

Cruse News



Springfield-Greene County Park Board

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November 6 – 12, 2023 National Animal Shelter and Rescue Appreciation Week!

For many of us, our knowledge of our local shelter is when we hear it is hosting an event or when volunteers are asking for donations for pets in their care. Shelter and Rescue volunteers work tirelessly to find cats, dogs and other animals in their care a forever home.

Often until the animals are adopted, volunteers are their only source of love and affection. If the current foster homes are full, they may be living full time at a shelter in a kennel. Those pets waiting for their forever homes in a shelter are usually scared, confused and wondering why they are being locked up.

Shelters are portrayed as sad, dreary places where the animals sit with their faces pressed up against the mesh of their kennels. While this could be true of some shelters, many of today's shelters are sunny, happy places – because that will lead to happier pets that in turn leads to more adoptions and more happily ever afters.

How can you appreciate your local shelter and rescue workers?

- Bake them some treats.
- Send a thank-you note.

Most importantly:

- Donate items to the shelter from their wish lists.
- Volunteer your time.
- Make monetary donations.
- Donate to the veterinarian office to help cover costs of their bills.

Keep an eye out on our Facebook page, we will be spotlighting local shelters and rescues November 6th – 12th. These will include links to their wish lists and current adoptable pets!

Cruse Member Spotlights

Would you like your forever friend to be featured in our Cruse Newsletters or on our Facebook page? Let's get to know our members!

Check out the attachment to this email, feel free to fill it out and include a photo of your forever friend and we'll feature it in the future upcoming spotlights!

Fall Cruse Dog Park Reminders:

We will begin winterizing the parks as the cooler temperatures stick around. The last day for water at Cruse Dog Park is at the end of October!

Park Hours: Sunrise to Sunset!

This will begin to change with the season!

Follow us on social media!
www.facebook.com/CruseDogPark

Canine Friendly Events:



29th Annual Turkey Trot

November 23rd, 2023

8 am! *Register online at:
ParkBoard.org/TurkeyTrot

For anyone participating with a dog, they must be on a leash. Participants may run or walk. Strollers, families, and groups are allowed. Please clean up after your dog. Anyone participating with a dog will begin at the back.

