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## **PRESS RELEASE**

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### **Furtastic Festival at Bedford County Animal Shelter this weekend**

September 12, 2008 - The Bedford County Animal Shelter will hold its first Furtastic Festival this Saturday from 10am to 4pm with activities and fun for animal lovers of all ages. There will be canine assistance dogs, demonstrations of agility, search and rescue, food and local vendors, face painting, a silent auction, and much more. Admission is free.

Scott Polinek, the shelter's new director says, "We're trying to make it fun for everyone." But the true stars of the event will be the adoptable animals themselves, and Polinek is hoping that many will find good homes that day. The Festival's goal is to reduce their resident animal population enough to allow some needed maintenance to take place at the facility. The dog kennel run floors need to be sealed and new cat cages will be installed in the cat room.

Whether or not you are looking for a new pet, the event is designed to be a fun, free activity for all animal lovers. The Bedford Humane Society and other local animal groups are lending their support as well. The Humane Society booth will have low cost spay neuter information and a prize of a free spay/neuter surgery will be given away.

Dr. Ryan, of The Riverside Clinic, will hold a rabies clinic from 1 to 3pm. The cost is \$10.

The Furtastic Festival will be held at the shelter at 1307 Falling Creek Road. For details on the event or to volunteer or donate items for the raffle/auction, please visit the shelter's website at <http://www.petfinder.com/shelters/VA482.html>

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