

INDEPENDENCE DAY SAFETY TIPS

It is that dreaded time of year for most pets, the 4th of July! The United States sees a 30-60% increase in lost pets from July 4-6 due to firework phobias. Use these tips to keep your furry family happy and safe this 4th:

- Keep a TV on with the volume up
- Close curtains and blinds
- Provide distractions -- treats/toys
- Keep doors closed and pets inside
- Have someone stay home
- Make sure ID tags and microchip information is up to date
- If you must go outside, use a leash
- Keep pets away from lighters and fireworks
- Provide a safe space such as a quiet room or crate for comfort
- Be sure a potty break is offered prior to the start of fireworks

Signs of severe noise phobia include violent trembling, excessive barking, drooling, pacing, hiding, attempting to escape, refusal to eat, or accidents in the house. If your pet experiences these signs, call us today so our doctors can determine if they may benefit from a sedative medication this holiday.



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PATIENT SPOTLIGHT

»»» **Tof**

Meet Tof, a long time patient, and recent survivor of being hit by a car. Even while leashed, a distracted driver still managed to hit her. Our team fit her in immediately, and Dr. Sydney made sure she had no major injuries. If your pet has an emergency, call us right away, and we will always do our best to get them seen as quickly as possible. We're so happy Tof is all patched up and ready to get back to her walks!

If you haven't been to the Old Metairie Farmer's Market, we're here to tell you it's a dog gone good time! We had the pleasure of sponsoring the Dog Days of Summer in June, and loved seeing familiar faces. This market is hosted by the Metairie Civic Club the first Tuesday of every month with special discounts for members!

»»» **Old Metairie Farmer's Market**



AHOM IN THE COMMUNITY



STAFF SPOTLIGHT

»»» **Karys**

This month, we are celebrating one year of having Karys as part of our front desk team! Karys's teammates would describe her as generous, sweet, funny, witty, and affectionate. When not at work, you may find Karys reading a romance novel or exploring local craft breweries with her husband, Zach. Be sure to congratulate Karys on her work anniversary next time you're here!

»»» **UPDATES ON PRESCRIPTION REFILL REQUESTS**

Have you heard about our upgraded online pharmacy? We offer the same low prices as other third-party pharmacies you may be using! Our pharmacy provides added security of knowing your pet's records are up to date and accurate, and shopping with us ensures you receive our veterinary guarantees. With our pharmacy, the time from order placement to order approval is expedited to guarantee you a same-day order approval! As of July 1, clients using third-party pharmacies will be asked to pick up a written prescription for their pets to allow our doctors to focus on their patients rather than phone calls and paperwork for outside pharmacies. You can access our pharmacy now via the QR code provided. Let us know how we can help you get on board!

