

May / June 2010 Newsletter



Happy Mother's Day & Father's Day

In honor of all the moms who make the puppy's breakfast and dinner or nurse the kitty's wounds, in honor of all the dads who mow the lawn or walk the dog – Happy Mother's Day and Father's Day from Fido and Fluffy. It may or may not take a village to raise an animal companion, but benevolent leadership, appropriate management and a lot



of love are certainly part of the recipe for a harmonious home. So for all the pet parents out there who care for the animal family members, pat yourself on the back, and then pick up the leash or the brush and do it all over again. Animals are such a blessing in our lives we should feel grateful that we have them to share the journey with us.



The reason we celebrate the mothers and fathers in <u>our</u> lives is to recognize the dedication and sacrifices they make. While we make sacrifices to care for our pets, our animal companions give to us so much in return. It doesn't matter if we are fat or thin; whether we drive a Mercedes or a Yugo; whether we are serious or funny, our animal companions want to be with us and share a common bond: love. They love us regardless of our

faults, with our biggest one being the lack of ability to understand their language. ** There should really be a Pet's Day to honor them.

Are You Ready for Summer?

We are headed into the season of BBQ and bugs, picnics and fireworks, going barefoot and lawn care, swimming and heat. Are you ready? Are your pets ready (and protected)?

- Consider natural flea and tick treatments
 - Bathing, grooming, vacuuming, herbals,
 \(\mathbb{X} \) Tick Key\(\mathbb{R} \)
- Protect your pets on July 4th
- Consider natural alternatives to outdoor chemical lawn treatments
 - Pulling weeds or using natural/organic lawn care services
- Protect your pets from heat
 - Never leave them in a car, especially with outside temperatures above 70° (even in a shady spot or with windows cracked)
 - Bring them inside when temperatures exceed 90°
 - Make sure they have plenty of water & take walks in the morning
 - Secure all screens for open windows





Feature Companion for this issue: Victor (Bee Sting)

You may remember a story about Victor a few months back. Well Victor had another harrowing adventure – he was stung by a bee. He is lucky that his mom was quick thinking and used TTouch to help him until she could get him to the vet. TTouch was beneficial in his recovery as well. We must always be diligent in observing our pets and if something seems wrong never delay in seeking advice or help as it may save your pet's life or keep him from having a more severe issue. If in doubt, check it out!





Announcements:

N2paws is offering the Tick Key® – a safe and effective tool for removing an entire tick without squishing or touching it. It is a hassle to use tweezers and you risk leaving the tick's head embedded in your dog or cat. Trying to back out a tick by using a match or smothering it with Vaseline or nail polish only traumatizes the tick and it regurgitates its toxins into the bloodstream (and can continue to transmit disease for hours before detaching). For more information or to obtain a Tick Key®, contact pat@n2paws.com.

Just for Fun

Training Tip of the Month:

As mentioned above, one of the biggest faults is that we (humans) don't speak cat or dog very well. We expect them to learn "human" and when they don't we get frustrated. We have the tendency to look at them and place human thoughts and emotions in their heads, like "He tore stuff up while I was gone because he was mad that I left him alone." He may have just been bored and there was no one home to redirect his attention. Another common one is, "When I walked in she knew she had done something wrong by the look on her face." She is reacting to your body language as you look into the room and see the deposit she left on the floor. Always be mindful of your body language when communicating to your animal companions, and learning their language can be useful in communicating to them. They tell us when they are relaxed, stressed, on alert, happy, etc. Once we learn to speak dog or cat, they are so grateful and the reward is ours.

Doga & Meowoga for this issue:



Tones back muscles Improve concentration Strengthens stomach muscles

Bhujangasana (Cobra)

Utthita Trikonasana (Triangle)

Stretches: hips, spine, shoulders & neck Stimulates abdominal organs Improves digestion

p.s. trick photography - don't try this at home.....but do come to a Doga or Meowoga class to learn how to relax and have fun with your canine or feline companion!



2009© Dan Boris

Quotes of the Month (applies to dogs or cats):

I talk to him when I'm lonesome like; and I'm sure he understands.

When he looks at me so attentively, and gently licks my hands;
then he rubs his nose on my tailored clothes, but I never say naught thereat.

For the good Lord knows I can buy more clothes, but never a friend like that.

- W. Dayton Wedgefarth

Feature Adoptable Companion for this issue: Corgi Mix Puppies



These little puppies were left abandoned in a field and a wonderful couple, who happened to see them while driving by, decided to stop and round them up (not an easy task as they are very fearful of people). They took the puppies to a woman who is known as the Corgi Lady. She took them on thinking that they would be easy to find homes for - as they are so cute! Well, not so fast. They are



definitely cute, but are still pretty fearful of people. They will need to find a home that will be patient and use good canine communication skills to make them feel more comfortable and trusting toward humans. N2paws is working to help these puppies get into foster care or permanent homes where they will have a chance to learn social skills and adjust to normal life. If you know anyone that would be interested in taking on one of these little bundles of love contact pat@n2paws.com. N2paws also offers discounted services to transition these little ones to their new homes.

Upcoming Events for N_{2paws} & other fun stuff

May 15 – Open House at Tails R' Waggin, Overland Park, KS (11a-4p)
May 16 – Pooches on the Parkway, Blue Springs, MO (11a-4p)

Jun 5 – Wholistic Pet Fair at Mariposa Vet Center, Lenexa, KS (12:30-3:30p)
Jun 6 – Half-day, TTouch™ for Dogs workshop, Olathe, KS (1-5p)
Jun 7 & 21 – Beyond the Big Bang, Overland Park, KS (6:30-7:30p)
Jun 12 – (ReDiscover) Paws for a Cause, Lee's Summit, MO (11a-2p)
Jun 13 – Dog n' Jog, Country Club Plaza, KCMO (7-10:30a)

Jun 19 – *Therapy Team Awareness, Overland Park, KS (10-11a)

Jun 26 – Half-day, TTouch™ for Dogs workshop, Liberty, MO (12-4p)

Jul TBD – Half-day, TTouch™ for Cats workshop, NKC, MO



* contact Pets For Life to register (816)-363-3665

N2paws carries high quality training treats, specialty shirts for nervous dogs (Anxiety Wrap® & Thundershirt®), and the new Tick Key®

N2paws offers training in canine and feline language comprehension

If you would like to learn more about TTouch, you may contact pat@n2paws.com or 816-522-7005, for a private session, group workshop or a public speaking engagement for your club or organization. Also, visit our website www.n2paws.com, for interesting links and current training/event schedule.

You are receiving this email from N2Paws because you attended a workshop, held a private session, or signed up on our mailing list. If you would like to continue to receive news updates from N2Paws (newsletters and scheduled events), then you need not do anything. If you no longer want to receive our news updates, then reply back to this email and replace the subject with "unsubscribe", and your name will be removed.