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## Four-legged guests attend Monday's Neighborhood Watch

Hoopeston Neighborhood Watch heard about adoption Monday night. Not the kind in which families end up with children but that in which families get pets.

Shane Boyer, director of Vermilion County Animal Regulation and two four-legged youngsters of the canine variety were featured at the meeting.

Boyer brought along two pups of an Australian shepherd mix, and let the animals roam among attendees while he talked of adopting animals.

Animals come to the county shelter in various ways, Boyer said. Animal Regulations employees pick up strays or county residents bring in animals they have found. Sometimes owners can no longer take care of their pets and bring them in.

Animals to be adopted out must stay at the shelter for at least four days during which they are tested for general health and temperament. Those that pass both tests are moved to the adoption side of the department's building and are able to be viewed by those wanting to adopt a pet.

Before a pet goes home with a family, it is spayed or neutered, given shots - including rabies and distemper - and sprayed for fleas. Animals that receive the full treatment cost \$74.50 to adopt. For those that have previously been spayed or neutered or are current on shots, the cost is less. The cost includes a collar, leash and 2.5 lb. bag of food to take home.

Boyer encourages prospective "parents" to visit the shelter regularly to find the kind of pet they want. "The selection changes," he said. "One day, we'll



Shane Boyer, director of Vermilion County Animal Regulations, shows off an adoptable puppy at Monday's Hoopeston Neighborhood Watch meeting.

have something they want and that they can't live without."

To adopt a pet, a person must be 18 years old and must fill out an adoption application listing why the person wants to adopt a pet and whether the person is willing to have a follow-up visit. "If you answer the right way, you're fine," Boyer said. "If not, you're not getting an animal from me."

While the shelter houses mostly dogs and cats, other animals have made their way to the doors, including a horse, an iguana, rabbits, goats and a pot-

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Watch continued from other side

bellied pig.

Not all animals are fit for adoption. Those that are severely injured or ill or that have a bad temperament are not placed with animals the public may adopt.

Between Jan. 1 and Aug. 31, 2,688 animals have been taken to the shelter. Of those, 714 have been adopted.

Besides the adoption program, Animal Regulations is also responsible for animal control in unincorporated areas of Vermilion County. Some villages have also contracted with the county to provide animal control services, Boyer said.

Boyer's office handles all bite cases in the county,

Obituaries

**HENK** - Betty J. Henk, 73, of Hoopeston died at 9 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 7, 2003 at Hoopeston Community Memorial Hospital. Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Wednesday at Hamilton-Orr Funeral Home. Burial will be in Floral Hill Cemetery. Visitation will be noon to 2 p.m. Wednesday at the funeral home. Memorials are suggested to United Methodist Church of Hoopeston.

Solution to yesterday's puzzle

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including quarantines. Dogs that have been must be quarantined for 10 days. Those without current rabies shots must be housed at the shelter or a veterinarian's office for 10 days; those that have current shots may be kept at the shelter, a vet's office or owner's home, Boyer said.

Animal Regulation also investigates cases of cruelty to animals and helps rescue animals. In January, Boyer helped rescue a 150 lb. mastiff that had fallen through ice at Leisure Time Estates.

Boyer stressed the importance of having updated rabies tags on pets, including cats. Should a pet get lost or become injured, the office can track down and notify the owners. As another safety precaution, Animal Regulation is able to put microchips in pets. The chips contain owner information.

The shelter opens at 8:30 a.m. Monday-Friday. Adoptive families are invited from 11 a.m.-4:30 p.m.

Police News

A 1988 Chevrolet truck borrowed but not returned Monday was later returned to the owner.

Weather

Mostly sunny today. High 82. Tonight, partly cloudy. Low 59. Tomorrow, partly cloudy. High 84, low 61.

For current weather conditions, call (217) 283-6221.

New Books at the Library

**Fiction:**

Long for this World by Michael Byers  
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