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**UNION COUNTY HUMANE SOCIETY**

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## **2nd Annual "Paws on the Patio" – A HOWLING success!**

Animal lovers from Union, Knox and surrounding counties brought their four legged friends and enjoyed great food, conversation, and entertainment at the Quaker Steak and Lube June 9th. Dogs, though leashed, played with one another and enjoyed chew toys, milk bones and water pools. A number of shelter animals came to strut their stuff resulting in the adoption of “Casper” (See Your Dollars at Work article page 2). Donations received were matched in part by Quaker Steak, all to benefit the shelter. Many thanks to our friends at Quaker Steak. We're already looking forward to next year!



### **UCHS Board of Directors**

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## **Summer Blues Almost Got Us Down!**

The summer months are tough on the shelter since donations are very frequently down. At one point, we had to dip into our savings to pay all our monthly obligations. But, when we gave you a shout out, you responded generously. THANK YOU! But, we aren't out of the woods yet. Your ongoing support and consideration is so very important to sustain-



ing the day-to-day activities at the shelter. We appreciate everything you do for us and thank you for keeping us in mind throughout the year!

# GO NORTH Collaborative Program a Terrific Success!

In addition to working with other rescue organizations like Feral Feline Friends and American Lab Rescue, the Union County Humane Society (UCHS) has recently established very strong collaborations with several entities in northern states.



and clinics in eastern TN, but until we get control of pet overpopulation, northern transport is a way to save the lives of many pets now in our shelters.

The Go North Transport Collaborative is a project involving the Blount, Loudon, Sevier, and Union county shelters and is the

Northern transport – moving animals from overcrowded southern shelters to under capacity northern shelters—is becoming more common as a "bridge" to the day when the supply of and demand for pets is in reasonable balance. We have many low-cost and no-cost spay/neuter programs

brain child of Peaceful Kingdom founder, Carmen Trammell. The Knoxville-based animal welfare organization Peaceful Kingdom (which also publishes Critter magazine) spearheaded the project

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## Your Dollars At Work



"Madeline" came to us sick, injured and utterly abandoned.



But she was a fighter and with medical attention and TLC from our shelter staff she thrived.



Two months later she was adopted by a loving family.



"Casper" came to us as a stray with a seriously injured eye that could not be saved.

Casper's eye was removed, but he recovered beautifully. When he appeared at "Paws on the Patio", one of the attendees immediately fell in love with him and he was adopted shortly there after.



## Ways to Make a Donation

We sincerely appreciate your generosity and want you to be aware that in addition to sending a check there are other ways you can donate to help the animals.

**1. Donate by phone:** Call 865-992-7969

**2. Donate Monthly:**

*With an electronic bank draft. We can provide you the necessary information – just give us a call. It is so easy and saves writing a check and using a stamp.*

**3. Visit our website:**

*Donate on line with your credit card or thru PayPal.*

**4. Corporate Matching Gifts:**

*You may be able to double or triple the amount of your gift to UCHS if you or your spouse works for a company with a matching gift program. Your company can tell you how.*

**5. Donate Stock:** Call for information.

**6. Honorary and Memorial Donations:**

*Mail the information with your donation which includes the name of the person or pet you are making the donation in memory of along with the address of the person's family so that we may send an acknowledgement. You can also call us with the information.*

**7. Buy a Brick for Our Memorial Patio:**

*See info on our web site:  
[www.unioncountyhumane.com](http://www.unioncountyhumane.com)*

**8. Sponsor an Animal:**

*On average, we spend at about \$300 on the direct care of each animal we rescue. Some cost us considerably more and adoption fees rarely cover the full cost of an animal's care and rehabilitation.*

**9 United Way:**

*Donate by designating Union County Humane Society as the recipient.*

## Get Your Motors Runnin'....



**RIDE LIKE AN ANIMAL -  
Saturday, October 5th**

Bikes register at the Humane Society at 10:00 AM and begin the ride at Noon. \$20 - One Rider includes a t-shirt. \$30—One rider & one passenger and includes two t-Shirts while supplies last. Come early! Tour the shelter and visit our animals!

For more information, go to our website:  
[www.unioncountyhumanesociety.org](http://www.unioncountyhumanesociety.org)



## Firewood Donations

Summer won't last forever! WE NEED FIREWOOD! As many of you know, our facility is heated by a wood burning furnace that provides radiant heating through our floors. Donations of (preferably seasoned) hardwood is crucial to keeping our animals warm and comfortable over the winter months. In some cases, we will barter a spay/neuter procedure for a pick up load of firewood. Call us for more information.



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in early 2012 by playing a facilitating role identifying northern destinations and providing the actual transportation. Shelters that do not euthanize for space in Maine, Michigan, Minnesota, and New York have now received over 700 east Tennessee animals and placed them in loving homes. Since the beginning of 2013 and as of this article, over 130 of these dogs and puppies came from our Union County shelter. The average cost of a transport for the Go North Transport Collaborative is \$757, covering vehicle lease, mileage

charge, fuel, insurance, and lodging. The average transport involves 20 animals, for an average cost per animal of \$38. UCHS and local shelters have covered the cost of getting animals ready for transport (vaccinations, de-worming, heartworm testing, flea and tick control, health certificates), and Peaceful Kingdom has covered the cost of transport. The northern shelters spay and neuter the animals before adoption.

If you are interested in supporting the GO NORTH program with a donation, please call Union County Humane Society.

## **Volunteers Needed to Help UCHS Clean Up Hickory Star Road**

The Humane Society long ago adopted their portion of Hickory Star to pick up trash and keep litter at a minimum. We are sorry to see that people continue to trash our roadways. We will be scheduling a day in September to pick up trash and ask for volunteers who

are interested in helping to call the shelter (865) 992-7969 and leave your name and phone number so we may contact you when a date is scheduled. Let's all KEEP UNION COUNTY BEAUTIFUL!

