

SHAWNEE ANIMAL CLINIC



NEWS

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Providing the latest news on events and community service projects from your friends at Shawnee Animal Clinic.

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Newsletter



Portsmouth Elementary

During the month of August Shawnee Animal Clinic held a school supply drive to benefit Portsmouth Elementary School.

Portsmouth Local School District is one of the most populated school districts in our county. Unfortunately, the average income of families with children attending Portsmouth Local Schools happens to be among the lowest in the county. Due to the high poverty rate of the community in Portsmouth



Ohio, many of the children enrolled in the Portsmouth Local School District do not come to school prepared. According to the principal at Portsmouth Elementary School, a lot of children often show up on the first day without the necessary supplies to succeed in the classroom, such as paper, pencils, folders, crayons, etc.

At Shawnee Animal Clinic, we value education and believe every child should have equal opportunity in the classroom. This is why we hosted our Bark to School School Supplies Drive. It is our hope that our contributions will help to close that equality gap for the families who cannot afford essential school supplies.

Bark to School

SAC'S BACK TO SCHOOL SUPPLY DRIVE

A donation drive hosted by SAC to benefit Portsmouth Elementary School.

Table Food & Your Pets

WHICH FOODS ARE DEADLY?

ASPCA Animal Poison Control Center: (888) 426-4435

The following foods can be toxic, even deadly, when consumed by your pets. If you suspect your pet has ingested any of these foods and is having a reaction, please schedule an appointment with your veterinarian.

Grapes and Raisins

Although the toxic substance within grapes and raisins is unknown, these fruits can cause kidney failure. We have seen an influx of patients within the last few months present to our clinic with kidney failure due to eating grapes and raisins.

Alcohol

Alcoholic beverages and food products containing alcohol can cause vomiting, diarrhea, decreased coordination, central nervous system depression, difficulty breathing, tremors, abnormal blood acidity, coma and even death.

Avocado

Avocado is primarily a problem for birds, rabbits, donkeys, horses, and ruminants including sheep and goats. The biggest concern is for cardiovascular damage and death in birds and rabbits. Horses, donkeys and ruminants frequently get a swollen, edematous head and neck.

Chocolate, Coffee, and Caffeine

These products all contain substances called methylxanthines, which are found in



cacao seeds, the fruit of the plant used to make coffee, and in the nuts of an extract used in some sodas. When ingested by pets, methylxanthines can cause vomiting and diarrhea, panting, excessive thirst and urination, hyperactivity, abnormal heart rhythm, tremors, seizures, and even death.

Onions, Garlic, Chives

These vegetables and herbs can cause gastrointestinal irritation and could lead to red blood cell damage and anemia. Although cats are more susceptible, dogs are also at risk if a large enough amount is consumed.

Citrus

The stems, leaves, peels, fruit and seeds of citrus plants contain varying amounts of citric acid, essential oils that can cause irritation and possibly even central nervous system depression if ingested in significant amounts.

Coconut and Coconut Oil

When ingested in small amounts, coconut, and coconut-based products, are not likely to cause serious harm to your pet. The flesh and milk of fresh coconuts do contain oils that may cause stomach upset, loose stools, or diarrhea. Coconut water is high in potassium and should not be given to your pet.

Macadamia Nuts

Macadamia nuts can cause weakness, depression, vomiting,

tremors, and hyperthermia in dogs. Signs usually appear within 12 hours of ingestion and can last approximately 24 to 48 hours.

Milk and Dairy

Milk and other dairy-based products can cause diarrhea or other digestive upset.

Nuts

Nuts, including almonds, pecans, and walnuts, contain high amounts of oils and fats. The fats can cause vomiting and diarrhea, and potentially pancreatitis in pets.

Bones

Feeding your pet raw bones may seem like a natural and healthy option that might occur if your pet lived in the wild. However, this can be very dangerous for a domestic pet, who might choke on bones, or sustain a grave injury should the bone splinter and become lodged in, or puncture, your pet's digestive tract.

Xylitol

Xylitol is used as a sweetener in many products, including candy, baked goods, and toothpaste. It can cause insulin release in most species, which can lead to liver failure. This can lead to low sugar levels and even toxicosis. Signs include vomiting, lethargy, loss of coordination, or even seizures. Elevated liver enzymes and liver failure can be seen soon after.



Upcoming Events

BARKS, BEER, & BBQ

Sierra's Haven's First Annual Craft Beer Festival

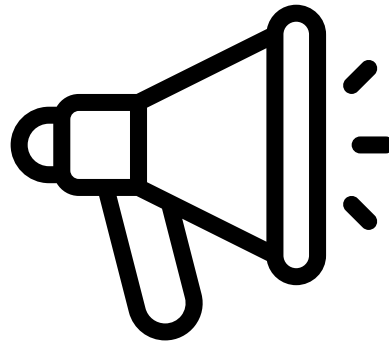
We invite you to join us at Sierra's Haven's first annual Barks, Beer, & BBQ Beer Walk. We welcome all pups and people to head over to the Spock Memorial Dog Park on September 10th from 4-8pm.

Your friends from Shawnee Animal Clinic & Sierra's Haven will be there to serve you a variety of craft beer on tap. After you grab your beer, you can browse the many food trucks and vendor booths set up down Front Street or you can enjoy live music at the main stage!

Sierra's Haven will have a booth set up with pets available for adoption and will also be holding a raffle as well as a pet talent contest for your furry friends!

Mark your calendars for September 10th. You don't want to miss this PAWSOME event!

ATTENTION



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**ANNOUNCEMENTS &
GENERAL INFO**

Follow Us On TikTok

Your friends at Shawnee Animal Clinic have now joined TikTok! Follow us on the app to see some hilarious and wholesome short veterinary related content. Our username is sacpets!

Follow Us On Instagram

Your friends at Shawnee Animal Clinic have now joined Instagram! Follow us on the app to see exclusive content. Our username is @sacpets!

August 2022

World Animal Remembrance Month

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National Hummingbird Day

Join us in admiring the beautiful hummingbirds on their special day.

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National Wildlife Day

This is the perfect day to go out into the great outdoors and enjoy all of our local wildlife!

National Threatened Species Day

Join us in spreading awareness of threatened species.

Barks, Beer, & BBQ

Join us at the Spock Memorial Dog Park for a day Beer, BBQ, & fun! See pg.3 for more info.

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National Pet Memorial Day

This day is set aside as a special day to remember our furry friends who have crossed over the rainbow bridge.

International Red Panda Day

Brush up on your Red Panda knowledge today!

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Elephant Appreciation Day

What does the Elephant mean to you? Take some time today to learn more about elephants.

International Rabbit Day

Join us in learning more about rabbits and how they help our ecosystem.

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Happy Goose Day

Are you a happy goose or a grumpy cat today? Either way, let's learn more about Geese on this special day!

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