

# the Animal Insider

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## A Walk in the Park

By Laura D'Aveta

Central Ohio Dog Parks Offer Springtime Fun

**P**avlov is a great guy. He loves long walks in the park, sitting down to a nice dinner, or snuggling up with a good book. He even has a sense of humor when his owner's room mate decides he'd look cute in an elf hat or dinosaur costume. He is also a 50 pound, six month old Lab mix rescued from the side of the road, and he has an endless amount of energy. Those long walks, even if done daily, do nothing to quench his thirst to run. Unfortunately, my roommates and I live on campus, and room to run safely does not exist. The remedy: the fantastic dog parks located around central Ohio. As the weather warms up (or if you don't mind the lingering winter), consider not only taking your favorite friend to one of these parks, but also doing your part to make Columbus area dog parks a continuing success!

### Rules/Etiquette

Each park will have their own rules, and you should familiarize yourself with them before you bring your dog to that park. The following are some general rules that apply to most parks:

- Do not bring dogs that have displayed any signs of aggression, either towards other dogs or humans.
- Do not feed treats to other people's dogs without their permission—some dogs are on restricted diets for medical reasons.
- Choke chains, prong collars and studded collars are strictly prohibited; dogs have become entangled and died as a result of strangulation.
- Make sure your dog is current on his/her vaccinations; puppies under 4 months should not be brought to dog parks.
- Spaying/Neutering is mandatory at some parks, but not all; if your dog is not spayed, do not bring her to the park when in heat. (See our spay/neuter resource list on page 6.)
- Clean up your dog's waste; most parks provide bags and containers for your convenience.
- Stay with your dog; be on the alert for inappropriate behavior.
- Bring only toys your dog won't mind sharing; a favorite toy may create possessiveness and possibly aggression.

### What to Expect

We've probably all encountered a mid-tantrum child in a store or restaurant who's had us shaking our heads and saying "If that were my child ...". There's also a good chance that it HAS been your child. Dog parks are no different. Owners have different opinions on training, and dogs are at different stages in their maturity and ability to behave. Here are some things you may encounter; just breathe deeply, do the best you can with your own dog, and remember, we've all been there!

- Your dog—and your clothes—will get dirty. If there's a puddle, they'll find it, and you'll get the paw-print proof on your favorite jeans. Wear old clothes and shoes, and bring a towel to clean your dog's paws before the ride home!
- Dogs socialize differently in a group than they do alone. Do not be worried if you see them play biting or rolling over in submission. Just be close by—always keep your leash handy—should this play then turn aggressive.
- There will be big dogs around. Not all parks offer separate areas for smaller dogs. If your cocker spaniel is shy around other dogs, consider whether she is ready for a dog park.

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# From the Editor:

Spring is such an exciting time of the year! The cold Ohio weather begins to break and nature reawakens. This issue we have highlighted a few opportunities for springtime fun. What better way to enjoy the outdoors than with your canine companion? Fortunately, central Ohio has a variety of dog parks and pet trails available to the public. Before you go, make sure you are aware of the rules and etiquette so that both you and your furry friend can have the best time possible!

This issue also brings the first ever *Animal Insider* reader survey. We want to know what establishments and organizations are top of the line when it comes to our pets in Ohio. Please take a minute to share your thoughts with us. The survey is also available on our website, [www.Animal-Insider.org](http://www.Animal-Insider.org). The results will be announced in an upcoming issue. Did I mention that all survey respondents will be entered into a drawing for a chance to win a \$20 PetPeople gift card? Tell us what you think!

The survey is one way that we'd like to try and get to know you better. We've been publishing the *Animal Insider* for almost three years now and want to make sure that it continues to be relevant to our readers. Our goal has always been to promote responsible pet ownership, and to highlight the outstanding efforts our local animal welfare organizations make on behalf of homeless pets. We want to continue to do that by providing you with expert advice and tips for caring for your pet. We also want to branch out a bit to include coverage of innovative ideas, books, projects, and people whose lives are touched by animals in a positive way, or who touch the lives of animals in a positive way. You'll see some of these changes in upcoming issues. We hope you enjoy reading them!

Finally, the heart of what we do at Animal Outreach revolves around spaying and neutering pets. We are going to continue to promote spaying and neutering as much as possible in the *Animal Insider*, beginning with our resource list in this issue. If you haven't had your pets spayed or neutered yet, please take a look at the resources on page 6. So many animals are out on the street or in shelters, let's not add to their numbers!



"There is no psychiatrist in the world like a puppy licking your face."

~ Ben Williams

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Spending the day shaking in your arms is not fun for either of you. Also, consider the fact that most parks are busiest in the evenings and on weekends; if possible, visit the park during an off-peak time to ease her into being around big dogs.

- Many parks do not have breed restrictions. You may encounter pit bulls, dobermans chows, etc. Keep an open mind. Nola, a white pit bull, remains the sweetest, most well-behaved dog I have ever encountered at a dog park. Don't judge a dog by its breed; again, be mindful of all dogs.
- Not everyone knows the rules/etiquette involved with dog parks. If you notice an owner who appears unaware of a rule, politely offer to share your knowledge. Likewise, be open to helpful hints from other owners. Above all, respect the volunteer Ambassadors that work at some parks; they are there to make the park safe and happy for everyone.

### How You Can Help

Many dog parks rely on volunteers to help them run smoothly. Consider one or more of the following to give back some of the joy you and your dog get from your favorite dog park.

- Consider volunteering as an Ambassador or Ranger to help supervise parks during operating hours.
- Not all parks have running water; they keep gallon jugs of water at the park for thirsty dogs. If you see an empty jug, take it home and refill it—and remember to bring it back the next time you and your pooch visit the park.
- Parks require funding to expand; donating money is always appreciated.
- Many parks have a wish list of items they need—check out their websites!
- Be respectful of the parks themselves, and report any problems or vandalism you might observe.

### Locations

Public parks now require that dogs be kept on leash, except in designated areas. Listed below are dog parks, both public and private, that allow dogs to be off leash.

Name	Area	S/N Policy	Website Address	Private/Membership Fees
Bark Til Dark Bark Park	Delaware	Yes	www.barktildarkdogpark.com www.barkpark.org	Yes Yes (fees donated to shelters)
Canine Companion Club	Powell	Yes	www.columbusdogpark.com	Yes
Big Walnut Dog Park	Columbus	No	www.bigwalnutdogpark.com	No
Alum Creek Dog Park	Lewis Center	No	www.alumcreekdogpark.com	No
Westerville Dog Park	Westerville	No	www.westerville.org	No
Pooch Playground	Gahanna	No	www.poochplayground.com	No
Dogs of Goodale Park	Columbus	No	www.dogsofgoodalepark.com	No

Also, the following Central Ohio Metroparks have trails for pets (they still require pets to be leashed): **Battelle Darby Creek, Blendon Woods, Clear Creek, Glacier Ridge, Heritage Park, Highbanks, Inniswood Metro Gardens, Pickerington Ponds, Prairie Oaks, Slate Run, and Three Creeks.** Additional information may be obtained from [www.metroparks.net/trailspettrails](http://www.metroparks.net/trailspettrails)

Have a great time at the dog park!

# ASK Greg & Bobb



"What are some tricks for keeping dogs off of furniture?"

—Jane B., Canal Winchester

**Bobb:** Of course the first and the hardest thing you want to do is get Greg off your furniture. He is too much of a distraction for any training and your guests will grow tired of his demand for a good scratch behind the ears!

**Greg:** Thanks a lot Bobb. If you owned any decent furniture, you would be as concerned with this question as Jane is! Dogs rely on height as an advantage. Your dog is seeking a perch or lookout where she cannot be surprised and where she can oversee her domain. When on the furniture she feels and appears larger than she really is to other dogs or humans.

**Bobb:** That's right. It's also about status. When a dog is on the furniture or bed she feels equal or greater in the hierarchy of the pack; she feels she owns the den and whoever occupies it.

**Greg:** Let's take the bed for example. In the wild, the highest and driest place in the den is reserved for the pack leader. This is so the leader will be well rested, warm and dry. She needs to be healthy and alert to defend the den, lead the hunt, and make all the right decisions for the survival of the pack.

**Bobb:** Try to educate your dog. If she is on the couch call her off, then praise her when she is off. Then take her place on the couch. Should she climb up, you must stand up to call her off again. Remember to use your height advantage to send your message. Resist dragging or pushing her off. She will learn more quickly if she makes the decision.

**Greg:** You'll soon grow tired of standing, sitting, standing, sitting... or stronger from the exercise. Try catching her before she jumps on the couch. Watch her body language and as soon as she gets that "I'm about to jump on the couch" look in her eyes or her body wiggles, correct her with whatever works for your dog. She should soon get the message and find a place on the floor to settle down.

**Bobb:** You can also give her a mat or doggie bed as a place reserved just for her, like a "parking spot." I have "Reserved for Labrador" parking signs all over my home.

**Greg:** Now the dog should see your furniture as yours. When you come into a room and she is perched on your furniture she should respectfully surrender her seat. If you want her off your furniture while you are away, try laying some aluminum foil over the couch. Most dogs do not like the feel or sound. However, nothing replaces educating your dog.

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# Spotlight on: *Columbus House Rabbit Society*

By Laura D'Aveta

**R**abbits of the chocolate variety may not be the only bunnies on your mind this spring. If you are considering adopting a rabbit, be sure to visit the Columbus House Rabbit Society (CHRS). This all-volunteer, non-profit organization is devoted to finding permanent, loving homes for abandoned rabbits and educating the public's understanding of rabbits as companion animals. I discussed the organization's experiences and goals with Terri Cook, an Educator and Fosterer with the CHRS since 1997.

The Columbus House Rabbit Society has the benefit of being a chapter of a larger organization—the International House Rabbit Society (IHRS). Although there are many advantages to being affiliated with IHRS, as Cook said, "the biggest advantage is the access it provides to the vast amount of knowledge exchanged daily among the educators, chapter managers, veterinary professionals, and local volunteers. By sharing these experiences, we help each other to better understand and care for the rabbits we take in."



*Earl... Looking for love!*

"CHRS has a fantastic base of volunteers who support our activities and campaigns with their time, money, energy and enthusiasm. Through them, we are able to provide foster homes for needy rabbits, we assist the Capital Area Humane Society with socialization and care for the rabbits housed in their facility, and we provide education programs and materials on rabbit care."

Caring for a house rabbit is more involved than people might be aware. "The single most important thing you can do is understand that rabbits are not low maintenance pets," Cook said. "They require as much work, attention and vet care (including spaying/neutering) as cats or dogs... rabbits should not be given as Easter pets." House rabbits live for approximately 7-10 years (some can live to be 12 or more), as opposed to wild

rabbits who have an average life expectancy of two years. Rabbits require lots of space; if caged, they should be able to stand up and stretch without hitting the sides of the cage. Rabbits need an unlimited source of grass hay (timothy, brome, oat, orchard) for their diet, and their litter boxes, also lined with hay, must be changed daily.



Unfortunately, many people do not research the commitment involved in adopting and caring for a house rabbit and the result is an increase in homeless rabbits, especially at this time of year. "Our experience has been that in the months following Easter, surrender rates increase up to 60%," Cook said. "In the past, the numbers provided by our shelter combined with our own local figures show spikes in intake rates of 44% two to three months after Easter and a spike of 61% in the six month after Easter. This would seem to correspond with the timeframe in which the novelty of an Easter rabbit wears off (2-3 months) and in which young rabbits reach sexual maturity (6 months) and begin territorial behavior such as marking with urine/feces, aggression, chewing, and digging."

CHRS has lofty goals for 2008, including continuing to educate the public on proper rabbit care, increasing awareness of the plight of abandoned and neglected rabbits through their 'Make Mine Chocolate!' Easter campaign, encouraging current rabbit caretakers to spay or neuter their pets, and providing advice and support to help rabbit caretakers give their rabbits the highest quality of life possible.

For more information about the Columbus House Rabbit Society, or to find volunteer opportunities visit [www.ColumbusRabbit.org](http://www.ColumbusRabbit.org), or contact the CHRS at (614) 895-0004.

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# March

**1 Inaugural GAO Pasta Dinner**  
Join Greyhound Adoption of Ohio for their Inaugural Pasta Dinner fundraiser! Dinner includes pasta, meatballs, salad, dinner rolls, and beverages. Centerville Mills Camp, 8558 Crackel Rd. & Rte. 306 from 4 to 7 p.m. Adults-\$6, Kids under 12-\$4, [www.GreyhoundAdoptionOfOh.org](http://www.GreyhoundAdoptionOfOh.org)

**2 Mingle with our Mutts**, Come to the Franklin County Dog Shelter for a chance to meet some new friends! 12 to 2 p.m. at 1731 Alum Creek Drive in Columbus. [www.MingleWithOurMutts.org](http://www.MingleWithOurMutts.org)

**Low-Cost Spay/Neuter Clinic (Cats)**  
Cozy Cat Cottage, 62 Village Pointe Dr., Powell. Males \$35, Females \$45. Register and pay in advance: (614) 336-8510

## 7-9th

**14th Annual Cols. Pet Expo**, Lots of fun, food, and entertainment for the entire family! Friday: Noon to 9 p.m.; Saturday: 10 a.m. to 8 p.m.; Sunday: 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Adults-\$8, Kids 4-12 & Seniors-\$6, Children under 3-FREE! [www.PetExpoClassic.com](http://www.PetExpoClassic.com)

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**20 Celebrity Chef Event**, Join the Capital Area Humane Society to experience a night of music, food and fun to benefit homeless and abused animals in our community. 6 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. at the Huntington Club in the Ohio Stadium, 411 Woody Hayes Dr, Columbus. Tickets can be purchased online. A cash bar and free parking will also be offered. [www.CelebrityChef.org](http://www.CelebrityChef.org) [www.caahs-pets.org](http://www.caahs-pets.org)

sionals in local shelters, veterinary clinics, animal care and control agencies, and other humane agencies in the common goal of educating pet owners about the benefits of tagging their companion animals. Only 2 percent of cats and 15 percent of dogs that enter U.S. animal shelters as strays every year are reunited with their owners.

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# Calendar of Events

March through  
May 2008

**10 SOS Low-Cost Spay/Neuter Clinic**, The Capital Area Humane Society is sponsoring a spay/neuter clinic by appointment only. To schedule, call (614) 777-7387 ext. 298 [www.caahs-pets.org](http://www.caahs-pets.org)

**12 April Shower Brings May Kittens!**  
Cat Welfare Kitten Shower, 1 to 3 p.m. at the Cat Welfare Shelter, 741 Wetmore Rd. in Columbus. Refreshments, collection of kitten food and supplies for kitten season. [www.CatWelfareOhio.com](http://www.CatWelfareOhio.com)

**Sweet Revenge Benefit Concert**, Sweet Revenge plays a variety of 50s & 60s favorites, as well as Country Rock. All proceeds of the concert will benefit the animals cared for by the Knox Co. Humane Society [www.KnoxHumaneSociety.org](http://www.KnoxHumaneSociety.org)

**20 Mingle with our Mutts**, Come to the Franklin County Dog Shelter for a chance to meet some new friends! 12 to 2 p.m. at 1731 Alum Creek Drive in Columbus.

# May

**4-10th Be Kind to Animals Week**  
[www.AmericanHumane.org](http://www.AmericanHumane.org)

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**18-24th National Dog Bite Prevention Week**, [www.avma.org](http://www.avma.org)

**24 10th Annual Ohio Pug Rescue Reunion & Fundraiser**, Whitehall Community Park in Columbus from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Help make this wonderful event a success! [www.OhioPugRescue.com](http://www.OhioPugRescue.com)

**PetPromise Rescue Run**, is an annual 5K that promotes awareness of the pet overpopulation and supports efforts to change the future for homeless pets. Join the hundreds who have already helped rain or shine in the Arena District at McFerson Commons Park. [WWW.RescueRun.com](http://WWW.RescueRun.com) [www.PetPromise.org](http://www.PetPromise.org)

*We want to know about your events! Visit [www.Animal-Outreach.org/Ohio.html](http://www.Animal-Outreach.org/Ohio.html) to submit yours! Be sure to include the date, time, location and other relevant details!*

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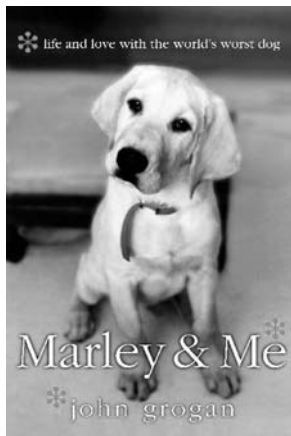
# April

**April is Prevention of Animal Cruelty Month**, [www.asPCA.org](http://www.asPCA.org)

**5 Every Day Is Tag Day**, unites thousands of individuals, plus profes-



# Off the Shelf: **Marley & Me** By John Grogan



**W**hat makes the perfect dog? Some would say an even temperament, loyalty, or being good with children. These are often at the top of the list. Ultimately, every dog owner comes to understand that it is the imperfections that help define the perfect dog for each of us.

It's the silly tilt of your overexcited beagle's head as you explain for the millionth time "stay" or "sit," or the apologetic glance from your defiant

basset hound following yet another accident on the kitchen floor. Perfection comes in those moments when you realize that your pet has become more than just a pet. It's that moment that your furry boarder becomes your confidant, your best friend, a family member.

This imperfect relationship is at the heart of John Grogan's 2005 book *Marley & Me*. The story follows the author's family and the incorrigible Labrador retriever Marley who, from the moment they bring him home as a wiggling, awkwardly proportioned puppy, changes their lives and their outlook forever.

The book's subtitle says it all, "life and love with the world's worst dog." You'll find yourself rooting for Marley and seeing yourself reflected in his dedicated, yet novice, owners John and Jenny. Over their thirteen-year journey together, Marley's zest for life leads the family on one adventure after another. You'll find yourself rooting for the big awkward lug before he is unceremoniously kicked out of obedience school; cheering for him as he puts his imposing frame to use protecting a young crime victim; and laughing as he does his patented "Marley Mambo."

Though the book will tug at the heartstrings of any animal lover, *Marley and Me* is not simply about the trials of dog ownership. It is an exploration of life's constant ups and downs and the importance of friendship... real, unqualified friendship.

Marley's life, as is the case with all our pets, is the backdrop for his family's day-to-day struggles, major celebrations and tragedies. His unending positive outlook is contagious, and for thirteen years he serves as the rock that offers perspective.

*Marley & Me* will remind you to give more hugs, to live life to the fullest and to appreciate your friends, four-legged and otherwise. *Marley & Me* the movie will be released in 2008, starring Owen Wilson and Jennifer Aniston as the Grogans, but I encourage you to take time to read the original unabridged memoir, available at the library.

—Reviewed by Kimmer Callahan

## Area Spay/Neuter Resources

The following clinics and organizations offer low cost spay/neuter services. Costs for services vary. You should call for the most up to date cost information and availability.

### **Franklin County Dog Shelter (Dogs Only)**

1731 Alum Creek Drive  
Columbus, OH 43207  
(614) 462-5581  
[www.FranklinCountyDogs.com](http://www.FranklinCountyDogs.com)

### **The Spay & Neuter Clinic (two locations)**

*North*  
2752 Sawbury Road  
Columbus, OH 43235  
(614) 761-7551

*South*  
3136 South Hamilton Road  
Columbus, OH 43232  
(614) 367-9933

### **Animal Outreach SNAP**

The Animal Outreach Spay/Neuter Assistance Program (SNAP) is designed to provide a low cost spay/neuter option for individuals and families who are currently receiving public assistance in central Ohio. Visit [www.Animal-Outreach.org](http://www.Animal-Outreach.org) for more information and an application.

### **Care Pet Clinic**

785 East Main Street  
Columbus, OH 43205  
(614) 252-4353

### **RASCAL Clinic**

6365 Old Avery Road  
Suites 9 & 10  
Dublin, OH 43016  
(614) 791-7729  
[www.RascalUnit.com](http://www.RascalUnit.com)

### **SPAY USA**

[www.SPAYUSA.org](http://www.SPAYUSA.org)  
Online referral site for local spay/neuter services.



# Homeward Bound: Adoptable Animals

## The Humane Society of Delaware Co.

4920 State Route 37 East  
Delaware, OH 43015  
(740) 369-7387 (866) 319-4732 [www.delawarecohumanesoc.org](http://www.delawarecohumanesoc.org)



### Katie

Katie is an 8-year old female who has been at the shelter since her owner passed away over a year ago. She has had one eye removed, but remains a real sweetie!

### Rocky

Rocky is a healthy, sturdy and muscular male Boxer/Black Lab mix who is approximately one year old. While he is very active in the cage—jumping up frequently—he walks nicely on a leash and regular collar. He sits on command; he may have had some basic training. He really likes to play!



### Cat Welfare Association

741 Wetmore Road  
Columbus, OH 43214  
(614) 268-6096  
[www.catwelfareohio.com](http://www.catwelfareohio.com)

### Fang

Don't let the teeth fool you; I am lovable and affectionate. If you're looking for a pal to give belly rubs and keep you company, I'm the cat for you!  
Age: 4-7 years, Male/Neutered



### Harmony

I'm a special kitty! I'm considered a bobtail since they've had to amputate my tail two times now. I don't need it because I am a great kitty without it!  
Age: 2-3 years, Female/Spayed

### Thumbs

I got my name because I have what looks like thumbs on my paws, but they don't work like thumbs! I am a great lovable kitty, come visit me!  
Age: 3-5 years, Male/Neutered



629 Oakland Park Avenue, Columbus, Ohio 43214  
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[www.petswithoutparents.net](http://www.petswithoutparents.net) [pets@petswithoutparents.net](mailto:pets@petswithoutparents.net)  
Monday-Friday: Noon - 9p.m. Saturday/Sunday: Noon - 8p.m.

Pets Without Parents is a non-profit, no-kill, all-breed pet shelter. Our mission is to create a community that nurtures and respects companion animals with a goal of seeing that every pet is loved. Pets Without Parents functions as a pet adoption shelter, carefully placing pets in forever homes, while doing everything in our power to help reduce pet overpopulation. This mission can only be accomplished through the education of the community and by sharing our beliefs, helping to ensure that we are creating a better world for deserving pets.



### India

India has been at the shelter for nearly two years now. After being overlooked time and time again, she very much craves attention and TLC, but she needs her space and quiet time too. Contrary to what you might believe, she is very low maintenance and does well with other cats. She's just holding out for that perfect home!

### Ginger & Posh Spice

These gals will never be has-beens... As a matter of fact, they're sure to be hip their entire lives! They're not nearly as vocal as the famous singing group either (or like many other Beagles.) These girls are playful, but won't leave you for Hollywood, International Soccer Stars or part ways citing musical differences... these girls want to be home forever.



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# The Inaugural *Animal Insider* "Best of" Survey!



We want to know what you think! Tell us what establishments and organizations really are the cat's meow when it comes to animals in central Ohio. Simply complete the survey and mail it to the address below, or complete the survey online at [www.Animal-Insider.org](http://www.Animal-Insider.org). All survey respondents will be entered into a drawing to win a \$20 gift card from PetPeople. Surveys must be received by May 31, 2008.

1. Pet Supplies Store: \_\_\_\_\_
  2. Pet-Friendly Establishment: \_\_\_\_\_
  3. Pet Behaviorist/Trainer: \_\_\_\_\_
  4. Veterinary Clinic: \_\_\_\_\_
  5. Pet Bakery: \_\_\_\_\_
  6. Best Park for Pets: \_\_\_\_\_
  7. Doggie Daycare: \_\_\_\_\_
  8. Pet Boarding Facility: \_\_\_\_\_
  9. Pet Boutique: \_\_\_\_\_
  10. Annual Pet Event: \_\_\_\_\_
  11. Pet Rescue: \_\_\_\_\_
- How often do you read the *Animal Insider*? \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_

14. What would you like to see improved or included?
- \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_

**Tell us about yourself:**

- Name: \_\_\_\_\_
- Address: \_\_\_\_\_
- City & State: \_\_\_\_\_
- Zip: \_\_\_\_\_
- Phone: ( \_\_\_\_\_ ) \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_
- Email: \_\_\_\_\_
- How many/what kind of pets do you have? \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_

13. What do like the best about the *Animal Insider*? \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_

Send completed survey to Animal Outreach, P.O. Box 892, Westerville, Ohio 43082 by May 31, 2008 for your chance to win a \$20 gift card for PetPeople. Thanks for your feedback!

## Make a Difference in the Lives of Animals!

Prevention is the key in the fight against pet overpopulation! With your support we can reduce the number of homeless pets by encouraging responsible pet ownership.



I want to have an impact on the lives of animals. Please accept my contribution:  
 \_\_\_\_\_ \$10    \_\_\_\_\_ \$25    \_\_\_\_\_ \$50    \_\_\_\_\_ \$100    \_\_\_\_\_ \$250    \_\_\_\_\_ Other: \_\_\_\_\_

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