



AWC News

A Newsletter of the Animal Welfare Council/ Allegheny Spay & Neuter Clinic

“For friends of animals”

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Our lives are likely to fill with all things pumpkins and leaves soon! The crisp air can be a welcome relief from the uncomfortable humidity, and a sense of excitement hangs in that air. Autumn is a time of new beginnings and transition. If you have started back to school, we wish you a great year to come, and if you have begun a new direction in any other area of your life, we are excited for you. This is a wonderful time of year to appreciate the beauty of nature and involve your pets without the fear of extreme temperatures. Remember basic safety and, as always, be responsible with a monthly flea and tick preventative! We hope to see you at some upcoming events, and we thank you all for your generous support!

AWC Board of Directors and Allegheny Spay and Neuter Clinic Staff



Do you receive this newsletter in your mail box and not your inbox? If you share your e-mail address, you can further help us by saving paper and postage. Please call the clinic at 814-857-5280 or send a message on our Facebook page to give us your e-mail. We promise not to clutter your inbox or share your information. Thank you.

Educational Opportunities

One of the main goals of the AWC is to be a resource and provide information and education to the community about pet care. Whether it's working with a group of 4H teens to discuss the need for spay/neuter, speaking to a group of adults in the community about Lyme Disease, or working with area youth to help lessen the frequency of dog bites, there are individuals available to speak to your group about animals and their care. To arrange for a speaker to come to your group, call the Allegheny Spay and Neuter Clinic at 857-5280.

Back to Basics: Why spay and neuter??

While the most obvious benefit of spaying and neutering our pets is to reduce the numbers of cats roaming the streets and dogs barking in cages at the shelters. Overpopulation may be the go-to response when pressed on the need for low-cost spay/neuter, but it is certainly not the only reason! It is often said that spayed and neutered animals live longer with a higher quality of life due to the effects of the surgery. Here is a brief review of just why this is accurate, along with a few points that provide further support to convince anyone still unsure...

▶ An unneutered male cat or dog is driven by the desire to mate, which is a major cause of unwanted behaviors in pets, such as mounting, spraying, aggression, and running away from home. It might be surprising to think that a dog is hit by a car (and possibly killed) while searching for a mate, which was preventable with a surgical procedure!

▶ A cat in heat is not a pleasant guest or neighbor! She will cry, pace, and urinate frequently while anticipating a male.

▶ Females spayed before their first heat have virtually no risk of developing mammary tumors and will NEVER have a life-threatening uterine infection or uterine cancer.

▶ Males neutered early are far less likely to suffer from prostate gland enlargement or perianal tumors. They will NEVER develop testicular cancer.

▶ Children can be taught valuable lessons of responsible pet ownership and respect for life when their dogs and cats are spayed and neutered.

▶ The cost of surgery to spay/neuter is far less than the cost of caring for litters of kittens or puppies, not to mention the potential complications requiring surgery and hospitalization.

sources: www.americanhumane.org and www.aspca.org

Adoptable Pets

The following animals are staying at the **Clearfield County SPCA** and looking for a great home! Please call them at **765-2220** if this might be you.

Meet Little Bit

Pet ID: 39083101



Breed: Pit Bull / Welsh Corgi **Age:** 4 yrs.

Color: grey/white

Gender: male

Size: small

I'm Lil Bit! I am a four year old Corgi/ Pit Bull mix. I was brought into the shelter because my previous owner was moving and couldn't take me along. I am one CRAZY boy, and I love to run and jump! Despite my craziness, I am a very smart boy and I do know how to sit and stand pretty! I like cats and kids, but sometimes others dogs aren't my cup of tea. If you are ready to add to the family then stop by and get to know me. Maybe, I might just be exactly what you are looking for!

Meet Timber

Pet ID: 30639645



Breed: mountain cur / weimaraner

Age: 3 yrs.

Color: brindle

Gender: spayed female

Size: medium

Timber is the name and running and playing is my game. I enjoy just about everything with life. I get along with all kinds of things, and I really enjoy walking. I'm a beautiful brindle girl who will stun you as you walk past me. Swing out and see me and maybe even take me to the play yard for a game of run. Hopefully you will love me as much as the girls do here at the shelter!!

Meet Garfield

Pet ID: 38660725



Breed: domestic short hair

Age: 2 yrs.

Color: orange/white

Gender: neutered male

Size: small

What's that, lasagna? Oh sorry, hi there I'm Garfield! Surprise, surprise my favorite things in life are sleeping and food! I was brought into the shelter because my previous owner had too many animals and they could no longer care for me. What's that? Food? Sorry, I easily get side tracked! Well, if you are in the area stop on by the shelter and spend some time with me. I promise you it won't be hard to find me just look in my bed and there I will be!

Meet Kate

Pet ID: 38820024

Breed: domestic short hair

Age: 5 mos.

Color: black/brown

Gender: female

Size: small



Hi there! My name is Kate and boy, do I love adventures! I'm super sweet and playful and love to be around people to love on them! Did you know it's play time ALL the time?! Anything can be a toy, even siblings! I'm full of spunk and mischief and just wanna play, play, play! If you're looking for a sweet kitten who has lots of energy, will keep you on your toes, and will love you forever, stop by the shelter today and let's have so much fun together!



Fleas and ticks and mites, oh my!!

It is hard to emphasize enough the importance of a monthly flea and tick preventative.

Even animals that never leave your house or yard are potential victims for parasites. The most reliable and effective plan for prevention is to use a quality product monthly. Here is a summary of just a few veterinary-approved products, all of which are available at the clinic.

Even if summer is over--these parasites are still out there!!

DOGS

Frontline Gold

- ☀ safe for dogs 8 weeks and older
- ☀ kills fleas (eggs, larvae, and adults)
- ☀ kills ticks (including deer ticks)
- ☀ no bathing or swimming for 48 hours post-application

Nexgard

- ☀ safe for dogs 8 weeks and older and 4 lbs. and up
- ☀ kills fleas
- ☀ kills ticks (including deer ticks)

CATS

Frontline Gold

- ☀ safe for cats 8 weeks and older
- ☀ kills fleas (eggs, larvae, and adults)
- ☀ kills ticks (including deer ticks)
- ☀ no bathing or swimming for 48 hours post-application

Revolution

(by prescription only)

- ☀ safe for cats 8 weeks and older
- ☀ kills fleas (eggs and adults)
- ☀ prevention of heartworm disease
- ☀ treatment of ear mites
- ☀ kills roundworms and hookworms
- ☀ no bathing or swimming for 2 hours post-application

AWC/Allegheny Spay & Neuter Clinic Wish List.....

dog food, cat food, stamps, envelopes (business size), garbage bags (tall and 55 gallon), totes and coolers to make outdoor cat houses, straw. Monetary donations are also appreciated in any amount. Memorial or Honorary donations can be made and will be recognized with a notification card. Gift certificates are available for spaying and neutering. Items can be dropped off at the clinic during business hours - **8:00 AM - 4:00 PM - Mondays/Tuesdays/Thursdays.** *Thank you for helping us help area animals. All donations are tax deductible.*



If you see animals being neglected or abused, call the Clearfield County SPCA @ 814-765-2220.

If you haven't already, check out our Facebook page (Allegheny Spay and Neuter Clinic/Animal Welfare Council) for information about current events and animal care.