



May Flyer



Summer's Coming...

Ever walked by a car on a muggy day and spied a cute furry face appearing to be in distress? Even if the windows are cracked, temperatures in vehicles can quickly rise 20 to 40 degrees higher than the outside, leading to brain damage and even death.

Is it okay to dial 911? Yes! This situation is considered "cruelty to animals".

According to the Humane Society, the preferred protocol is to call 911. They will dispatch Animal Control Services. Visit www.kitsap911.org for complete details.

Overweight Pets

The sun is shining, flowers are blooming, what a perfect day to go play outside. For our furry companions, play isn't just a fun time, it is the exercise they need to stay healthy. According to the most recent report from the Association for Pet Obesity, everyone should go play with their dogs far more often.

The USA continues to have alarming pet obesity rates, with 60% of cats and 56% of dogs considered to be overweight or obese. For a cat or dog, carrying around extra weight can lead to arthritis or spinal issues, diabetes, kidney disease, and heart or breathing complications, which also lead to much shorter life expectancies.

Here are some ways to help reduce your pet's weight and avoid common mistakes.

- 1 - Do not free feed. Always measure or weigh the amount of food being fed. Portion based on your pet's life stage, activity level, current and ideal weights.
- 2 - Ensure your pet gets at least 30 minutes of activity every day (this includes kitties).
- 3 - The more moisture the better! Add canned, fresh, or raw food, which are also lower in carbohydrates and calories.
- 4 - Feed a biologically appropriate diet without ingredients their body can't digest

These are simple starting points to get you thinking. Everyone's journey is unique, and our trained staff are eager to help you navigate the best path for a healthier pet.

PetsWalk 2024 – June 1st

PetsWALK is an annual 5K fundraiser for the Kitsap Humane Society, and we are proud to be a sponsor. It's a terrific opportunity for our community to run, jog, or walk alongside other animal lovers and their four-legged friends while raising much needed funds to help shelter pets.

If a 5K isn't quite your style, they also have a 1-mile option. You will also find a bustling vendor fair at Muriel Iverson Williams Waterfront Park in Poulsbo after the walk/run. Raise lifesaving funds for shelter pets in need leading up to the event and earn paw-tastic prizes! To register:

<https://www.kitsap-humane.org/event/petswalk-june-1/>

To help raise funds, we will be raffling two Goody Baskets at the vendor fair (one for cats and one for dogs). Stop by our vendor booth to purchase a ticket for only \$1 each and be entered to win. Each basket is valued at over \$200 and filled with toys, treats, promo items, and a \$50 Naturally 4 Paws Gift Card! Drawing held on June 3rd.

Training Center

New sessions for Pup Pawsitive classes begin May 1st – May 11th with open spots currently available. Registration for all Pup Pawsitive classes is now open.

The next classes with Guiding Hands Pet Obedience will begin June 3rd, 4th, and 5th. Registration for all Guiding Hands classes in June will open on Tuesday, May 7th.

For complete details on our trainers, schedules, pricing, and class descriptions, please visit our website's Dog Training page (under Services).

Stores Closed

Monday, May 27th

Happy Memorial Day!

Dog Vaccines

There aren't many topics more polarizing than vaccines for your dog. Did you know there are two main categories for vaccines? It's important to understand the difference between so-called "Core" and "Non-Core" vaccines and what those terms mean.

Although Dogs Naturally no longer publishes a hard copy magazine, their website is always loaded with informative articles and blogs on various topics related to natural solutions for pets. Do you sometimes wonder, "How often do I need to vaccinate my dog?" Or which dog vaccines are necessary, and which are not? And what's required by law?

Answers and a handy reference chart can be found in the following article: www.dogsnaturallymagazine.com/which-dog-vaccines-are-necessary/

Vaccines can be confusing. And there is a lot of opinionated information on the Internet. Vet recommendations can vary widely, often based on their education and firsthand experiences. The article above provides solid information to help make the best decision for your dog.

When you get that postcard reminder that your dog's due for his physical exam and vaccinations, you'll be better prepared (and stay out of trouble with the law)!

Mark your calendars!

★ HAPPY ★
BIRTHDAY!

18th Birthday Event

June 22nd – 23rd

Store Wide Sales!

May

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June Tentative

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