

Humane Society of Elmore County News – 30 Jun '14
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What a super Supply Drive we had Saturday at the Wetumpka Walmart! Thank you so, so much to all who donated a van full of supplies and money (almost \$900) to help us at our busiest time of year. And more thanks to our dedicated volunteers who braved the heat receiving supplies and helping our wonderful supporters.

If you have a sweet tooth make plans to go to Must Stop Café, 60 Village Loop (on Hwy 231), Wetumpka this Wed &/or Thu from 11 am – 2 pm where they will be selling desserts to benefit the shelter. Murray just keeps coming up with the neatest ways to support us and we cannot thank her and her staff enough for being in our corner!

While we hope everyone has a wonderful 4th of July this Friday (the shelter will be closed on the 4th), we also know that our phone will be ringing off the hook on Saturday because of lost pets. Why? Fireworks and pets are NOT a good mix and many pets run from them only to end up confused and displaced.

Preventing a lost pet this 4th of July is too easy – just bring your dogs and cats inside BEFORE any fireworks start and keep them in until well after all of the flashes and bangs are finished for the evening. They may still be scared and hide in a quiet spot in the house, but at least they will be safe at home. If your pet cannot come in the house, then consider containing it in your garage or shop or barn as long as it isn't so hot to be dangerous to your pet. But make sure any hazardous materials are put out of reach of your pet no matter where they stay. Once the fireworks are done you should then be able to safely let your pet back outside but it will be safest to wait until Saturday morning. Of course some folks may be holding their festivities for this coming weekend so at the first whistle or bang, get your pets inside until they are done.

Making sure your pet has identification on their collar will go a long way to getting them back home – current rabies tag, personalized tag, or write your phone number on their collar in indelible ink. And schedule an appointment with your veterinarian to have your pet microchipped as that truly helps us get pets back home in the event they lose their collar. If your pet does become lost (or you find a pet), please call us at the shelter at 334-567-3377 on Saturday or as soon as possible so we can take a report. You can also report a lost/found pet on our website: www.elmorehumane.org, email us their info and pictures directly to hselco@bellsouth.net, or post on our shelter Facebook (Humane Society of Elmore County) and the Lost & Found Pets in Elmore County Facebook page. Photos of your pets make a HUGE difference as we work to reunite pets and their families, so if you don't have any, take them without delay!

Have a happy 4th of July!