



Cody's Chronicle



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News from the Copper Country Humane Society

ALL IN THE FAMILY

I am writing to express our awesome experiences with adoption through The Copper Country Humane Society. Our yellow lab, Tucker, passed away about a year ago, and with heavy hearts we laid him to rest. I should say I'm not a huge animal person; with four kids, a business and household to run, they add some extra work into the mix. But when you lose a pet that has filled your heart for so many years, it leaves an empty hole in your life. So, my husband, who is definitely the dog lover, started scouring the internet and CCHS. After a few months we decided to adopt. We visited the shelter and saw all these wonderful creatures, but had to find one who didn't seem to mind our four year old son. When we met Finn (formerly Huckleberry), we new he was the one. He is the most wonderful dog. He's playful, silly, so gentle, and loves to nuzzle. He rarely barks, and he listens like no dog I've had before. While he is definitely my husband's dog, he is so great with the rest of the family, especially our four year old.

one. Almost immediately, he found Galaxy! He and my other daughter went meet Galaxy and brought him home! At first he stayed under my daughter's bed for a week. I was beginning to worry he was going to be a shy cat, but boy, was I wrong. This little guy is so playful and rambunctious, and he and Finn get along great. Galaxy loves to play with his ears, and Finn seems to like the attention. Our four year old loves to carry him around and drag yarn for him to chase. I thought my son would have a couple more scratches by now, but this kitty seems to understand that he is a child and is gentle with his claws. Galaxy cuddles up with everyone and sneaks into our room almost every night to sleep in our bed. I'm not sure if it's to curl up with the dog or my husband, but whatever the case, they all seem happy.

I hope this helps anyone who is on the fence when considering adoption to go for it! Even though the pet dander and fur give me some issues, I would not trade these two animals for anything! They have brought so much joy, laughter, and comfort into our home and are definitely a part of our family. I can't wait to see what the future has in store.



I'd also like to add that Finn is a work dog. He goes to work with my husband every day and greets the customers, many of whom stop in just to see him! He does modeling for our products as well. If you get a chance, stop in and say hi. I'm sure you will be greeted with "Finn-kisses" because this guy is full of them!

This leads me to our second adoption with CCHS. My daughter turned 17 recently. She had been asking for a cat for years, but my husband was not a fan of cats, and I'm allergic to them. But, again, after seeing so many animals that needed homes, my husband asked if we should get her a kitty. The only advice I gave them was to pick a cute sweet

P.S. My guess is another dog!



Brenda Hoffman & Family of 8



Ambush makeovers donated by Pup Town Grooming for some very deserving dogs rescued by CCHS!

The Back Story on Backyard Breeding

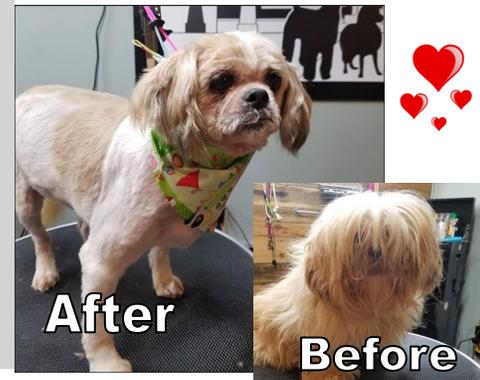
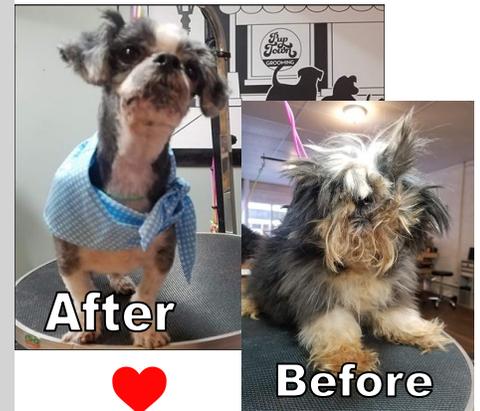
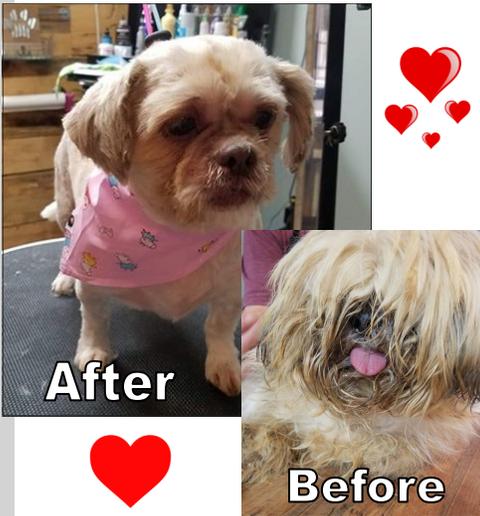
Of the millions of dogs who enter shelters/rescues each year, two-thirds come from backyard breeding. Backyard breeding is largely responsible for the dog over-population crisis in the U.S. Backyard breeders deliberately breed dogs for money and typically let their dogs continue to breed, often at the expense of the dog's health, hygiene, and care.

CCHS deals with the problems associated with backyard breeding on a daily basis. We get owner surrendered animals that originally came from a backyard breeder. Puppies come to us that breeders are unable to sell and no longer want due to health issues that are often a result of inbreeding. We recently rescued 15 adult dogs who came from a home that bred Shih Tzus for years. These breeding dogs had urine and feces-soaked fur that was horribly matted. They had a host of medical issues including dental and eye problems that resulted from years of poor care. All of the dogs needed veterinary care, grooming, and 12 of the 15 needed to be sterilized.

When PupTown Grooming heard about these sweet dogs, they stepped in and gave ALL 15 dogs the best "ambush" makeover ever! Suzanne Gaspardo, Cheri Laux, and Bobbie Schaaf spent over 12 hours bathing and grooming these pups and getting them ready for their new homes. Not only did these dogs get a marvelous makeover, they also received another wonderful gift. Donna and John Karvonen from Allouez Automotive and Bobbie from Bobbie's Small Dog Boarding and PupTown Grooming made gift baskets that included beds, blankets, toys, treats, sweaters, collars and leashes for all 15 dogs!

We would like to thank everyone involved for their incredible donation of time, grooming talents, supplies, and gifts. Thank you to the CCHS staff and volunteers for transporting all of these dogs for grooming and vet care. You changed the lives of these sweet Shih Tzus. They now get to enjoy life as loved pets instead of breeding machines. We would also like to thank everyone for their support! **Together we make a huge difference for the animals we help!**

So what can you do to stop backyard breeding? Simply, don't *buy* a pet, **ADOPT!** If you love animals and are ready to care for a cat or a dog for the rest of the animal's life, please adopt from your local animal shelter. There you will find dogs and cats galore, tails wagging and hearts filled with hope just waiting to find someone to love. Shelters receive new animals every day, so if you don't find the perfect companion to match your lifestyle on your first visit, keep checking back. When you find "the one" you will be so glad that you chose to save a life!



Every animal dreams of their own Home for the Holidays.



*Help make their dreams come true. **ADOPT!***

Give a big U.P. welcome to 12 fabulous felines! They came to us from Allegan Shelter, and we are so happy to have them. These cuties had a super long day being transported from lower Michigan, but instead of being scared or grumpy, all they wanted was to give head bops and purrs. They have all adjusted quite well to being with us at CCHS, but now it is time to find them loving homes...for the holidays. Here are just a few of these sweet kitties who are looking for new homes.



Tally

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Making a difference in so many amazing ways!



This fantastic group of Michigan Technological University students helped scrub the shelter from floor to ceiling just because they care. Thank you so much for all your help!



Raffle Drawing - December 8, 2019

Local Artist, Dave Stimac of Nature's Way Woodworking and his wife Diana, donated their 13th hand crafted Birdseye maple coffee table to CCHS to use as a fundraiser. Tickets are available for this \$4,000 table at the CCHS Animal Shelter, Ford Forestry Center in Alberta, Michigan, and The Hilltop Restaurant in L'Anse, where the table is proudly displayed. You can also call CCHS if you would like to buy tickets. **Special thanks to Dave & Diana for their incredible donation and to everyone who purchased tickets.**

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RAISE THE WOOF



**A Night of Great Comedy
to Benefit CCHS!**

Orpheum Theater, Hancock
Saturday, January 18, 2020

Show starts at 8PM - Doors Open at 7PM

Special thanks to Houghton Community Broadcasting for sponsoring "Raise the Woof" and to the Orpheum Theater for hosting our event.

Thank you all for your support!

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We are pleased to announce that the Copper Country Humane Society (CCHS) is now part of Thrivent Financial's Thrivent Choice® program. By directing Choice Dollars®, eligible Thrivent members can recommend that CCHS receive charitable funding from Thrivent. If you have Choice Dollars available, please consider directing them to the Copper Country Humane Society. We plan to use Thrivent Choice funding to care for the animals at the CCHS shelter. To learn more about Thrivent Choice, visit Thrivent.com/thriventchoice. Or call Thrivent at 800-847-4836, and say "Thrivent Choice" when prompted. **Thank you for your support!**

Sponsor a Pet this Holiday Season and Give a Gift that Keeps on Giving

If you are not able to adopt "just one more," you can still help by sponsoring one of our furry friends this holiday season. It is also a great gift idea to honor those you love. By sponsoring a pet, you provide food, care, and medical attention to them until they can find their forever home. For less than \$1/day, you can change a life. It is as easy as one, two, three:

- 1. Select a pet to sponsor - visit our website at www.cchumanesociety.com.**
- 2. Choose sponsorship level - 1 month, 3 months or 6 months.**
- 3. Complete payment through Paypal or send donation to CCHS.**
- 4. Include the pet's name that you would like to sponsor.**

Your name will be proudly displayed on our website with the sponsored pet and featured in CCHS newsletter.



Special thanks to all our summer 2019 sponsors

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CCHS extends our deep appreciation to all of our supporters, sponsors, special memorials and honorariums, volunteers, staff and businesses for their continued support. **Together we do make a difference.**

Thank You!



Honoring Alec Fisher



Echo Trek is a fundraiser for both the Copper Country Humane Society and the Alec Fisher Scholarship Fund. Alec was an Environmental Engineering and Management Information Systems double major with a minor in Psychology. As a busy double major involved in student organizations, Alec still made time to volunteer at Copper Country Humane Society as a dog walker. The Humane Society is also where Alec met and adopted his dog, Echo, a beautiful husky. Sadly, Alec lost his life in 2018 in a car accident. We hope to continue to honor Alec annually with Echo Trek and look forward to your support.

Thank you to all of the sponsors, donors, volunteers, participants, and the Fisher family for making Echo Trek a big success. A very special thank you to Ted Simonsen, owner of Insight Wealth Solutions, for being Echo Trek's top corporate sponsor.



CCHS Honorariums



In Honor of..... Given By:

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Tracy Matkin Rosemarie Mattson
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 Nugget Mark Marosi
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 Taffy & LaTara Evelyn Goke
 Snoopy Kay Roberts
 Pendita Joyce North
 Maxadoodle Gail Raffaelli
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CCHS Memorial

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In Memory of..... Given By: **Pets**

Impi Rodger & Nancy Arola
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 Molly, Sabrina, Tasha
 and Pricilla Donald Mattson
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 Pearl Margret Malone
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 Bonzo Jerry Cuffe
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“Supporting the Copper Country Humane Society is just one way we can help our community get to their incredible” says Stacy Hollenbeck- Market Manager, IncredibleBank Houghton Office

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