

#### June 2013

## **ADOPT-A-CAT MONTH®**

Brought to you in June by American Humane Association\*

Spring ... season of tulips, lilies, daffodils - and cat adoptions!

Each spring during "kitten season," thousands of newborn kittens join the millions of cats already in shelters across the country. That means your local shelter has tons of cute, cuddly newborns, in addition to all the mellow, older cats and everything in between. And the shelter staff are ready to help you adopt your very first cat — or to bring home a friend for another beloved cat!\*

### **CHECKLIST FOR ADOPTING A CAT\***

- 1. If you're thinking about adopting a cat, consider taking home two.
- 2. Find a cat whose personality compliments yours.
- 3. Pick out a veterinarian ahead of time and schedule a visit within the first few days following the adoption.
- 4. Make sure everyone in the house is prepared to have a cat before it comes home.
- 5. Budget for the short- and long-term costs of a cat.
- 6. Stock up on supplies before the cat arrives.



- 7. Cat-proof your home.
- 8. Go slowly when introducing your cat to new friends and family.
- 9. Be sure to include your new pet in your family's emergency plan.
- 10. If you're considering giving a cat as a gift, make sure the recipient is an active participant in the adoption process.

#### \*Derived From: <a href="http://www.americanhumane.org/animals/programs/special-initiatives/adopt-a-cat-month/">http://www.americanhumane.org/animals/programs/special-initiatives/adopt-a-cat-month/</a>

#### Adopted Cat Spay or Neuter Discount



Adopt a cat in the month of June and receive a 15% discount on spays or neuters. Please bring in adoption papers from your local shelter or adoption

agency stating the cat's adoption date.

# Pace Veterinary Clinic

Refer a friend and receive 10% off services.



Fill this form in with your information, and have your friend fill in their information. When your friend brings this form in, you both receive a one-time 10% discount on services.

Your Name\_\_\_\_\_ Your Friend's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Your Phone #\_\_\_\_\_ Your Friend's Phone #\_\_\_\_\_

#### What is Kennel Cough?

Infectious Canine Tracheobronchitis, Kennel Cough, is a very highly contagious respiratory disease among dogs. Found throughout the world, this disease is known to infect a high percentage of dogs at least once in their lifetime. Kennel Cough, also known as Bordetella, can cause severe complications in young puppies and elderly dogs because their immune systems are not fully developed.

#### Symptoms Include:

\* Dry Hacking cough is most common symptom

\* Cough may sound like honking

- \* Retching
- \* Watery nasal discharge

\* In mild cases, dogs would likely be active and eating normally

\* In severe cases, symptoms progress and can include pneumonia, loss of appetite, fever, lethargy, even death

We recommend having your dogs vaccinated every six months, especially if you frequent dog parks and/or grooming facilities.