

## PCHS FOSTER/ADOPTION REPORT November 12, 2007

Currently we have rescued and found homes for **205** dogs. We have also helped many cats and PCHS is helping needy owners with free food, straw, and dog houses as they are available.



**Towanda** is in still foster care with Preston and Anna Surface but will be going to her new home with a woman in Kansas City soon. She will be one of a pack of dogs, several of which are rescues. The woman loves to adopt older dogs and hopes to one day have an official home for older, difficult to adopt dogs.



**Cookie** was fostered by Tina Zimmerman and adopted by a couple who live in Manhattan. When asked why they wanted to adopt her they said, "We want to provide a home for a wayward animal that will be provided with love and affection by a young married couple in return for companionship." Their references were great so that pretty much cinched it! When we called them to let them know their application was approved they already had a new bed and toys waiting for Cookie.



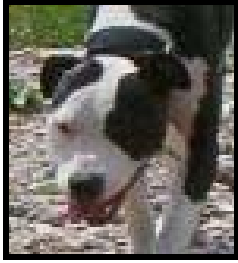
**Spunky** was fostered by Kendal Patty and adopted by a girl who lives in Concordia. She wanted a medium to large size dog for companionship and exercise. She fell in love with Spunky right away.



**Riley** was fostered by Jodi Whittier and adopted by a family who saw her photo in the Smoke Signal. She is getting along wonderfully with the family's male dog and loves the opportunity to run free.



**Chase** was fostered by Hattie Hartschuh and adopted by a man who lives in Wichita. Chase will be going to his new home on Friday.



**Syd** was adopted by a family in the military at Ft. Riley. He was always so scared to get into a vehicle to go to adoption events, but no more - he loves to go for rides! He is gentle with the kids and plays well with their Husky.



**Teaka** was fostered by Vicki in Lecompton and adopted by a physician at the KU Med Center in Kansas City. She wanted a dog that was good with children and Teaka definitely fits the bill. I called recently and she said Teaka is a wonderful family dog and that her Heartworm treatment is going well.



**Casey** was fostered by Jodi Whittier and adopted by a family with lots of children and a father who works out of the home. Since Casey longed to be by his Master and didn't want to be left alone this situation has worked out well for him.



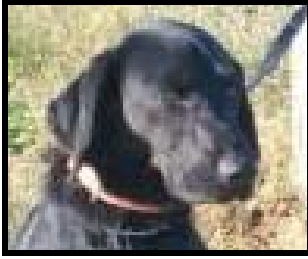
**Bach** (aka Hannibal and Hammie) was fostered by Jessica Cooper-Snyder and adopted by Erica, a vet student at KSU. Jessica says that as soon as Erica put on his new leash and collar, he was ready to go. Erica and Hammie only had eyes for each other, and were ready to go to his new home! He is having lots of fun with his new Master.



**Higgins** was adopted from the pound and now lives in Kansas City, MO. with his new sister, a Blue Heeler/Terrier and a cat. He is a house dog now and enjoying a good life. His new name is "Buckeye".



**Jazz** was fostered by Jessica Cooper-Snyder and adopted by a family whose oldest child is autistic. Jazz is a true joy to have in their family. They have 4 active, busy and young girls. The oldest has autism which means she can have meltdowns, outbursts and aggression, but Jazz has been accepting of all the commotion and emotion in their house. They've said he was an angel sent from above!



**Chipper** was fostered by Jodi Whittier and then by Kelly Neal at Howl A Days. Chipper was adopted by a pediatrician and his family who live in Manhattan, KS. They wanted a dog that would be good with their children and when they brought the boys to meet Chipper they knew he was the one!



**Shade** was fostered by Julie Appino and adopted by a young couple from Iowa. They wanted a small dog and when they saw Shade they thought she looked perfect for them. Although Shade was always an escape artist they say she has only gotten away from them once. They live in a tiny town which is a plus for Shade too. Shade has adapted quickly and is right at home with her new family.



**Wagner** was fostered by Jodi Whittier and adopted by a young family with young children. Even though Wagner turned out to be positive for heart worms, the family decided to keep him and get him treated. The kids adore Wagner!



**Curly** was fostered by Chris Beem and adopted by a young couple in Manhattan, KS. He was an anniversary gift. They both came to meet him at an Adoption Day and decided he was a perfect fit for their home. They already had a new doggie bed in place for him.



**Boomer** was fostered by Jackie Nooker and adopted by a woman in Junction City with a 12 y/o daughter. She says Boomer has fit right into their home. He loves the back yard and his new toys. He stays by their side but has also gone out front to visit with the neighbors and their dogs. They are so happy to have him.



**Nosey** was fostered by Julie Appino and then went to Howl A Days where she was adopted by a young lady who lives in Wamego. She is an avid jogger, so Nosey is getting lots of exercise. We have seen Nosey out and about with his new master, Dana, a lot. She looks very healthy and happy.



**Zeus** was adopted from the pound by a couple who plan to enroll him in obedience classes. They've said they took Zeus down town and he got 'loved on' by a lot of people. They also took him to the park and he did well there too – and apparently he has turned into quite a bed hog!



**Billie Boy** was fostered by Jessica Cooper-Snyder and adopted by a couple who live in Manhattan, KS. They have emailed us to say they love Billie! He is already a great running partner. He is warm towards people, other dogs, very respectful of their house kitties, and he even has a cat friend that he grooms and plays with at the barn. They have renamed him 'Bear'.



**Ridge** (now known as Rich) was fostered by Jodi Whittier and adopted by a couple who live in Topeka, KS. It was mutual love at first sight. They met Ridge at a bluegrass festival in Paxico and couldn't keep their eyes off him. He immediately snuggled up to the wife and she was hooked. Ridge will be a very happy, spoiled dog.



**Beau Duke** now has a home with a young couple in Manhattan, KS.



**Q Tip** was fostered by Jessica Cooper-Snyder and adopted by a family from Clay Center. They wanted a dog for their 10 yr. old daughter to call "her own" and to join their other canine companion, a 10 yr. old Chocolate Lab/Chow. Q-Tip will have a bed in their daughter's bedroom.



**Tootsie** was adopted directly from the pound by a family in Blue Rapids. They've emailed us that Tootsie follows their 10 year old around like a puppy dog (their words). He is going to train her as a show dog for 4-H. They say she has a great personality and is very smart. They've renamed her Sugar

**Lucy** was adopted by our own Sherrie Morgan who volunteers at the pound. Lucy immediately struck a chord with Sherrie and she knew she

would like to adopt her right away. Tina Zimmerman fostered Lucy while Sherrie was out of town for a few weeks and then Sherrie picked her up to take to her home.



**Chelsie** was adopted from the pound by a family in Topeka. Her family says that Chelsie is doing great. She's quite timid, but warming up and becoming more playful. She's well behaved but still needs a little work, as she likes to walk off with shoes and socks that don't belong to her, and thinks it's OK to help herself to pizza from the box. They took her to the Bark Park, and she wouldn't get out of the mud puddle, so they got her a plastic wading pool. Her name is now Molly.



**Kodi** was returned to us due to some potty issues he was having. He was re-adopted to a woman who lives in St. Joseph, MO. We explained the problems he had in his last home but she was willing to work through those with him. The references for Monica said she is the type of person that animals and children 'gravitate' to, so we have a real good feeling about Kodi having a good life with her.



**Daisy** was adopted by a family Abilene. She now has a pond to swim in, horses to figure out, and another older yellow female lab to play with. She also has two little girls to give her lots of attention and a mom who is a jogger to take her on runs.



**Cider** was adopted from the pound. We knew this dog and had watched it suffer here in Wamego on a chain for most of his life. It was a relief to have him brought into the pound. The owners never came to claim him and he now lives on 100 acres outside of Junction City. He has other dogs and cats to romp with and is working on learning to leave the turkey alone.



**Gidget** was adopted by a family who lives on a farm near Delia. She has a family with children to play with.



**Simba** was adopted by a Wamego Police Officer who met her when she was dropped off at the Wamego P.D. He followed up with us after she was brought to the pound and expressed his wish to foster her. After keeping her for a week he said they would really like to adopt her for their own. She's got a great country home now.



**Branson and Wheaty** were Shade's babies and were both adopted to wonderful homes in the Wamego area.



**Five Puppies** Two of the puppies were adopted by two girls who drove from Mounds View, Minnesota. They saw them on line and loved their brindled coloring. The other pups were adopted to other families in the area. All are doing well.



**Tucker I** was adopted by a woman who lives in Junction City and also has a Rat Terrier Min Pin Mix named Magnusson. Tucker is getting along well with her dog.



**Tucker II** was adopted by a couple in Junction City who also have a 10 mo. old Corgi for Tucker to play with. They got their Corgi from a rescue too.



**Fancy** was fostered by Julie Appino and Jessica Cooper-Snyder. She was adopted by a veterinarian in Manhattan. Jessica Cooper-Snyder, who is a Vet student at K-State and a foster home for PCHS, assisted in Fancy's spay with the veterinarian who adopted her. Fancy now has a great home in the country with lots of room to run.



**Baxter** was adopted by a middle aged couple to Topeka, who wanted to bring him back the next morning; he got out of the fenced in yard and when they put a rock in the fence hole he still managed to get out! It was the day of Bark/Park and they were going to meet us at the pound at noon. By noon she called back and said her hubby was getting some commands to sink in to him and he was behaving better, so they would wait. And then the next day, all was fine. So Baxter has a great home now.



**Houston** was accused of attacking another dog and placed in the pound until his case went to court. Houston spent nine months at the pound including the winter months in freezing cold and the blistering months of summer. He came to know the routine and to trust all of us. He knew he was loved and became better with the other dogs as time passed.

Jessica Loree from Wakefield asked if she could help Houston by adopting him. She had seen Houston when she adopted another Pit Bull from us (Malto).



Before his court date, Julie and Jessica wrote Judge Ireland letters asking that Jessica be allowed to adopt him and work with him on socialization around other animals. The Judge ruled that Houston could go with Jessica as long as he did not live in the Wamego city limits. Here is his story after a nearly three months in his new home with her:



“It's hard to believe, that just a few short months ago, Houston's fate, was at the end of the vet's needle, to go to sleep, and never to wake up. It is now, the beginning of November, only 2 1/2 months after what was a very long court process, to which a Judge found it within himself, to go out on a limb, and let Houston be adopted by a new family. The family consists of his Human Servant, 3 Perro De Presa Canarios, 4 horses, 2 APBT's rescued from shelters, 6 chickens, and one duck. (yes, a duck...)

Most of Houston's time has been spent alone with his Human Servant, in the sleeper-cab of a semi truck, rumbling down the highway at all odd hours of the day and night. The benefit to this, is absolute bonding, and the keen ability to handle new situations and new people without getting too excited both good and bad.

Houston has been 'loose' on the farm on several occasions both supervised, and unsupervised. This is the first time he has been freely around the other two APBT's both supervised and not. The pictures speak for themselves.

It is still my strong opinion, that Any animal will act based upon its surroundings and situation, that Houston's 'aggression' was purely based upon the previous home he once had.

Every day I am so grateful, that Judge Ireland, took that leap of faith, and awarded Houston into our home. There hasn't been a day go by, where Houston doesn't repay the hard work and effort, by laying his head on my lap, licking my nose till it hurts, and hogging the whole bed. All three of my Shelter APBT's are the most wonderful dogs I have ever had, and if one person could save the world, I would save all of the APBT's from every shelter and give them homes that help them grow.

Thank you to all who worked hard, and everyone's efforts into saving Houston's life. To save the life of one, may save the life of another... “  
Jessica

## In Foster Care:



**Scotty** is in foster care with Jackie Nooker. He is a black lab mix. He is a wonderful dog. He is good with children and loves to run and swim. He is a fun dog with a moderate level of energy. He also loves to ride in cars.

**Skye** is in foster care with Jessica Cooper. Skye is a female husky with brilliant blue eyes.



**Hoss** is in foster care with Kendall Petty. He is a very well behaved black lab. He is great on leash and enjoys the company of others.

## On Trial Adoptions



**Piper** is a gentle female lab mix. She is not a big barker and would make a great family pet. She is on a trial adoption with one of the pound volunteers.



**Max** is in foster care with Jodi Whittier. Max has a beautiful disposition and gentle soul. He is a large Husky/Aussie mix that is house-trained and a bit of a couch potato. He gets along with other dogs, cats, and children. He is currently on a trial adoption.



**Addie** is on a trial adoption with a family outside of Westmoreland.

### **In the Shelter:**



**Podo** is a very sweet female who loves to be petted. She may have been used for breeding purposes. She may need to be an only pet.



**Bob** is a great dog with a wonderful attitude. He has a bum leg he limps a bit on, but walks just fine. He may be a treeing walker coonhound.

### **In Loving Memory of Shyanne**



**Shyanne** was a beautiful soul who was near the end of her life when she came into the care of PCHS. Preston and Anna Surface kindly offered to take her into their lives and gave her a warm, loving home to spend the last of her days. She was only with us for a few weeks but will be remembered forever.

### **Foster and Adoption Committee Members:**

Julie Appino  
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