NEW BEGINNINGS NEWS



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Greetings from the Thrift Store

Come and see our revamped store! We've cleaned, rearranged and are doing our best to be more customer friendly. It's now easier than ever to get around and see everything!

Are you looking for a great place to do your holiday shopping? From decorations to presents we have lots to choose from.

As Halloween is just over we have a great sale going on with our Halloween leftovers. It's a great time to put some decorations aside for next year. Christmas and Thanksgiving decorations are being set out as well!

If you haven't seen the new cat room yet, come down and visit with the kitties!

Upcoming Board Meetings

We have quarterly board meetings that we would love to see you at (hint, hint)! Meeting dates for 2014 are:

Jan. 3rd April 4th

July 4th - Holiday so we'll skip this one! October 3rd

Meetings are held at the courthouse in room number 310 at noon. Go in the front door, up one floor, and the first door to your left. Hope to see you all there!

Christmas Cards

If you want a gift for that hard-to-buy-for person, the one who has everything, here is the perfect solution! For a minimum donation of \$10.00 we will send that person a card saying a donation was made by you in their name, or we can send the cards directly to you. Please send us a list of the people you would like the cards sent to or the number of cards you would like sent to you. Please be sure and print clearly and include your phone number in case we have questions. We want to be sure and get the cards to the correct person. All orders must be received by *November 20th* and will be mailed right after Thanksgiving. Cards for you to send out can also be purchased at our thrift store.

Adoption Options

Don't forget to see some of our adoptable animals at Petco. A huge "Thank You" to Carolee and her staff for hosting us and doing such a great job! Even though some of our animals are there seven days a week, there are grand adoptions weekends every month on the following dates in 2013 and the first one of the New Year:

November 9th and 10th
December 7th and 8th
January 4th and 5th, 2014

In Memory of....

In memory of Valerie Sonnenberg from her family In memory of Gwen & Van Best from Susan Helmuth

Craft/Christmas Fairs Need Donated Items

Wow, as I write this, fall continues but the holidays are right around the corner! This includes a couple of MAJOR fundraisers for NBSPCA, i.e., booths that we have at both the Business & Professional Women's Fair November 2nd & 3rd and then the County Christmas Fair December 6th - 8th. Both fairs heavily feature hand crafted items and we are in desperate need of donations to sell. Donations can include quilts, crochet/knit items, plants, jewelry, woodworking, stained glass, wreaths, pet toys and whatever else your creative mind imagines!!!! For the December Fair, we will also be looking for baked goods that do not require refrigeration. Any items can be brought to the NBSPCA thrift store at 1212 SE Stephens St. If you need items to be picked up, please call the Thrift Store at 541-673-9679 and be sure to specify that the pick-up items are suitable for the fairs.

Also, please take time to stop by our booth to do some of your Christmas shopping. While we try to make as much money as possible to continue rescuing critters, we also try to keep our prices very competitive. You'll find some unique items at great prices. Both Fairs are held at the Douglas County Fairgrounds on the above dates.

Did you know that donating to us is as easy as shopping on Amazon.com? We have a wish list at

http://www.amazon.com/gp/registry/wishlist/3IKHQXZTGSC1E

or just go to www.amazon.com and on the top right click on Wish List, scroll down to "find a wish list" click on that, enter our name and enter. Easy peasy! We'll be updating as we can.

Dear Sir or Madam,

Enclosed please find a donation in honor of Happy the Doberman.

Happy originally belonged to Bob Cotterell's parents. Pop died about 3 years ago, followed by Mom two years ago. There was talk of putting Happy down because she was 12. However Bob saw a lot of life in her, so he and his wife, Becky, adopted Happy, thus giving Happy a new beginning.

Because Bob's parents were elderly Happy lived a fairly sedentary life. Her new life with Bob and Becky included friendship with Bob and Becky's black lab named Felicia, trips to the Dog Park, car rides, hours playing ball, walks around the neighborhood and a large yard to run in.

Over several months, at age 14, Happy's health declined, and her zest for life as well. She could no longer go outside or walk much, and lost interest in food. Last Friday, Bob gave Happy the final gift of peace and had her put down.

Happy will be remembered as happy, loving life and enjoying the new beginning that Bob and Becky gave her.

We hope that this donation will help other animals who have a love of life and deserve a new beginning with a forever family.

Thank you for all you do for animals.

Best Regards,

Ann & John Gridley

FIDO FUNDAY FOLLOWUP

We had fun and hope you did too!

Despite a very rainy start to the day our 10th annual Fido Funday was a great time! Several dogs and their people attended and fun was had by all. We have a few people to thanks for volunteering and making it such a great day!

Teri Jo Morgan, who is a great MC and helps with the organization of the event!

4H dog Club K9 Crew: Jessie Marchi & Noelle Lee

Petco: Callie Bright & Joshua Stolarz

Boy Scouts Explorer Troop 119: Logan Wood, Brandon Hubbard, Timothy Vath, Samantha Vath, Sara Crouch, Mick Campbell and Kelsey Wood

Ron Sutton from Mystic Earth

NBSPCA Volunteers: Pat Person, Faye Smith, Mary Ellen Lunde, Chelsea Dewey, Art Summers and Laurie Walker.

Groups Attended

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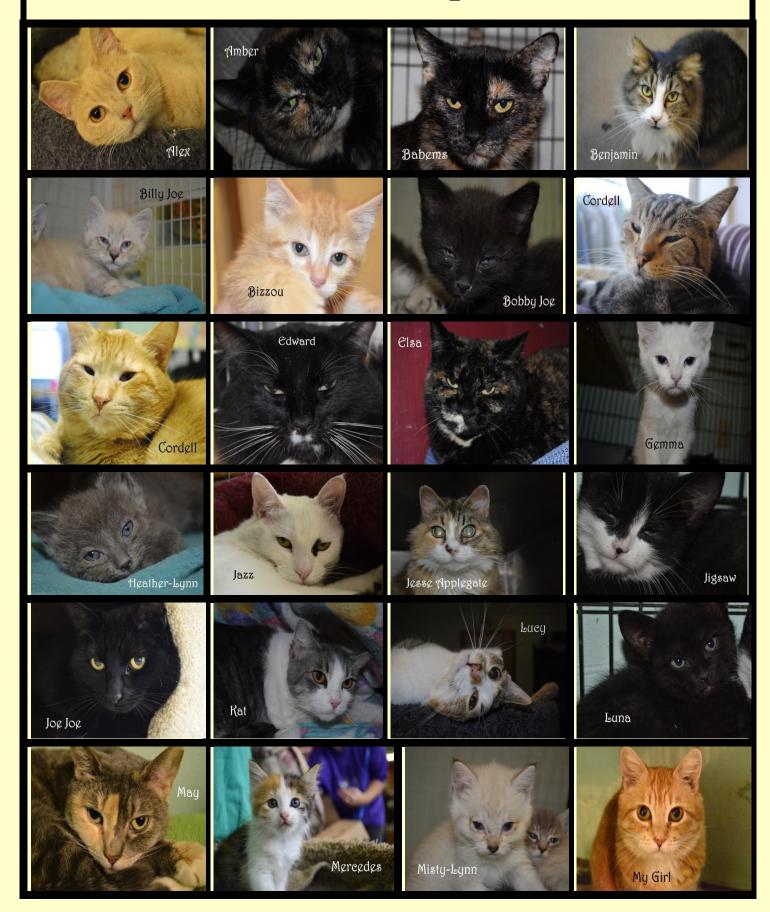
Grooming by Linda B.

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And of course to all of the people and dogs that attended. Thanks so much and we are looking forward to next year.

Cats for Adoption







Devon has special needs. He is diabetic and mostly blind. He is so sweet and very much in need of a forever home! Devon has been in foster care for quite a while and really wants his very own person he doesn't have to share. Other small dogs might be alright given time but no big dogs or small children. Devon Is almost 11 years old. Won't you please consider letting him live out his retirement on your lap?

Christmas Can Be a Hazardous Time for Your Pets

Family, friends, parties, decorations, food. Christmas can be a wonderful time of year. However, many of the same things that make the holiday season an enjoyable time for humans make it a dangerous time for pets.

"There are many seasonal items that pose a potential risk to our animal companions," says Al Hickey, Humane Society of Canada (HSC) Western Regional Director. "It is important for that people fortunate enough to share their homes with pets are aware of these hazards and take steps to "pet-proof" their homes to ensure their 'best friends' are not put in a position where they could suffer."



To assist people in protecting their pets during the holidays, the Humane Society of Canada has put together a list of some common holiday hazards that people should be made aware of. Festive items not on this list should also be evaluated for any potential risk. "In this situation, take the precautionary, 'better safe than sorry' approach," says Michael O'Sullivan, HSC Executive Director whose family includes young children and several dogs and cats.

Five Common Christmas Hazards That Can Be Dangerous to Pets

- 1. Christmas Tree: Problems can occur when pets have access to the Christmas tree. Cats may want to climb the tree while dogs may knock it over. It is a good idea to safely secure the tree at the top and bottom. If your tree is real, don't allow animal companions to drink from the tree reservoir and don't use tree preservatives in the water. Evergreen needles that have fallen from the tree should be immediately cleaned up, as they can be harmful if ingested.
- 2. Decorations: Glass ornaments, which can shatter into tiny, sharp pieces, should be avoided wherever there are pets. Tinsel and ribbon, which can cause gastrointestinal blockages, should also be avoided. Avoid using food decorations, such as popcorn garlands the string is a choking hazard, and the tree might be knocked over. Liquid, bubbling lights shouldn't be used, as the liquid is a harmful chemical.



- 3. Electrical Cords, Fire, and Candles: Electrical cords can harm animals or cause fires. Electrical cords and wires should be inaccessible to pets. Consider using extension cords that can shut off the flow of electricity when a fire hazard is detected. A fire in the hearth or woodstove, and lit candles make for a cozy atmosphere, especially around Christmas; however, it is important to take the necessary precautions to ensure that pets are not hurt by fire or accidentally start one. Candles should never be left unattended; pets can easily knock them over. Fireplaces should have screens or doors that fit snugly, and minimize the risk of shooting embers.
- 4. Food: Many people indulge in rich and sweet foods at Christmas. Unfortunately, some pets are also given human food treats that can be harmful, and even fatal, to animals. Candies can make pets sick. Chocolate and onions are toxic to animals and must be off limits to pets. Bones, particularly chicken and turkey bones that are brittle and can splinter and lodge in an animal's throat or intestine, must be avoided.
- 5. Toxic Plants: There are numerous kinds of plants that are associated with Christmas and which are also harmful to animals. The toxicity varies with each type of plant; some have a low toxicity while others are very toxic and can result in death. Avoid plants that can harm pets. Some common festive plants that are toxic are listed below. For more information on plants that are harmful to animals check with your veterinarian.
- * Holly
- * Ivy
- * Mistletoe
- * Lilv
- * Jerusalem cherry
- * Yew
- * Christmas green (e.g. pine, cedar)
- * Star of Bethlehem
- * Christmas rose
- * Poinsettia
- * Christmas cactus
- * Hibiscus
- * Jequirity bean



Christmas is a wonderful time of year. By knowing many of the festive hazards that our pets are exposed to, and being on the lookout for others, we can ensure that our pets will also have a safe and happy holiday!

(Thanks for the Article Humane Society of Canada 2007)

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