

# Best Fido Friends Monthly

## April Edition



### Puppy Socialization!

Properly socializing your puppy is the most important thing you can do, and is even more important than obedience training! Training can be done at any age, but once puppies reach a certain age, socialization is much more difficult.

The socialization window closes around 12 weeks old, and the first round of vaccines aren't completed until about 16 weeks. If you wait until 16 weeks to start socializing your puppy, you will have missed the crucial socialization period and your dog will have behavioral issues.

The key to socialization is to make sure your puppy experiences as many places, people, and dogs as possible, all while making sure that those experiences are POSITIVE. Always let your dog experience the world at their own pace. Encourage them with treats and praise, and

### April Events

- 4/2 & 4/30 Tasty Treat Tuesday! All daycare dogs get a treat with consent.
- 4/9 Bubble Day!
- 4/10 Camp Fido: Sit, Down, Stay, Leave It Training Session- (included in daycare)
- 4/13 Agility Day! - Let your dog really show off their agility skills today!
- 4/17 Easter Party! - Easter pictures w/ the Easter Bunny 9am-11am
- 4/23 \$20 Daycare Special (All-Day!)
- 4/25 Frozen Kong Day!

never force an experience on them if they are afraid or unsure. Giving them a few minutes to acclimate and build up the courage gives them more confidence! Forcing them into a situation when they are afraid makes them feel as if they have no control over their environment, and can lead to reactive and aggressive dogs.

## Easter Party!



Hop on down and come take pictures with the REAL Easter Bunny! We will be taking pictures from 9am-11am only! Daycare dogs will still get to play with their BFF's all day and will also get to take home a special Easter egg and their picture with the Easter Bunny!

Space is limited! Please reserve your spot for daycare to ensure that your dog is able to join the fun!

