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Message from the Board

On December 23, 2010, CCHS lost Ken Preiser, our good friend, CCHS board member and advocate for the animals of Coffee County, TN. To honor his memory we ask all members to help us continue the awareness/event work done in 2010 into the New Year, 2011. Only your continued involvement and hard work can help these animals and pet owners who so desperately need our help. We thank all for their work in 2010 and look forward to a successful 2011 as well.
-- Sally Berryman, Hazel Fannin, Roy Phelps, Lynn Taylor, Christine Fisher, Marilyn Phelps

GFWC Centennial Woman's Club Awards \$500

As a result of a presentation about CCHS by Marilyn Phelps, Roy Phelps and the late Ken Preiser. on Tuesday September 14, 2010, the GFWC Centennial Woman's Club of Tullahoma has awarded the Coffee County Humane Society the gracious sum of \$500. The check was part of the proceeds from the club's fall fundraiser. Receiving the check (front row l-r) is co-president of the Humane Society, Sally Berryman, GFWC club member, Kelly Shuttleworth, (back l-r) GFWC Centennial president,



Mary Helen Brittain, GFWC club member
Debbie Hice, and co-president of the Humane Society, Hazel Fannin.

General Federation of Woman's Club (GFWC) is one of the world's oldest and largest women's service organizations and is dedicated to community improvement through volunteer service. GFWC clubs all over the world develop projects and programs that address the specific needs of their communities. Working to raise funds for non-profit agencies is just one example of GFWC's commitment to establishing better communities.

Fairytales Can Come True In Old Tullahoma

Thanks to the gracious invitation of Kim Hammond and Ann Hargrove, co-owners of Fairytales Photography in Tullahoma, the Coffee County Humane Society had a superb adoption day with 5 dog adoptions and 2 kitten adoptions during the Old Tullahoma Day Celebration.

A very large turnout at the event gave CCHS a high level of exposure and a very successful adoption event.

**Thank you
Kim Hammond
and Ann Hargrove.**



Outside Fairytales Photography



CCHS at Old Tullahoma Day
Fairytales Photography Location



**Whoopee!! I've Got A
Forever Home!!**

**CCHS Adoption Days
Fairytales Photography
Tullahoma, TN
2nd Saturday monthly
Starts Feb 12, 2011
11:00 AM – 3:00 PM
Thanks
Kim and Ann**

The Loss of a Good Friend

Help Hobo.
See the bottom
of page 8.
Editors

Editor's Note: On December 23, 2010, I had the very unpleasant task of informing our members of the passing of a Coffee County Humane Society board member and a good friend, Ken Preiser. The following is the email I sent – Harry Ferber



“Ken was a champion and advocate for all the animals of Coffee County and had a very special relationship with his German Shepherd, El.”

Ken was a champion and advocate for all the animals of Coffee County and had a very special relationship with his German Shepherd, El. We had not known Ken for very long but always appreciated his positive attitude and wonderful intellect. He was truly a delight to engage in conversation. He showed such a joy for life as he drove his Red Mustang or his Black Ford F-150.

Ken's passing will be a major loss for his family and friends. Please keep the family in your thoughts and prayers.

Funeral arrangements are pending and a follow-up email will be sent as soon as we are informed.

Harry Ferber

CCHS Webmaster/E-Mail Person

**Ken,
You will also be missed by
your CCHS family as well.
Co-Editors**

It is with deep regret that I announce, today, December 23, 2010, the Coffee County Humane Society has lost a good friend and founding member, Ken Preiser. We had just talked to Ken a few days before the Christmas Party held on December 16, 2010; Ken had also helped us with the party setup on that day.

In Tribute To Our Friend Ken Preiser, We Continue Our Work as We Believe He Would Have Wanted Us.

Upcoming Events

**CCHS Awareness and
Pancake Breakfast
Ticket Sales
Wal-Mart
Manchester, TN
Sat. March 12 10AM-3PM
Sun. March 13 1PM-4PM**

**CCHS
Pancake Breakfast
Change an
Animal's Luck
Saturday
March 19, 2011
7:00 – 9:00 AM
O' Charley's
Manchester, TN**

**CCHS Members
Spring Yard Sale
Date: April 9, 2011
Location: TBD
Time: TBA
CCHS Members Bring and Price
Your Own Items**

Pet First Aid Supplies Checklist

Those who have faced pet emergencies can tell you it is essential to get your first aid kit together and get familiar with first aid measures BEFORE you are confronted with an accident, emergency or sudden illness. Many situations require fast and correct action to prevent further injury, infection or death. So assemble a first aid kit now, so that you'll be ready when your pet needs immediate help.

Keep a first aid kit on hand at home and in your car. Take the one from your car with you when you travel with your pet. This list may sound like a lot of stuff, but when an accident occurs, these items can help save a life - animal or human.

Waterproof container:

Write on the container, in indelible ink, the phone numbers of your vet, the closest emergency animal hospital, and poison control hotlines. Also list your own name, address and phone numbers, and the name and number of an emergency contact if you are not available. Provide detailed information on your pet, name, age, breed, sex, identification such as micro chipping, and any health problems, and a copy of your pet's vaccination records.

A first aid book, such as "The First Aid Companion for Dogs and Cats" is essential, as well as the Pet CPR instructions available from Coffee County Humane Society.

Basic Kit Supplies:

- Scissors
- Tweezers(flat slant tip)
- Sterile needle
- Turkey baster or bulb syringe for flushing wounds or force feeding
- 10cc syringe with no needle for administering medications
- Eyedropper
- Tongue depressor to examine mouth
- Rubber gloves
- Nail clippers
- Comb
- Rectal thermometer
- Disposable safety razor (for shaving fur around a wound)
- Towels
- Paper towels
- Blanket
- Bandanna and/or nylon stocking (use as a muzzle or secure a torn ear flap)
- Strips of cloth
- Dog booties or little socks to cover wounded paws
- Flashlight
- Matches
- Sterile gauze pads
- Rolled gauze
- Adhesive first aid tape -narrow & wide widths
- Cotton rolled
- Cotton balls
- Bandages and vet wrap
- Anti-bacterial wipes or pads
- Q-tips
- Hot/cold packs
- Hydrogen peroxide 3% USP(to induce vomiting and use on infected wounds)
- Activated charcoal tablets (absorbs many toxins)
- Betadine solution
- Neosporin
- Rubbing alcohol

Always remember that any first aid administered to your pet should be followed by immediate veterinary care. First aid care is not a substitute for veterinary care, but it may save your pet's life until it receives veterinary treatment.

Thanks to the Community

A BIG “Thank You” to the local vets who participate in helping us deliver services to families and animals in need. We could not help nearly as many animals without the support of many area veterinarians, businesses and individuals:

Veterinarian Clinics

- All Creatures
- Animal Health Clinic
- Blue Springs Vet. Services
- Coffee Vet. Hospital
- Hackett Animal Clinic
- Pet Medical Center

We also so appreciate the many **individuals and businesses who support us**, including

- Aaron Rental
- Al White Motors
- Ascend Federal Credit Union
- ATA
- The Brew
- Bakers Brothers Drugs
- Bread Shack
- Christopher Equipment Rental
- Coffee Cafe
- Coffee County Bank
- Coffee County Funeral Chapel
- Creative Cuts
- Dotson’s Produce
- Eaton's
- Emma’s Family Restaurants
- First National Bank
- Evelyn’s Office Supplies
- Food Lion Manchester
- Food Lion Tullahoma
- Home Depot
- Hoovers Jewelers
- Jiffy Burger
- Keep Coffee County Beautiful
- Love’s Beauty School
- Manchester Building Supply
- Manchester Tire and Brake
- Pete Jackson Floor Covering
- Powers Apartments and Mini-Storage
- Puppy Paws
- Roscoe Brown Heating and A/C
- Sherrill Pest Control
- Southern RV Center
- Dr. Ben C. Spaulding, DDS
- Super Nails
- The Brew
- Trader's National Bank
- True Necessities
- Two Purple Pigs
- VIAM Manufacturing

First Christmas Party – Big Success

On December 16, 2010 CCHS had its first ever Christmas party. Food was supplied by CCHS, it’s members and by Coffee Café. Coffee (regular and decaf) was supplied by the local Starbucks. So we express our thanks to Coffee Café, Starbucks and our members for providing more than enough food.



The Crowd Enjoying The Bounty

Not only did we have enough food but we had a good crowd of over 30 people attending.



Everyone Enjoying The Food

Sally Berryman, Hazel Fannin and Lynn Taylor (our officers) were presented with gifts of day planners.



Sally Opening Day Planner Gift

Not only did our leaders get gifts but all the members participated in a grab bag gift exchange. So each CCHS member had an opportunity to take home some small token of thanks, including 5 people who won Free Appetizer Gift Cards from Logan’s Manchester. Thank you, Logan’s.



Grab Bag Gift Exchange under the Christmas Tree!

The final event of the evening was the drawing for the door prize of a pair of Stuffed Horse Dolls created by Mary Ferber. The lucky winner of the door prize was Debbie Burns.



Debbie Burns Wins Door Prize

Ultimately, the real winner of the night was the animals who benefited from the very generous member and guest donations of food and needed pet accessories. The night was a great one and fun was had by all. Thanks to everyone who made this party a great success.

We look forward to a prosperous, productive and bountiful year for all the animals we serve in the new year, 2011.

Pet CPR

It's not a scenario you want to imagine: finding your dog unconscious on your living room floor or your cat hit by a car. Finding your pet not breathing or with his heart not beating can be a terrifying experience, but there are things you can do. The most important step you can take is staying calm. If there's another person with you, have them call your veterinarian while you perform CPR.

Step 1: Check for responsiveness

Before you begin doing anything to your pet, make sure he is truly unresponsive.

- Check his breathing by placing your hand in front of his nose and mouth. (Be sure not to cover them and block his airway!)
- Check for heartbeat by placing your ear against the area where your pet's left elbow touches the chest.

Step 2: Secure an airway

If you don't see or feel your pet breathing, you immediately need to make sure his airway is clear.

- Carefully pull his tongue forward out of his mouth. (Even an unresponsive animal can bite by instinct.)
- Look into the throat for a foreign object. If you find one, remove it carefully. Move the head until the neck is straight. (Don't move the neck if you suspect it is injured.)

Step 3: Rescue breathing

- Close your pet's mouth and breathe directly into his nose not his mouth until his chest expands.
- If the chest doesn't expand, check again for a foreign object in the throat and reposition the airway so it is straight.
- Once you've gotten the chest to expand, continue the rescue breathing, repeating the breaths 12 to 15 times per minute (once every four to five seconds).

Step 4: Chest compressions

Do not begin chest compressions until you've secured an airway and started rescue breathing.

- Gently lay your pet on his right side.
- The heart is located in the lower half of the chest on the left side, behind the elbow of the front left leg. Place one hand below the heart to support the chest; place the other hand over the heart.
- Press down gently on your pet's heart. Press down about one inch for medium-sized dogs; press harder for larger animals and with less force for smaller animals. To massage the hearts of cats and other tiny pets, compress the chest with the thumb and forefingers of one hand.
- Press down 80-120 times per minute for larger animals and 100-150 times per minute for smaller ones.
- Alternate the chest compressions with the rescue breaths.

Continue the heart massage compressions and the rescue breathing until you can hear a heartbeat and feel regular breathing. Once your pet is breathing and his heart is beating, call your veterinarian immediately.

Unfortunately, even in the hands of well-trained veterinary health professionals, the overall chance for success with resuscitation is low. In an emergency, however, it may give your pet his only chance.

Our Accomplishments

Although we have operated on a very limited budget (donations, grants and product sales only), we are extremely proud of our accomplishments as documented over these last 12 months. We continue to do these same activities on a daily basis.

Just imagine what we could do with more funding and more volunteers!!

Activity Records Jan. 1,-Dec. 31, 2010

Dog Spays: 94
Dog Neuters: 58
Total Dog Sterilization Surgeries: 152

Cat Spays: 210
Cat Neuters: 123
Total Cat Sterilization Surgeries: 333

Dog Vettings: 145
Cat Vettings: 94

These totals do not count rabies shots given in conjunction with sterilizations

Vettings for serious illness or injuries:

Dogs: 24 (7 parvo, 6 heartworm, 1 leg amputation, 1 eye enucleation, 1 ear hematoma, 1 bladder stone surgery, 7 mixed injuries from gunshot, other dogs, vehicles)

Cats: 5 (2 eye enucleations, 2 leg amputations, 1 bladder stone surgery)

Dog/puppy Adoptions: 120

Cat/kitten Adoptions: 87
Total Adoptions: 207

This total is animals adopted to homes by CCHS; does not count any dogs sent on transport to other areas.

Horse Calls:

CCHS has been involved with different owner situations during 2010, which affected 77 horses. CCHS involvement consisted of the following:

- 32 horses rehomed by owners

- 5 horses adopted by 2 sheriff's deputies
- 2 horses adopted
- 1 horse euthanized
- 37 owners re-educated and helped to downsize their herds

Also received donations of the following:

- vaccines from the Unwanted Horse Veterinary Relief Campaign based in Kentucky
- hoof trimming
- teeth floating

Pet Supplies Needed

- Leashes
- Collars
- Feeding bowls
- Watering bowls
- Hay
- Blankets
- Dog houses
- Fenced Kennels

Financial donations can be made online at www.coffe humane.org
We use PayPal

Blake Weibert, Finalist in Miss Chamber Maid Contest



Blake Weibert as Miss Kitty Cougar

The Coffee County Humane Society participated in the **Manchester Chamber of Commerce, Miss Chamber Maid Contest**. All the contestants were men and Blake Weibert represented the Coffee County Humane Society. Each entrant represented a non-profit organization and jars were placed in restaurants and businesses throughout Manchester with the organization's name

and a picture of their entrant. Blake's jars raised \$625 which goes to the CCHS. The finals were held Friday, Jan. 21st, and although Blake did not take first place, he took first place in our hearts. He provided us with laughs, looks of amazement and good times. It was a great evening for everyone, contestants and attendees.

FOSTER HOMES NEEDED

The homeless, abandoned and unwanted pets of Coffee County need our help. Coffee County Humane Society does not have a shelter and relies on the kindness of strangers to provide a temporary home for pets in need. Fostering a pet is a way of giving back, it's a time to give love, care and attention to a homeless pet.

Fostering a pet is one of the most important gifts you can give; these animals, in many cases, have waited their whole lives to be in a loving home. Fostering not only gives them the gift of life, but in many cases the first time they've ever been treated with such kindness and compassion. When you foster a pet and see the transformation when they finally realize they are safe and loved is the most precious and special emotion.

Even though fostering is a very rewarding, fun and special experience, it is important to know that it is not all easy! Fostering is hard work. Some of the animals need work learning manners, house breaking, crate training, walking on a leash – you name it. The animals have been failed their whole lives and it's up to us to help them become loving pets.

Unless you would like to do so yourself, CCHS will provide food and supplies while the animal is in your care, and is responsible for all veterinary care of the animal while you are fostering.

To learn more about becoming a foster home contact Coffee County Humane Society at (931) 728-0903. A homeless pet needs your love.

"Nobody made a greater mistake than he who did nothing because he could only do a little" - Edmund Burke

A Dog sits waiting

by Kathie Floyd

A Dog sits waiting in the cold autumn sun

Too faithful to leave, too frightened to run.

He's been there for days now with nothing to do

But sits by the road just waiting for you.

He can't understand why you left him that day;

He thought you were stopping to go with him and play.

He's sure you'll come back, and that's why he stays.

How long can he suffer, how many more days?

His legs have grown weak, his throat parched and dry.

He's sick now from hunger, he falls with a sigh.

He lays down his head, he closes his eyes.

I wish you could see how a waiting dog dies.

A Dog sits waiting contributed by:

Marcella Johnson Puppy Paws Manchester, TN

Editor's Note: In our last newsletter, Sally Berryman helped Howls and Yowls with 3 feel good stories about animals CCHS had helped. Although Moses, who was thrown into the pond at the 18th green – Willowbrook, and the puppy who was shot have since passed on, they were not alone to suffer.

Unfortunately, unlike the animals mentioned above, sometimes animals are not fortunate to have loving care at the end. Related below in Sally Berryman's letter to the editor of **The Saturday Independent, January 18, 2011**, is one such situation. We hope it will get all who read this to think about their daily actions.

Please Make A Better Choice

To the Editor:

Sometime earlier in the week, someone carefully placed a straw lined dog house at the entrance to the old bridge on Powers Bridge Road. When it was noticed, a person stopped to check, inside was one small puppy, curled up in the back corner, alone and frozen to death.

This is absolutely unconscionable. Euthanasia would have been far kinder. Manchester City Animal Shelter (723- 7211) and Coffee County Animal Shelter (723-2730) are both at 1210 Oakdale Street. Tullahoma Animal Shelter (454-9580) is at 942 Maplewood Avenue. The main number for the Coffee County Humane Society is 728-0903. If you can't afford to spay/neuter your pet, call the Humane Society and apply for their assistance programs.

Please think before you dump or spay/neuter before your pets have unwanted litters. This is horrible, whether two legged or four legged. Babies, puppies and kittens are all defenseless.

**-Sally Berryman
Coffee County Humane Society**

Cats, Dogs, and Cold Weather

Financial donations, checks or money orders, can be mailed to

Coffee County Humane Society

P O Box 252
Manchester, TN 37349

PHONE:
931-728-0903

E-MAIL:
webmaster@coffeehumane.org

Coffee County Humane Society, Inc. is a separate, corporate entity designated as a 501(c)(3), non-profit, corporation.

Although we often work with both shelters, we are not directly associated with either the Manchester or Tullahoma Animal Shelters.

CCHS receives no direct funding from any federal, state or local agency budget. Our funding comes only from donations from private individuals and businesses or corporations, and from grants for specialized needs.

We're on the Web!

See us at:

www.coffeehumane.org

Always keep your dog on a leash when on snow or ice, especially during a snowstorm - when dogs can lose their scent and easily become lost.

Once you get back indoors, wipe off your dog's paws, legs, and

stomach. They can ingest salt, antifreeze, or other chemicals when they lick their paws.

Keep cats inside. Felines can freeze, get hurt, or be exposed to infectious diseases if left outside.

If there are outdoor cats in your neighborhood, bang loudly on the car hood before starting the engine. Cats may sleep under the hoods of cars to stay warm. The noise will give them a chance to escape before the engine starts.

About Our Organization

The Coffee County Humane Society is an all-volunteer, unpaid group dedicated to the prevention of suffering, neglect, abuse and cruelty to animals. We seek to provide humane care and treatment for animals needing protection, increase the number of animals spayed and neutered, seek suitable homes for animals without owners, develop a program of humane education, and interact with the community with an emphasis on those who are in economically disadvantaged situations,

in order to enhance the animals' well-being by helping these owners provide necessary care for their companion animals. The CCHS has five main programs to achieve these goals: Spay/Neuter assistance for low income families; Foster homes for dogs, cats, and horses; Cooperative Adoption Program with the Coffee County and Manchester Dog Shelters, Pet Food Distribution and Education and Outreach to schools and the community.

We are a non-profit 501 (c)(3) organization and

donations to us are tax exempt to the full extent of the law. We receive no city or county funding and are dependent on grants and donations to provide our services. We welcome new members and meet the last Tuesday of the month at 6:30pm at the Coffee County Administrative Plaza Building. Our mailing address is: Coffee County Humane Society, PO Box 252, Manchester, TN 37349. More information may be obtained by calling 931-728-0903 or visiting our website at www.coffeehumane.org.

Call For Volunteers

Talents needed!!!

Can you walk a dog?
Help with Adoption Day?
Help with pet food distribution?
Be a Foster Parent?

You don't have to be a Foster parent to help CCHS. We need volunteers for next year's events.

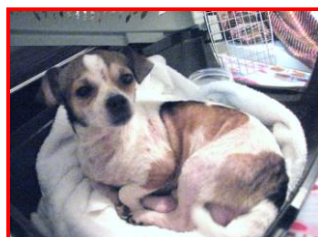
Contact Mary Ferber
931-728-8108

Spay/Neuter Applications

If you need your pet spayed or neutered and meet the low income requirements of our program, we will try to help. You may call the CCHS at 931-728-0903 and leave a message about your need for this service, with your name and address, and we will mail

you an application to complete. Verification of income is required such as pay stub, unemployment benefit statement, entitlement letter for Food Stamps, SSI eligibility, etc.

Applications are also often available at local veterinarian offices. In addition, the CCHS tries to help with routine or emergency veterinary care for families under financial hardship, as our funds allow.



Please Help Hobo Get Needed Care

He has Sarcoptic Mange and a prolapsed rectum. He was found in Tullahoma and would have frozen to death without help. Send checks marked Hobo to address on this page.