MONROE COUNTY HUMANE ASSOCIATION CLINIC • EDUCATION • OUTREACH



MCHA Pet Education Classes: Loose Leash Walking

Friday, June 7 5:30 - 6:30 p.m. MCHA Clinic 791 S Fieldstone Blvd, Bloomington, IN 47403

MCHA is beginning Pet Education Classes that will be open to the public starting in June. Each class will be \$20-\$30 and have 15 open spots! Our first class will focus on Loose Leash Walking and is \$20 to attend. This class will be led by Leslie Hudson, a professional dog trainer and MCHA board member, at our clinic!

Loose Leash Walking is a training technique that teaches your dog to walk on a leash by your side without pulling or putting pressure on the leash.

Make sure to sign-up, spots are limited and the class will fill up quickly! Registration must be completed to attend the class.

Sign-up Now!



MCHA Dog Walking Club Saturday, June 29

9:30 a.m. MCHA Clinic

791 S Fieldstone Blvd, Bloomington, IN 47403

It's the kick-off to our MCHA Dog Walking Club!

Are you interested in joining a walking club with other dog lovers to learn how to safely walk trails with your dog? This will teach your dog healthy interactions, good leash walking habits, and trail walking!

We will kick off our dog walking club at the walking trail at our clinic. This will start at 9:30 a.m., weather permitting. Just bring your dog, a leash, and good walking shoes for a fun introduction to our walking club.





Mission Moment Sarah Nickel, DVM

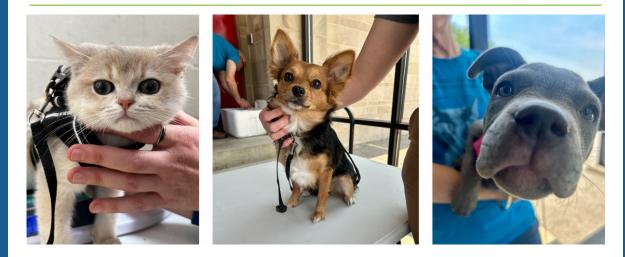
Sarah Nickel, Doctor of Veterinary Medicine (DVM), was connected to MCHA by a fellow DVM nine years ago. They felt her personal values would perfectly match with MCHA's mission to advance animal welfare, deepen human-animal bonds, and extend accessible veterinary care and humane education across our community.

Dr. Nickel connects most with our goal of bridging the gap between animal needs and what their owners are capable of accommodating. Our mission to keep owners and pets together and encourage the human/animal bond is extremely important to her and a cornerstone in her career.

She would like to remind everyone that continued support to MCHA is vital to the community. We help to ensure our clients are able to give their pets the best possible life they can through education and a multitude of support programs. These programs include our pet food pantry, spay/neuter support, crisis housing, and affordable vet care.

As a rescuer of two basset hounds, Dr. Nickel is a fellow animal advocate. Her basset hound Ruby Bloom, named after her favorite local beer, was being spayed at MCHA through a local pet rescue. The staff here demanded that she come to see her and she

couldn't possibly say no to adopting her. Fergusson was also a rescue from Guardian Angel Basset Rescue located in Illinois. She had supported Guardian Angel since she was in vet school!



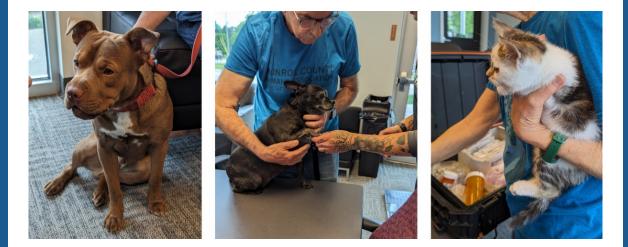
Mobile Vaccine Clinic Sunday, July 7 1 - 3 p.m. Limestone Crossing Apartments 540 S. Basswood Dr., Bloomington, IN 47403

On Sunday July 7, 2024, the Limestone Crossing Apartments, 540 S. Basswood Dr., Bloomington, IN 47403, will be generously hosting the MCHA veterinary team from 1-3 p.m. with no appointment needed; all are welcome!

Our Mobile Vaccine Clinics offer a range of services, including legally mandated rabies vaccines for pets aged 12 weeks and older. Additionally, we provide nail trims, anal gland expressions, microchips, and preventive measures for flea, tick, and heartworm. While these clinics are intended for healthy dogs and cats, they are not a substitute for your pet's annual wellness check-up with your primary veterinarian.

Subsidized pricing is available for clients who present proof of a government subsidy program, or other proof of financial hardship.

Learn More!



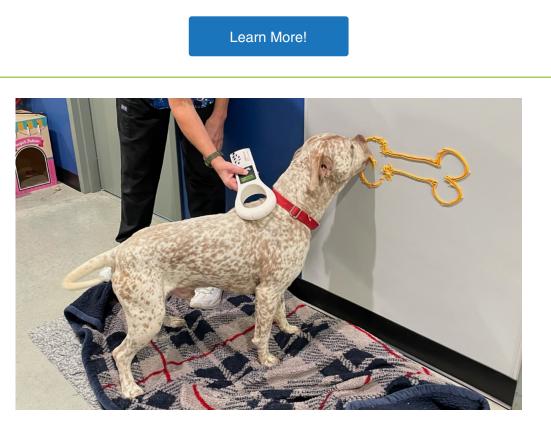
Street Outreach Friday, June 7 Kinser Flats 11 a.m. The Shalom Center 12:30 p.m.

Encampments 1:30 p.m. Crawford Apartments 3 p.m.

On the first Friday of each month MCHA's street outreach team dedicates their time to our street outreach program. This initiative provides crucial services such as vaccinations, parasite prevention, nail trims, and comprehensive health check-ups for dogs and cats.

This program plays a vital role in supporting community members facing homelessness, housing instability, or living in transitional housing by ensuring their pets remain healthy and well cared for. To date this year, MCHA has successfully assisted over 90 animals through this essential outreach effort. In comparison, the team helped a total of 360 pets in 2023.

MCHA's street outreach program is supported by grants from the City of Bloomington and Petco Love.



Microchipping In the Month of June!

In celebration of National Microchipping Month, Monroe County Humane Association (MCHA) is partnering with Bloomington Animal Care and Control to offer \$10 microchips throughout June. You can get your pets microchipped by visiting Bloomington Animal Care and Control, or by scheduling an appointment at the MCHA clinic. To make an appointment, call 812-333-6242 or email reception@monroehumane.org.



Tails On the Town Tails On the Town was a huge success and it's all thanks to you!

This year's Tails On the Town, with its new casual format, was a great success, and it's all thanks to you!

Your attendance and generous donations helped us exceed our \$20,000 matching goal for this year's Fund An Item initiative. This year, the initiative funds direct veterinary care for animals in need. Each \$60 donation goes directly to an animal who desperately needs our veterinary services. With donations continuing to come in, we look forward to helping as many furry companions as possible this year.

We want to hear from you on how we can make the event even better next year. Your feedback is invaluable to us. Send your comments to mcha@monroehumane.org.



Thank you, and we hope to see you all again in 2025!

Message From MCHA's Executive Director

Thank you to everyone who attended Tails on the Town, making it one of our most successful events yet. Your participation and generosity help us continue our mission of providing compassionate care and support for animals in our community.

This June, we're very proud to partner with Bloomington Animal Care and Control to offer \$10 microchips, ensuring your pets are protected and easily identifiable. Don't miss this opportunity to enhance your pet's safety.

In case you missed it, *The Herald Times* recently published an op-ed I wrote about Cricket, the wire-haired pointer, and the importance of expecting more from our leaders. Read the full article <u>here</u>.

Thank you for your continued support and dedication to our cause.

Reach Out To Andrew!



Get Involved - Volunteer

□ We are seeking passionate volunteers like YOU to join us! Your dedication and contributions help us grow our programs and services, making tails wag and hearts purr in our community!

Whether you're interested in engaging with the public at our Special Events, assisting pet owners at our Mobile Vaccine Clinics, capturing the beauty of our animals through Photography, beautifying our Gardening & Trails, or supporting our Food Pantry — your time and talent can contribute greatly to our mission. □



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