



# Paw Prints

## Noah's Ark Animal Foundation

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*Noah's Ark has its paws in many things, and we wanted to tell you all about them! Whether you are looking to adopt or just love animals, you'll enjoy what you read in Noah's Ark Paw Prints, the Noah's Ark eNewsletter.*

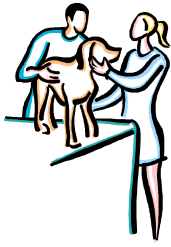
### Bree's Bumps

Few people can resist the endless, adorable wrinkles of a Chinese Shar-pei. Awws could be heard throughout the shelter when a rag tag group of Shar-pei/Labrador mix puppies arrived from an overwhelmed caregiver. He had taken in a stray, and just a few weeks later she had seven adorable puppies. Unable to care for everyone, the puppies were brought to Noah's Ark and the mother was spayed thanks to assistance from the CCSNAP fund. Mom will enjoy her new home, and new beginnings await the pups. Although six of them were spayed and neutered, microchipped, vaccinated and are waiting for loving homes, there was something wrong with Bree. The Veterinarian called it "Puppy Strangles." What a horrible name! Poor Bree. This condition is an immune deficiency in puppies between 4 and 8 months old and usually begins as small bumps around the muzzle that continue to get larger. Of even more concern, Bree's lymph nodes were extremely swollen, another symptom of this mysterious illness. Bree will need to wait for her new home until her treatment is complete, but thanks to Noah's Ark Animal Foundation, she'll have everything she needs to be happy and healthy on the day she is adopted. It will cost nearly \$250 to care for her during her stay at Noah's Ark. Would you help Bree by making a donation of \$10, \$15 or even \$25? All donations received go directly to Bree's care. Go to <http://www.noahsark.org/donate/donatenow.htm> to make a secure, tax deductible donation. To see Bree's brothers and sisters, currently available for adoption, go to [http://www.noahsark.org/adopt/dogs\\_shelter.htm](http://www.noahsark.org/adopt/dogs_shelter.htm).



### Join us and our animals at two upcoming Clive PetSmart Adoption Days!

Noah's Ark will be at the Clive PetSmart in Des Moines on January 17th and February 14th from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. If you live in the Des Moines area, here's your chance to meet and greet the dogs and cats of Noah's Ark. The Chinese Shar-pei puppies will be joining us on January 17th and they're even more cute in person! The Clive PetSmart Adoption Center hosts Noah's Ark available cats for adoption, daily. Thanks PetSmart!



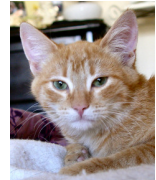
## Microchip Clinic January 17th, Chip and Registration for only \$20!

Support the animals of Noah's Ark, and save up to 60% on potentially life-saving microchip implants for your dog or cat. No need to pre-register, just stop by Noah's Ark Animal Foundation, located at 1986 Gear Ave., with your pet. He'll get a microchip that can be scanned by veterinarians and shelters for owner information, and you'll get peace of mind. We'll even register your 24PetWatch microchip for free! All proceeds from this microchip clinic will go directly toward Noah's Arks animals and programs.

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## Beat the Heat, February is Spay and Neuter Month!

Did you know a cat can have babies at as young as 6 months old? Cats can also have up to 4 litters each year. Just imagine how many animals that would be. Help prevent an animal overpopulation crisis. **Beat the heat!**

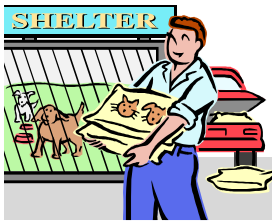


It might be cold outside, but the CCSNAP (Caring Community Spay Neuter Assistance Program) volunteers are already thinking about kitten season. In order to prevent the suffering of stray, abandoned and unwanted kittens in spring, CCSNAP is offering special pricing for anyone who otherwise can not afford spay and neuter surgeries for the pets.

Throughout the month of February, anyone requiring assistance will receive male cat neuter surgeries for only \$25 and female cat spay surgeries for only \$50. Additional discounts may apply depending on need. Discounts are also available for people unable to afford to spay or neuter their dogs. Restrictions apply, pricing only available to people in need, and surgeries must be scheduled in February to be eligible for discount. Call 641-469-2015 or email [ccsnap@noahsark.org](mailto:ccsnap@noahsark.org) to apply for these special assistance rates.

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## Resolve to Get Involved



President-elect Obama has called our country to action on January 19th, asking each citizen to do something to service their community. Noah's Ark is making it easy to help! Whether you are single, have a family, are young or older, Noah's Ark can use your help between 5:30 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. on Monday, January 19th. Stop by the shelter where we'll have many different volunteering opportunities for all ages and all skill levels. Help clean, make goodies for the animals and much more. Come and help the animals!

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## You're Invited!

You are cordially invited to join the Noah's Ark Fundraising Committee! This new and exciting group will meet once a month to plan fundraising opportunities and events to benefit Noah's Ark Animal Foundation's animals and programs. Members will be asked to oversee at least one special fundraiser annually. The next meeting is February 12th. Would you like to help, but you don't want to plan or attend meetings? We're looking for a group of individuals who like to smile and visit to join a call list for special events. Responsibilities will most often include serving food, taking donations and handing out Noah's Ark information. For more information about either of these opportunities, email [noahsarknews@gmail.com](mailto:noahsarknews@gmail.com).

