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"No amount of time can erase the memory of a good cat, and no amount of masking tape can ever totally remove his fur from your couch." - Leo Dworken



Welcome to
The Pet 'N Player,
a free monthly newsletter
from Pet 'N Play -
Your Personal Pet Sitters.
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Monthly Poll!

(Click on the question to answer)

Soft Rock to Reggae - What Would Your Dog Prefer?

Moderndogmagazine.com



Research shows that dogs have specific musical tastes, with certain genres working to significantly reduce stress levels. Do you and your pooch share the same taste in music? [Read More](#)

This month's pet trivia (answers below):

- 1) Three of these breeds of dog were developed in the U.S.A. and one was not. Which one doesn't come from the U.S.A.?
A) Labrador Retriever B) Australian Shepherd
C) Chesapeake Bay Retriever D) American Water Spaniel
- 2) It's normal for cats to regularly breathe through their mouths?
A) True B) False
- 3) To which of the following (AKC) Breed Groups does the Cardigan Welsh Corgi belong?

[Do you kiss your dog or cat?](#)

Last month's question:
Do you bring your dog to work?

The results: Apparently, no one does, we we all would if we could!

October Pet Holidays:

Adopt a Senior Pet Month.
By ASPCA.

National Pet Awareness Month.

National Senior Pet Month.

Pet Cancer Awareness Month. Sponsored by Veterinary Pet Insurance (VPI) and the Animal Cancer Foundation. (Also see May events).

Pet Diabetes Month.

National Dog Show. Always broadcast in the US on Thanksgiving, this event is held at The Greater Philadelphia Expo Center in Oaks, Pennsylvania and is hosted by the Kennel Club of Philadelphia. Sanctioned by the American Kennel Club, the event features 2,000 dogs.

Nov. 5-11: **National Animal Shelter Appreciation**

A) Working B) Sporting C) Non-sporting D) Herding

4) Picking cats up by the scruff and carrying them long distances is the best method of restraining them?

A) True B) False

"Dogs feel very strongly that they should always go with you in the car, in case the need should arise for them to bark violently at nothing right in your ear." -

Dave Barry

Do Cats Need Other Cats Or Would They Rather Be Alone?

Catster.com

Tigers live as solitary hunters in jungles. Lions live in prides in grasslands. But what about our domestic cats? Are they loners like tigers or social like lions? Yes and yes, and no and no — depending on the cat and the situation, experts say. We talked to some of those pros to try to answer the age-old question: Do cats need other cats? [Read More](#)



Meet Quinn, Luna and the OC,
our Featured Pets for November 2017!

Week. by The Humane Society of the United States. First full week of November.

Nov. 17: **National Take a Hike Day.**



Meet Little Miss
[Our Adoptable
Pet of the Month!](#)

From the Humane Society
of Huron Valley

Available to adopt **NOW**,
see all the adoptable pets of
the month on our web site
[here](#)

[See all of our past Featured Pets here!](#)

Read their profiles, learn their likes, and find out how they found such a good home!

How Much Human Speech Do Dogs Understand?

Thebark.com

Here's a little about what we've learned so far. Research confirms that dogs can also functionally use concepts like "larger" and "different."* What's more, in certain contexts, they can also be taught a more complicated procedure called "delayed non-matching to sample." [Read More](#)

"Cats can be cooperative when something feels good, which, to a cat, is the way everything is supposed to feel as much of the time as possible." - Roger Caras

California Is The First State to Ban Retail Sales of Puppy Mill Pets

The bark.com

California became the first state to ban the sale of commercially bred dogs, cats and rabbits from pet stores. This law, introduced in February by Assembly-person [Patrick O'Donnell](#) (D-Long Beach), was signed by Governor Jerry Brown on Friday, Oct. 13 and celebrated by animal protection organizations and animal lovers throughout the nation. [Read More](#)

Fun facts about pets:

Smuggling a cat out of ancient Egypt was punishable by death. Phoenician traders eventually succeeded in smuggling felines, which they sold to rich people in Athens and other similar cities.

Weird dog laws include allowing police officers in Palding, Ohio, to bite a dog to quiet it. In Venture County, California, cats and dogs are not allowed to have sex without a permit.

The earliest ancestor of the modern cat lived about 30 million years ago. Scientists called it *Proailurus*, which means "first cat" in Greek. The group of animals that pet cats belong to emerged around 12 million years ago.

The first dog chapel was established in 2001. It was built in St. Johnsbury, Vermont, by Stephan Huneck, a children's book author whose five dogs helped him recuperate from a serious illness.

We hope you get a laugh at one of the comics below. There are new comics every day on our web site, just click on a comic. They are brought to you by [Andertoons](http://www.andertoons.com).

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"I'm concerned Rex isn't eating his homework."

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"The cat was away recently and I just sat there."

Pet Sitter's Corner

Each month in the Pet Sitter's Corner we will keep you up to date on changes with Pet 'N Play, local events, and other interesting news.

Friday-Sunday, November 10-12, 2017. Novi Pet Expo at Suburban Showplace, 46100 Grand River Ave, Novi.

Non-stop entertainment, rescue pet adoptions, on-site pet microchipping, vendors, and much more! There will be events like stunt dogs, rock-n-roll k-9's, ultimate air dogs with dock diving, that guy with the birds, and more shows each day. The Michigan Humane

Society will be on hand to accept donated goods too. Find out more at:

www.novipetexpo.com

Pet 'N Play is happy to announce our 8th Annual Presents 4 Pets campaign!

There is still time to donate!!

Presents 4 Pets is a nationwide annual collection drive benefiting pets in shelters, and will run until the first week of November, coinciding with the Humane Society of the United States' National Animal Shelter Appreciation Week, observed November 5-11, 2017.

New this year we are also collecting for Barn Sanctuary in Chelsea, Michigan. Barn Sanctuary is a hands-on animal sanctuary dedicated to rescuing, rehabilitating and caring for farm animal refugees. This includes any animals that have been abused, abandoned, sentenced to death or are victims of natural disasters. We educate the public about the horrific treatment of animals raised and slaughtered by modern day farm factories, and the positive impact that a plant-based diet can have on the environment and our health.

How can you help? We are asking for your generous support in the way of donations of supplies or as a monetary donation. All of the donations will go directly to the Humane Society of Huron Valley in Ann Arbor, or Barn Sanctuary in Chelsea.

Find out how and where to donate on our **Presents 4 Pets page!**

Pet 'N Play is now hiring!

We are looking for a part-time dog walker to work approximately 8-12 hours per week to start, primarily Monday-Friday between 11am and 3pm. There may also be some very limited opportunity for some weekend, early morning, or evening hours. We are looking for a mature, responsible person that will work year-round for us (this is not a holiday job).

You must own a reliable, insured vehicle, have a cell phone, and have daily access to email. You must be willing to work in all kinds of weather (rain, snow, heat, cold).

This can be a fun and rewarding job, but it is also work that requires dedication and attention to detail. If you are interested, please visit our [employment page](#).

Thank you for reading our newsletter! We hope you enjoyed it.

And please feel free to share it with anyone and everyone.

Send any pet sitting questions you have to us at: info@pet-n-play.com

Trivia answers:

- 1) A - Labrador Retriever. It was developed in Labrador, Canada, during the early 19th century.
- 2) B - False. Cats do sometimes breathe through their mouths, like after running around (to catch their breath). Most of the time, however, cats only breathe through their noses when breathing normally.
- 3) D - Herding. The corgi was originally used to walk herds of cattle to market. Its small size made it difficult for cattle to kick it, while the dog found it easy to nip at the cows' heels to direct them. It is therefore a herding dog.
- 4) B - False. No, because there is potential harm that can affect a cat being restrained by the scruff. Picking cats up by the scruff can cut off their oxygen supply and put strain on their neck muscles when their hind quarters are in a dangling-like position, and they're carried in this manner for substantial distances. However, scruffing a cat can help calm them, as long as you don't carry them too far in the manner mentioned.

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