



PAW PRINTS

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Spring 2022



Gary McIntyre
Executive Director

From the
Executive Director's
Desk

Spring has Sprung

At least the calendar now indicates that we have entered that time of year when new life begins. I think fall is my favorite time of the year, but I do enjoy seeing all the annuals starting to bloom, trees getting their leaves and flowers starting to bloom. While Spring brings with it many things that we all love and enjoy it brings some nasty critters to our animals.

For pet owners, there is an unfortunate side to spring-ASPCA Animal Poison Control Center (APCC) reports that they receive high numbers of calls regarding dogs that have ingested or dug up bulbs from the garden. Some plants are harmless to your pet; however, Tulips, Hyacinths, Irises, Daffodils and Crocus all have some level of toxicity for your dog. Ingesting these plants can cause anything from stomach upset to depression. Some of these plants are also extremely toxic to cats.

Spring also brings with it those common pests like fleas and ticks, keep in mind that not only do these pests cause discomfort they also carry the potential to transmit a variety of diseases such as Lyme disease, Rocky Mountain spotted fever. Mosquitoes also serve as a host for heartworm. Due to long-lasting life cycles, it is possible that the animal will test positive for up to six months after infection.

While parasites like hookworm, tapeworm and whipworm are more common in younger animals do not allow yourself to be caught off-guard as they may also infect older healthy animals, these parasites can be ingested through infected soil, waste, water or ingesting infected hosts. Most parasites can be treated with medication prescribed by your veterinarian.

We recommend having your pets examined by your veterinarian annually to update vaccinations, receive a heartworm test and a fecal to examine for common parasites. We also recommend that you discuss with your veterinarian the best approach for your pet when it comes to flea and tick prevention. These steps can help to ensure that your pet is able to enjoy the change in seasons and be a happy and healthy part of your family.



Meet Pac Man

Pac Man is a 2-year-old Pit Bull Terrier and weighs approximately 59 lbs. He found himself at the shelter almost one year ago and has been here ever since, sadly making him our longest waiting shelter dog. He is truly the sweetest boy with so much love to give.

Pac Man loves long walks on the beach (concrete is fine too), leisurely play in the pool and can always be counted on for a good game of fetch, as long as you don't tire out too quickly.

He also enjoys shopping trips, especially to the pet store, but his owner should keep a close eye on him, he always seems to leave his wallet at home and may need to have you spot him a fiver for whatever new toy he finds. He is sometimes known for turning on the charm to get what he wants. Visit www.hsop.org to apply.

Meet Chestnut

Chestnut is a female domestic short hair tabby brought into the shelter by our humane officers. Her life since arriving at the shelter has been a 360 degree turn around from her early years. She is a bit of a diva and enjoys not having to share her condo with other cats-but she is used to living with additional cats and dogs.



Chestnut is five years old and has been altered-so she could go home right away with an approved application. She is very outgoing and loves to make new friends, on her own terms. She is known for reaching through the openings in her current condominium and make her presence known when she notices that someone is not paying attention to her.

If you have an empty window sill that gets a lot of sun, then Chestnut may just be the lady to fill that space up for you. Visit www.hsop.org to apply.



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\$5.00 cash only

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April 29-Cats
10 a.m.-3 p.m.
cats must be in carrier



July 11-15, 2022

8:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

Ages 8-12

Register at www.hsop.org/camp-ruffin-it



29th Annual
Elinor K. Ross
Walk Your Paws

July 9, 2022
Parkersburg City Park
8:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.



August 27, 2022
Dils' Riverfront Park

Reverse Drawing
Raffles
Silent Auction
Entertainment

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\$100 Donation

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