



“A Special Dog Named Charlie”

**By Kit Belcher, Executive Director
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I recently talked with a student who had just lost her puppy “Charlie”. He had escaped from their fenced yard and was hit outside their home by a passing vehicle. She had chosen him from puppies at our shelter back when he was just a little guy. He had a good life with her, and they enjoyed many fun days together. Though his time was cut short, she will never forget him. In her own words, she wrote a special tribute in memory of Charlie, and I wish to share this with you.

“The Wondrous One”

by Nikki Hlavac

**“It was fun while it lasted,
it was great when we played,
but now you have gone away.”**

**“You will always be in my heart,
for you will always be loved by the one
who have taken care of you.”**

**“It is time to go on, that I can do—
though shall it be hard to do.”**

**“It was fun while it lasted,
it was great when we played,
but now you have gone away.”**

**“You are always in my memories,
though we had good times and bad.”**

“My memory is filled with only good ones.”

**You brought joy to my heart
ever since you came home that Christmas Day.”**

**“What a wonderful dog you are,
you were really good at playing fetch”.**

**“It was fun while it lasted,
it was great when we played,**

but now you have gone away.”

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At Beltrami Humane Society, we have a lot of special puppies waiting for new homes. You will see “Skye”, “Danny” or “Hunter” whom are the last 3 littermates from Dusky, the beautiful sable shepherd. “Boswell” and “Brody” are husky littermates who were brought in as strays, now 14 weeks old. “Dexter” and “Daisy” are rottweiler cross puppies waiting in their foster home for adoption. “Fonzy” is our black lab “special needs puppy” who came without any exterior ears at all.

Visit us at 1612 Carr Lake Rd SE, Bemidji, MN or log onto our website at www.beltramihumane.com or www.petfinder.com to view our puppies ready for adoption. Our phone number is (218) 751-7910 and our hours of operation are Tuesdays through Saturdays, 12-5:30 p.m.

Watch for our “Furr Bowl 2007” coming May 5th and 6th. Pick up your registration forms at the shelter or even register online. “Come One or Come All!” Roll into great fun, friends and food! Win a popular trophy bowling pin” or many other prizes! How about the “Glow and Blow” session? This is the last scheduled session on Sunday. Who will get the most pledges? It’s fun for the whole family! “Help Us Strike out Animal Homelessness!”

Do you enjoy working around animals? Become a volunteer. Lend a hand in facility cleaning, fund raising or other needed tasks. The next Volunteer Training is scheduled for May 12th, 1-2 p.m. “Adopt A Kennel” for \$25.00 a month and help care for a special cat or dog in need. Become a Member – it’s the ultimate way to show your dedication to the animals that need our help to survive.

Shelter Wishes: Gravel for the dog yards, Biodegradable dog treats, Puppy Chow, Walking Leashes, Small Swimming Pools for cooling off outside during the summer months, Dog Houses (any size).

Thank you for your support of the Beltrami Humane Society!

