

HERE'S WHAT'S GOIN' ON AT MOUNDS

May 3 Fitchburg 11-1 *Regular rescue booth from Greyhound Pets of America.* Meet adoptable greyhounds, fill out an adoption application and learn about volunteering or fostering a retired racing greyhound. For more information, call 608.223.9227 or visit Greyhound Pets of America online.

May 3 Janesville 12-2 *Friends of Noah Rescue* will be on hand with information on how to donate, adopt, or get involved.

May 3 East 10-2 *Dane County Humane Society* selling raffle tickets for Bark & Wine.

May 4 Fitchburg 10-2 *Dane County Humane Society* selling raffle tickets for Bark & Wine.

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May 10 Sun Prairie 11-1 *Regular rescue booth from Greyhound Pets of America.* Meet adoptable greyhounds, fill out an adoption application and learn about volunteering or fostering a retired racing greyhound. For more information, call 608.223.9227 or visit Greyhound Pets of America online.

May 10 Middleton 10-2 *Dane County Humane Society* selling raffle tickets for Bark & Wine.

May 10 Fitchburg 11-1 *Heartland Farm Sanctuary* will be on hand with information on how to donate, volunteer, or get involved.

May 11 Sun Prairie 10-2 *Dane County Humane Society* selling raffle tickets for Bark & Wine.

May 17 Middleton 11-1 *Regular rescue booth from Greyhound Pets of America.* Meet adoptable greyhounds, fill out an adoption application and learn about volunteering or fostering a retired racing greyhound. For more information, call 608.223.9227 or visit Greyhound Pets of America online.

May 17 Janesville 10-12 *Regular rescue booth from Greyhound Pets of America.* Meet adoptable greyhounds, fill out an adoption application and learn about volunteering or fostering a retired racing greyhound. For more information, call 608.223.9227 or visit Greyhound Pets of America online.

May 17 East 10-1 *Animal Rescue and Veterinary Support Services* will be doing micro-chipping for \$15.00 per dog or cat.

May 17 Janesville 10-2 *Good Shepherd Rescue* will be on hand with information on how to donate, adopt, or get involved.

May 17 Fitchburg 10-1 *Shelter from the Storm Rescue* will be on hand with their "Jam the Van" event.

May 17 Occupaws will have their Puppies on Parmenter event. For information go to <http://occupaws.org>.

May 18 Fitchburg 12-2 *Angel's Wish* will be on hand with information on how to donate, adopt, or get involved.

May 18 Middleton 1:30-3:30 *Sauk County Humane Society* will be on hand with information on how to donate, adopt, or get involved.

May 18 East 10-2 *Dane County Humane Society* selling raffle tickets for Bark & Wine.

May 24 Sun Prairie 10-2 *Dane County Humane Society* selling raffle tickets for Bark & Wine.

May 25 Middleton 10-2 *Dane County Humane Society* selling raffle tickets for Bark & Wine.

May 26 All Mounds locations will close at 4pm for Memorial Day.

May 31 Sun Prairie 11-2 *Columbia County Humane Society* will be on hand with information on how to donate, adopt, or get involved.

May 31 Fitchburg 10-2 *Dane County Humane Society* selling raffle tickets for Bark & Wine.

June 8 10-4 *Dog Fest* at Angell Park in Sun Prairie. Free parking and admission. Free Shuttle Parking at Sun Prairie High School. No Puppies under 6 months and no retractable leashes.



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Sun Prairie, 2422 Montana Ave., (608) 825-9800 • Middleton, 8311 University Ave., (608) 831-3000



**SUNDAY, JUNE 8
FROM 10-4
ANGELL PARK
IN SUN PRAIRIE**

**FEATURING
Contests
Demos
Breed Rescues
Paws-On Activities
Pet Friendly Businesses**



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BROADCASTING LIVE



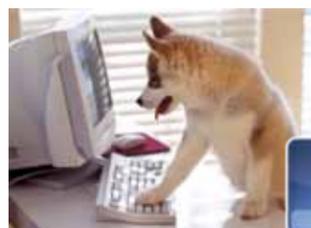
Shuttle parking available at Sun Prairie high school. No puppies under 6 months admitted.

Fitchburg, 5350 King James Way, (608) 271-1800 • Madison East, 2110 S. Stoughton Rd., (608) 221-0210 • Janesville, 1725 Lodge Dr., (608) 758-9998

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BORN TO BE WILD: IF YOU CARE, LEAVE THEM THERE!

Four Lakes Wildlife Center, the wild side of Dane County Humane Society, has seen an ENORMOUS increase in the number of wildlife admitted to their center in the last two years: from less than a 1000 to over 3000! Unfortunately, many of these animals would have done better if left in the wild.

Test your wildlife knowledge:

1) If a human scent is left on a wild baby animal their parents will abandon them.

False. This misinformation has been around for years, probably to discourage children from touching wildlife.

2) If you have watched a nest of baby rabbits for 3 days and have not seen the mother, you should bring the baby rabbits to a wildlife center.

False. Baby rabbits are normally left alone in their nest all day; you should not expect to see the mother. She returns briefly at dusk and dawn to feed the babies and then leaves again so she does not draw attention to them. Deer also leave their fawns alone in the grass for long periods of time during the day.

3) If you find a baby bird or squirrel on the ground, it needs to be rescued.

False. Young birds normally spend up to week on the ground before learning to fly. The parents will still feed and protect their baby while it is on the ground. Also baby birds and squirrels that fall out of the nest



are not necessarily orphaned. If they are uninjured, they should be returned to their nest. Look for clear signs of injury (i.e., holding one wing differently than other).

4) Check the internet if you have questions about what to do with wildlife.

False. Caring for wildlife requires appropriate license to ensure proper identification of species, age, potential injury and correct treatment. Small mistakes in any of these areas can be lethal to the animal.

How do you know when a wild animal needs help? Here are some signs to watch for.

- **Bleeding or obviously injured.** Be careful not assume that a young fledgling bird has an injured wing because he cannot fly. A bird with an injured wing will often hold the injured wing differently than the uninjured one.

- **Heavily parasitized.** Mother animals tend to keep their babies clean so animals that have a large number of fleas or ticks, or are swarming with flies, have fly eggs (that look like tiny grains of rice) or maggots on their fur or feathers should be brought in.

- A baby whose **mother is known dead** or whose **mother is known to have been relocated.**

- The wildlife has experienced known **direct contact with a predator**, especially domestic cats.

Please call Four Lakes Wild Life Center at 608-838-0413, ext 151, **before** taking any action to rescue wildlife. If you would like to become part of their rescue and rehabilitation team, please e-mail wildlife@giveshelter.org.

SUCCESS STORY

Maggie (a 12 year old Cairn Terrier) spent many years on a national brand food. As she aged her health began to fail as well as her overall appearance. About two years ago we began feeding the Mounds Dog Power. In a very short period of time she started showing significant signs of improvement and her coat is shiny. Maggie is once again my bouncy puppy with a spring in her step.



Sydney Bea (a 2 year old Beagle) was born to a litter of 8. Not only was she the runt of the litter she was born with a deformed rear foot. I chose her because of her double handicap. I started her on the Mounds Dog Power right away. Sydney was recently spayed. Except for first night, she's back to being a busy Beagle. I attribute that to her diet and care. She is very alert, clear eyes, and shiny coat. Sydney Bea is known as the 'Biker Beagle' she loves riding with us.

I LOVE MOUNDS DOG POWER.

Susan



ASK THE VET

"Why does my vet make me do a "heartworm test" on my dog every year? I always give them the medication when I'm supposed too, even during the winter."

This is a question we are asked in our clinic all the time, especially this time of year. We take heartworm infection and exposure to tick borne diseases very seriously and are very pro-active about diagnosing and treatment. Did you know that heartworm is actually transmitted when your pet is stung by an infected mosquito? Think about how many mosquito bites your dog gets every year even if they never go out into the woods?!? That's how easy it can be for your pet to get infected by heartworm!

Each year, The American Heartworm Society puts out guidelines to the veterinary community and the general public about the prevention and treatment of heartworm disease. The Heartworm Society's recommendations are based on the most current scientific research that has been compiled on heartworm disease as well as the latest methods of testing for and treatment of heartworm disease in our companion animals (mainly dogs and cats). This year's recommendations specifically and strongly stressed the importance of yearly testing for heartworm disease. The American Heartworm Society strongly recommends the use of year round preventatives as another approach to lesson the chance of infection. Inconsistent dosing (not regularly dosing every 30 days) and lapses in dosing (not treating year-round) further increase the possibility that heartworm resistance to preventative. One might wonder if it is still wise to use monthly preventatives? The answer is YES! Yes, because at this time there are no other methods to prevent heartworm and the resistance that is being shown is only in some sub-sets of heartworms.

The next reason why yearly testing is so important is that when we say we are running a "heartworm test" we are actually testing for heartworm and three tick borne diseases from the same sample of blood. Those tick borne diseases we are testing for are Lyme Disease, Anaplasmosis (ana-plas-mo-sis) and Ehrlichiosis (er-lick-e-o-sis). You've probably seen in the news that the tick population has exploded in Wisconsin in the last few years and correspondingly, we have seen a spike in tick borne diseases. It is very common to see that a pet, most commonly a dog, will have been exposed

to two of the three diseases listed above. Lyme disease and Anaplasmosis, are the most common we have seen but we have also seen an increase in dogs testing positive for Ehrlichiosis as well. All three of those diseases are caused by various bacteria that we know are present in the tick species in this area and in other parts of the country. There are many owners whose dog's test positive for a tick borne disease and their owner didn't even know their dog was bitten by a tick.

There is an effective vaccine against Lymes disease in dogs. If your pet spends time outside where they can be subject to tick bites, we highly recommend this inexpensive vaccine. Not to mention that there are also very effective tick preventatives available in a topical form that are applied monthly and there is now a collar we very highly recommend that you put on your dog once and it can give up to 8 months of continuous tick prevention! We discuss with the owner options which will include additional testing to screen for organ damage and illness, antibiotic therapy, monitoring for additional signs and vaccinating against Lymes Disease to prevent re-exposure. Your pet could be infected with a tick borne disease one year and re-infected in the next year. That's why testing and preventatives and vaccinations are so vitally important!

An entire year's worth of heartworm preventative when purchased from your veterinarian costs between \$50-\$90 or about \$7.00 per month. Treatment for a dog that tests heartworm positive is very expensive and be as much as \$600-\$800! Of course, prevention is still much better than your pet having to undergo treatment and if your pet does become infected, the sooner we make a diagnosis, the better which is again why we require yearly testing for heartworm and tick borne diseases.

If your veterinarian doesn't require a yearly screening for heartworm and tick borne diseases, remember that you might be putting your beloved companion at risk. Always make sure to discuss questions about your pet's health with your veterinarian. For more information on heartworm testing and heartworm disease you can see the website www.heartwormsociety.org.

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EMPLOYEES OF THE MONTH

We would like to recognize the following Employees for their outstanding work at Mounds.



Kevin Hutchison is a lead sales associate at our Mounds Middleton location. He is described as enthusiastic and eager to learn. Kevin is most knowledgeable about dogs and always gives 110% to

every task he is assigned. He is a recent college graduate with a degree in geology. In his free time Kevin enjoys wandering the hills of the Wisconsin outback in search of geological finds.



Kristina Maly is a sales associate at our Mounds Fitchburg location. She is described by fellow employees as determined, easy going, helpful and efficient. Kristina is most knowledgeable about dog food

nutrition. She has a talent for store resets – Kristina is very good at visualizing the best placement of items before the physical work begins. In her free time Kristina enjoys playing tennis and physical fitness.



Alexis Street is a sales associate at our Mounds East side location. She is described as fun, happy, timely, accurate, and personable. Alexis is a fast learner, and easily completes any task put before her. If

she doesn't know the answer to a customer question she will find out. In her free time Alexis's hobbies include cloths/fashion, social media, and animals.

Kelsey Hicks is a lead sales associate at our Mounds Sun Prairie location. She is described as kind hearted, friendly, easy



going, and down to earth. Recently Kelsey has taken on the extra responsibility of developing and maintaining register displays. In her free time Kelsey enjoys country music, concerts, and social work.



Laruen Hankins is a lead sales associate at our Mounds Janesville location. She is described by her fellow employees as friendly, organized,

outgoing, hard-working, and creative. Lauren is most knowledgeable about dog food and accessories. Lauren enjoys experimenting with new recipes and taking her dog Schmoos to the dog park.