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Saying Hello...

Meet our newest Medical Director-Meredith Simon

"I grew up in southern Ohio as a horse crazy girl with no horse, (but) we had miniature poodles and beagles.

In high school I discovered bacteriology, and chose a college (in MA) that offered it as a major. But when I arrived, a wise senior advised me to major in biochemistry, and go to grad school for bacteriology, which I did. I got as far as an MS, before I decided the academic rat race was not for me.

I had learned to love New England in college, and moved to Cambridge, and held eight jobs in research labs in the span of nine years, but nothing that I loved. Finally I realized that I needed to go back to school, and almost by accident, veterinary school was suggested by an advisor. When I was in college, vet school was not on my list of possibilities. Women veterinarians existed then, but were rare. Nine years later, the tide was turning, and I was accepted into the first class at Tufts School of Veterinary Medicine (now Cummings), and graduated in 1983. Originally I wanted to be an equine vet, (*still horse crazy*) but I had vastly more experience with companion animals, and discovered pathology in vet school. After graduation I did a small animal medicine internship at Angell, spent several years in small animal practices in MA and NH, then back to school for pathology training.



Rosie

I worked as a pathologist for over 20 years, and am mostly retired now. I have had dogs and cats my entire adult life; currently share my home with Remy, a 5 year old whippet, Rosie, a 5 year old standard poodle, and 3 (indoor) cats. I'm a big fan of all hounds, but especially like the needle noses of the sight hounds, greyhound and whippet. I got my greyhounds as puppies because of the concern for cat safety, and switched to whippets when the thought of carrying 60+ pounds of dog became too much!"-Meredith Simon



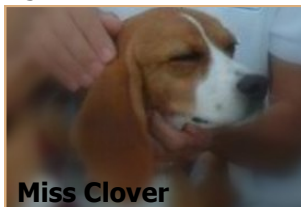
Meredith, Remy & Rosie

And Saying Goodbye...

Hudson's story with B.O.N.E.S. began back in 2007 after being rescued from Limington ME. Unfortunately, health concerns made a future for him risky. But along came a cross country trucker, John Flanagan, with an emptiness in his truck and in his heart. He took a leap of faith and with Hudson as his co-pilot, they each found a new best friend and began their journey.

We fell in love too and followed their travelogue *Hudson Chronicles*, witnessing life through the eyes of this special beagle.

Hudson later served as one of our B.O.N.E.S. Ambassador Beagles, and along with our other Ambassador Miss Clover, who crossed over in 2012, showed the world just how good life could be with a hound.



Miss Clover



Hudson

Hudson's tribute and a special thank you from John follows....



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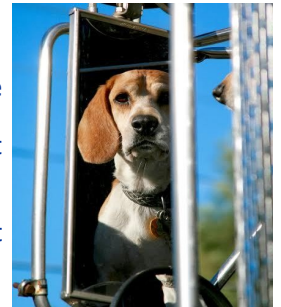
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of Hudson
or in the name of
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As an Adoption Counselor for B.O.N.E.S. you have the pleasure of speaking with potential adopters looking to find a new furry family member. Each phone interview is different; from the first time dog owner to the very beagle rescue savvy adopters looking to add to their pack and everything in between. I still remember the phone interview with John Flanagan back in 2007. He had lost his beloved beagle Cassie, that he rescued from a truck stop years ago. He could not bring himself to enter a shelter because he felt sad choosing just one and leaving the rest behind. Hmmm, this was going to be a first. He needed a dog that would enjoy life on the road with a trucker. How would I know if the beagle would enjoy this lifestyle until they tried it?

Hudson was rescued from a hoarder in Limington, ME in February of 2007.

B.O.N.E.S. took in 13 beagles from that rescue effort and Hudson was one of them. During the medical exam it was discovered that Hudson had a mass on his nose that was cancerous. Surgery was performed but with the sensitive area, clean margins were not able to be obtained. His future was uncertain. He would need a very special adopter.



Always rooting for the underdog, I mentioned Hudson to John. He never hesitated and was willing to take a chance on him as long as he enjoyed life on the road. We arranged to have Hudson sprung from the kennel to meet John and his new potential home on wheels. It was love at first sight for both! Hudson clung to John as if he was his long lost pal. John had a schedule of "loads" that would have him on the road for about a week. We agreed that this would be a trial period for Hudson to see how he liked being a semi-beagle. They set off for their first adventure and John would let me know if the adoption would be finalized upon his return.

"I am a cross country trucker and I had a beagle that traveled with me for 13 years. Several months after her passing I was ready to find another partner on the road. After seeing a story on the news one evening about the Limington beagles rescued from a bad situation, I went to the link to B.O.N.E.S. that was provided. After learning about B.O.N.E.S. I got the whole adoption process started. There was an interview, home inspection, and even a truck inspection, and then I was given Hudson to take on a trial run to see how well he travelled. After a rough start, he settled right in. Seems that he was SO excited to getting out every few hours to different smells all over the country, he forgot to do his business! Needless to say, there were quite a few "clean-ups" inside the truck the first few weeks!

Pam, whom I dealt with during the adoption process, kept emailing me about Hudson, asking how he was doing on the road. After several weeks, I decided to let Hudson answer. I enjoyed the opportunity to get inside his head and look at things from a beagles perspective. One thing led to another, and Hudson's Chronicles began."

"Hey, it's me, Hudson!

I've had fun on my first trip with John out to St Louis and back. We just delivered a tractor in Charleton, MA and are going to load a truck to take to Seattle. I have enjoyed the past week with John in his truck. I have taken over the recliner in the sleeper while we are driving. When I get tired of that, I move to the bed for a while. I do let John sleep in the bed at night with me, even though he doesn't share his meals with me. No matter how much I beg or how sad I look, he doesn't even make eye contact. That's my only complaint, I'm stuck with dog food! I am a little scared when we go out if there is a lot of traffic or street noise but I think I'll get used to it soon. I am happy to be in the truck where it is just the two of us, no fighting for food or attention. I think I'll adopt John so I don't lose this good deal. I've sent some pictures of me in action (so to speak) More later... Hudson"



As it turned out, Hudson was officially adopted and that *was* the first unofficial Chronicle. John and Hudson had a huge following with the Chronicles, not to mention the many personal appearances at the Bash, many outreach events and fundraisers. They always gave back and as a result, many more needy beagles benefited.

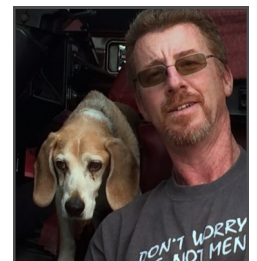
I never imagined that this unconventional adoption would turn into eight and a half years and over a million miles of love and companionship. I feel fortunate that I was able to match Hudson with John and am honored to call them my friends.

Thank you John and Hudson for sharing your extraordinary ride with the entire B.O.N.E.S. family and beyond. We look forward to the next chapter of honoring Hudson's legacy.

He will live on in all of our hearts forever. ~Pam Amaral

"After his passing, I was overwhelmed by the outpouring of support. It was then that I realized how lucky I was to be able to share Hudson, and our adventures with so many.

I want to thank all the people at B.O.N.E.S. who, not only found me another beagle, but gave me the chance to share him with so many others." ~John Flanagan





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- ♥ Read our "Happy Tails"

Do you know where B.O.N.E.S is located?



Where ever our Volunteers call home!

Volunteer With B.O.N.E.S.

On August 29th, all across New England and as far away as Florida, friends of B.O.N.E.S. and volunteers rose early, donned sensible shoes, and prepared to score big bargains as they headed to local Macy's. This year, for the first time ever, B.O.N.E.S. had been invited to take part in the **10th Annual Shop For A Cause.**

And that wasn't all the excitement, for after a bit of begging we had managed to win quite the treat: a beagle at our table! It was a fun and profitable four hour outreach event.

Sandy Bowers and Pat Nelson were the human staffers while Henry Bowers, Sandy and Chuck's 12 year old furry child, was the star and main attraction. This certainly was not one of our more typical outreach experiences. Most shoppers were puzzled and then delighted to see a real dog (and such an irresistible one!) in such an unexpected place.



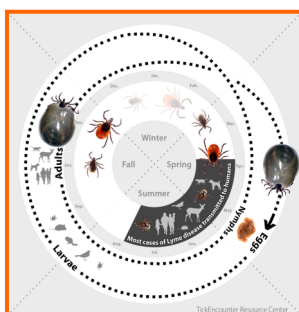
An older couple stopped after the man saw mellow ol' Henry relaxing in his bed under our table. "This is what we need!" he told his wife. His sister had suffered the loss of her assistance dog and was despondent and lonely. Though she no longer needed assistance, she missed the companionship of her pet and helper. They left with our brochures, the man relieved to have found a possible solution for his sister. Another customer had questions about fostering, and there were the inevitable wonderful stories about beagle relatives.

In the weeks leading up to Shop For A Cause, B.O.N.E.S. sold savings passes provided to us by Macy's. Each pass, which cost purchasers \$5 (100% of which went to B.O.N.E.S.) provided savings of up to 30% all day over the lowest store prices. We sold 47 passes to earn a total of \$235 and our donation box held \$156.40! The feedback we received from pass purchasers was positive. Shoppers felt happy about doing a good deed and also got to 'Save Big'. It was a win-win day!



Do ticks die after the first frost?

Some species, like American dog tick and Lone Star tick are not active in fall and winter months. Others, like Blacklegged (deer) tick can remain active in their adult stage from fall to spring as long as the temperature is above freezing.



Each life stage (larvae, nymph and adult) of any species of tick has a discrete time period when it is most likely to be looking for a host (aka-your beloved furbaby-or YOU!)



Is your baby a Prima Ballerina or a Scaredy-Cat?



October is Adopt-A-Dog Month!



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PHOTOGRAPHY



Can you find
room in your
heart
to show
a little hound
how good
life can be?

Do you have
room
on your sofa
for
another
beagle?

Want to
Make A
Difference?

- ▼ Adopt - Don't Shop
- ▼ Volunteer
- ▼ Foster



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PICKLES



MAX

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just click on their names!



PEACHES



TRACKER



SALLY



LILY



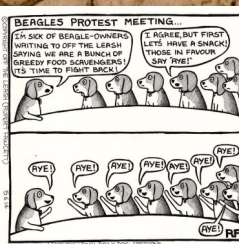
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Mention B.O.N.E.S. in the online order and for every jar purchased,
Three Dog Sauces will donate a dollar to help beagles in need.



Pet Rock Festival 2015

The 2015 Pet Rock Festival will be a day that we will all remember! Despite the misty, chilly weather, it was a blast, and you'll all be proud that our organization was well represented and very busy the whole day.

No one would have ever guessed that so many people, with and without their dogs (and one person with her chicken) would venture out on such a wet day to come to Pet Rock. But at noon when the doors opened and the music started, the crowds came. Our booth was busy pretty much the whole day. A lot of people who owned beagles stopped by to say hello, many people stopped to look at pictures of our dogs that are up for adoption and ask questions about our adoption process, how to become a volunteer, and a few even asked about becoming a foster home. Foster dogs Max and Sally were a big hit. They proved to be great ambassadors. Everyone wanted to pet them when they were out in front of our booth. Some people even came inside the booth to say hello to them. They were number 1 and 2 in the adoptable dogs parade!



Lisa DiNicola and her good friend Carrie, who volunteered to trim nails and clean ears, were a huge hit! Luckily the group that was supposed to be next to us didn't show up so they set up their grooming table and lots of people waited in line with their dogs. Even a pug wearing a tutu stopped to have her nails done. They raised \$122 in donations. Thank you Lisa and Carrie!

Many people purchased raffle tickets for our great raffle basket. Thank you to everyone who donated items. Ginny Soto from Spencer, MA was the lucky winner. She lives only a few minutes from Becker College so while we cleaned up, she drove right over to pick up her great prize. She said she has multiple dogs, so each dog will get a few presents!



Thanks go to Barbara Yocum and her foster dog Max; Elaine Sistare and her adorable daughter; Lisa DiNicola and her friend Carrie; Jack Courtney, Sharon Vartanian and their foster dog, Ms. Sally, for volunteering their time on such a raw day. Without the help our volunteers none of this could have happened. Including the \$122 in nail trimming and ear cleaning donations, we raised almost \$395 for the beagles!!

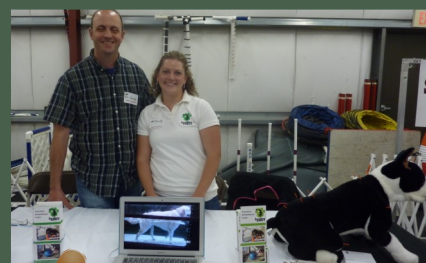
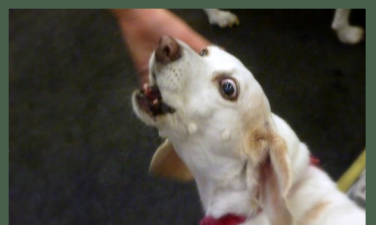
Many, many thanks to all the volunteers again who represented the beagles!



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from
the
2015
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Walk



The 2015 Bash: Beagles, Buddies and Vendors



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to Everyone for
another wonderful
B.O.N.E.S. Bash!





THE BAY — Senior Edition

Helping Senior Beagles Find Their Way Home



The Bay
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WELCOME to the premier edition of **THE BAY—Senior Edition**, our quarterly publication that celebrates senior dogs in general and those beagles in the **Sensational Senior Beagle** program in particular. The B.O.N.E.S. Sensational Senior Beagle program began approximately eight years ago. B.O.N.E.S. had accepted a beagle into the organization named Remmy who turned out to be older than originally thought with a likely age of twelve. Knowing that older dogs are much harder to place (adopters are concerned about a shortened life span and increased veterinary costs), Susan Taney, one of the founders of B.O.N.E.S., contacted a friend at the ASPCA as to how senior beagles could be marketed to increase their chances of finding their forever homes. The B.O.N.E.S. Board of Directors at that time discussed some of the ideas suggested with the result being the SSB program. At it's start, the families who took the SSBs in were considered permanent foster homes for the dog's remaining years. Our current families are considered adopters. From the beginning, the adoption fee has been waived and routine as well as reasonable additional veterinary care has been paid for by B.O.N.E.S. And most importantly over the past eight years, the more than 20 beagles who have been involved in the SSB program have known love and felt safe in their final senior years.

PATCH – Young At Heart

I would like to tell everyone about my wonderful dog Patch. He is a B.O.N.E.S. Sensational Senior Beagle. We adopted him when he was 12. He is now 17 and I can say he has had even fewer medical problems than younger dogs we've adopted, so age doesn't always matter.



When we first adopted Patch he had energy to spare. The dining room table was his favorite nap place. Even now at age 17 he's still doing really well at getting around. He is the love of our lives and he knows it. He shows he's grateful with the love he returns.

Speaking of love, when we adopted another beagle Smokey, Patch instantly adopted Smokey as his baby. They are inseparable. We have found that older dogs adapt so well to a new home and just love being loved. They also don't always get into as much mischief as the younger ones (thank goodness).

I can't say enough good about the SSB program. They have been there every step of the way for us with any help or questions we have had. I will always adopt the older dogs because we feel they should have a chance at loving homes and a chance at living out their lives with love and security. And as you can see from the picture they are so helpful at doing chores like the first cleaning on pans before they go in dishwasher. Oh, and he likes snacks!

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For More Stories of our SSB's, check out the entire the latest edition [here!](#)





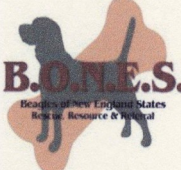
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The calendars are being sold for \$16 each. All net proceeds from the B.O.N.E.S. 2016 Calendar will directly help B.O.N.E.S.' efforts to rescue, rehabilitate, and re-home beagles throughout the Northeast!

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