

**July Soul Dog Rescue/
Blackhat Humane Spay/
Neuter Clinic at Chinle High
School**

On Saturday and Sunday, July 27-28, 2013, Soul Dog Rescue held a Spay/Neuter Clinic at Chinle High School with the aid of Blackhat Humane Society. With just one vet, the organization was able to fix, vaccinate, and provide other care for over 100 animals!

Since the start of 2013, Soul Dog has helped over 1,000 rez animals, dramatically reducing the over-population on the Navajo Nation. Along with providing medical care, Soul Dog and Blackhat were able to accept surrendered animals, many of whom were sent to Colorado to find loving homes.



A Blackhat Fairy Tail!

On June 23rd, Cheryl and Rik exchanged marriage vows and celebrated their marriage at the Ft. Lewis College chapel in Durango, Colorado. At the entrance was a framed photograph of Tux, a gorgeous 2-year old black-and-white male mix with tuxedo markings-- one of Blackhat's fosters that Cheryl and her parents have been fostering for more than

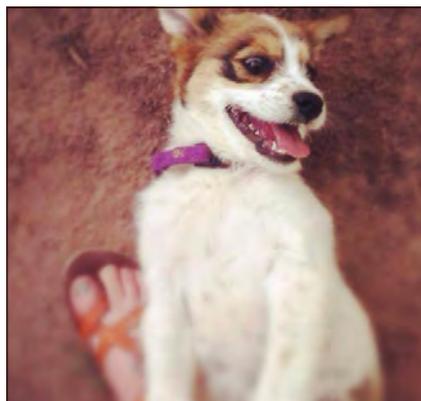
a year now. Tux had been rescued as a stray from the area where Cheryl teaches on the Reservation. This story is, to Cheryl, like a fairy tale, but she is still waiting for the true fairy tale ending. To explain, let's go back about a year.



From June 2013 to August 2013, Blackhat Humane Society has adopted out 26 animals, with even more transported off the rez thanks to other exceptional organizations!

Thank you for Helping Minion!!

A special slobbery wet kiss to everyone who donated towards Minion's leg amputation! She is doing exceptionally well, and cannot WAIT to be out of her cone of shame and play with her new family.



Cheryl had made some extra efforts to find a home for Tux last summer by advertising in the Durango Herald. Rik, who had lost his beloved border collie a few weeks prior, had noticed the ad and called. He visited Tux several times. Tux is rather shy, and Rik would take him out on walks to get Tux used to him while he waited for the contract on his offer to buy a house in the area to be finalized. Sometimes Cheryl would accompany Rik and Tux on these walks, so Rik got to know Cheryl a bit as well. Unfortunately, the contract on the house fell through due to a mold issue, so Rik could not adopt Tux.

About a month later, Rik called Cheryl again, but not exactly about the dog. To make a long story short, they became engaged. They now live in Bayfield, Colorado, with their combined household of four dogs.

Because of their large combined family, Tux is still available for adoption. If you have an interest in Tux, please contact Blackhat Humane Society. Tux would love to be adopted with his mother Carmen, who has always been his companion, but would also love a home where he is with another dog. Tux and Carmen are bigger dogs that need a spacious yard and exercise. (You can see lab and some Staffordshire in Tux.) Tux loves to hike and stays close by even off leash. Because Tux can be nervous and shy, he would not be a good match for younger children. Cheryl would love to tell you more about Tux and or Carmen. She is looking forward to Tux and Carmen's fairy tale endings to come true.

--Cheryl Zeman

THANK YOU PETSMART, PETSENSE, AND PET ALLIES FOR ADOPTION EVENTS!



We adopted Bandit (also known as Lava) at a Flagstaff PetSmart adoption event in November 2012. We had been looking for a dog for a few months, and when we saw that tiny and extremely shy puppy, we just knew he needed to come home with us. It didn't take long for his rambunctious personality to come out! He loves to go hiking, play in the snow, and have fun with his puppy friends. He is an adorable puppy with a great personality! He has become a huge part of



our family, and we love having him. We are really grateful for Blackhat Humane Society for saving so many dogs like Bandit.
-Ashley Deken



Come See Us at PetSmart in Flagstaff

Blackhat Humane Society is an adoption partner of PetSmart, and Blackhat pets are available at the Flagstaff adoption events!



We also show Blackhat animals at PetSense and Pet Allies in Show Low, AZ. Check the Blackhat Humane web site for dates and details:
rezdog.petfinder.org

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Chinle Update...

Last newsletter you read about Chinle's amazing story - here is an update from his mom, Sabrina! "Chinle's fractures healed well after six weeks with a splint. He loves to be chased and runs faster than almost every other dog at the dog park. He was neutered earlier this month, and recovered quickly. He is now 29 pounds of puppy! We are continuing his training (for him and us!) and he is getting along better with the cat. He is a playful, happy, sweet, and handsome boy!"



LOVE YOUR PET?

With every \$5 donation to Blackhat Humane Society from now until Christmas, your name will be entered in a drawing to win a custom pet portrait by Michaela Brady! The winner can choose the size, as well as the medium (paint, watercolor, pastel), and of course, the featured pet(s)! Donate online at rezdog.petfinder.org!



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**In memoriam of Bonnie
Koch, a loving friend of
needy animals everywhere.**

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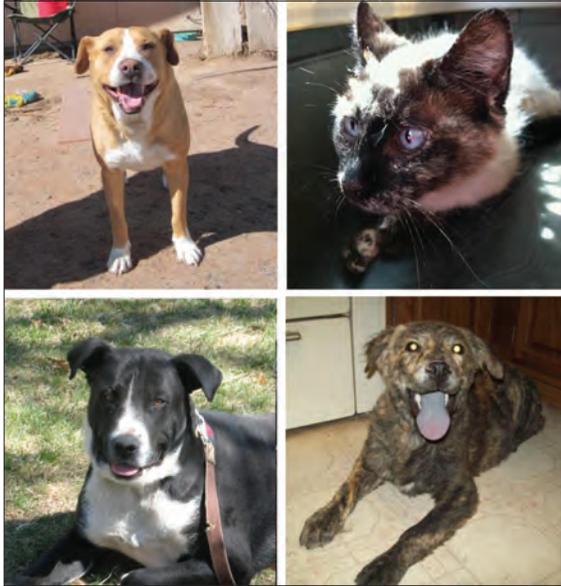
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Blackhat Humane Society is a non-profit organization established in 2000. We are dedicated to rescuing and finding homes for abandoned animals and livestock. We are one of the very few Humane Societies on the Navajo Reservation (an area roughly the size of West Virginia).

Blackhat Humane would be lost without our wonderful volunteer foster homes! Our rescued animals all live in foster homes and are part of the family who cares for them. We can tell you if they are housebroken, if they like children, whether they ignore or chase cats, or livestock. We know how they behave while riding in cars, and at feeding time. All of our rescued animals go to their adoptive homes up-to-date on vaccinations and all are spayed or neutered (if old enough). We support our foster homes with supplies and veterinary care. We advertise for prospective adopters and are always available to guide the foster parents through the adoption process. Won't you join us in fostering an animal?

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