

SHAWNEE ANIMAL CLINIC



NEWS

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Providing the latest news on events and community service projects from
your friends at Shawnee Animal Clinic.

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Newsletter



Tales With Tails

On November 08, 2022, Shawnee Animal Clinic partnered with the Portsmouth Public Library to host a story-time session with one of our therapy dogs, Shane. Portsmouth Public Library holds monthly story-time sessions, but this was the first time they included a therapy dog in one those sessions.

The kids showed up eager to play with Shane and listen to stories about puppies. The librarian read the children two books while they enjoyed relaxing beside Shane. Afterwards, the children took turns reading to our therapy dog.



In addition to the books provided by the library, the kids also had other entertainment options such as music, coloring sheets, and more. We were so glad to be a part of this amazing event for our youth.

Tales With Tails

CHILDRENS STORY TIME

Portsmouth Public Library



Cold Weather

AND HOW TO PROTECT YOUR CATS

As the weather gets colder, you may worry about the cats you see around your neighborhood.

They may be pets whose owners let them outside, or they could be community cats, a group that includes ferals (who are afraid of people) and strays (who've been lost or abandoned). No matter how resourceful these outdoor cats are, they need help surviving winter.

If you've got time to help, the kitties will thank you! Follow these tips to help your local outdoor cats during the cold months.

Give outdoor cats shelter from the cold:

Yes, their thickened winter coats help feral and stray cats weather winter's chill, but they still need warm, dry, well-insulated, and appropriate-sized shelters. It's cheapest to build your own, and there are many plans

and instructions that can help you get started. A shelter-building party can be a fun weekend project! Ask your friends, neighbors, and coworkers to join in. Try contacting local youth groups to find out if they will help build shelters as a service project.

What to put in your outdoor cat shelter:

Straw allows cats to burrow. Pillowcases loosely stuffed with packing peanuts and shredded newspaper also work. Keep things clean: Replace straw and newspaper if moist or dirty, and wash and re-stuff pillowcases as needed. However, if it's really cold where you live, and you can't check on the shelters regularly, don't use the above insulation. Instead, "wallpaper" the shelter's inner walls and floor with Mylar. It reflects back body heat, and it's okay for cats to lie on it. Also, remember to keep outdoor cats food and water nearby.

What NOT to put in your outdoor cat shelter:

Don't use blankets, towels or folded newspaper; they absorb body heat and chill cats who are lying on them. Forego hay too, which may irritate noses and cause allergic reactions.

How to keep outdoor cats' food and water from freezing:

What you put food and water in can make a difference. A thick plastic water container that's deep and wide is better-insulated than a thin plastic or ceramic container. A solar-heated water bowl can prevent or delay water and canned food from freezing.

If shelters are well-insulated, you can put bowls of dry or moist food inside them, far from the doorway. Even if the moist food freezes, the cats' body heat will defrost it when they hunker down in their shelter. Don't put water bowls inside the shelter. Water is easily spilled, and a wet shelter will feel more like a refrigerator than a warm haven. Do your best to keep water from freezing.

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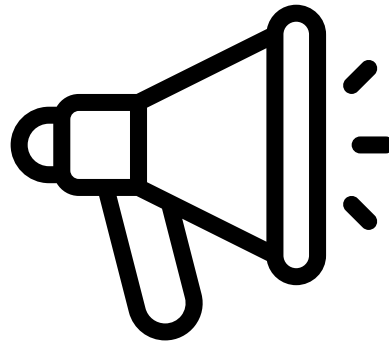
Safety Tips

FOR THE HOLIDAY SEASON

The holiday season is an exciting time for family and friends to celebrate together, but it also comes with many dangers for our furry friends. It is important to remember your pets during the holidays season so you can look out for their safety. Read the following tips to ensure a cheerful, stress-free holiday season.

- Keep the mistletoe and poinsettia plants out your pets reach. Both of these plants are poisonous to pets.
- Use care with holiday lights. Dogs and Cats may become intrigued with the lights and get tangled in them.
- Make sure to keep electric wires out of reach of your pets. They may chew the cords, resulting in shock or electrocution.
- Keep an eye on your pets around glass ornaments, as they are more likely to break and result in cuts.
- It is important to keep your pet away from other commercial ornaments as well. They may contain paint or other toxins that are harmful if ingested.
- Keep tinsel out of your dogs reach. If ingested, it can block the intestines& cause other problems.
- Holiday nuts are very toxic for your dog, including macadamia nuts, almonds, pecans, & walnuts.
- Chocolates, even when ingested in small portions, are toxic to dogs. Do not let them ingest any amount of chocolate.
- Keep glasses with alcohol out of reach. It is toxic for animals.

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Follow Us On TikTok

Your friends at Shawnee Animal Clinic have now joined TikTok! Follow us on the app to see some hilarious and wholesome short veterinary related content.

Heartgard/NexGard Winter Savings

We are offering free doses of Heartgard and NexGard now until November 2022 on eligible Heartgard & NexGard products. Savings are as follows:

When you purchase 6 doses of an eligible Heartgard product, you receive 1 dose of Heartgard for free.

When you purchase 6 doses of an eligible NexGard product, you receive 1 dose of NexGard for free.

October 2022

National Pet Wellness Month

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				<p>Twin With Your Dog Day</p> <p>What better day than today to match with your furry friend & tag us on fb!</p>	<p>National Mutt Day</p> <p>Lets embrace mixed breeds on this special day dedicated just to them.</p>	
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	<p>Celebrate Shelter Pets Day</p> <p>Join us in celebrating local shelter pets. You could even think about adopting!</p>				<p>International Day of Veterinary Medicine</p> <p>Join us in celebrating our staff!</p>	
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		<p>National Cocoa Day</p> <p>What better way to get in the holiday spirit than to snuggle up with some hot cocoa.</p>				
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<p>Hanukkah Begins</p> <p>Take this day to celebrate holiday traditions and learn more about Hanukkah.</p>						<p>Christmas Eve</p> <p>Have a safe and happy holiday season! Check out our facebook or website to check out our holiday safety list</p>
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