



## **BarkWiki Donates \$500 to Brandywine Valley SPCA**

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BarkWiki has donated \$500 to the Brandywine Valley SPCA, Pennsylvania's first no-kill, open admission shelter. The donation was the result of a BarkWiki's recent animal shelter donation offer to dog lovers.

For the event, BarkWiki donated \$500 to the shelter of the winner's choosing. David from Coatesville, PA, was chosen as the winner and selected Brandywine Valley SPCA to receive the donation after "driving by it for years." David also received a \$500 check.

"We're proud to help support Brandywine Valley SPCA with this donation," said Adrienne Jade, owner of BarkWiki. "We believe in supporting no-kill shelters and rescues across the USA and that every animal deserves a chance to find a loving home. BarkWiki is thrilled David chose Pennsylvania's first no-kill shelter as the beneficiary."

The mission of Brandywine Valley SPCA is to end animal suffering and involve the entire community in the welfare and well-being of animals.

BarkWiki is now running its second animal charities giveaway to benefit animal shelters and rescues. The deadline to enter is October 31, 2020. Details can be found on the BarkWiki website.

BarkWiki's primary focus is on providing information about various dog breeds and dog health issues. For example, during the summer months, the site shared information about flea control and prevention.

"Summertime is when most flea problems occur," said Jade. "Dog owners must be vigilant in combating this pest to prevent infestations. Because female fleas can lay up to 40 eggs a day, a minor flea problem can quickly blossom into a full-blown infestation."

BarkWiki recommends using year-round flea prevention medications to be proactive. "Dog owners should consult a veterinarian about the most effective medicine for that particular geographical area," said Jade. For pet owners that need a vet, BarkWiki also includes a feature to search and find a veterinarian near me on its site.

One treatment that BarkWiki does not recommend is a flea dip. "This treatment is somewhat controversial because of the potentially harmful pesticides used," says Jade. "We view flea dips as a last resort because of the safety concerns."

Signs that a dog may have fleas include constant itching, fur loss, scabbing or bumps on the skin, agitation, or pale gums. If any of these symptoms occur, flea combs offer great assistance when going through the coat. Fleas look like tiny brown dots moving in the fur.

Another indicator is the presence of little black specks (known as flea dirt). Flea dirt is actually a flea's feces. Putting specks in a wet tissue where the color becomes reddish-brown means fleas are present, which can infest a home.

If a dog gets fleas, treat the dog as well as the home thoroughly, focusing on the bedding. Washing crates, carriers, and bedding in hot water will kill the eggs and larvae that may have fallen off the pet. Frequent vacuuming will help remove eggs and larvae that may be in the carpet. Vacuum all vehicles as well.

In addition to educating dog owners, BarkWiki invites its users to share beloved canine companion pictures and videos. The site also features dog rescue success stories, which is shared on all social media platforms like Facebook, Instagram, Twitter and Pinterest.

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## **BarkWiki**

*BarkWiki offers health and specific dog breed information, as well as dog giveaways and monthly pet submissions contest for the most liked and loved dog by our fans.*

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