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Buchanan native publishes book

HILTON HEAD IS-LAND, S.C. — Former Buchanan resident Julie Holmes Chalpan has published the book "Titan's Tales and Other Dog Adoption Love Stories," which pays tribute to shelter dogs, their caregivers and their new families.

Chalpan and her husband adopted Titan, a Jack Russell/beagle mix, more than 12 years ago from a shelter near Atlanta, Ga. She talked with 38 people from around the country to hear their stories of rescuing shelter dogs. Two area dogs and their adoptive families in Buchanan and Stevensville are included in the book, as well as five former Michiana residents, including Chalpan. The book is available for purchase online at www. titanstales.com; Almost Home, Buchanan Art Center and Union Coffee House in Buchanan; Your Kitchen Connection in Niles; and the Humane Society of Southwestern Michigan in Benton Harbor.

For more information, visit www.titanstales.com.

A portion of the proceeds from each book sold will go to help local shelter groups, including the Humane Society of Southwestern Michigan.