

Upcoming Events

- *Christmas CritterBidders*
– Nov. 25-30
- *Santa Paws* – Nov. 7 & 8
- *Giving Tuesday* – Dec. 1
- *Phantom Ball* – New Year's Eve
- *Giving Hearts Day* – Feb. 11

Fall 2020

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A publication for friends of the Central Dakota Humane Society

BOO-BOO 50-50 RAFFLE

Let's get ready to RAFFLE!! Included in this newsletter are four raffle tickets for the CDHS Boo-Boo 50-50 Raffle. This raffle is a straight 50-50 raffle, where there is one winner and that person wins half the cash raised through the raffle (maximum of \$8,000, per North Dakota law). CDHS will use the proceeds from this raffle for our veterinary and medical fund to help the animals stay healthy and fix their boo-boos.

Medical expenses are some of the greatest expenses at the shelter. Some of the issues we have seen in the last few months include stray kittens with no momma and severe eye infections, a kitten with a broken leg that was found swimming in Lake Tschida, a kitten with an eye issue found at the pumpkin patch, a shelter dog with cancer, an adult cat with kidney failure, several cats with ringworm, an adult cat with gastric issues, a round of kennel cough in our dog building, a dog that needed emergency surgery for pyometra (uterine infection), and a dog with mega esophagus. Most of these animals need ongoing medications to heal their wounds and afflictions and several need surgery. Every week we have new medical challenges to deal with and we work hard to get all the animals healthy and ready for their new homes.

Please use the envelope in this newsletter to return your ticket stubs, along with a check or money order, or stop at the shelter to drop off your stubs and payment. Additional tickets will be available at the shelter for purchase. By law, we are not able to charge raffle tickets on a credit card. Your participation in this raffle will help heal the animals and give you the chance to earn some serious cash. It is definitely a win-win! 🐾

Raffle sponsored by Mid Dakota Clinic

Central Dakota Humane Society's
Boo-Boo 50-50 Raffle - \$10/ticket

First Name: _____
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State: _____ Zip: _____
Email: _____



CENTRAL DAKOTA HUMANE SOCIETY'S BOO-BOO 50-50 RAFFLE

Sponsored by Mid Dakota Clinic

All money raised goes to the veterinary fund to help
the CDHS animals stay healthy and fix their boo-boos.

GRAND PRIZE:
50% OF RAFFLE TICKET SALES
(PER ND LAW, THE MAXIMUM PRIZE IS \$8,000.)

NEED NOT BE PRESENT TO WIN. Final prize will be based on the amount raised. Maximum prize is \$8,000, by ND law.
Must be 18 or older to participate. Purchase is not a charitable donation. No contribution necessary. Morton County Permit #233

Ticket Deadline: Nov. 23
\$10 PER TICKET

Drawing will be held:
2 pm, Nov. 25, 2020
at Central Dakota Humane Society
2104 37th St., Mandan, ND
and broadcast on Facebook Live

Tours and Thanks and Things

- 🐾 Thank you to the businesses that host our community canisters and thank you to all of you who drop change into them. Every penny helps take care of the animals!
- 👉 Thank you to Dakota Pharmacy. Kevin and the crew donated to CDHS for every pet prescription filled during August and September!
- 🐾 Thank you to the CDHS supporters who held Facebook fundraisers – Sarah Diehl, Michelle Oppegard, Bill Willis, Lindy Davison Kadrmass, Rachel Fode, Michelle Gayette, Cameo Skager, Ehvinn, Alyssa Kroshus, Connie Udby, Cindy Sorenson, and Tammy Loran. Thank you for supporting our mission on social media!
- 🐾 Thank you to the Prairie Rose Lion's Club for their donation to the animals at the shelter as a part of their service project. What a group of generous hearts.
- 👉 Thank you to Evan for collecting money for CDHS. And, to top it off, he and his family adopted a kitty. Yay!
- 🐾 Thanks to Best of the Prairie Magazine for running an ad for us for free! They reach thousands of households in the Bis-Man area and helped us spread the word about Shaggy Shuffle Solo.
- 👉 A big THANK YOU to TSC in Bismarck for donating a truck load of pet food. As always, we use the food that works for our shelter pets, and if we are not able to use it we deliver it to Community Action and Heaven's Helpers Soup Cafe so they can share it with the community.
- 👉 Goodness on top of goodness. The MDU Resources Charity Match Program matches donations from their employees to their political action committee. The employees choose a charity to receive the match and these folks chose CDHS: Jeremy Hauff, Melissa Keller, Kathy Peterson, Jay Skabo, and Tony Spilde. Thank you so much!
- 👉 Hats off to Brady Martz & Associates for bringing donations to CDHS on their Random Act of Kindness Day.
- 🐾 Thank you to KFYZ-TV. They continue to feature a NDToday Adopt-A-Pet every week. Because of the current health concerns, they helped us find a way to visit with them virtually. Watch for CDHS every Wednesday morning at 9:45 a.m.
- 👉 Thank you to Mia, who asked for a donation to CDHS for her Christmas gift from her grandma. AND, she sewed some cat blankets for the kitties. What a heart!
- 🐾 Thank you to Connie Udby and Mobile Paw Spa for donating a stainless steel tub for the the shelter pets bathing needs. We will certainly miss you!
- 👉 Hats off to Alison Smith and Kitty City for their donation of a dog treadmill. Not just helping the kitties, but helping the doggos too!
- 🐾 Thank you so much to Jacque with Pet Agree Mobile Grooming, who spent her birthday giving back to the shelter cats by bathing and shaving some of those in need. You could tell that the cats felt so much better after their day of pampering.
- 🐾 Thank you to Girl Scout Troop 83050 who raised money for our bug-out adoption bags that go home with adopted animals and Troop 83161 who made tie blankets for our kitties. We appreciate you!



Needs List

- Monetary donations
- Gasoline cards
- HP 952 CMY ink cartridges
- HP 410A – CMY toner
- Cat litter (non-clumping)*
- Booklets of Forever Stamps
- Bleach
- Blankets and towels
- Fleece (Should be new - Will be used to make blankets to sell.)
- Batting for fleece blankets
- White garbage bags (13 gallon)
- HE liquid laundry detergent
- Canned dog and cat food
- Chicken baby food
- Toilet paper
- Black lawn and leaf garbage bags
- Epson 410 Black and CMY ink cartridges
- Frontline flea and tick protection (no generics please)
- Vehicle donations are always welcome!

* Always in short supply.

Membership meetings

Membership meetings are held the third Tuesday of each month at the CDHS shelter at 6 p.m.

Please join us and give your input as the future of the Central Dakota Humane Society is discussed and planned. Call 701-667-2020 for more info. All interested parties welcome.

Nov. 17, Dec. 15, Jan. 19, Feb. 16
(Meetings may be held online as necessary.)

Dog walking classes

Dog walking classes are held once a month – on the second Saturday at 1:30 p.m. Classes require pre-registration. If you plan to attend, please call the shelter at 701-667-2020 and talk to Mandy.

• **Saturday, Nov. 14** • **Saturday, Dec. 12** •
• **Saturday, Jan. 9** • **Saturday, Feb. 13**



Shelter Report

By Sue Buchholz, Shelter Director

Many years and many memories

It's been 60 years since this organization was founded. That is a heck of a good start. I'm proud to say that I have had the immense good fortune of being involved for over 25 of those years.

I always used to say that I remembered the first 500 critters through our door pretty well and after that things started to get fuzzy. Let me assure you that my partners in crime here at work will back me up on the "Sue's mind is fuzzy" part. Oh well, no use denying it. But I do have some memories about our shelter journey and the animals that have impacted me the most that I can share.

In September of 1994 I started my dream job with the best of intentions but needing to learn an awful lot. Vaccines need to be refrigerated? Ummm...yes! I was quickly thrown into the deep end, providing round-the-clock care with two parvo-positive puppies, working with a vet but still having zero experience with this terrible disease. By some miracle they survived, thrived, and were adopted into loving homes.

The very first dog that came into the facility was Buddy. He became my dearly loved canine sidekick who rode shotgun next to me wherever I went for the rest of his life. I recall I made the Board of Directors very nervous when I fell in love with the first dog we took in. I remember a "Sue, we have to let them go" talk. Yes, I know, but I also could tell what a good, kind, and smart boy he was, and knew he would end up helping me and CDHS in too many ways to count. He was a once in a lifetime true gem of a dog and I still miss him.



Matthew was a crabby, live-trapped cat that couldn't be touched for months. We slid food and a litter box into his kennel at the end of a broomstick. Who was the boss there? The broomstick got many a beating from his murder mittens as did our shoes. Finally, after a few months, he decided we could be tolerated and eventually became the mostly anti-social, free-roaming mascot. If he was roaming the parking lot or lounging in the lobby and you got close enough to pet him, you most likely would need a band aid in the near future. Matthew was a great mouser and even killed a snake or 100, and brought them to the front door to remind us all what he was capable of. I remember washing the blood off the concrete before the shelter opened, because I was smart enough to know that a bloody

sidewalk makes for a questionable welcome mat. The staff became his friends and we could give him a little loving, on his terms of course. The shelter was his home for many years until at a ripe old age, his kidneys failed him and he was ready to move on. I still miss his confident and independent personality.

I did not yet realize it, but my Buddy was nearing the end of his life with a yet-to-be-diagnosed tumor on his spine, when a 10-day-old puppy came in that needed round-the-clock care. That puppy was Coty, who looked a lot like Buddy and while she was her own girl, she possessed a lot of Buddy's personality. I was still raising a three-month-old Coty when Buddy unexpectedly passed away, and she slid right into my heart to help me begin to heal. She could never replace him, but she quite naturally became my next sidekick at work and at home.



Another vivid memory and life changing event was our trek to Dothan, Alabama after Hurricane Katrina. I have written much about this adventure but to recap, we hauled a trailer load of food and supplies to be distributed to shelters and individuals in need. We cleaned kennels, exercised dogs, and cleaned and medicated cats housed in tents on the shelter grounds. Hundreds of dogs were held in cages on pallets lined up row after row. This was something I had never before experienced on this scale. They asked if we could drive into New Orleans and pick up a load of dogs to ease overcrowding there. It seemed like the shelter in Dothan was plenty overcrowded as well, but ground transports as well as flights were leaving daily to shelters around the country accepting dogs. It was a big revolving door involving amazing people at every stop working literally 24-7.

When it was time for us to head back to North Dakota we brought back 52 dogs and cats and indoctrinated them to life on the prairie. Tula, my naughty Alabama Pittey, was on the transport and she came to be my personal dog as well. Tula was a piece of work. Pregnant, pneumonia, skin infections, flea infested, along with an aloof and suspicious personality.



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Mandy's Corner

By Mandy Schaaf, Volunteer and Event Coordinator

Our Board of Directors are Volunteers too!

Central Dakota Humane Society operates with a volunteer board of directors that provides leadership and direction for our wonderful organization. Many of our board members have been with CDHS for many years and some of for just a few. Whether they have been a volunteer/board member for 5 years or 25 years, the skills, experience and focus of this group is an incredible gift to CDHS and guarantees that we will be a valuable part of the Bismarck/Mandan community for another 60+ years. Some of our board members shared their experiences and thoughts on their ongoing dedication to CDHS:

Charlene Seifert, a board member for over 11 years began volunteering with CDHS because she "has a sincere love for animals and a desire to be part of a progressive, caring shelter as it grows in the community, offering temporary homes, exceptional care, education for the public, and outreach for resources for those unable to care for themselves." Charlene's favorite memory was a trip Sue took to Louisiana in 2005. The result of this trip was 50+ rescue dogs taking up a temporary residence at CDHS until we could find them their forever homes. Charlene's hopes and dreams for CDHS are "continue to grow in our campus to allow more space and services to serve the community, and that our hearts will continue to be focused on providing loving, nurturing care to our "guests."



Charlene

Another long term board member, Rita O'Neill, has been on the CDHS board for 15 years and her favorite memory is "moving the cat and administrative building into the beautiful new building and seeing animals going home with their new parents, knowing they will be OK!" Rita has always loved animals and wanted to help where she could. CDHS seemed like a great match for her.



Rita

David Borlaug has been a CDHS volunteer for five years and served on our Board of Directors for four years. David and his wife, Ruth, started walking dogs at CDHS after they lost their beloved basset, Annie. They started by bringing in donations and then volunteering at CDHS. "The connection was immediate and strong!" David says his interest and support

continues "because the ongoing need is so apparent, and seeing the wonderful results, with dogs and cats finding their forever homes. David's favorite thing about CDHS is "Every time I see a family leaving the shelter with a dog or cat, with enough smiles to light Morton County."

Anne Green has been a board member for a little over 10 years and provides foster care to lone kittens that require bottle feeding and around the clock care. She became a volunteer because she has always had a love for animals and "couldn't watch those sad commercials on TV." Anne decided she had to get over her sadness and says, "You gotta dig in and do something!" The mission and our organization is why Anne has continued to support CDHS all these years. "We are growing at a break neck pace in the most positive way imaginable. We are growing and getting stronger with a broader reach than any of us could have imagined."



Anne

Our newest board member, Michelle Gayette, has been a volunteer about five years. Michelle thoughts on what keeps her interest and supporting CDHS, "Everything about the organization, the staff, the volunteers, and for sure the animals. Every time I'm there, I see how lovingly the animals are treated and cared for, and how much extra time and effort goes into each one. It isn't just a job; it is a mission. The long-time, committed volunteers also go above and beyond making sure the grounds look lovely, the potential adopters are greeted and encouraged, and each animal gets love and attention and a walk or ride. Every animal is loved by someone. Seeing a scared dog or cat become a loving animal is the best thing about volunteering with CDHS. That breakthrough moment when I finally get to touch a dog that hasn't allowed it or receive my first sloppy kiss; there are no words to describe it." One of Michelle's favorite memories was being able to help unload a group of dogs that Sue and staff brought back from a hurricane devastated area. When they hit the city limits, we rushed out to the shelter to be there in time to see the caravan arrive. Then getting to help the dogs out of their kennel into their new life - WOW!"



Michelle

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Many memories (continued from Page 3)

She really wasn't looking for more friends, or maybe she was just feeling too ill to care. But honestly even after she was healthy, she still wasn't looking for more friends.

She needed constant supervision on a very short leash and she still managed to menace a person or two. But she loved me and I loved her and together we learned lots of stuff and had a great run. Two years after I adopted her, Tula's cancer diagnosis was a gut punch after all she had already survived. I was told to expect a six-month life span with no treatment, or two years with chemo with an expense in the thousands. We decided on the chemo and it took me years to pay it off, but no regrets here! Instead of the anticipated two-year gift, I was given seven more years with my little girl and she braved it all, as pitties do, and continued my education about cancer and miracles.

These are my personal stories that impacted my life. I think about every one of the thousands that have gone through our doors - how each of them have impacted THEIR families. The ripple effect is massive and I still feel honored to be a part of it. I still love to come to work every day, and think often about how fortunate I am to be part of this team of generous and giving animal lovers. The challenges will continue. In spite of all our ongoing education efforts, in spite of spay/neuter assistance, in spite of more resources for animal protection than ever before, we face a volume of requests for services that we can't seem to get on top of. It's frustrating for sure, but walking away is not an option. For CDHS, giving up will never be an option. We pledge to fight for animals and to be their voice and to be their shelter for another 60 years and beyond. We could not do it without you, and we sleep a little better knowing you have our backs. 🐾

Congratulations, Sue!

Congratulations to Sue Buchholz on her 25-year anniversary with CDHS! (We are only one year late, as her true anniversary date was in 2019.) Sue started her journey with CDHS in 1994 when the Board of Directors decided to purchase the shelter building and land north of Mandan, and create an actual shelter. Prior to that, the organization had connected people with pets via a phone tree system. Sue happened to attend a meeting where the group was discussing purchasing the property and hiring someone to run the facility. Sue offered her services and she was hired.

In the early days, the shelter ran on a shoestring budget and Sue was diligent about making sure the animals had what they needed, but that the budget was controlled. Through her true dedication and service to the animals and the organization, CDHS has grown to become the shelter you know today. We are so proud that she is our leader and mentor and continues to always put the animals first.



Board member volunteers (continued from Page 3)

Karen Holman has been a CDHS volunteer since 2006 and decided to join our Board of Directors the following year. Karen has adopted and fostered many of our special needs cats and some for only a short time due to health issues that took them far too soon. Karen obviously has a heart of gold and spine of steel to get attached and to provide a wonderful life for a number of cats for the time they had left to share. Karen has been a huge part of many great decisions that have benefitted CDHS and she has the following to say about our organization, "For all the years I have been involved with CDHS the thing that really sticks in my mind is how helpful and caring all the staff are. They are truly called to help the animals and they care for them so very much. That is a big part of what keeps me involved with CDHS. I am impressed with how long many of the employees have been with the shelter. I see their dedication to the animals every time I am at the shelter."

Though not highlighted here, we give a big shoutout to our other current board members - Jerry Kemmet, Becky Dorwart, Mike Gayette, Michelle Thomson. Also, a huge thank you to all board members of the past. The varied base of our board of directors comes from different places and personal experiences. The common link is a dedication and love for animals and the goal of continued success for the future of CDHS. When a Board, staff and volunteers band together they can accomplish amazing things! The future of CDHS is bright! 🐾

CDHS Calendars benefit the animals!



Adoptable Pets

See more CDHS adoptable pets
at www.cdhs.net



BEEMER
FIV +
Neutered Male
Long Hair (DLH)
Orange
Approximate DOB:
April 2012
Origin: Stray



CLOVER
Unspayed Female
Short Hair (DSH)
Brown Tabby
DOB: June 2017
Origin: Unclaimed
Impound



JUNO
Unspayed Female
Short Hair (DSH)
Dilute Tortie
DOB: August 2019
Origin: Unclaimed
Impound



PAT
Spayed Female
Short Hair (DSH)
Black and White
Approximate DOB:
July 2014
Origin: Stray



**HAIRYANNA
GRANDE**
Unspayed Female
Long Hair (DLH)
Black and White
DOB: July 2018
Origin: Stray



LOXY SHIMMERPOP
Unspayed Female
Border Collie/Lab
Cross
Approximate DOB:
September 2019
Origin: Stray



TANK
Neutered Male
Pitbull/Boxer Cross
Approximate DOB:
September 2009
Origin: Owner



HANSEL
Neutered Male
Rottweiler Cross
Approximate DOB:
November 2017
Origin: Owner
Surrender



TOFTE
Unspayed Female
Short Hair (DSH)
Black and White
DOB: April 2020
Origin: Stray



CHEVY
Unneutered Male
Pitbull/Lab Cross
Approximate DOB:
January 2020
Origin: Owner
Surrender



HEMATITE
Unspayed Female
Medium Hair
(DmH) Black
DOB: April 2020
Origin: Stray



MESABI
Unspayed Female
Medium Hair
(DMH) Black and
White
DOB: April 2020
Origin: Stray



CHICORY
Unspayed Female
Short Hair (DSH)
Gray
DOB: June 28, 2020
Origin: Born at
CDHS



JESSIE
Spayed Female
Shepherd/Terrier
Mix
Approximate DOB:
July 2018
Origin: Rescue
Transfer



WRANGLER
Neutered Male
Blue Heeler Mix
Approximate DOB:
August 2018
Origin: Rescue
Transfer

Tails of Success

Marlo

"Staff of CDHS, Dusty and I wanted to express our gratitude to all the wonderful staff there for helping us find the perfect addition to our family! Marlo is living her best life and we are consistently entertained by her energy and cute napping positions. She is the best cat we could've ever hoped for and are so grateful for the help of everyone along the way! Thank you for helping us find Marlo, we adore her!" - from Marlo's family



Coconut

"Hi Everyone!! We wanted to let you know how things are going with Coconut. His first few days here we had an unexpected visitor, my sister's cat came to stay with us as they had to go out of town and surprisedly they got along quite well. Coconut has taken to my husband and keeps tabs on him as you can see in the last picture, making sure he is working hard from home. He also has let him cut the remaining mats off of him, his fur has become soft so we patiently wait for it to grow back in! He has explored the whole house and likes being downstairs the most. He has been sleeping with us at night and gets comfortable in our bed even when it is empty. He gets along well with Holly and currently is tolerating the dogs from a distance, but I think with a little more time that to will improve. Thanks again for this opportunity! He has been getting lots of love." - from Coconut's family



Dino (formerly Kovu)

"Dino (aka Kovu, from the motherless litter last Dec.) has been with us 3 months now. He's such a sweet boy & has become quite the frisbee dog! His best friend is either my 12 year old son, or the cat, Goldie. She even wants to tag along on our evening walks with him. He loves to help me garden & catches any fly that gets in the house. He loves camping & hiking, but isn't sure about lakes yet. Bed though, ... BEDS ARE GOOD! Thanks again!" - from Dino's family



Renegade

"Hi there CDHS, just wanted to say hi from Renegade! He is doing amazing and is just the best addition. We absolutely love him and want to make sure you all know what a HUGE part you all had in making him such an amazing part of our family. We cannot thank you all enough. He loves walks, he can run with me because I'm slow :), he can actually swim (!), he's wonderful with our kids, he is very protective, he "talks" a lot, he loves to play with our dog Charley and we introduced a puppy, Bella, into our family in March and he was instantly a great big brother. He does spin in circles quit a bit, vet thinks its anxiety and I know he looks really skinny but we feed him 3 times a day! The vet said he is the perfect size and doesn't want him to get much bigger because it could cause strain on his front leg. Thanks again for everything." - from Renegade's family



Daphne

"No paparazzi please! My new owner has been so patient with me over the past couple of months. I was not to sure about her at first, so I went under the bed a lot. However, I come out all the time now! She actually pets me whenever I want and she got me some fun toys that I like to put in my water dish so everyone knows they're mine. I have strict rules: belly rubs, a window seat, and in bed by 10:00 or else I catch an attitude. All and all, I could definitely get used to this forever home thing!" - with love, Daphne



Max

Max is an older gentleman who lost his family. He is so happy and relaxed with his new family and they love him too. We were glad to help Max move to the next chapter of his life.



Watch the CDHS Facebook page every Sunday for more Tails of Success!

How you can help the animals

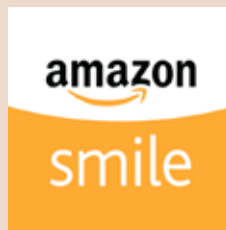
Target Circle

Sign up for Target Circle or use your Red Card at checkout (in store or online) and you will be able to support CDHS by voting in the App (or in your account online). Any purchases between Oct. 1 and Dec. 31 will gain you a vote and will help CDHS support more critters in need.



Amazon Smile

When purchasing from Amazon, go to www.smile.amazon.com and choose Central Dakota Humane Society as your nonprofit to support. We receive a portion of your sales total. We receive thousands of dollars every year from this program. Your support really does help!



Dan's Supermarket

Save your receipts when you shop at Dan's Supermarket and drop them at the shelter or mail them to CDHS. Once we collect \$150,000 in receipts, we receive a \$1,000 check through the SpartanNash Direct Your Dollar Campaign. We receive about \$4,000 a year from this program. It is a great boost for our fundraising.



Collect cans for cats and canines

We have a great container at the CDHS shelter where you can drop your aluminum cans. Or, you can drop them off at Gerdau Ameristeel and tell them to put the amount on the CDHS account.



THANK YOU BENE-PET 2020 SPONSORS!

DIAMOND



Thank you, Shaggy Shuffle Solo donors

It was definitely a unique year of fundraising with our annual walk. We changed up the style just a bit to maintain the social distancing guidelines and gave it an appropriate name. Even though we were not able to gather as a group, supporters were able to head out on the trail with their family and pets and raised some much needed funds for the shelter pets. Thank you to all who participated and thank you to our sponsors - Mid Dakota Clinic and Hometown Moving. 🐾



CDHS receives ERG grant

CDHS was very fortunate to receive an Economic Resiliency Grant from the North Dakota Department of Commerce. Grant funds had to be used to help reduce the spread of COVID-19 and encourage the public to feel safe when visiting local businesses.

We are a cleaning machine on a normal basis, but with the COVID pandemic, we have increased our cleaning frequency and concentrate more on areas that are touched frequently by humans, such as doorknobs, light switches, kennel handles, cat toys, and phones. We were excited to be able to use our funds to acquire several hand sanitizing stations, touchless garbage cans, counter top sneeze guards, masks, gloves, and cleaning supplies.

We also used our grant to install in-duct air purifying systems in each of our buildings. These systems have been proven to kill 99 percent of viruses and bacteria, and reduce pollen, mold spores, dander, and dust. 🐾

Happy Animal Shelter and Rescue Appreciation Week to all our staff, volunteers and supporters!
Thank you for all you do!
Nov. 2-6, 2020

SANTA PAWS

Family PICS

Nov. 7 & 8
1-5 pm

Plant Perfect
4615 Ottawa St.
Bismarck

PRE-REGISTER
@ www.cdhs.net



**Bring the kids and critters for a fun family photo!
Join us in raising money for the CDHS pets!**

- ❁ **COST:** \$40 for one family poinsettia posing
- ❁ **Must pre-register** at www.cdhs.net. No walk-ins.
- ❁ **Sponsored by In-Dog-Neat-O**
- ❁ **Photos by 'Ohana Photo**
- ❁ **Santa will not be at this event.**
- ❁ **Photos will be available online after the event.**

Physically distanced - Masks welcomed



701-667-2020
www.cdhs.net

CHEERS to *Focus on all Fours*

Thousands of animals, hundreds of stories - many documented in decades worth of *Focus on all Fours*, the official CDHS newsletter. We've documented news about our community and fundraising events, all the ways we've worked to raise money and awareness about pets in need and about the CDHS shelter. We've thanked our donors, our supporters, and our benefactors. We've talked about dogs with porcupine quills, cats with broken legs, and feral cats turned lap sitters. We've cheered happy endings and shed tears about the reality of the animals that did not survive.

We've highlighted the truth about the disgusting conditions in puppy mills and the joy of rescuing and rehoming those dogs, along with all their baggage. We've recorded our trips to Alabama and Cedar Rapids to save animals from natural disasters, and spotlighted our efforts to help animals in our own backyard - Bismarck-Mandan and Minot, when the rivers flooded. We've watched the journey of animals from intake to adoption into loving, forever homes. We've seen the journey from a small, well-used shelter building to a modern, safe, bright space that benefits the animals and humans that come through the doors. We've documented the struggles and the heartache, and we've applauded the joy and accomplishment. So many stories, so many animals. So many great things for pets and people. And, we've only been going for 60 years. We have many more decades of work to do!



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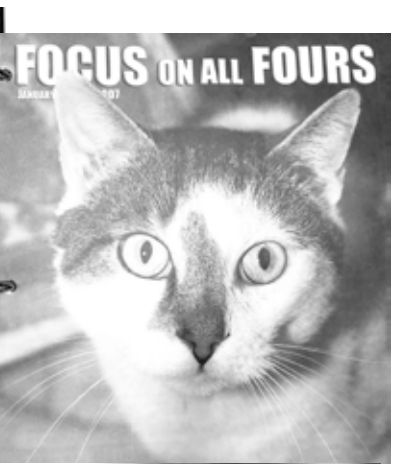
Central Dakota Humane Society Celebrates 40th Anniversary
 The Central Dakota Humane Society (CDHS) celebrated its 40th anniversary on March 1, 2012. CDHS has been serving the community since 1972, providing a safe haven for animals in need. The organization has grown significantly over the years, thanks to the dedication of its staff and volunteers. CDHS is committed to providing compassionate care and finding forever homes for all animals. For more information, visit www.cdhs.org.

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Bacardi's better now
 By Sue Beckwith
 Photos by Melissa Pustell
 The all-white dog named Bacardi was found on the side of a road near the town of Bismarck. He was brought to CDHS and is now looking for a forever home. Bacardi is a friendly and energetic dog who loves to play and get attention. He is a great candidate for a family with children. For more information, visit www.cdhs.org.

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PLAYING TAG WITH A PORCUPINE
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Saved from the puppy mill machine
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 In loving memory of **Florian Kiefer**. From Wayne & Christi Papke.
 In loving memory of my friend **Judy Kirsch** who passed away in May. From Laura Novak.
 In loving memory of **Judy Kirsch**. From Robert & Cherie Harms.
 In remembrance of **Harold Matzke** and his dog **Tonka**. From Keith, Judy & Jeff Zhorela.
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 In loving memory of **Clay Sorneson**. From Sue Ann Brown.
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 In loving memory of my sister, **Rose Stoller** and her **two sweet kitties**. From Mary & Sheldon Loftsgard.
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 In loving memory of my husband, **Mike Willmus**, who died in May. From Donna Willmus.

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In memory of **Ada**, beloved dog of Grant & Amber Boeshans. From Lorraine Kemp. In memory of our beloved granddog, **Ada**. She will be and is already missed. From Pat & Larry Wood. In memory of Amber & Grant Boeshans precious dog, **Ada**. From Daryl & Virginia Kerzman.
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 In loving memory of **Bella**. From

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 In loving memory of a great cat **B.W.**, beloved cat of Margie Stellwag.
 In loving memory of **Captain Cook**, who crossed over the rainbow bridge this July. From Addy Houston.
 In memory of **Chuckie**, beloved feline pet of Jo & Larry Brekke. From Klaudia & James Lawson. In loving memory and in honor of our sweet Chuckie. He was such a great cat. From Jo & Larry Brekke.
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 In memory of **Girdie**, faithful dog, friend, and big part of the Harris family. From Paul & Patricia Sandness.
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 In remembrance of **Katie**, beloved canine companion of Kitty & Richard Tweeten. From Ruth & David Borlaug.
 In memory of **Lanie**, an old, beautiful dog owned by Lynette & Greg Painter. From Mary & Tom Probst.
 In loving memory of **Loki**, our brave warrior. You're forever in our hearts. Dave & Katie Bentz.
 In memory of **Mia**, beloved dog of Karen & Bill Archambeault. From JP, Leslie, Lindy, Lexus and Laci Moszer.
 In memory of **Patrick**, loved cat of Janelle & Todd Crowley. From Diane & Milton Rue.
 In loving memory of **Peanie Charchenko**. A very special kitty who left us this past week due to health problems. Peanie was loved by all - especially by his mom and dad, Bekah and Cam. He will be greatly missed by everyone. Rest in Peace Peanie. From LoAnn Wegh.
 In memory of **Peepers**, faithful cat & friend to Pastor Jenny Hallenbeck Orr. From Paul & Patricia Sandness.
 In memory of **Rusty**, beloved cat of Julius & Patricia Lorz. From Marion Eastgate.
 In memory of our beloved dog **Scout**. From Dennis & Jennifer Mees-Boger.

Memorials from Dr Barb Espe:

In loving memory of **Bandit**, beloved canine companion of The Stregge Family.
In loving memory of **Bella**, beloved canine companion of Joel & Denise Gustafson.
In loving memory of **Bob**, the flying Labradoodle of Matt & Sandy McMerty. From David & Peggy Anderson.
In loving memory of **Cali**, beloved feline companion of Deb Kenner.
In loving memory of **Charlie**, beloved canine companion of Jessica & Justin Schmaltz.
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In loving memory of **Murray**, beloved feline companion of Michael & Carla Valentine.
In loving memory of **Snuggle Bear**, beloved canine companion of Arielle Gallaher & Family.
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In loving memory of **Timmy**, beloved feline companion of Mike & Karen Holman.
In loving memory of **Tucker**, beloved canine companion of Josh & Lisa Hennager.
In loving memory of **Wayward**, beloved feline companion of Ron & Jeanne Avey.
In loving memory of **Zoe**, beloved canine companion of Donna Stair.
In loving memory of **Zoey**, beloved canine companion of Jeff & Rena Mehlhoff.

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In loving memory of **Brooklyn**, beloved dog of Keith & Ellene Lang.
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In loving memory of **Ozzy**, beloved dog of Diane & Mark Rau.

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In memory and in honor of **Elmer & Evelyn Klipstein** from John & Glenda Klipstein Sevcik.
In honor of **Mabes Reichert's** birthday. Happy birthday from Robert & Patricia Grossman.
In honor of our **50th wedding anniversary**. From Ron & Karla Stenberg.
In honor of **Gerry Hegstad**. Happy Father's Day from Holly Gulland.
In honor and in loving memory of a former classmate; **Steve Mydland**. From Julie Bradford.
In honor of **Mary Senger**. From Doug & Jill Joersz.
In honor of **Carol Beazley's** birthday and her Golden Retrievers who have passed. From Daryl & Virginia Kerzman.
In honor of **Sue Jacobson**. From Century 21 Morrison Realty, Inc.
In honor and in celebration of **National Kitten Day** on July 10th and my birthday. From Sheila McClenathan.
In honor of **Sarah Rixen**. Thank you for the Paw Patrol toys! From Gail Anderson.
In honor of **Dave Schaaf's** birthday. Happy birthday from Daryl & Virginia Kerzman!
In honor of **Tazz Forever Home month**. From Thomas Stockert.
In honor of **Karen Schmidt** who loved animals. From David & Carol Willman.
In honor and in loving memory of Pat Wood's beloved granddog, **Ada**. From Daryl & Virginia Kerzman.

Shelter staff attends training

Two CDHS shelter staff members recently completed a training about how to handle aggressive dogs. The training, entitled Aggression in Dogs: Defensive Handling & Training, was put on by Michael Shikashio & Trish McMillan. Our staff members were planning to head to Colorado for the hands-on training with actual dogs, but thanks to the pandemic world we currently live in, they were not able to travel. Instead, they attended the training virtually through a computer webinar.

Training attendees learned about tools and techniques for working with dogs, discovered ways to diffuse aggression with defensive handling and leash skills, and viewed videos of behavior modification in aggression cases. They received several tools for breaking up dog fights and put together some aggressive dog tool kits for the shelter.

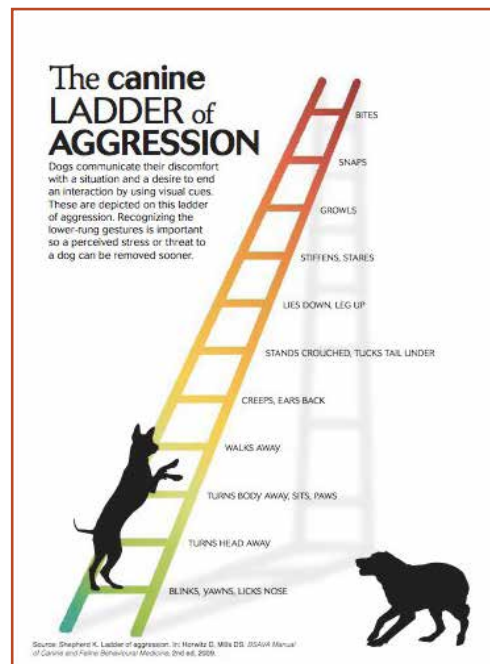
Our staff members shared their training with the rest of the staff so we could all benefit from the information. Some of the interesting items that they brought forward from the training included:

- Most people think you should approach a dog by letting it sniff your hand. In fact, you should stand and let the dog approach you, if it wants to. After it investigates you, it may turn its side to you and then you can reach down and pat it on its side. This is much less intimidating than approaching the dog directly toward its face. If you would like to view a video about the appropriate techniques for greeting a dog, go to <https://youtu.be/BuInImPCCOo>.

- When out for a walk with your dog, if you are approached by an aggressive dog, if you are able, scoop your dog up and put it into a nearby trash bin or garbage can. Of course, this may only work with a small dog, but we thought it was an interesting tactic, if you are able to quickly react to a possible attack.

- There is a great graphic that shows the ladder of aggression in dogs. If you can recognize the signs of the dog's discomfort, you can remove the perceived threats and diffuse the situation before the dog progresses to the next level.

Our shelter staff members definitely have a special rapport with the animals, but they must always be aware of what could happen if they encounter an aggressive dog. They work every day with dogs they have never met, who may be scared, protective, or even in pain. Even dogs we know may act out if they are fearful or in pain. Certainly, no one wants or expects to have an encounter with an aggressive dog, but having a foundation of knowledge and practicing how to deal with dog incidents helps to keep our staff members, volunteers, visitors, and dogs safe. 🐾



Watch for your **PHANTOM BALL** invitations in the mail in mid-December. This non-event is definitely a highlight of the holiday season!

Spay/Neuter Assistance Program (SNAP)



CDHS offers \$40 coupons to assist with the cost of spay/neuter procedures. A limited number of coupons are available monthly, on a first-come basis. If interested, call 701-667-2020 or visit the CDHS shelter.

\$40 coupon

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CDHS SHELTER HOURS

CDHS is currently open for adoption visits by appointment only. Call the shelter to schedule your appointment Tuesday-Friday from 1-6 p.m. or Saturday from 1-4 p.m.

CDHS Mission Statement

Purpose: The purposes for which the Corporation is organized are:

1. To provide for, house, rehabilitate, and relocate lost, strayed or homeless animals.
2. To provide appropriate medical services.
3. To foster and promote humane treatment for all animals.
4. To encourage proper responsibility by owners of animals in their care, training or control.
5. To cooperate in the enforcement of laws that protect animals from cruelty or neglect.
6. To promote spaying and neutering of companion animals to avoid unwanted litters.
7. To help bring about a time when no more abused and/or abandoned animals will be destroyed anywhere.
8. To do such acts and exercise such powers - within the law - as may be necessary, desirable or incidental to the carrying out of the purposes specified above.



BECOME A CDHS MEMBER TODAY!



Memberships include a newsletter subscription. You will receive a complimentary one-year membership if you adopt a pet from the CDHS shelter. Memberships are tax-deductible to the extent of the law.

Membership Categories (check one):

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| <input type="checkbox"/> \$10 - Junior (under 18) | <input type="checkbox"/> \$150 - Pet Fanatic |
| <input type="checkbox"/> \$20 - Individual (1) | <input type="checkbox"/> \$500 - CDHS Builder |
| <input type="checkbox"/> \$30 - Family (2+) | <input type="checkbox"/> \$1000-\$1999 - Lifetime Member |
| <input type="checkbox"/> \$50 - Dog Lover | <input type="checkbox"/> \$2000-\$4999 - Lifetime Benefactor |
| <input type="checkbox"/> \$50 - Cat Lover | <input type="checkbox"/> \$5000+ - Lifetime Leader of the Pack |
| <input type="checkbox"/> \$100 - Business | <input type="checkbox"/> Hush Puppy (Anonymous) |

Tax-Deductible Donation Categories:

- \$12.50/month** - kennel sponsor (one-year commitment)
- \$ _____ - monthly donation (CDHS will send an authorization form for your signature.)
- \$ _____ - additional donation amount

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____

State: _____ Zip Code: _____ E-mail: _____

Gift Given By: _____

Pay using (check one):

Check/Money Order  

Amount Enclosed: \$ _____

Credit Card #: _____ Exp. Date: _____

Signature: _____

Send to:

CDHS, 2104 37th Street, Mandan, ND, 58554-8230 or call 701-667-2020



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CHRISTMAS CRITTERBIDDERS IS ON THE WAY!

Sign up soon for our next great fundraiser – **Christmas CritterBidders**. Watch for details on our Facebook page and website. We will have over 100 silent auction items up for online bidding from Nov. 25-30. Instead of Black Friday at the mall, you can do some of your holiday shopping with CDHS and help raise money for the animals.

There will be silent auction baskets (items that were originally given by our generous donors for the Great Catsby Gala - Bene-Pet 2020), gift cards, CDHS gear, and pet blankets. Gifts galore! Physically distanced shopping, plus helping the animals at CDHS. That's a great thing!

