



New Albany Floyd County Animal Shelter News



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SPONSORS NEEDED for 12 Strays of Christmas! Animals can be sponsored by donating money to the shelter by mail, in person, or online via PayPal. Please include a note about what you would like to be included with the special pet - such as a dedication. Dog sponsorships are \$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!

WE ARE IN DESPERATE NEED OF DOG SPONSORS!



The 12 Strays of Christmas

As a pet and animal lover, are you wanting to help someone in your community experience the love and companionship offered by a pet? Are you looking to honor a pet or animal lover's memory? Look no further than the New Albany Animal Shelter!

The highly successful "Twelve Strays of Christmas" adoption campaign is currently accepting donations for adoption sponsorships. Sponsorships allow us to feature our difficult to place animals as free adoptions, and make great gifts for the pet lovers in our lives. Cat sponsorships are \$50, while a dog sponsorship is \$110. The extra amount helps cover the cost of advertisement to maximize the "strays" exposure. Last year we adopted 30 animals through this program! This year's "First Strays of Christmas" will be announced on December 7th and is appearing on Great Day Live on WHAS.

All adoptions done during the 12 Strays of Christmas will also include a special "Homes 4 the Holidays" portfolio with coupons and an extra gift! The traditional "12 Days of Christmas" song has been

modified to the "12 Strays of Christmas". Each adopter will get the item that is in the new song for that day! For example- "On the fourth stray of Christmas my new home gave to me, four squeaky toys!" Each adopter will get a squeaky toy for their newly adopted friend.

Join us in helping the thousands of homeless animals across the country find their forever homes this holiday season by giving the gift that keeps giving. Adopt a shelter pet, donate, or volunteer.

Contact the New Albany Animal Shelter at 812-948-5355 for more information about the Twelve Strays of Christmas program. Watch the shelter's website for pictures of each stray!



*During the 12 Strays of Christmas Adoption Promotion, every adoption will receive an extra "gift"!
(limited to one "gift" per adoption)*



For the 12th Stray of Christmas my new home gave to me,

- Twelve Kongs with stuffing,
- Eleven training sessions,
- Ten tasty treats,
- Nine bear hugs,
- Eight balls a rolling,
- Seven warm sweaters,
- Six bark boxes,
- Five belly rubs,
- Four squeaky toys,
- Three comfy beds,
- Two new food bowls,

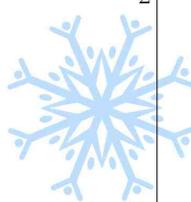
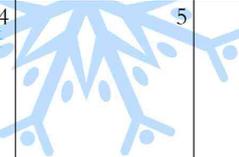
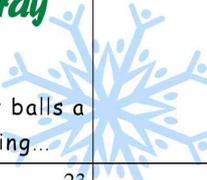
and my VERY OWN FAMILY!

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December 2016 Homes 4 the Holidays

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 <i>Nov./Dec. Volunteer Orientation 6 PM</i>	2 	3 
4  CLOSED	5 	6	7 1st Stray ...My very own family...	8 2nd Stray ...two new food bowls...	9 3rd Stray ...three comfy beds...	10  
11  CLOSED	12 4th Stray ...four squeaky toys...	13 5th Stray ...five belly rubs...	14 6th Stray ...six bark boxes...	15 7th Stray ...seven warm sweaters...	16 8th Stray ...eight balls a rolling...	17  
18  CLOSED	19 9th Stray ...nine bear hugs...	20  10th Stray ...ten tasty treats...	21  11th Stray ...eleven training sessions...	22  12th Stray ...twelve kongs with stuffing... <i>Foster Pickups 4-4:30pm</i>	23 CLOSED	24 Christmas Eve Pickups: 10:30-11:00am CLOSED
25  CLOSED	26 CLOSED	27 <i>Foster Returns 9-10am</i>	28  New Albany Floyd County Animal Control & Shelter 215 W. Market St. • New Albany, IN 47150 Ph: 812.948.5355 • Fax: 812.981.3773	29	30  BLUE BUFFALO BLUE HOME 4 THE HOLIDAYS HELEN WOODWARD ANIMAL CENTER	31 



Jingle Bell Boarding



FCARL's Picture your Pets with Santa



Domino's Pizza "Dough Raiser"

HOLIDAY SAFETY TIPS

The holiday season is upon us, and many people include their furry companions in the festivities. It's important to try to keep your pet's eating and exercise habits as close to their normal routine as possible and to steer pets clear of the following unhealthy treats, toxic plants and dangerous decorations.

•Oh, Christmas Tree: Securely anchor your Christmas tree so it doesn't tip and fall, causing possible injury to your pet. This will also prevent the tree water—which may contain fertilizers or bacteria that can cause stomach upset—from spilling.

•Avoid Mistletoe & Holly: Holly, when ingested, can cause pets to suffer nausea, vomiting and diarrhea. Mistletoe can cause gastrointestinal upset and cardiovascular problems. Many varieties of lilies can even cause kidney failure in cats. Opt for artificial plants made from silk or plastic, or choose a pet-safe bouquet.

•Tinsel-less Town: Kitties love this sparkly, light-catching "toy" that's easy to bat around and carry in their mouths. But a nibble can lead to a swallow, which can lead to an obstructed digestive tract, severe vomiting, dehydration and possible surgery. It's best to avoid!

•That Holiday Glow: Don't leave lighted candles unattended and use appropriate holders. Pets may burn themselves or cause a fire if they knock candles over.

•Wired Up: Keep wires, batteries and glass or plastic ornaments out of paws' reach. A wire can deliver a lethal electrical shock and a battery can cause burns to

the mouth and esophagus. Shards of breakable ornaments can damage your pet's mouth and digestive tract.

Avoid Holiday Food Dangers

•Skip the Sweets: By now you know not to feed your pets chocolate and anything sweetened with xylitol, but do you know the lengths to which an enterprising pet will go to chomp on something yummy? Make sure to keep your pets away from the table and unattended plates of food, and be sure to secure the lids on garbage cans.

•Leave the Leftovers: Fatty, spicy and no-no human foods and bones should not be fed to your furry friends. Pets can join the fun in other ways that won't lead to costly medical bills.

•Careful with Cocktails: If your celebration includes adult holiday beverages, be sure to place your alcoholic drinks where pets cannot get to them. If ingested, your pet could become weak, ill or even go into a coma, possibly resulting in death from respiratory failure.

•Selecting

Special Treats: To stuff your pet's stockings, Stick with chew toys that are basically indestructible. Kongs can be stuffed with healthy foods or chew treats and are designed to be safely digestible. Long, stringy things are a feline's dream, but the most risky toys for cats involve ribbon, yarn and loose little parts that can get stuck in the intestines, often necessitating surgery. Surprise kitty with a new ball that's too big to swallow, a stuffed catnip toy or

If a trip to the Emergency Vet isn't on your Christmas List, then be aware of these HOLIDAY DOGGIE DANGERS

Live Christmas Trees:
What would Christmas be without a tree? But be careful - they are full of potential hazards for dogs! Many live trees have been sprayed with harmful chemicals and pesticides and the stagnant water in a tree stand is a breeding ground for bacteria, so keep it covered.
Be sure to secure that tree, too, so it doesn't topple over on your curious pup!

Artificial Christmas Trees:
Before you ditch your live tree for a fake one, consider where it was made. Many are manufactured in China and may contain lead or materials that could pose a danger to destructive dogs.

Lights:
Check your lights carefully for bite marks and loose wiring and use a grounded extension cord to plug them in. Electrical shock can cause burns, loss of consciousness and even death.

Tinsel & Ribbons:
All that sparkling tinsel and curly ribbon looks inviting to a curious dog but is an invitation to disaster. When ingested, it can cause a serious, life-threatening intestinal blockage. Look for symptoms like vomiting, diarrhea, inappetence and lethargy. If you see ribbon exiting your dog - do not pull it out. That can cause more damage. Call your vet immediately.

Holly & Mistletoe
Poinsettias are widely known to be mildly toxic, but popular yuletide floral decorations, like holly and mistletoe are even more toxic to dogs. When ingested, they can cause severe stomach upset. Look for signs like drooling, lip smacking and head shaking.

Holiday Visitors
If you have visitors in your home for the holidays, be sure they are all warned to watch the doors! Keep identification on pets at all times when guests are in your home, in the event one of them should get out. Provide a special retreat for your dog in case he wants to escape the noise and stress of the party.

Happy (& Safe) Holidays from your Friends at www.DogingtonPost.com

Need your Pet Spayed or Neutered? We can help!

The Floyd County Animal Rescue League and the NAFC Animal Shelter assist monthly in getting your pets altered for a discounted price. Call or visit the Shelter for more information or to sign your animals up!

Jingle Bell Boarding

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 17th is the start of our Jingle Bell Boarding Program.

After being approved for

Christmas In A Shelter Is No Place To Be

Every creature deserves to be in a loving home during the holidays that is 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, 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 10:30 - 11AM at the Shelter. All adoptions must be finalized before December 22, 2016 to qualify.

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!



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 Pets
With Santa!

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

Feeder's Supply on Grantline, State Street, and Lewis & Clark provide this program where the proceeds will go towards helping the animals of Floyd County.

Photos will be taken on Saturday, Dec. 10th from 10a - 5p, and Sunday, Dec. 11th from 11a - 4p.

