



# BOW-WOW BLAST™



The Official Newsletter of Animal Gambill's Critter Crusade®

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## Animal Gambill Show is FUR-ific!

It's time to get down with your bow-wow self and PAW-ty like a Critter Crusader at the next Animal Gambill Show! What does this mean?

It means:

Tail-Waggin Trivia > live gameshow with buzzers and all! Contestants are pulled from the audience & prizes are PAW-some!

CRITTER-okee (our festive version of karaoke)- yes, you get to sing your paws off!

Dog demos> "Stitch" the PET-acular dog will perform magic tricks and Bonzer Productions will get critter crafty too!

"Tail Talk" newscast > Hobo Kitty and "Bug" have lots to say in a furry way > news with a tail-twist to it!

The Bow-Wow Boogie. If you

can wag and wiggle, then you too can do the Bow-Wow Boogie!

Check out pictures from the last two shows by visiting the FUR-ific Photo Gallery at our website:  
[www.AnimalGambill.org](http://www.AnimalGambill.org)

Animal Gambill is always looking for new ideas and guests for future shows. For more info about being a PAWtential guest or PAWticipating in the creation and production of the live Animal Gambill Show, visit our website now!

### Animal Gambill Show

Here's the Scoop [without the poop] :

**Date:** June 13, Saturday

**Time:** 10am to 11:30am

**Location:** Greathouse-Shyrock Elementary School

2700 Browns Ln. Louisville, KY 40220

**Cost:** FREE! FREE!

**Who can come:** Kids of all ages!

Join us for a FUR-ific time on June 13th!

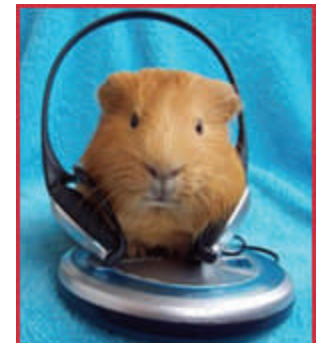


Tail Waggin' Trivia is a Bow-Wow Blast!

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### FURRY FACT:



A bed of shredded newspaper or wood shavings is ideal for your guinea pig. (Music might not be a bad idea either.)

## Catch A Can-Do Critter Attitude®

Critter Crusaders are all about being kind, safe and responsible with animals. They know exactly how to "Catch a Can-Do Critter Attitude" ... and it is contagious - in a good way! The Kammerer Middle School Critter Crusaders prove it - they started their own club with 10 members and now they have over 30 members! That is PET-acular! They meet every week and talk about all kinds

of FUR-ific issues. For example, they share experiences about their pets, brainstorm ways to help animals, and talk to their group leader and guest speakers about concerns they have regarding all kinds of critters. Some members of their Critter Crusader Club even volunteer at the Animal Care Society on Westport Road in Louisville, KY. They exercise the animals, give them baths, clean

kennels and litterboxes, and best of all, they share their love!



# Dog-Bite Prevention Week May 17—May 23

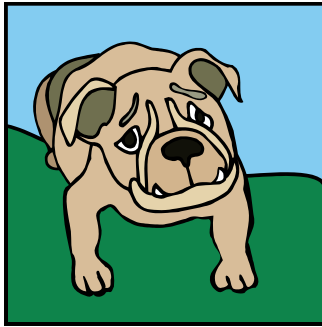
By Animal Gambill

A big part of being a Critter Crusader is being safe around animals. One multi-marvelous way to stay safe while being kind to critters is preventing dog bites.

On average, 5 million Americans are bitten by dogs each year. Ruh-Row!

As a result of dog bites, people experience physical pain, dogs sometimes lose their homes, and families suffer emotional trauma that results from feeling the need to remove their beloved dog from the home. This is very sad, especially since many dog bites can be prevented.

Here's some important things to keep in mind:



- Never startle a dog, take things from him, or stare into his eyes.
- Don't approach a strange dog or a dog who is tied up.

- Always ask before petting anyone's dog and ask where to pet the dog.
- Dogs may bite if they're sore, sick, startled, scared or protecting something. Avoid petting a dog who's chewing a toy, eating, sleeping, or caring for puppies.

Reaching in to pet dogs in cars, on chains, or behind fences can be very dangerous.

*Using dog-bite prevention skills helps you stay safe, keeps dogs from possibly losing homes, and helps you and our canine companions live a happier Hound-Dog life together.*

## PAW-some Product Review: KICKIN' IT WITH CATNIP!

Hobo Kitty here....and I am going to make this short and sweet:

### CATNIP ROCKS!

Let the goofy dogs have their rubber chew toys, but I want my catnip!!!!!! Buy it, grow it, whatever! I'm especially fond of the 100% organic catnip that is grown, processed and packaged without any of those pesky pesticides and chemicals. It's safe, natural and most cats really dig it! If they don't, then who knows what's going on in their critter crazy brains - they must have issues!

It appears to be some kind of MEOW-velous Mystery as to why cats get so

**"I've got it bad for CATNIP!"**  
- Hobo Kitty

furred up about catnip. Some people believe that receptors in a cat's nose and mouth transmit the catnip's unusual effects throughout the cat's system. Some cats then go into freaky feline mode while others totally chill. My reaction is no big secret - I get festive with my bad furry self! Then I chase Ruckus and Hot Rod all over the house! Speaking of which, I think it's time to be festive right now.

Catnip here I come!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

This is Hobo Kitty - MEOW-ing out!



## The Litterbox - Jokes So Bad They Should be Covered Up!



**Q:** When does a teacher carry birdseed?

**A:** When there is a parrot-teacher conference!

**Q:** What is a cat's favorite color?

**A:** Purrrr-ple

**Q:** Why are dogs like phones?

**A:** Because they have collar IDs!

**Q:** What do you give a sick bird?

**A:** Tweetment!

Send us your own Litterbox Jokes! Just go to our website : [www.animalgambill.org/newsletter.html](http://www.animalgambill.org/newsletter.html)

## Ruff Ruff and Stuff

By Riley

I don't know about you, but I gotta stay bow-wow busy or I feel like chewing up shoes, the couch or anything else I can get my paws on. If I don't get any exercise, I usually end up getting into trouble with Lordy (well...it's no fun getting into trouble by myself - I gotta share the blame with somebody).

Sometimes I just like running up and down the fence and talking to some of my buddies next door, especially Layla - she's a golden boxer...cute!

Lordy looooves to play "fetch" and "chase the flashlight." He will stare at that satterfrazzin' light no matter where Animal Gambill shines it. Then he tries to eat it -

he is out of his MUTT-Nuttin' Mind!

Anyway, back to me...I like going for walks, I like swimming and I like trying to get treats out of my funky rubber dog toys. Hobo Kitty thinks my toys are goofy because she is into that catnip stuff, but I



Riley, Animal Gambill, Hobo Kitty, and Lordy having a BOW-WOW BLAST!

think my toys rock...and that's what matters! Remember, if I'm bored I'm usually going to get into some kind of trouble - not good!

Now don't get bored mixed up with tired...if you see me totally chilling then let me chill....and be careful, because when I'm in dog dream-zone I may get startled if you touch me. Hobo Kitty experienced that once and it freaked her furry butt out!

Enough of that for now.

**This is Riley - "Bark On!!"**

## Bow-Wow Book Review: *Walter the Farting Dog*

**Title:** *Walter the Farting Dog*

**Authors:** William Kotzwinkle & Glenn Murray

**Book Review By Boss Paws**

Hobo Kitty got to talk about catnip. Now it's my turn. I'm Boss Paws. I'm going to tell you about a farting dog named Walter. This book hit home for me because I live with 2 dogs, Riley and Lordy, and they fart it up just like Walter does in this book (and they don't even eat beans!).

The story makes me a little mad at first because the dad in the story sells Walter to a clown and doesn't even tell the kids.

Walter is sad, the kids miss Walter and the clown in the story is a jerk! The good news is that Walter learns that his special talent (farting like no other furry friend out there) ends up helping him to become a Hound-Dog hero! Who knew Walter had it in him?!?!?



The book is funny and the pictures are PAW-some.....but the dad in the story made me FUR-ious because Walter should have never been sold to the crazy

clown in the first place. Walter was the family pet and he thought he was in a FUR-ever Home when he lived with the family at the beginning of the book - then Walter was sold to the clown - then he saved the day - and then the dad decided that he wanted Walter back. Walter should not have had to save the day in order for the dad to want to keep him. The commitment you make to love and care for your pet when you adopt it is very important! I say so and I'm **Boss Paws!**

**This is Boss Paws - Gotta Scratch!**

## Jitterbug wants YOU to be a Part of the Bow-Wow Blast!

The Bow-Wow Blast Newsletter is hot off the hard drive and ready for you to download each month. Every edition is packed with articles such as:

- Critter Crusader stories, activities and updates
- MEOW-velous Movie Reviews
- Bow-Wow Book Reviews
- PAW-some Pet Articles

- Pet Product Reviews
- Critter-Cool Jokes and Puzzles
- And all kinds of PET-acular submissions from readers everywhere!

If you would like to submit your own animal stories, drawings, puzzles, and photos for consideration in a future Bow-Wow Blast newsletter, please download our official Bow-Wow Blast Staff Kit here:

[www.animalgambill.org/newsletter.html](http://www.animalgambill.org/newsletter.html)



## Join the Critter Crusade!



As a CRITTER CRUSADER, I promise to:

- C** ARE FOR MY PET AND PROVIDE IT WITH CLEAN AND DRY SHELTER
- R** EMEMBER TO FEED MY PET AND PROVIDE IT WITH FRESH WATER
- U** SE SAFE PRACTICES AROUND ALL ANIMALS
- S** AFEELY HELP INJURED/LOST ANIMALS (WITH THE DIRECTION OF AN ADULT)
- A** T ALL TIMES, BE KIND TO CRITTERS
- D** O CRITTER CLEAN-UP DUTIES SUCH AS GROOMING AND POOPER-SCOOPING
- E** XERCISE MY PET SUCH AS PLAYING WITH TOYS OR GOING FOR A WALK
- R** EMEMBER TO TAKE MY PET TO THE VET FOR YEARLY CHECK-UPS AND WHEN MY PET APPEARS TO BE SICK OR INJURED

It's time to get down with your Bow-Wow self and join the Critter Crusade! To learn how to make a difference for the animals in your community and become a CRITTER CRUSADER visit: [www.animalgambill.org/join.html](http://www.animalgambill.org/join.html)

## CRITTER-okee!™ (Critter Crusade Version of Karaoke)

### I Love Cats and Dogs

*(Sing these lyrics with the melody from "I Love Rock & Roll" by Joan Jett)*

Dogs like wagging their tails and sniffing trees  
Cats like playing too, but they don't like fleas  
Dogs just want to play, cats watch birds all day-ay-ay-ay  
You gotta listen to what they say  
They bark and they meow  
You gotta listen to what they say  
They bark and they meow – sing it !!

### CHORUS:

I love cats and dogs  
Gotta pooper-scoop and feed them daily  
I love cats and dogs  
So have a good time and play-play-play!!!!



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