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Keep your pets safe this summer



**Don't
overheat!**



A big problem for both pets and humans during hot weather is overheating. But unlike humans, pets can only cool themselves by panting and a small amount of sweating through the foot pads. Always make sure your pet is protected from the heat and sun. And make sure she has access to plenty of water. Signs of heat stroke include body temperatures of 104-110F degrees, excessive panting, dark or bright red tongue and gums, staggering, seizures, bloody diarrhea and vomiting sometimes resulting in a coma and even death. Short-nosed breeds, such as Bulldogs and Pugs, large heavy-coated breeds, and dogs with heart or respiratory problems are more at risk for heat stroke. Never leave your animal unattended in your car—even if the windows are rolled down. The temperature inside a vehicle can rise to a dangerous level within minutes. Taking your pets on errands may seem like fun but short errands can sometimes take longer than you first expected **Please** ... leave your pets in the comfort of their own home with lots of water.

And if you jog or exercise outside with your dog, consider switching your workout to early morning or evening on very hot days. In addition to the risk of heat stroke, hot sidewalks or asphalt can be very painful and even cause burns on your pooch's paws.



GREAT LOSSES

Our new arrivals, Peanut Butter and Bobby were doing great and then on May 1 tragedy struck. It is with much sadness that I have to tell you about Bobby. That afternoon Bobby was lying down with colic. I became



very concerned and called the vet. He directed me to give some medicine to help him, which I had. That evening he had not improved enough and I called the vet again. He arrived and gave him a full exam. He said he was blocked in the small intestine and gave him some other medicine and four bags of fluids. The vet stayed until 10:30 pm, then left me to continue fluids and medicine through the night. It took until around 2 am to get all the fluids in him. I stayed with him for the rest of the night, walking him, being with him and administering his medicine. In the morning I was out of medicine and called the vet to check him again. He was still up and down but did poop (always a good sign) in the morning, so I was hopeful. The vet returned around 11 am. He returned, examined him again and informed me that he was not responding to the treatment he had received the day before. It was his opinion we had done all we could.

Bobby was never left alone for even a moment. We did all we could and spared no expense or time. Though he was with us for only a short time, we loved him. He received care and attention everyday. He loved brushing, treat time and enjoyed the pasture with his new friends. These times, which are part of sanctuary life, are always hard on us and it takes me a while to get past it and talk about it. A week after Bobby passed, we lost 2 of our oldest ferrets to cancer as well. It was just a bad month all around. Peanut Butter is doing very well and has formed quite a bond with Drifter. They are good buddies.

I informed the girls at Mingus Mountain Academy that Bobby had a great purpose in his life to help young women to love and learn about horses. I am sad for his loss but happy to know that he was a much loved horse.

We love and miss you Bobby and the two ferrets Nikki and Slinky.

If you would like to donate funds towards the expenses for Bobby, just write "for Bobby" on your check memo. We have not yet paid the complete equine vet bill. See page 4.





TIMMY'S STORY



The call came late Sunday night from a large pet store chain in Prescott. One of the ferrets was found paralyzed from the waste down. They had called the traveling vet to come examine him. The vet believed it was injury due to "trauma" but no one was admitting anything had happened to him. The vet did not want to see him euthanized as he is only 3 months old and very sweet. We immediately drove 45 minutes to Prescott, picked him up and brought him to the sanctuary. We took him to our vet and had some x-rays taken. No broken bones could be seen. With ferrets it is sometimes very hard to see the break. We decided, along with the vet that we should put him on some Prednisone and see how he does. Both vets agree he is in no pain and is happy. He needs to be expressed to urinate and to have a bowel movement about every two hours. If this is done, he stays clean and dry. In the morning, he enjoys his bath to clean him up and have a little water therapy for his hind legs. I cut up blankets into large squares so they can be easily be changed. With 24 ferrets in the sanctuary, plus the other animals, it is always a challenge to keep up with him. He does eat and drink on his own. He is very playful as most baby ferrets are. Timmy is having all his needs met but I know he would do much better in a one on one situation. We found a cart for \$40 for Timmy. A little Ferret Flyer. It is on its way to us now.

I sent out a notice within the ferret community and we are waiting for that perfect home for Timmy. We would only release him to someone with extensive ferret experience, has dealt with hind end injuries before and would spare no expense for Timmy. We would send him to his new home with about 6 months of blankets and essentials. We want him to get that extra special attention with lots of one on one and love. Ferret owners are very special people and we are trusting that we will find that great home for Timmy. He is in good hands for now and plays like any other baby ferret. . If you would like to donate toward our vet bills for Timmy just write "Timmy" in the memo of your check or donate directly to the Camp Verde Vet (928-567-9400, ask for Susie) and put a payment on the Morning Starr account.



Morning Starr Animal Sanctuary is proud to be the ferret experts on expertvillage.com. You can go directly to the site through our website at www.morningstarr.org or type this

<http://www.expertvillage.com:80/videos/ferret-emergency-nails.htm>

on your explorer.

WINGS GETS ADOPTED



The blacksmith came out to trim the horses hooves. He mentioned that he knew a man who was looking for a nice horse to occasionally ride and to be a companion for his wife's horse, who was lonely. I told him to tell the man to call me as we had had Wings here for about 2 years. He is a very friendly horse, has great ground manners and can be used for very occasional riding.

The man called me up the next week and I invited him to come and see Wings. He arrived with his wife and I put them in the pasture with Wings. Well it was love at first site and Wings seemed to love them too. They spent some time with him and decided that it was a match. They brought him home to meet the wife's horse and it was, again, love at first site. They inform me that the two horses are never apart and get along famously.

We are happy for you Wings!



You can use **GoodSearch.com** to search the Internet. Every time you do, money goes to **Morning Starr Animal Sanctuary.**

I hope you'll give it a try and support the **Morning Starr Animals!**

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KEEPING YOUR PET SAFE



Prepare for a fun and safe holiday

Independence Day is almost here, and soon fireworks will be lighting up the sky—and your pet may be cowering in a corner. Frightened pets may shake, cry or have accidents as fireworks explode. But these tips will help comfort him.

Keep your pet in when fireworks are out. Give your pet a safe, quiet place to seek refuge. Distract him with soft music.

Clean up the yard. Be sure to clear the yard of all burnt fireworks, matches and wrappers before your pet has the chance to eat them or get hurt.

Give your pet a collar and tags with your contact information.

Many scared pets get loose during this holiday, so make it easy for someone to contact you if he gets out.



SNAP FUND

Our Spay Neuter Assistance Program is still going strong and helping to keep the dog and cat population under control. Over 205 assisted!

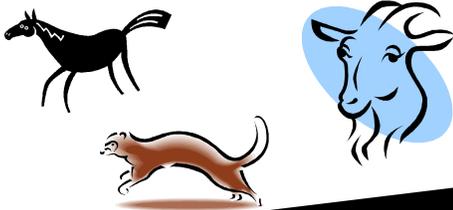


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**Morning Starr converts coins into
dollars and dollars into funds that save
precious lives.**

We are an all-volunteer organization.

Please give generously.

\$50 spays a dog (snap) \$315 for Bobby's burial

\$45 neuters a dog (snap) \$20 neuters a cat (snap)

\$602 vet bills for Bobby \$35 spays a cat (snap)

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Thank you in advance for your generous gift.

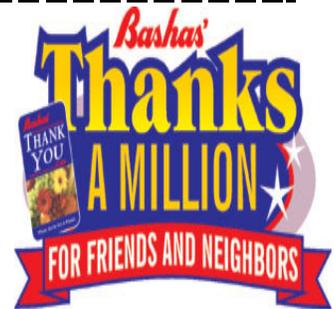
Help! We Need Lots Of Stuff!

- Alfalfa Hay for the farm animals may be purchased at Olsen's Grain. If you leave your name and address, a tax receipt will be sent to you. Call Olsen's at 928-649-3900 and they know exactly what we need.
- Halters, lead ropes, new or used.
- **Lots of Equine Sr. for the horses.**
- **Corral Panels**
- Timothy hay for rabbits.
- Goat halters.
- Litter boxes for cats and ferrets.
- Surgical bandages and equipment.
- Ferret pine pellet litter (must be wood pellets).
- Ferret Hammocks and baby blankets, litter boxes (small), ferretvite.
- Any animal items.
- Old saddles & bridles
- Goat Cob, sweet feed.
- Dog runs/kennels.
- \$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$ Any amount is appreciated.



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