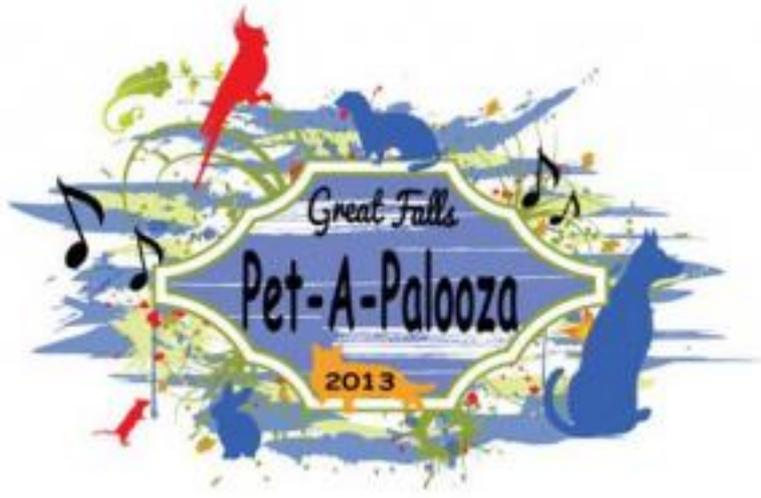


Pet-A-Palooza Today!



PRESS RELEASE

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DON'T MISS THE FIRST ANNUAL PET-A-PALOOZA TODAY AT ODD FELLOWS PARK

GREAT FALLS, Montana – This Saturday, June 8, from 10:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. is the First Annual Pet-A-Palooza at Odd Fellows Park (located on River Drive N between Broadwater Bay & Warden Bridge). This free community event features fun for the entire family (pets included!). The day's lineup includes pet adoptions, education seminars, food, craft and artisan vendors, children's activities, music, K-9 demonstrations, fun pet competitions and so much more!

This is an event your family won't want to miss! All pets (big and small) are welcome at Pet-A-Palooza, but please remember to bring cats and dogs on leashes (or in crates). Little critters (rats, hamsters, rabbits, snakes, etc.) must be brought to the park in their enclosed habitat. Don't have a pet? This might be the perfect place to find one. The Great Falls Animal Shelter, Newell Rattery and the Cutbank Animal Shelter will have pets available for adoption.

The Great Falls Animal Shelter will be running an adoption special on Saturday to celebrate responsible pet ownership and Pet-A-Palooza. Shelter dogs and cats that are six months and older can be adopted for only \$25! The adoption special will be going on at Pet-A-Palooza during event hours and at the Animal Shelter (1010 25th Avenue NE) during normal business hours. The adoption fee includes a rabies shot, vaccinations and the cost of spaying/neutering your new pet.

All pets, regardless of size and type can take part in the pet competitions. Categories include best dressed, talent,

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dunking for hot dogs, musical sit, peanut butter lick, best decorated pet habitat and a wiener race! The cost per competition/class is \$4 or \$25 to participate in the all day line-up.

The First Annual Pet-A-Palooza is being coordinated by the Shelter Sidekicks, the Volunteer Program at the Great Falls Animal Shelter. Funds raised during the event will go towards future expansion needs at the Shelter.

When asked about Pet-A-Palooza Laura McElhinney, Volunteer Coordinator explained, "The Sidekicks wanted to create an event that was both family and pet friendly, promoted responsible pet ownership and would be fun for event goers. Plus, they wanted to create an annual event for the Great Falls Animal Shelter that helped rescue animals find new forever homes."

Max Country 94.5 will be on site during the event providing music and a live radio broadcast. A big thank you to current event sponsors including: F&L Pet Resort, Petco, Cat Graphics, Lewis N Bark Montana, Bark Central, Electric City Pittie Committee, KC Kreit Photography and Wal-Mart.

For more information about the First Annual Pet-A-Palooza contact Laura McElhinney, Volunteer Coordinator at 564-3685.

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Supporting Documents



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