

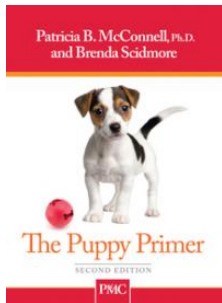


Leash on Life

January 2011

Monday - Friday 10 to 6
Saturday 9 to 4
Sunday Closed

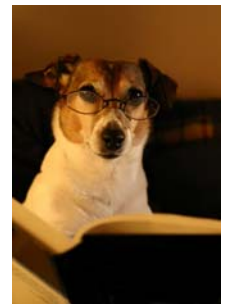
Restock your Book Shelf...



We have restocked our Patricia McConnell book collection. Dr. McConnell, a Certified Applied Animal Behaviorist, has made a lifelong commitment to improving the relationship between people and animals. She is the author of the wildly popular *The Other End of the Leash*. "Ever wondered why your dog doesn't always do what you want? Sometimes the answer lies in the mirror!" *For the Love of a Dog* she notes, "Many people seem to believe that dogs come to us able to read our minds and to translate whatever language we happen to be speaking in...The good news is that dog training has evolved, and is full of humane and effective techniques that are as enjoyable for your dog as they are for you."

Would you like to know why some dogs love to play, and others are not so enthused? Would you like to teach your dogs some super cute tricks and games or use play as a dog training tool? *Play Together Stay Together* is one of her new books we now carry. This book will give you some ideas on how to play with your dog in a way that she understands and enjoys.

"It's fun to have fun but you have to know how!" -*The Cat in the Hat*, by Dr. Seuss



Check the Date...

The *Dogs of Iowa City* calendar is now available. This desk calendar sits up in a display stand and features photographs from Leash on Life sittings taken by Laurie Haag. All the proceeds from the sale of these calendars are being donated to the Iowa City Dog Park. Calendars are \$10 each. Stop by Leash on Life to pick one up and to see which month has your favorite dog.

December 3rd results...

A great big thank you to everyone that attended our December 3rd Fun-Raiser. We collected \$900 cash for several of the local shelters, filled five donation boxes and had a great time talking over food and drink. To those of you that couldn't make it and stopped in later with donations for the shelters a big thanks to you too!

Get the Hair Out...

Seeing is truly believing when it comes to using the FURminator® to get the hair combed out of your dog, cat or bunny <http://www.furminator.com/>. As a matter a fact when you are done using the FURminator® you will look at the pile of hair and think you have another pet. We have long loved the design and function of the FURminator® and now they have a few new tools. The basics are the same with more blade widths and different teeth for long or short haired pets. **If you have been wanting to give the FURminator® a try now is the time, they are 10% off.** To get the full benefit make sure your pet is dry and remove as many mats and tangles as you can before working on deshedding. A couple general grooming tips: keep sessions fun and positive, remember, you can take a break and continue later; when you groom your pet check for any changes in skin and coat. Talk to your groomer or your vet if you notice anything unusual. The condition of your pet's coat is directly affected by diet. Feeding your pet a quality food has many benefits for improved overall health, including a healthier coat.



They Fly Through the Air...

NO CAT CAN RESIST IT! The 'Da Bird' Feather Toys, made by GO-CAT™, are an interactive toy for cats. The aerodynamic design mimics the motion of a real bird in flight. In addition to being a great way to exercise your cat, you can entertain yourself at the same time. We can tell you, from experience, your cat may become obsessed with one of the many interactive wand toys we carry. For the kitty that destroys whatever is on the end of the stick? No worries! We also have refill feathers, fur things and wands with leather fringe.



Adoptable dog of the Month, Milton ...



Milton weighs in at about 27 pounds making him the perfect size for any home. Being some kind of American Eskimo /Border Collie/Sheltie mix he loves interacting with people and loves attention. He is respectful of cats and has done well with other dogs.

Adoptable cat of the Month, CowBelle ...

CowBelle is less than a year old making her an active feline. She is also very sweet and loving when she is not playing. Who doesn't need "more CowBelle" in their home? Milton and CowBelle are available at the Iowa City Adoption Center, call (319) 356-5295 or visit www.icanimalcenter.org to learn more about any of the dogs and cats at the Center.



Many Happy Returns...

Leash on Life appreciates all the support we receive from our loyal customers throughout the year. We always remember that we would not be here without you. We do our best to give back to the community that has been so kind of us. During 2010 here are just a few of the organizations we have supported with monetary donations, product donations, or donations of our time.

***Friends of the Animal Center Foundation ***
Paws and More Animal Shelter
Safe Heaven of Iowa County
*** Johnson County Dog PAC ***
Johnson County Humane Alliance
*** Johnson County Humane Society***
***Witty Kitties ***

***Iowa Women's Music Festival * Iowa City Pride * Mid-Eastern Iowa Community Mental Health Center* Ronald McDonald House * READ program * Weber Elementary * Regina Education Center * Crisis Center* Women's Resource & Action Center * Cancer Survivor's Day * Mayor's Youth* Hoover Fest, Boy Scouts *
*American Heart Association, Go Red for Women * Williamsburg School athletics *
* United Way, Power of the Purse * West High * Kirkwood Animal Health Tech Club
* Lemme Elementary * ACVIM K9 Cancer Fund * Blue Rose Gala * Girl Scouts ***



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