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Book a pet sitter for the December Holiday Season

WIN a \$50 LP&HS gift certificate



Book services in November to take place anytime during the December Holiday Season (Dec 17, 2013 to Jan 7, 2014) and we'll enter your name to win a \$50 LP&HS gift certificate.*



Allow your pets to stay in the comfort of their own home over the December Holiday Season! We have a wonderful and dedicated team of professional sitters, servicing the greater Ottawa, Gatineau, Kemptville, and Mississauga areas.

Our sitters are geared up for the expectedly busy winter season that is fast approaching, and are looking forward to providing excellent care to your pets during your absence from home.

Let our team help give you peace of mind in knowing that your pets and home are well cared for while you're enjoying a winter vacation, or spending time with your loved ones. We look forward to providing our heartfelt services to your beloved pets while you are away.

We strongly suggest you consider reserving your December holiday service at the earliest opportunity. Loving Paws & House Sitting experiences a much higher

demand for its services in December because of the Holiday Season and our sitters' calendars have already started to fill up quickly.

Our Guarantee

We guarantee the duration of each visit, and the number of visits per day. We also guarantee that the care will be provided by a skilled, reliable, and compassionate individual. If, however and for any reason, you are dissatisfied with our quality of service, we will do what is necessary to make it right and assure your satisfaction.

* 2 draws: 1 for new clients & 1 for returning clients. Applies to services only. The draw closes on November 30, 2013. Winners will be announced on Monday, December 2, 2013.

Ottawa Pet Expo



Sat., Nov 9, 2013 - 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.
Sun, Nov 10, 2013 - 10:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.

We are pleased to announce that we are participating for the first time in the Ottawa Pet Expo next month.

The event, first held last year, was very successful, with over 12 000 visits. Pet Expo is targeted towards all different types of pets and pet parents. You are encouraged to bring your pet(s) to the event, where they can try on new outfits, taste new foods and play with new toys. There will be many vendors, presenters, and animal competitions. It will be a paw-tastic new opportunity for LP&HS, our sitters who's looking forward to meeting pets and their pet parents, as well as some of their furry friends, and least of all – you!

Please feel free to drop by our booth to say hello ... we look forward to introducing our team, and to meeting the many pet lovers who share our love and passion for animals.

We are giving away some free entry passes to the show.

On Nov 1, 2013, we will draw the names of 2 clients who used our services during October 2013, and will be mailing out two free tickets to the Ottawa Pet Expo to each of the 2 winners.

We look forward to visiting with you and your pets at the show!

For more information about Ottawa Pet Expo, visit www.ottawapetexpo.ca.

Fitness for Paws/Group Walks

Now that kids are back at school and the weather is becoming cooler, it's an excellent time to arrange for a LP&HS pet sitter to walk your dog. It can be challenging for many pet owners to ensure that their dog(s) receive enough exercise with their busy schedules. By arranging walks during those days when you're busy at work, or when you're spending time in the evening with the kids doing homework, you will be able to ensure that your dog(s) receive their needed daily exercise.

We offer affordable individual and group walks starting at \$16.50

We encourage you to talk to your neighbours with dogs in order to start a group dog walk in your neighbourhood. Group dog walks are beneficial if your dog thrives on having a connection with other dogs, and really enjoys interacting with other pups. Group walks help your dog learn how to socialize with other dogs, which is an excellent skill for all dogs to learn.

Group walks generally work best with 3 dogs, and all the dogs should be located within your neighbourhood in order to facilitate organizing the group together for the walks. Give your dog the treat of spending time on a regular basis with their doggie friends while also receiving the exercise they need and deserve.

Halloween can be a festive and fun time for children and families. But for pets? Let's face it ... it can be a downright nightmare. Forgo the stress and dangers this year by following these 10 easy tips.



1. Trick-or-treat candies are not for pets

All forms of chocolate -- especially baking or dark chocolate -- can be dangerous, even lethal, for dogs and cats. Symptoms of [chocolate poisoning](#) include vomiting, diarrhea, rapid breathing, increased heart rate, and seizures. Halloween candies that have the artificial sweetener xylitol can also be poisonous to dogs, and maybe cats.

2. Don't leave pets out in the yard

Surprisingly, vicious pranksters have been known to tease, injure, steal, and even injure pets on Halloween night.

3. Keep pets away from your front door

Not only will your door be constantly opening and closing, but strangers will be dressed in unusual costumes and might speak loudly. This is scary for our furry friends. Dogs are especially territorial and may become anxious and growl at innocent trick-or-treaters. Put your dog or cat in a secure room away from the front door.

4. Keep outdoor cats inside several days before and after Halloween

Black cats are especially at risk from pranksters. Many shelters do not adopt out black cats in October for safety reasons.

5. Keep pumpkins and corn out of reach

Although relatively nontoxic, plants can induce *gastrointestinal* upset if your pet ingests them in large quantities. Intestinal blockage can also occur if large pieces are swallowed.

6. Don't keep lit pumpkins

A pet can get burned from a lit pumpkin, or can knock it over, which can cause a fire.

7. Keep wires and light cords out of reach

If chewed, pets could cut themselves on shards of glass or plastic, or receive a possibly life-threatening [electrical shock](#).

8. Make sure your pet loves the costume

If you do decide that your pet needs a costume, make sure it isn't annoying or unsafe. It should not constrict movement, hearing, or the ability to breathe or bark and meow.

9. Try on pet costumes before the big night

If they seem distressed, allergic, or show abnormal behaviour, avoid the costume.

10. ID, please!!!

If your dog or cat should escape and become lost, having the proper identification around its neck will increase the chances that they will be returned. Just make sure the information is up-to-date.

We're hiring ~ apply today



Be self-employed, work flexible hours, and enjoy a rewarding career!

As we are preparing for the busy fall and winter months ahead, we are currently looking for dedicated, motivated, organized, and reliable self-starters with a passion for animals to join our heartfelt team, and service our growing clientele in the following locations:

- **Ottawa Downtown** (full-time)
- **Greely/Riverside South *** (occasional)
- **Barrhaven** (part-time)
- **Nepean South & West** (occasional)
- **Kanata** (part-time)
- **Gatineau** (occasional)
- **All Mississauga communities** (occasional)
- **All Toronto communities** (occasional)
- **Other Ontario communities** (occasional)

If you live or someone you know lives in one of these communities and would be interested in joining our heartfelt team, we believe we present an exciting opportunity with a thriving future that can offer considerable freedom and a career that offers long-term growth and income potential.

* There is also a part-time Administrative Assistant position available for the successful Greely / Riverside South or Barrhaven candidate. Please request more information regarding this on your Job Application if you are interested.

The 'Jobs' section of LovingPaws.ca outlines a summary of duties, [advantages of working with us](#), qualifications and other conditions, as well as an [online job application](#). Please apply today.

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