

Town and Country **HAPPY TAILS**

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The Importance of Flea, Tick and Heartworm Prevention

Flea, tick, and heartworm prevention is vital to ensure the health and happiness of your furry friends. Here's why:

Fleas

- Fleas can cause intense itching and skin irritation, leading to allergies or infections in pets.
- Severe infestations can result in anemia, especially in kittens or puppies.

Ticks

- Ticks are notorious for transmitting serious diseases such as Lyme disease and ehrlichiosis, which can affect both pets and humans.
- They attach themselves to your pet's skin and feed on their blood, potentially causing discomfort or illness.

Heartworms

- Heartworms are spread through mosquito bites and live in the heart, lungs, and associated blood vessels.
- They can lead to life-threatening complications like heart failure or lung disease in pets.

- Prevention is key, as treatment is expensive, intensive, and not always guaranteed to fully cure.

Why Prevention Matters

- Preventive medications are far easier and more cost-effective than treatment for these issues.
- Flea and tick preventatives come in various forms (topical treatments, oral medications), while heartworm preventatives are typically oral tablets.
- Regular vet check-ups and year-round protection can prevent these pests from causing harm.

By safeguarding pets against fleas, ticks, and heartworms, you're not only protecting their health but also ensuring they live their lives to the fullest.

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Available Cat Spotlight SISSY AND MISSY

These two beautiful 9-year-old front-declawed tabby girls have had their lives turned upside down after their beloved owner passed away.

Sissy is the social butterfly of the duo and is adjusting much better to life at the shelter. She loves finding cozy napping spots but will happily come out to say hello and get some much-deserved scratches.

Missy, on the other hand, is having a tougher time adjusting. She is very fearful of her new surroundings and has been seeking solace in hiding spots. We strongly believe that she will thrive in a loving home environment.

It would be amazing if we could find a home for these two girls together. They have been through so much and deserve to find comfort and happiness once again.

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Available Small Animal Spotlight SPRITE

Sprite is an adorable dwarf hamster who is ready to live a well-accommodated life! We think he's less than a year old and quite nocturnal. Hamsters need more space and enrichment than some people might think. Small, multi-colored plastic cages or gallon aquariums won't do!

Available Dog Spotlight

GINNY

Ginny is a beautiful 50 lb shiba inu mix who originally came to us from the reservation. She was adopted to a couple who returned her when they had a baby. It sounded like the new parents and Ginny were all struggling to adapt to a big life change. Ginny was heartbroken after losing her family but has slowly come out of her shell. We have witnessed her to be guarded and very slow to warm up to new humans in her life. She is very protective of her personal space and we've seen some resource guarding. Ginny will need be in a home with very patient adults with a consistent routine without a lot of new people coming and going. She will need to be fed in her crate or a room by herself.



She will need to be fed in her crate or a room by herself. She is an active girl who loves long walks and would enjoy a fenced yard for outdoor play, but is unlikely to be a dog park dog. She entertains herself playing with her toys or chewing on bones. She is highly intelligent and has mastered the commands "sit", "paw" and "down". She is food motivated and once you're on her A list, she is eager to please. Ginny has a dominant personality so she would likely do best in a home without other dogs or with a more submissive dog. Ginny rides well in a car so if you want to go site-seeing she's up for the adventure. Ginny will need a very specific home with a loving, patient, committed family.

Volunteer Spotlight

RICHELLE STOLTENBERG



I grew up in Nebraska and live in the Gretna area with my husband, Scott, and my cat, Sonni, that we adopted from Town & Country 2 1/2 years ago. We have 3 adult children. I'm mostly retired after working and volunteering in the Gretna Public schools. We are avid Husker football and volleyball fans as well as fans of the Kansas City Chiefs and KC Royals. We also like to travel, bike ride and hang out with our kids/family and Sonni.

I've been volunteering at T&C since May of 2024. I have learned a lot about cats from my time there. I grew up with dogs and we had 2 labradors before we adopted Sonni so I didn't have a lot of experience with cats before that. I enjoy all the personalities of the cats/kittens at T&C and it really makes me happy when the cats get adopted. Especially the ones that have been in the shelter longer. Jennifer is great to work with and I enjoy my "conversations" with the cats while I'm there.

To others who are interested in volunteering I would say to definitely do it! I have found it extremely rewarding and look forward to my time at the shelter. I have recommended to other friends/family to volunteer and/or adopt a pet from T&C!



HAPPY TAILS FROM HOME



Murphy came to us years ago, not knowing how to be a dog and needing a lot of training. That's where his amazing foster, Lili, and her amazing crew at Canine Field of Dreams came in! They took him in as a foster and worked with him on his manners, training, and everything he needed to know to find his family! If it wasn't for them, Murphy wouldn't have had the specialized training he so badly needed! Thank you all so much!!

We couldn't be happier that Murphy has finally found his forever home after being in rescue for roughly 4 years, making him our longest resident! We know he will be so loved and cared for! Congratulations, Murphy! We are so proud of you and how far you have come! Keep being the good boy you are!!

Cancer and visual impairment didn't stop Bubbles from finding her new forever family. Here's an update from them: "Bubbles is doing well. She has adjusted to her new home and despite her visual impairment can navigate fairly well.

Her appetite is holding OK - some days better than others. Her weight is stable and she does not appear to be in any discomfort.

She loves to be brushed! So we spend time every evening cuddling and brushing her hair.

She spends her days eating /sleeping. I wish she could bond with our other two cats but she prefers to be left alone - which we respect.

She's getting lots of love and attention. She's the sweetest kitty. We are so blessed to have her with us. "



An update from Reggie and Ziggy's adopter: "Hi T & C! I just wanted to share a pic of Reggie and Ziggy "ZZ" (formerly Izzy) who's lived with us over 7 months now! I will work on bonding them this summer as it was a bit tough (Reggie owns everything lol) but they are now next door neighbors so we are hoping that helps. They're doing well so far!

Thanks for all you do for animals, T & C!

-Reggie and Ziggy's mom"

UPCOMING EVENTS

Join us at Shadow Lake Towne Center (1902 Towne Center Pkwy, Suite 115, Papillion, NE) on April 19th from 11am - 2pm for our 2nd Annual Spring Pignic!

A fun event for the entire family all about guinea pigs with special appearances from our adoptable bunny friends.



- \$10 Entry Donation, \$5 - 12 and under includes snacks for attendees and guinea pig and bunny cuddles
- Great raffle prizes
- Meet our adoptable guinea pigs and bunnies
- Bring your guinea pig for a health check/nail trim (\$5 donation)
- Snacks and photo op for your guinea pig included with your entry donation
- Everyone welcome

This unique fundraising event benefits the rescue animals at Hops + Co Small Animal Rescue, Piggies Paradise, and Town and Country Animal Rescue!

Doggy Barket

Come shop with your pup and visit our booth!

April 26th 2025 Dewey Dog Park
11am - 2pm 550 Turner Blvd
30+ vendors and food trucks! Omaha, NE 68105

An illustration for the 'Doggy Barket' event. It shows a grassy field with several dogs of various breeds (black and white, grey, brown, and black) standing in the foreground. In the background, there are wooden market stalls with red and white striped awnings, displaying various items like baskets of fruit, vegetables, and pet supplies.

Come support us at the 5th annual Doggy Barket at Dewey Dog Park organized by the City of Omaha Park & Rec on April 26th. Bring your pup and do some shopping at this outdoor market with over 30 pet friendly vendors. Be sure to stop by our booth to check out our adoptable dogs and fun Town and Country Animal Rescue Merchandise. All proceeds from sales support our rescue mission. We can't wait to meet you and your dog!

How can you help? Volunteer or Donate

Town and Country Animal Rescue is a "no-time limit" animal rescue organization. Our mission to always serve the animals in our care by providing a safe, loving, home until they are adopted to their "forever" home. We operate primarily by volunteers and only a handful of staff members, so every donation makes the biggest difference to rehabilitate and rehome animals in need as well as be an educational source for the community. Town and Country Animal Rescue is an exempt organization as described in Section 501(c)(3)

How to donate:

- Make a one time or recurring donation through Paypal or Venmo on our website: <https://townandcountryanimalrescue.org/donate>
- Mail a check to: 14110 S. 84th Street, Papillion NE 68046
- Visit our Amazon or Chewy Wish List: <https://townandcountryanimalrescue.org/donate>
- Drop off new and used items to our donation area located in our lower parking lot. Some of our most needed items are pet food and cleaning supplies such as bleach and laundry soap.



How to Volunteer:

- We are always in need of office volunteers, event leaders, dog walkers and cat care team members. Fill out a volunteer application on our website <https://townandcountryanimalrescue.org/>
- Head up a donation campaign to collect our most needed supplies at your place of employment, church or neighborhood.
- Foster: Our fosters play a vital roll in rehabilitating dogs, cats and small animals that need a little extra help. TCAR provides everything you need, including approved vet care. You supply the TLC! Fill out a foster application on our website <https://townandcountryanimalrescue.org/>
- Food Pantry: TCAR runs a FREE food pantry for residents of Douglas and Sarpy County. Volunteer your time collecting and distributing pet food to our community members in need.



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