

THE SCOOP

Crestwood Animal Shelter's Monthly Newsletter
JULY 2020

Pet of the Month: **BENNY**



Benny is concentrated goodness! He is house trained, crate trained, and quickly learned to sit, "high five", come (mostly!) and is working on his leash manners. He has a zest for life and scores everything 10/10: toys, snuggles, couches, other dogs, people, power naps, walks, food, etc. He requires a 5 ft or taller privacy fenced yard and would do best with people who are mostly home and he can be part of whatever is going on. Benny weighs 50 lbs. and is about 2 years old. He has a rowdy play style with the dog in his foster home. Benny is not good with cats. He would thrive in a family comfortable with large dogs -- older teens or adults, as his enthusiastic loving could overwhelm small children.



Call 314-833-8066 to find out more about him!

Donate \$10 on the 10th

July 10th is National Kitten Day! In honor of those adorable baby felines, we invite you to donate \$10 to Crestwood Animal Shelter on that date.

No officers, board members or volunteers of the Shelter receive a salary. So, you can contribute to us knowing that 100 percent of your donation will go directly to the care and feeding of the animals in our guardianship.

Although \$10 doesn't seem like it would make much of an impact, just \$10 will buy a fleece pet blanket, a small pet bed, a week's worth of food, a container of pet treats, pet toys, and so much more.

We will publish a list of all "\$10 on the 10th" donors – with a huge THANKS – in our August newsletter.

Help us help the animals by donating \$10 on July 10th! It's easy! Just click on this cat icon:



Please visit our website at
<http://www.crestwoodanimalshelter.com>
for information about pets available for adoption,
volunteer opportunities, and our current online
fundraisers.

JULY 2020 NATIONAL HOTDOG MONTH

July 4

Independence Day

July 7

National Father Daughter Take a Walk Day

July 10

National Kitten Day

July 11

All American Pet Photo Day

July 15

National Pet Fire Safety Day

July 19

National Ice Cream Day

July 20

National Get Out of the Doghouse Day

July 22

National Hotdog Day

July 23

Gorgeous Grandma Day

July 28

Buffalo Soldiers Day

July 31

National Mutt Day



***** **WAYS TO MINIMIZE FIREWORKS STRESS FOR YOUR PETS ON JULY 4TH** *****

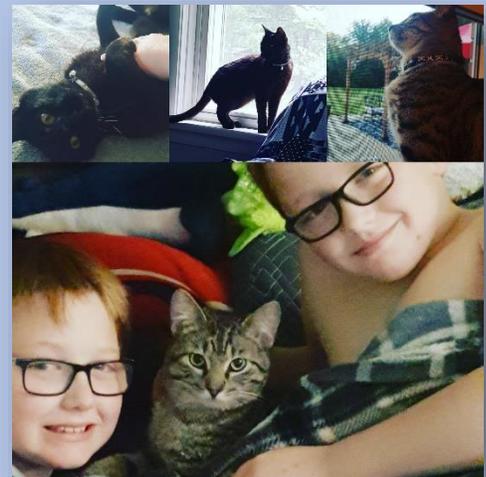
- Keep your pets indoors.
- Close the curtains or blinds and turn on the TV or radio to provide some distraction.
- Treat toys such as Kongs filled with their favorite food may help keep their minds busy and distract them from the fireworks.
- A quiet place, such as a carrier or crate may provide your pet with a sense of security and comfort.
- Use a leash or carrier if you must go outside with your pet to keep them from running off which is a common response to stress and fear.
- Practice fire safety! Keep pets away from matches, open fires, and fireworks. Pets may try to sniff (or eat) fireworks and pet hair can easily catch fire if they get too close.
- Take pets for a walk before the fireworks begin. Some pets are too frightened to go out once the fireworks are popping, and this may lead to an “accident” later on.
- Make sure your pet’s ID is current. Your pets should always have proper identification tags, with current information, in case they get lost. Micro-chipping is strongly recommended.

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HOLIDAY KITTIES BOND WITH THEIR BOYS

Hello fellow animal lovers. I’d like to share you with our story of how two holiday kitties came to join our family and hearts.

Last Valentine’s Day, my husband surprised me by taking me to Crestwood Animal Shelter to meet the kitties available for adoption to see if we connected with one to join our family. We wanted some playmates for our 9-year-old twins, Jacob and Dylan. Lisa and the staff were so helpful and knowledgeable about each animal’s personality and quirks. After spending some time meeting the kitties, we connected with a sweet boy named “Cupid.” It was a perfect Valentine’s Day, and we started the adoption process. Since joining our home, the kids have renamed him “Lucky,” since we are so lucky to have found him. He is the most affectionate cat, and loves to snuggle and give kisses. He is very connected with Dylan. He lets Dylan carry him around like a baby, and has become his little shadow -- ending each night at the foot of Dylan’s bed.



Mother’s Day also turned out to be a special day in the Dalton home. After seeing the bond that Lucky and Dylan had formed, I knew the best gift I could get for Mother’s Day was finding another kitty so that Jacob could share in the joy of that bond, and to gain the responsibility that comes along with sharing your life with an animal. We knew Crestwood Animal Shelter was the place to help us do just that, so we returned on Mother’s Day, and our adventure with Eli began. Eli had been part of a feral community and was the runt: small and fighting for scraps. He was skinny and scarred and skittish. He won our hearts right away and we knew that our sweet serious Jacob would give his all to make sure Eli knew love and security. Eli on the other hand, wanted one last wild night. When Lisa arranged for him to be microchipped and fixed, he escaped! Lisa -- being the amazing woman she is -- was on the case. After setting many traps, following security camera sightings, and getting the help of kind friends, she was able to catch Eli (as well as a few raccoons and a possum)! The dedication she gave to making sure Jacob got his forever friend was inspiring, and we cannot thank her and the staff of Crestwood Animal Shelter enough. Eli is now home and enjoying belly rubs and treats, and spends his day birdwatching and messing with his big brother lucky every chance he gets.

Thank you for taking the time to share our story. We look forward to reading your love stories!

God Bless,
The Dalton Family

We would love to publish your Crestwood Animal Shelter adoption love stories! Please send photos and your personal story to info@crestwoodanimalshelter.com.

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