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THE PAW®



OUR MISSION

WOUNDED PAW PROJECT® IS A 501(C)(3) THAT FOCUSES ON THE PREVENTION OF ANIMAL ABUSE AND THE REHABILITATION OF ABUSED AND RESCUED DOGS.

Welcome to The Paw®, Wounded Paw Project's® monthly newsletter that keeps you up to date on how you and Wounded Paw Project® are making a difference for abused and rescued dogs. Each month, you'll get tips that you can use for your own pet and since Wounded Paw Project® was founded by a Purple Heart recipient, we'll also provide veterans with information they may not know.

In this issue, get your pet smelling fresh and get them healthier by using our bathing tips. Also, help us celebrate Wounded Paw Project's® birthday on Wounded Paw Day (March 26th) by getting involved, spreading the word, or donating today!

We hope you enjoy this month's newsletter and don't forget to follow us throughout the month on our social media platforms.

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Rub-a-dub-dub



Put your pet in the tub!

Just like you, your doggie needs to be bathed on a regular basis. This will help maintain their skin and coat health by removing dirt, debris, and allergens, which can help prevent skin irritation, reduce shedding, eliminate bad odors, and overall

promote their hygiene and well-being. Not only that, bathing can be a great bonding experience between you and your dog!

Here are some simple tips to follow to give your dog the best bathing experience:

- **Brush your dog before bathing to remove dirt and mats. Brushing will also help prevent mats from trapping water and irritating your dog's skin.**
- **Wet your dog using lukewarm water to avoid drying out your dog's skin.**
- **Massage shampoo into your dog's coat from head to tail. Be sure to rinse all the shampoo out of your dog's coat to prevent dry, itchy skin and dandruff.**
- **Use a washcloth on your dog's face to keep soap from getting into their eyes, ears, or mouth.**



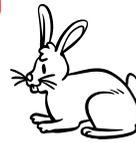
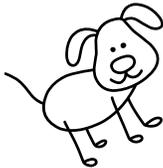
LAST CHRISTMAS I GAVE YOU MY PAW...



THIS SPRING YOU GAVE ME AWAY



PET RE-ADOPTION



&

PATRIOT FEST



Join Wounded Paw Project® on Saturday, May 3, 2025 at
the George Washington Masonic National Memorial grounds
101 Callahan Drive, Old Town Alexandria, Virginia
from 10am until 4 pm

HELP US FIND HOMES FOR ALL THOSE PETS THAT WERE GIFTED DURING THE HOLIDAYS
BUT HAVE NOW BEEN "RE-GIFTED" TO SHELTERS

Community Booths • Food • Demonstrations & More

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MEET SADIE THE MO'PITTIE...THE MORKIE WHO THINKS SHE'S A PITBULL. EACH MONTH, SADIE WILL GIVE YOU TIPS TO HELP YOU HAVE A SAFE AND HEALTHY PET. THIS MONTH, SADIE WANTS TO REMIND YOU THAT YOU NEVER KNOW WHEN YOUR PET MAY SUFFER FROM AN UNEXPECTED ILLNESS OR INJURY. WHY ADD NOT BEING ABLE TO PAY FOR THE VETERINARY BILL TO THE SITUATION? PET INSURANCE CAN HELP PROTECT YOUR FINANCES, PROVIDE PEACE OF MIND, AND HELP YOUR PET LIVE A LONGER, HEALTHIER LIFE.



DOGGIE ICE CREAM

Ingredients

- 3 ripe bananas
- 32 ounces plain yogurt
- 1 cup peanut butter

Blend all the ingredients in a blender until smooth. Pour mixture into trays and freeze for a couple of hours. Enjoy!

Celebrate Wounded Paw Day



March 26th

GET INVOLVED

Report animal abuse

Adopt / Foster a shelter dog

Volunteer at Wounded Paw Project® or your local animal shelter

Sign our advocacy petition

Help someone who needs help with a pet

SPREAD THE WORD

Wear our T-shirts

Subscribe to our newsletter

Tell your family and friends about us

Follow us on our social media platforms

DONATE

Make a cash donation at WPP.dog

Donate your car, truck, or boat through our CARS program

Bequeath money or real estate to Wounded Paw Project®

**DID
YOU
KNOW?**



**MARCH IS NATIONAL PET
POISON PREVENTION
AWARENESS MONTH! BE
AWARE OF THE**

**COMMON HOUSEHOLD
ITEMS THAT COULD BE
POISONOUS TO YOUR
PET SUCH AS:**



SILICA GEL PACKETS

BATTERIES

TOOTHPASTE AND MOUTHWASH

HOUSE PLANTS

HAND SANITIZER

**IF YOU SUSPECT YOUR PET IS SUFFERING
FROM A PET POISON-EMERGENCY CONTACT
YOUR VETERINARIAN IMMEDIATELY!!!**



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Each month The Paw provides valuable information to our Nation's veterans on services and opportunities that may not be common knowledge to Vets.

FEDERAL BENEFITS GUIDE As part of the Department of Veterans Affairs' commitment to provide world-class care and benefits to those who have served our nation, the VA is pleased to present the "2025 VA Federal Benefits Guide for Veterans, Dependents, Survivors, and Caregivers."

The handbook contains a comprehensive listing of VA programs, including phone numbers and websites for easy reference. The annual Federal Benefits Guide hosts a wealth of information on most VA benefits and services, including:

- Compensation.
- Life insurance.
- Pension and fiduciary services.
- Education benefits.
- Economic development and employment.
- Home loan guaranty programs and housing assistance.
- Mental health resources.

The handbook will help Veterans, service members and their families understand the full scope of VA resources available to them to help them make the most of life after service.

To access your digital copy of this comprehensive handbook go to

<https://department.va.gov/wp-content/uploads/2024/12/2025-Federal-Benefits-for-Veterans-Dependents-and-Survivors.pdf>

COMMONLY USED VA PHONE NUMBERS

VA MAIN INFORMATION LINE
1-800-698-2411

VA BENEFITS HOTLINE
1-800-827-1000

VA HEALTH BENEFITS HOTLINE
1-877-222-8387

WOMEN VETERANS HOTLINE
1-855-829-6636

CAREGIVER SUPPORT LINE
1-855-260-3274

eBENEFITS TECHNICAL SUPPORT
1-800-983-0937

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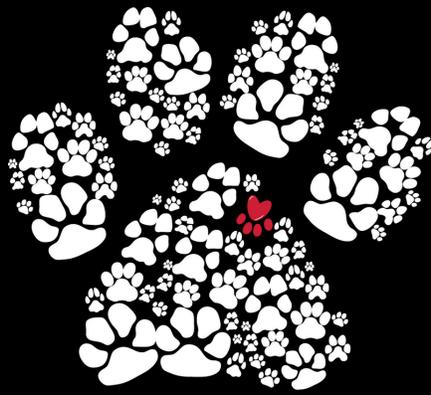


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