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Central Dakota Humane Society To Hold Annual Bene-Pet Auction and Dinner

Central Dakota Humane Society will be holding its annual Bene-Pet fundraiser on Saturday, March 23 at the Seven Seas Hotel and Waterpark in Mandan. Tickets for the *Hogs for Dogs and Cool Cats*-themed dinner and auction event are \$35 and must be purchased in advance online at **www.cdhs.net**, by calling the CDHS shelter at 667-2020 or by stopping at the shelter during open hours. Tickets for the silent and live auction portion only can be purchased at the door for \$10.

Bene-Pet begins at 5:30 p.m. with a social hour, followed by dinner at 6:30 p.m. and the live and silent auctions following dinner. Some items up for auction include handmade paintings and prints, electric fireplace and gas fire-pit, a 125-piece set of Lennox Fine china; trips to New Orleans, St. Thomas, Washington D.C. and Sonoma, Calif., a handmade dog-themed quilt, 14-karat yellow gold ladies ring set, and two handmade Adirondack chairs. Along with the live auction items, there also will be many silent auction items up for bid and several fundraiser games with prizes like an X-box Kinect and a Kindle Fire. A dessert auction also will be held, where winners get the dessert, along with a special prize.

CDHS is a no-kill animal shelter that serves Bismarck-Mandan and the surrounding communities by housing and finding homes for lost, strayed or abandoned animals, promoting spaying and neutering and offering educational opportunities. The shelter is open Tuesday through Saturday from 1 p.m. to 6 p.m. and is located just three miles north of Mandan on Highway 1806. People can visit the shelter or can log onto the CDHS website at **www.cdhs.net** to view pictures of adoptable animals. CDHS invites all animal lovers to consider becoming supporting members or donors. For more information, call 667-2020.