchs4pets>



If You Feed Them, Please Fix Them

Is your friendly cat altered?: Where did all these feral free roaming cats come from to begin with? Most came from friendly pet cats who became lost or abandoned. If EVERYONE spayed/neutered cats and kittens before making them part of the family, this would certainly aid in the reduction of the feral cat population. Altering a cat also prevents many other health and behavioral problems. Alter your “free to good home” cat; alter your indoor only cat; alter your young cat (it is often safe to spay/neuter at 2 pounds, 2 months); alter your male cat; the miracle of birth can be experienced by fostering a pregnant cat for a local shelter! And tell people about BCHS’s low-cost spay/neuter!

If less than 2% of pet-owning households in the U.S. **fostered one pet a year** we could eliminate preventable euthanasia tomorrow.

85 MILLION pet-owning households*

petco love + BOBS
A NONPROFIT CHANGING LIVES for Strays
*American Pet Products Association

Find out what it takes to volunteer with Bond County Humane Society, and see if fostering is right for you!

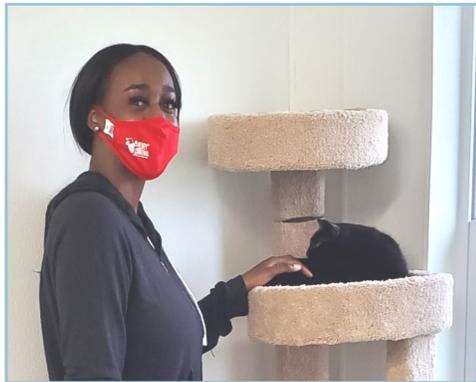


Volunteer Voices: Kevina & Makayla

These two Greenville University seniors volunteered two afternoons each week in Spring 2021 on our Cat/Kitten Feed & Clean Team. Dependable and enthusiastic, we wish them the best taking on more tough school and careers working with animals!

“It has been fun, everybody should do it,” says Kevina Payne. “They just shouldn’t wait until the last semester of

their senior year! Since I am a biology major and planning to be a veterinarian, I knew about the anatomy of a cat. But helping here, taking care of the cats and getting them ready to be adopted,



I learned a lot about the behavior and personality of the cats and getting them ready to be adopted, I learned a lot about the behavior and personality of the cats as pets. I have been happy to volunteer to help Bond County Humane Society.”

Makayla Hub-

Finally a Family For These Good Girls!

Mamacita: A stray with four kittens, she loved attention, getting vocal, and greeting shelter visitors. Mamacita waited 12 years for her Gotcha Day and her forever home in Greenville, IL.



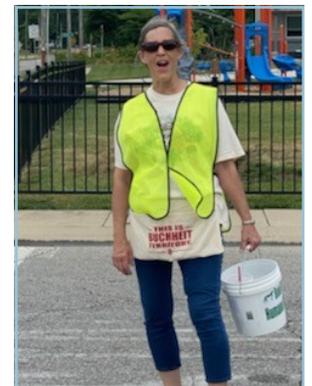
Jemma: A stray kitten rescued with littermates, she had her quirks and her certain few favorite volunteers. Jemma waited 11 years for her Gotcha Day and her forever home in Denver, CO.

bard tells us, “People here are very welcoming and helpful. Overall a good, fun, learning experience with the shelter cats!”



Nothing is more important than keeping people & pets together for a lifetime of love.

(RIGHT) Our Corner Collection Road Block Fundraiser in Greenville on Saturday, June 19, 2021 raised \$2,400! Fantastic work, BCHS volunteers, and thank you so very much, motorists and supporters of our lifesaving work including rescuing and caring for local cats and dogs and preparing them for responsible adoptive homes!



(LEFT) Thanks to groundbreaking innovation, finding lost pets will be quicker and easier with the patented pet facial recognition technology of the new Petco Love Lost database.

Visit <https://www.PetcoLoveLost.org> to learn more!



Saturday, September 18, 2021
Patriot's Park, Greenville, Illinois
10am - 3pm

Adorable? Comic? Serious? Naughty?
Who will win our 2021 Cutest Pet Photo Contest?
Trophy and ribbons for the top contestants!

**Proceeds from the contest directly benefit
adoptable pets waiting for homes at
Bond County Humane Society.**

Cutest Pet Photo Contest Entry Form

Please complete the below form (print only, please) and submit to Bond County Humane Society along with a photo of your pet, no later than September 14.

Your Name: _____

Address, including City/Village: _____

Email Address: _____ Phone #: _____

Pet's Name: _____ Dog Cat Other

Pet's Age: _____ Breed: _____

Please provide a short description or caption for your photo:

Questions? Ask us on Facebook.com/bondcohs or Call BCHS at (618) 664-4068
or Email bchs4pets@sbcglobal.net

For more information on our Paws in the Park fundraising event, visit us
online at <https://bit.ly/bondcohs> OR find us on Facebook.

Office Use Only:

Date Received:

Entry #

WIN CASH TENNIS BALL DROP FOR DOLLARS \$5 BALL

Fundraiser part of 2021 Paws In The Park, see official website or social for participation details!



Sept 18, 2021

Saturday

10am - 3pm

(Rain or Shine)

Patriot's Park, Greenville, IL

CELEBRATE PEOPLE & THEIR PETS!

Pet Parade w/ Best Costume • Pet Contests

SAR K9 Co-Op Demo • Tennis Ball Drop Raffle

Pet Photos by Lorri Garrison • Silent Auction • Vendors

Pet Nail Trimming • Micro-chipping

Adoptable Dogs Meet & Greet • Vote for Cutest Pet Photo

Food & Beverages • Bring The Kids!

ALL PROCEEDS BENEFIT BCHS!

Register for contests and/or parade online and pick up your complimentary Paws in the Park t-shirt upon entry!

(Registration also available at entry)



**Bond County
Humane Society**

Visit us on Facebook, Instagram, or on the Web

<https://bit.ly/bondcohs>

for more information!



Pet Friendly Lodging in Greenville:

SureStay, Comfort Inn & Suites, Super 8



Advertising funding in part by Greenville Tourism

Donations & Memorials

Remember, BCHS is a primarily volunteer-based organization operating solely on membership dues, donations, fundraisers and grants. It receives no funding from city, county, state or federal governments, or any other private organization. Bond County Humane Society is an independent entity NOT financially affiliated with nor financially backed by Humane Society of the United States. We need your direct local support to continue our efforts in helping the animals of Bond County. Together we can all

make a difference!

Help save unwanted, lost, stray and neglected pets any time of the year with charitable gifts!

Bond County Humane Society is an IRS approved 501(c)3 charitable organization so all donations, including assets, are tax deductible in accordance with IRS guidelines.

See the Donation Form on the last page of this newsletter, visit the Donate Page on our website, or call our office to find out all of your gifting options.

<https://bit.ly/bondcohsdonate>

618 664-4068

2510 S. Elm Street, Greenville, IL 62246

Memorialize a relative, friend or animal companion with a **PLAQUE** on our **MEMORY WALL**.

The name will be inscribed on a brass plate mounted on the wall in our Greenville office & adoption center. Your donation will create a lasting tribute to your loved one and help enrich the lives of animals in BCHS's care. There are now five donation categories of plaques: Animal Friends (\$25 - \$100), Animal Lovers (\$101 - \$500), Animal Sponsors (\$501 - \$2499), Animal Angels (\$2500 - \$4999), and Animal Heroes (\$5000 and up).

In Loving Memory

Donations have been received between Nov 24, 2020 - March 21, 2021 in MEMORY of...

Animal Sponsors (\$501 - \$2499):

... Larry Maroon (Memorials made in honor of the late Barbara Maroon) by friends & family

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

... Priscilla Beaver by Plant Maintenance Services
 ... Priscilla Beaver by BCHS Workers
 ... Vicki Cruse by friends & family
 ... Dale Smith by friends & family
 ... Harry L. Smith by friends & family

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

... Circus, beloved dog, by Andrea Nance Jump
 ... John Thomas-Griffith, beloved Great Dane, by Mike & Elaine Westbrooks
 ... Tucker Lamers, beloved dog, by Dave & Beth Martin
 ... Betty Edwards by Mike & Elaine Westbrooks
 ... Amil 'Butch' Ganaway by Rev Dr James L & Gale White
 ... Helen & George Heide by Karen Milby
 ... Sharon Kay Peterson by Gail Harnetiaux
 ... Ellen Rose Plog by R. Randall Neumann
 ... Rick Powell by R. Randall Neumann
 ... Mary Mollett Stewart by R. Randall Neumann
 ... Mary Vohlken by R. Randall Neumann
 ... Tom Whalen, Jr by R. Randall Neumann

Engraved Bricks Purchases By...

Orders received between November 24, 2020 - June 30, 2021

Jennifer Baird for Europa, Laika & Luna with love from Dylan & Anastasia; Don Lugge; Tana Stanfill in memory of Ada & Merl Dubach; Heather Summers in memory of Meeko

Monthly Pledge Donors

Janice Carr, Margaret Chase, Deb Dixon, Michael Heath, Lonnie & Karen Kessinger, Barb McClure, Jennifer Mendes, Deedra Pestle, Steven Schmitt

Lifetime Memberships

Pam Chase
 Joe & Caryl Culumber
 Debra Dixon
 John Duft & June Blaine
 Dan & Mignon Fetterhoff
 John & Nancy Gillard
 John Goldsmith

Jeff Hemker
 Rick & Jane Hilliard
 Jane Hopkins
 Dennis & Rachel Hundsdorfer
 Carolyn Johnson
 Julie Juarez Heckman
 Mary Kasmark
 Mike & Cindy Lotz
 Barb McClure

James & Nona Nance
 James Plunkett
 Ken Slatton
 Nyla Strole
 David Voils
 KayAnn Warthen
 Kit & Mark Whittington
 Dave & Mary Ann Willey
 Amanda Zeller



Donations received between November 24, 2020 - January 31, 2021

Animal Heroes (\$5000 & up):
Bob Keef Estate

Animal Sponsors (\$501 - \$2499):
Carlisle Construction Materials
Nestlé Purina
Renaissance Charitable Foundation
Paul Schorsch
Smith Family Fund

Animal Lovers (\$101 - \$500):
Double J Doggie Play N Stay (Santa Photos Fundraiser)
Cynthia & Bervin Kruger Crecelius

Charles Davis
Sandra File & Terry Everett
Kenny & Linda Hampton
Virginia Heinz
Charlotte Rosenak

Animal Friends (\$25 - \$100):
Jennifer Manno *sponsored cats Fantasia & Tatiana*
Malva & Anthony Yocco, *in honor of Shalini Shenoy, MD*
Chris Kessler, *in honor of "Giving Tuesday for Ruby"*

Christy Bryant
Charles Davis
Francis Farris

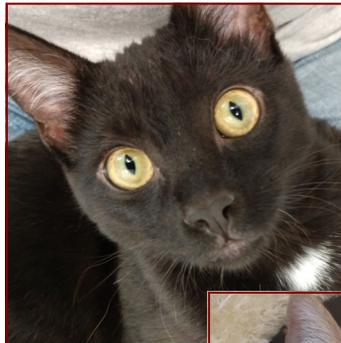
Roger K. Finley
Megan Fritzsche
John & Gina Goldsmith
Stacy Hernandez
Keith & Lori Kohlenhoefer
Thomas & Cookie Langel
Mary Joyce MacDonald
Lisa Pirtle
Elayne Quillin
Debra Shaw
Donna Sommars
Carol Sturdivant
Brad & Mary Wade
Ruth Wise & Paul Steiner
Constance Zimpfer

Available, Adorable, Adoptable!

Please help us find homes for these wonderful animals. **Adoptions** are conducted at the BCHS office & adoption center at 2510 S. Elm Street in Greenville and (in non-Covid-19 times) at the Petco store in Fairview Heights Saturdays.

You can visit our website for more information and see more adoptable pets, plus grab a pet adoption application form – <https://bit.ly/bondcohsadopt>

Standard adoption fees range from \$55 (for adult cats) up to \$250 (for pure-bred dogs) and the fee includes veterinary testing and treatment, routine shots/vaccinations, spay/neuter surgery, and state-mandated microchipping.



Salem



Rascal



Go Online & Browse All Back Issues of Bond County Humane Society's "The Pet Dispatch" Newsletter! <http://www.bondcohs.petfinder.com>

Thank you to everyone who contributed stories, letters, facts, ideas, & photos that have helped create the Summer 2021 issue of "The Pet Dispatch", the Official Newsletter of Bond County Humane Society.

–Rebecca Clausen, newsletter editor, lay-out design editor & VP Communications; Rachel Hundsdorfer, Acting President; Dennis Hundsdorfer, VP Facilities; Julie Juarez Heckman, VP Membership; KayAnna Warthen, VP Feline Wellness; Mickey Grist-Merrifield, VP Grants; Jane Hopkins, Secretary.

Wondering how you can help BCHS in 2021? Join our membership and volunteer to serve as an officer!! We have great fun and make lifelong friendships while performing our mission to save adoptable pets. Open Officer Positions include: Treasurer, VP Volunteers, VP Fundraising, and President.

DONATIONS

Purchase supplies for dogs, cats, the shelter, or office from our Wish List on our website!

And check out our Amazon Wish List online <https://a.co/9RRzBwo>



Make us your charity of choice on AmazonSmile, ResQwalk, WoofTrax's Walk for a Dog, GoodShop, eBay for Charity, and Prairie Farms' Our Caps Your Cause.

DONATIONS MAY BE TAX-DEDUCTIBLE !

Make Pet Adoption Your First Option!



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Generate donations for BCHS
when you take a WALK or a RUN!
WoofTrax.com & ResQwalk.com



Or Current Resident

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) Pledge a recurring donation which helps form a predictable source of income BCHS can count on to fund our programs, or 2) Sponsor a cat or dog living in BCHS care. **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).
- Pledge a Recurring Donation: \$ _____ Monthly \$ _____ Quarterly \$ _____ Annual.
- Sponsor-A-Pet Donation: \$ _____ One-Time \$ _____ Monthly \$ _____ Annual. BCHS Pet Name _____.

**We need your direct
local support to help
the animals!**

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Home Phone: (____) _____ Work Phone (____) _____ Mobile Phone (____) _____

Email Address: _____

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