

May newstime from ...Pleasant Hill Pet & Livestock Center, Inc.

1007 High Street, corner of 7 Hwy & High St hours Mon-Fri 8:30-6 and Sat. 8:30-5 987-2097

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Pleasant Hill R-3 employees get 5% discount every day

Our Senior customers 65 and over get 5% off bird feed and bird feeders every day

Items for your lawn and garden

- Bulk Garden Seed Grass Seed
- variety of Fertilizers Straw
- insect control granules and spray
- weed control products

Items for the birds in your yard

- hummingbird feeders and nectar
 - oriole feeders and nectar
 - squirrel feed, feeders and repellants too
 - purple martin houses
 - bluebird houses and feeders and meal worms
- a variety of premium blends bird feed and our basic blends to enjoy the feathered ones feeding at your bird feeders.

Each and every month we draw a customers name from the jar at the counter and give \$15 of store credit to that customer. May's winner is Crystal Parson. Crystal is a teacher in the Pleasant Hill School district and has been a customer for years and years. This is the first time her name has been drawn. Did you know at one time Crystal worked for part time at the feedstore? It's true.

How to Remove a Tick from Your Pet

So, you've found a tick on your pet—how do you deal with it? While it's important to get these little suckers off quickly, ASPCA veterinarians advise that you stay calm and don't rush it. Moving too fast when removing a tick could potentially create more problems, both for your pet and for you.

While the following instructions employ tweezers, be aware that there are some very good products on the market designed specifically for safe tick removal. If you live in a tick-heavy area or are taking your pets to a place where they are likely to get ticks, it's a good idea to buy one of these tools and have it on hand. They generally work better than tweezers at getting out the whole tick, and are relatively inexpensive.

Step-by-Step Tick Removal Instructions

Step 1—Prepare its Final Resting Place Throwing a tick in the trash or flushing it down the toilet will not kill it, and it's actually best to hold on to it for awhile for veterinary testing in case your pet falls ill from the bite. Be ready with somewhere to put the tick after you've removed it—the best option is a screw-top jar containing some rubbing alcohol.

Step 2—Don't Bare-Hand It Put on latex or rubber gloves so you'll never have direct contact with the tick or your pet's bite area. Ticks can carry infective agents that may enter your bloodstream through breaks in your skin or through mucous membranes (if you touch your eyes, nostrils or mouth).

Step 3—Grab a Partner You don't want your pet squirming away before you're finished, so if possible, have a helper on hand to distract, soothe or hold her still.

Step 4—The Removal Treat the bite area with rubbing alcohol and, using a pair of tweezers, grasp the tick as close to the animal's skin as possible. Pull straight upwards with steady, even pressure. Place the tick in your jar.

- **Do not** twist or jerk the tick! This may leave the mouth-parts embedded in your pet, or cause the tick to regurgitate infective fluids.
- **Do not** squeeze or crush the body of the tick, because its fluids (saliva and gut contents) may contain infective organisms.

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Have you checked out what spices we have? Kristine did a shopping trip to Planters at City Market and returned with BBQ rubs, taco seasoning, lavender, bayleaf, dill weed, onion flakes, garlic flakes, parsley, cayenne pepper. Come in and let's get spicy!!

Step 5—All that Remains Sometimes, in spite of doing everything right, a tick's mouth-parts will get left behind in your pet's skin. If the area doesn't appear red or inflamed, the best thing to do is to disinfect it and not to try to take the mouth-parts out. A warm compress to the area might help the body expel them, but do not go at it with tweezers.

Step 6—Clean Up Thoroughly disinfect the bite site and wash your hands with soap and water (even though you were wearing gloves). Sterilize your tweezers with alcohol or by carefully running them over a flame.

Step 7—Keep Watch Over the next few weeks, closely monitor the bite area for any signs of localized infection.

-- check out our tack and show clothes consignment area. Bring in your items.

--We offer clipper blade sharpening service.

--Now taking orders for our final delivery of baby chickies, ducks, n more. orders due May 14th for June 21 delivery.

Farmer Almanac for May in heartland area:a little cooler than average for the month a little below average in percipitation

- 1-4 sunny, mild
- 5-15 scattered thunderstorms, cool
- 16-19 sunny, turning hot
- 20-28 rainy periods, then sunny, cool
- 29-31 t storms, warm

best fishing days May 20-May 31 when the moon is between new and full.

May activities and stuff goin' on - - - -

- 1st May Day - hanging flower baskets owners are \$5.99
- 3rd P Hill VFW Ladies Aux holding blood drive
- 3rd National Day of Prayer
- 5th FFA huge garage sale 8 - 3 here at the feedstore.
- Pleasant Hill city wide cleanup day, recycle day
- 5th Lone Jack farmer's market kicks off
- 5-6 Shriners 25th anniv Buddy Bass Classic at Truman Lake
- 9-10 Susan Harris clinic w/ Anatomy in Motion workshop, at Helping Hands TRC, 816-759-0111
- 10th Pleasant Hill class of 2012 graduates!!!
- 12th city wide Pleasant Hill garage sales
- 13th Mother's Day
- 15th Cass Jackson Co Cattlemen's assoc meeting 6:30 p.m. Community Ctr, Harrisonville, rsvp 618-3691
- 16th last day of school in Pleasant Hill
- 19th Save the Cave tea - Lone Jack civil war structure 805-1815 / president@historiclonejack.org
- 20th P Hill Bit n Spur Saddle Club open fun show 10 a.m., 816-536-5749, 816-682-3202

BRANDS AND OTHER STUFF
you'll find here at the feedstore

ADM/Tindle	Crystalx	Diamond
Kent Nutrena	PURINA	Science Diet
Key Dungarees		

then there'-- Greenies, a variety of small animal feed, flea and tick items, pet wormer, large animal wormer, dog crates/carriers/exercise pens, hay, straw, bedding, dog treats, lawn and garden items, fly control products, country cupboard items and lots and lots more.