



AWS NEWSLETTER

ONGOING EVENTS



PET PORTRAITS

1st Saturdays 2-4pm
at Petco
(169 Danbury Rd.)

With Marylinda Allen
\$50 all materials provided.
Pre-registration required!
Next Class: May 4th



VISIT US AT PETCO

May 4 - 5
at Petco
(169 Danbury Rd.)

AWS representatives will be there from 10am-2pm to answer your questions, and introduce you to some of our feline friends.

Meet Busy



Busy is a large lady who is friendly though a little bit shy. She would welcome a chilled out home where she can receive lots of love and attention - there is plenty of her to go around.

Busy came to the shelter with her brother, Cane, who was recently adopted, and is looking forward to a forever home of her own.

She likes when the staff shares their lunch but she would *love* to share



PET THRIFT SHOP

2nd Saturdays
at AWS
(8 Dodd Rd.)

Bargains on gently used
pet goods.
10am - 1pm

yours!

To learn more about Busy, call the
shelter at 860.354.1350

LOOKING FOR PUPPIES FOR ADOPTION?

*EXCERPT FROM TUFTSYOURDOG.COM (Tufts
School of Veterinary Medicine)*

Whether you go to an animal rescue or a reputable breeder, you need to prepare your home to help make her a good family dog.

Simply put, it's nearly impossible to resist the cuteness of a puppy. Some people prefer the idea of training a young puppy with the hopes of creating the adult dog of their dreams. But what are the things to anticipate when planning to adopt?

If you decide to adopt from an animal shelter or humane society, you may not know the exact genetics or background that the puppy brings to the table, but you will be helping the serious problem of unwanted and homeless animals. If you have a preference for a certain breed and choose to buy a puppy through a breeder, be sure to check their reputation via breed organizations or kennel clubs in your state.

"We recommend you don't adopt any animal straight off the Internet," says Emily McCobb, DVM, Director of the Shelter Medicine Program at the Tufts Cummings School of Veterinary Medicine. "People fall in love with animals because of a picture. But you have to be able to go meet the animal before making a decision; it shouldn't be a high-pressure deal or a 'final sale.'" Reputable shelters and rescues will take the dog back if it's not the right fit. On that note, be realistic about what your home and lifestyle can provide a puppy, who will soon be a full-grown animal with different needs. Consider temperament differences, the level of activity and exercise your dog will require on a daily basis and how the animal will fit into your particular family situation.



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If you're interested in adopting from AWS, one of our experienced adoption specialists can discuss what type of pet you are looking for and introduce you

to some of the animals which may be right for you. All of our staff members are highly trained and ready to lend you their expertise to ensure a successful adoption!

AWS held the ground-breaking for the shelter expansion on April 2nd. Stay tuned for updates as construction gets underway!



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