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## **BTPRSM News, Events & Fundraisers**

October 2013

Good Afternoon,

Here is a good article for all pet guardians to read...

# 10 Halloween Safety Tips for Pets

## No Scaredy-Cats Allowed

Halloween can be a festive and fun time for children and families. But for pets? Let's face it, it can be a downright nightmare. Forgo the stress and dangers this year by following these 10 easy tips.

1. Trick-or-treat candies are not for pets.

All forms of chocolate -- especially baking or dark chocolate -- can be dangerous, even lethal, for dogs and cats. Symptoms of chocolate poisoning may include vomiting, diarrhea, rapid breathing, increased heart rate, and seizures. Halloween candies containing the artificial sweetener xylitol can also be poisonous to dogs. Even small amounts of xylitol can cause a sudden drop in blood sugar and subsequent loss of coordination and seizures. And while xylitol toxicity in cats has yet to be established, it's better to be safe than sorry.

#### 2. Don't leave pets out in the yard on Halloween.

Surprisingly, vicious pranksters have been known to tease, injure, steal, and even kill pets on Halloween night. Inexcusable? Yes! But preventable nonetheless.

3. Keep pets confined and away from the door.

Not only will your door be constantly opening and closing on Halloween, but strangers will be dressed in unusual costumes and yelling loudly for their candy. This, of course, is scary for our furry friends. Dogs are especially territorial and may become anxious and growl at innocent trick-or-treaters. Putting your dog or cat in a secure room away from the front door will also prevent them from darting outside into the night a night when no one wants to be searching for a lost loved one.

4. Keep your outdoor cats inside several days before and several days after Halloween. Black cats are especially at risk from pranks or other cruelty-related incidents. In fact, many shelters do not adopt out black cats during the month of October as a safety precaution. 5. Keep Halloween plants such as pumpkins and corn out of reach.

Although they are relatively nontoxic, such plants can induce gastrointestinal upset should your pets ingest them in large quantities. Intestinal blockage can even occur if large pieces are swallowed. And speaking of pumpkins ...

Don't keep lit pumpkins around pets.
Should they get too close, they run the risk of burning themselves or knocking it over and causing a fire.

7. Keep wires and electric light cords out of reach.

If chewed, your pet could cut himself or herself on shards of glass or plastic, or receive a possibly lifethreatening electrical shock.

8. Don't dress your pet in a costume unless you know they'll love it.

If you do decide that Fido or Kitty needs a costume, make sure it isn't annoying or unsafe. It should not constrict movement, hearing, or the ability to breathe or bark and meow.

9. Try on pet costumes before the big night.

If they seem distressed, allergic, or show abnormal behavior, consider letting them go in their "birthday suit". Festive bandanas usually work for party poopers, too.

#### 10. IDs, please!

If your dog or cat should escape and become lost, having the proper identification will increase the chances that they will be returned. Just make sure the information is up-to-date, even if your pet does have one of those fancy-schmancy embedded microchips.

## **Past Event and Donation Updates**

**HUGE SHOUT OUT** to Jessica M., our lia sophia consultant for putting together a great fundraiser for BTPRSM. Jessica helped us raise \$255 to be paid towards our vet bills balance at Southglen Veterinary Clinic and \$174 worth of **FREE** jewelry to raffle off at our upcoming Fall Bingo Bowl! We would like to THANK EVERYONE who supported this Fundraiser.

Another SHOUT OUT to MPI for their recent Denim Days. They raised \$67 for BTPRSM!

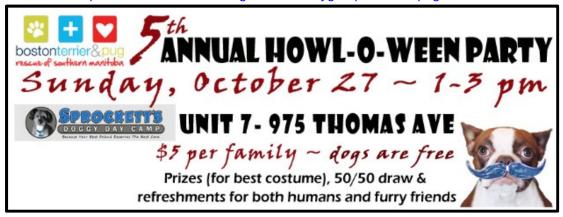
# Fundraisers & Events

### 1) 5th Annual Howl-o-Ween Party & Playgroup:

Join us with for our 5th Annual Howl-O-Ween Party. All socialized dogs are welcome. Proceeds from this event go towards the Boston Terrier and Pug Rescue of Southern Manitoba. Please see the attached poster and the link to the event on our Facebook page.

https://www.facebook.com/events/665678746777984/

Here is the link to our Meet Up Group as well: <u>http://www.meetup.com/Boston-Terrier-Pug-Rescue-Plavgroup-of-Winnipeg/</u>



2) BTPRSM presents... Bingo Bowl 2013 - BT Bruisers vs. Pug Thugs:

## WE ARE ALMOST SOLD OUT!!! ONLY 3 Tickets Left!!!!

You have all heard of the famous Banjo Bowl!! BTPRSM is proud to present Bingo Bowl 2013 featuring the BT Bruisers vs. the Pug Thugs.

Join us on Friday, November 8th from 7:30 -10:00pm at Windsor Bowling Lanes. Doors open at 7:30 pm. Bowling starts at 8:00pm. Tickets are \$15 each. (Includes 3 Bingo Bowl Games, Shoe Rental, unlimited pop and social type lunch) Supporter/Non-Bowler Tickets are \$5 each.

## Email us at btprmb@gmail.com if you are interested in purchasing the last 3 Tickets.

Wear your favorite Football Team Jersey/T-shirt or a Pug/Boston Terrier themed shirt and receive an extra ballot for the Door Prize Draw!! There will be a Silent Auction, Door Prizes and a 50/50 Draw and more!

Attached in this email is our Silent Auction Donation request letter. Please feel free to print it off and take it to local business that may donation to our Bingo Bowl Fundraiser.

## 3) BTPRSM is selling GREY CUP Pool Tickets:

BTPRSM are selling tickets for the 101st Grey Cup! Tickets are \$2 each and the payouts are good! Only 900 tickets printed.

Payouts:

1st Quarter Score: \$100 Reverse \$25 2nd Quarter Score: \$100 Reverse \$25 3rd Quarter Score: \$100 Reverse \$25 FINAL Score: \$200 Reverse \$50

This is an easy fundraiser for us, as we know these tickets will sell themselves. If you can take 10 tickets to sell on behalf of BTPRSM, please email us at btprmb@gmail.com Here is the Facebook link to this Fundraiser Online: <u>https://www.facebook.com/events/447847345331723/</u>



#### 4) Bark Box Fundraiser:

BTPRSM has been approved by Bark Box to be one of the rescues they support!!!

Get \$5 off any BarkBox subscription and support our rescue! For every coupon used on <u>www.BarkBox.com</u> our rescue will get a \$15 donation from BarkBox. Be sure to use our special code BTPRBBX1

Help us meet our goal of 100 subscriptions and raise \$1,500!!

What is BarkBox? BarkBox is a New York City based dog-lovin' company that sends high quality dog products to your pup every month. Each box is full of 4-6 goodies like bones, bully sticks, toys, treats, gadgets, shampoos, hygiene products, and more.

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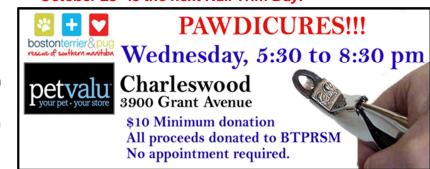
## 5) Charleswood Pet Valu Nail Trims:

Every second Wednesday between 5:30 - 8:30 pm, the staff at Charleswood Pet Valu will be doing nail trims in support of BTPRSM!!! Only \$10 per dog.

October 23<sup>rd</sup> is the next Nail Trim Day!

#### **Upcoming Dates:**

- November 6th
- November 20th
- December 4<sup>th</sup>
- December 18th



#### 6) Show & Save Books:

Show & Save Books and Reusable Card are NOW available!!!! Due to overwhelming demand, we have decided to sell the Fall Edition. Books (and reusable savings card) are only \$20!!!! Please contact us at: **btprmb@gmail.com** to get your copy or drop by Best West Pet Foods on Henderson Hwy or Southglen Veterinary Clinic at V-730 St. Anne's Road. **Deadline is Friday, November 1, 2013.** 

#### Groceries:

#### Real Canadian Superstore:

-spend \$100 and get \$20 in gift cards (valid Sept 1-March 31) -spend \$50 get \$10 in gifts cards (valid Sept 1-March 31) -spend \$100 and get \$20 in gift cards (valid Apr 1-Sept 30) **The Marketplace:** (Lorette, Selkirk, Stonewall, St. Norbert, Beausejour, Oakbank, North Kildonan) -10% off all purchases over \$25 -spend \$50 get \$10 in gifts cards

Also coupons for Foodfare, Price Choppers, Cantors, IGA, Safeway (Air Miles) and Harry's Foods.

#### **Pet Food/Supplies:**

**Best West Pet Foods:** 20% off any regular priced purchase (food & litter excluded) OR 10% off ALL food & litter purchases

*Hip Pooch:* 20% off any regular priced purchase (food excluded) OR 10% off ALL purchases *Pets 101:* 25% off any regular priced purchase (food & litter excluded) OR 10% off ALL food & litter purchases

Pawstruck Nutrition: 20% off the regular price of ANY purchase

#### Dining out:

Coupons for: Domino's Pizza, Burger King, Wendy's, Wok Box, Orange Julius, Kernels, New York Fries, Wild Wing, Salisbury House, Swiss Chalet, Umi Sushi, Sushi King, Shabusen and many, many more!!!!!



## Don't delay, get your book TODAY!!!!

### 7) Gift Card Fundraiser:

Print off the Gift Card Fundraising order form attached in the email and feel free to send to your family and friends.

Payments can be made by cash or cheque. If paying by cheque, please make the cheque payable to "BTPRSM".

Order forms can be dropped off at our playgroups or craft sales or you can mail them to us. Any questions, feel free to email us at btprmb@gmail.com and we will be happy to help you. Our mailing address is: **BTPRSM ~ P.O. Box 51063 RPO Tyndall Park ~ Winnipeg, MB ~ R2C 3X6** 

#### **ORDER DEADLINE: SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 17<sup>th</sup>, 2013**

#### 8) Moms Pantry Fundraiser:

Print off the Mom's Pantry order form attached in the email and feel free to send to your family and friends. Payments can be made by cash or cheque. If paying by cheque, please make cheque payable to BTPRSM.

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#### Mom's Pantry also offers online ordering.

To order online please visit <u>http://momspantry.ca/</u> to sign up for an account, then click on Fundraising Orders link. *You will need these codes below to order.* Group Name: Boston Terrier Pug Rescue of Manitoba Order Number: **110804** Group Password: **22035** 

#### **ORDER DEADLINE: SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 17th, 2013**

#### 9) Epicure Selections ~ Extraordinary Cheese Dip Fundraiser:

You get three jars of dips (Lemon Dilly, Cheese, Chives and Bacon & Herb & Garlic), recipe booklet and a black Epicure Velcro bag for \$20.

Print off the Epicure Fundraiser order form attached in the email and feel free to send to your family and friends. Payments can be made by cash or cheque. If paying by cheque, please make the cheque payable to "BTPRSM".

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#### 10) Fundraising with Gourmet Kitchen:

Most of the products now are guaranteed nut free!

BTPRSM gets 40% profit from items on page one and \$9.50 per box on the Easy Meals and Bakery items (this is up from \$8.00 last time we placed an order).

Print off the Gourmet Kitchen Fundraiser order form attached in the email and feel free to send to your family and friends. Payments can be made by cash or cheque. If paying by cheque, please make the cheque payable to "BTPRSM".

Order forms can be dropped off at our playgroups or craft sales or you can mail them to us. Any questions, feel free to email us at btprmb@gmail.com and we will be happy to help you. Our mailing address is: **BTPRSM ~ P.O. Box 51063 RPO Tyndall Park ~ Winnipeg, MB ~ R2C 3X6** 

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#### 11) Stella & Dot Fundraiser:

Just in time for the Holiday Season with Parties and Gift Giving.

One of our most recent adopters Kelly Bisset (Nelly's Mom) would like to host a fundraiser for the rescue. Kelly is going to donate 100% of her commission from the fundraiser to BTPRSM. Also, any hostess rewards for BTPRSM will be in Jewelry to use in our Silent Auction Baskets. Check out this link to view Kelly's Stella & Dot Page. <u>www.stelladot.com/kellybisset</u> To place an order or to ask a question, please email or call Kelly at <u>kellyabisset@gmail.com</u> or 204-293-8948

If you would like a catalog, please let us know. We will be picking them up from Kelly this weekend. Here is the link to the Fundraiser through our Rescue Facebook Page. Feel free to share with family and friends. <u>https://www.facebook.com/events/1401650070069704/</u>

#### **ORDER DEADLINE: FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 8th, 2013**

#### 12) Peel ~ A ~ Deal:

BTPRSM is selling Papa Murphy's and Lovey's BBQ Peel ~ A ~ Deal Fundraising Cards. Only \$5 per card with over \$55 in savings on each card.

BTPRSM gets the whole \$5 for each card sold!!!

We will have them available at all of our events **OR** you can contact us at btprmb@gmail.com for pick-up or delivery.

## 13) BTPRSM Holiday Photos & Playgroup:

This year we are planning to have two different days for Holiday Photos. This meet up event and another event at Vada's Club K9.

The photos through meet up at Sprocketts will not have a Santa, but will have some Holiday Themes. Items like a red sled, large empty gift wrapped boxes for your dogs to pose in and more... Photos will be \$10 and they will be emailed to everyone for their convenience.

And of course the best reason to come - playtime and socialization for your furry friend!

Playgroup fees are \$5/family. Dogs are FREE! :)

All socialized dogs are welcome.

Proceeds from this event go towards the Boston Terrier and Pug Rescue of Southern Manitoba.

Please see the attached poster and the link to the event on our Facebook page.

https://www.facebook.com/events/551117551602348/



### 14) BTPRSM Christmas Party & Playgroup:

Join us for our Annual Christmas Party on Sunday, December 8<sup>th</sup> from 1- 3pm.

We'll have snacks for everyone, some items from our craft sales table for your last minute shopping needs and maybe a little something from Santa Paws himself.

And of course the best reason to come - playtime and socialization for your furry friend! \$5.00/family and Dogs are FREE!

All socialized dogs are welcome.

We will also be drawing the winner for the BTPRSM Quilt Raffle this day too!

Proceeds from this event go towards the Boston Terrier and Pug Rescue of Southern Manitoba. *Poster will be available soon*. Please see the attached link to the event posted on our Facebook page. <u>https://www.facebook.com/events/431289943650418/</u>

### 15) **BTPRSM Quilt Raffle**

BTPRSM is excited to bring you our next Fundraising Raffle!

One of our awesome supporters, Susan Rowe Dagg has donated a handmade quilt to the rescue for our Quilt Raffle Draw! The approximate value of this quilt is \$500.

Tickets are \$2.00 each or 3 for \$5.00

They can be purchased at any of our events, or by email. We will be bringing the quilt with us to the various craft sales we will be at this fall.

Quilt Specifications:

-The quilt measures 60" X 67". (Couch Throw or Twin Size) -It is 100% cotton with the exception of the batting which is cotton and bamboo.

-The back is 100% cotton flannel (so it's cuddly) and it is guilted with a dog bone motif :)

All monies raised from this Quilt Raffle will support the rescue directly.

Here is the Facebook link to the fundraiser online: <u>https://www.facebook.com/events/209293095899220/</u>



## 16) Fort Whyte Alive - Adventure Travel Raffle 2013:

BTPRSM is selling tickets for the Fort Whyte Alive - Adventure Travel Raffle. Tickets are 3 for \$10 BTPRSM received 50% profit of all the tickets we sell through our rescue. **Draw Date is Dec 18, 2013 @ 3 pm.** 

If you are interested in purchasing tickets, please email us btprmb@gmail.com or stop by one of our adoption events or playgroups.



#### 17) Upcoming Craft Sales where you can find BTPRSM:

BTPRSM will be at the following craft sales this fall:

November 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> – Dakota Community Centre Annual Craft Sale November 16<sup>th</sup> – Kinette Christmas Craft Sale November 17<sup>th</sup> – Crescentwood Community Craft Sale November 23<sup>rd</sup> – St. Francois Xavier Community Craft Sale December 1<sup>st</sup> – Holiday Mall in the Hall – Craft Sale December 7<sup>th</sup> – Miles Mac Craft Sale Possibly more to come...

# **Current Adoptables, Recent Adoptions & Updates:**

Well since we sent our last Newsletter lots of the dogs have been adopted, or started adoption trial. First we will start out by congratulating all the dogs who have found their FOREVER FAMILIES. Congratulations to Roxy (Boxer/Mastiff X), Sofie (now Sofia) and Frankie (now Rambo), Vinny, Lily & Autumn on finding your perfect families.

We would also like to send some good luck vibes to Cassie, Maggie, Cookie, Dani, Ben & Johnny who are all currently on Adoption Trial. And Chip will be going on a home visit next Friday.

Rain, one of the adult female Boston Terriers who came into rescue on September 9<sup>th</sup>, had surgery on October 17<sup>th</sup>. She was spayed, had her narrow nares widened, elongated palate trimmed, micro chipped, and had a polyp removed from her rectum. The polyp was not easiest to remove and was quite large. Our vet sent the polyp away for testing and we are happy to announce it came back benign.



Rain on her way to her surgery.

Kinsey (aka Molly) is in surgery today for her bi-lateral luxating patellas. Please send some positive healing vibes her way for a speedy recovery. This girl loves to run, so once her knees are fully healed we know she will be playing with her brother Copper PAIN FREE!!



Copper and Molly cuddling on the couch.

And before we sign off, we wanted to let everyone know that Toro (now Murphy) had his leg amputation/neuter surgery and we are happy to report that the surgery went well and Murphy is recovering fine. He is going to be the fastest little guy around.



Here is Murphy snoozing away with a "Get Well Soon" toy his previous Foster mom dropped off for him.

## **Foster Homes**

Foster Homes are the back bone to any rescue... We are always looking for foster homes and temporary foster homes for when dogs come into our care. The more available foster homes we have, the more dogs we can rescue. Please email us at <a href="https://dogsmail.com">https://dogsmail.com</a> so we can send you a foster application.

## **Other Outings**

#### 1) Boston Terrier & Pug Rescue Playgroup of Winnipeg:

Now that the cooler weather is here it won't be long before the dogs refuse to go outside for a walk. Our indoor playgroups start on Sunday, October 27<sup>th</sup> with our Annual Halloween Party. If you have not signed up yet, use the link below.

http://www.meetup.com/Boston-Terrier-Pug-Rescue-Playgroup-of-Winnipeg/

Well that's all the news we have for you now. Check out our Facebook page and our Website for updates on the dogs needing surgeries and for new fundraisers.

If you have any questions or comments, please feel free to email us at <u>btprmb@gmail.com</u> and we will get back to you as soon as possible.

See you all soon,

Jessica, Rena, Shaila Executive Committee Boston Terrier & Pug Rescue of Southern Mantioba