



New Albany Floyd County Animal Shelter News



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Classifieds

SPONSORS NEEDED for our 12 Strays of Christmas! Money for the 12 Strays can be donated to the shelter by mail, in person, or online via PayPal. Please include a note what you would like to included with the special pet - such as a dedication. Dog sponsorship is \$110 and cat sponsorships are \$50. Please keep in mind, a dog sponsorship may become 2 cat sponsorships if we run out of available dogs! The extra money helps with the advertisement fees. Here is an example of a 12 Strays ad!



The Holidays are Here!

The Holiday Season at the New Albany Animal Shelter is a busy one. Many people look to add some type of furry critter to the family. While this can be a great opportunity, it needs to be really considered as a lifetime commitment. There are many things that also need to be considered such as cost and training.

Please visit us or contact us if you are interested in adoptions. There are some specials that could help get an animal into your or another family's home for Christmas. Below is a little bit about some of the programs being offered.

12 Strays of Christmas

The 12 Strays of Christmas are here! The 12 days before Christmas that the Shelter is open, two animals will be selected to have their adoption fee waived, thanks to a loving sponsor. The animals selected will be ones that may be harder to place, or that have been with us the longest. Adopters must still meet all adoption criteria in order to adopt.

The 12 strays will be posted on our website the day before. Each animal will remain with a waived adoption fee until he or she is adopted. If you are interested in helping an animal go home with a waived adoption fee, contact us about being a sponsor.

Jingle Bell Boarding

than seeing your new animal friend sitting by the tree?

Now Santa doesn't have to worry about where he will hide these furry friends until Christmas Eve. Adopters can now pick up pets on Christmas Eve for Santa to deliver to the good boys and girls! December 20th is the start of our Jingle Bell Boarding Program.



After being approved for adoption, the adopted animal can be held at the Shelter for an additional \$7.50 per day for boarding until Christmas Eve.

Christmas Eve pick-up will be from 11:00 - 11:30AM at the Shelter. All adoptions must be finalized before December 24, 2013 to qualify.

What's greater

December 2014

Homes 4 the Holidays Campaign

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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28	29	30	31	 <p>Spay, Neuter, or Adopt From A Shelter!</p> <p>New Albany Floyd County Animal Control & Shelter 215 W. Market St. - New Albany, IN 47150 812-948-5355 www.nafcanimalshelter.org</p>		
CLOSED						

Christmas In A Shelter Is No Place To Be

Every creature deserves to be in a loving home during the holidays. Full of toys, warm beds, and loving embraces. While the Shelter will be closed several days during the holidays, the animals will be still be cared for daily. However, they will not get the attention they normally do.

If families are interested in adopting, but would like to see how an animal will fit into your home, here is your chance! The Shelter is

looking for foster homes so adoptable animals can enjoy the holidays like they deserve. Families can also foster just to lend a hand.

Fosters must be approved as an adopter. A fee will be paid at pick-up, December 22nd, but returned at drop-off, December 27th. Of course, you can always just adopt!

Families can visit the shelter anytime during our adoption hours, to see what might be available for fostering.

Only animals that are up for adoption will be eligible to be fostered.

Please consider fostering a pet for the Holidays to allow them to have a Merry Christmas, too!



Christmas Dangers

The holidays are a festive time for us and our pets. However, due to ongoing activities and constant distractions, we can easily overlook potential dangers to our four-legged family members.

Take preventive measures to protect your pets this holiday season. Being aware of these top five dangers could save you a trip to the veterinary emergency room.

Tinsel, while not toxic, is very attractive to pets, particularly cats. The shiny, dangling decoration reflects light and can move in the slightest draft — appearing to come alive to watchful critters.

In addition, bright and colorful tree ornaments can attract your pet's curiosity. Place glass, aluminum and paper ornaments higher up on the tree.

Twinkling, shiny and dangling holiday lights — such as the icicle, netting, and garlands — may be another source of danger to your curious pets and your home.

It's best to quickly discard ribbons and bows wrapped around holiday gifts so that your curious companions won't be enticed to chew or swallow them. Ingested ribbon can cause a choking hazard and ultimately twist throughout the intestines, leading to emergency surgery and even death.

Festive events often mean edible treats — and lots of them. Unfortunately, some of the most popular holiday goodies, such as chocolate, bones and nuts, can be extremely toxic or fatal to pets.

Different types of chocolate contain various levels of fat, caffeine and the substances methylxanthines. In general, the darker and richer the chocolate (i.e., baker's chocolate), the higher the risk of toxicity.

Fat trimmed from meat, both cooked and uncooked, may cause pancreatitis. And, although it seems natural to give a dog a bone, a dog can choke on it. Bones can also splinter and cause an obstruction or

lacerations of your dog's digestive system.

Keep your pet on her regular diet and caution visitors against giving your pet special treats or table scraps.

They may be pretty, but some holiday plants are poisonous—even deadly. As little as a single leaf from any lily variety is lethal to cats.

Christmas tree pine needles, lillies, holly, mistletoe, and poinsettias, even in small quantities are all plants that can be very dangerous for your pets.

Taking precautions with pets during these festive times can help ensure that you and your family will enjoy a happy — and healthy — holiday season!



Need your Pet Spayed or Neutered? We can help!

Bimonthly, The S.N.I.P. Clinic and the NAFC Animal Shelter assist in getting your pets altered for a discounted price. Call or visit the Shelter for more information or to sign your animals up!

Happy Tails: Lollipop

Lollipop came to the shelter 7 years ago from a puppy mill in Missouri. She had been in the mill for 5 years before being saved.

After having more litters than we can probably count, Lollipop now lives in the lap of luxury. At first, Lollipop was really shut down and didn't show much personality. As time has gone on, she really became comfortable and let her colors shine. Lollipop got her name because her tongue is always out like she is licking lollipops!

As you can tell, Lollipop and her sister Peanut are always dressed to impress. No matter the holiday or season, she is ready.

Lollipop is one of the many happy tails stories about puppy mill rescues. While it may take a lot of time and even more patience, they can be fantastic members of the family as well!



NAFC ANIMAL SHELTER INFORMATION

Hours:

Monday - Friday

9:00-5:00PM

Saturday

11:00-2:30

Adoption Prices:

Cats over 4lbs - \$20

Cats under 4lbs - \$60

Dogs - \$80

Information Corner

Come one, come all
to Picture Your Pet
With Santa!

Don't forget
to take your pet to
Feeder's Picture Your Pet
With Santa at the local
Feeder's Supply!

Feeder's
Supply on Grantline and
State Street proceeds go
towards helping the
animals of Floyd County.

The last
opportunity that you
have is December 13th
and 14th. Saturday hours
are 10AM - 5PM.
Sundays hours are
11:00AM - 4:00PM.

