



Wags and Purrs Comfort Corner

Poison Prevention Awareness Month



The most important thing a pet parent can do to minimize the risk of accidental poisoning is to remove access to all of those items. Store all household and yard chemicals in a locked area away

from where pets eat or sleep. Utilize safety locks for all lower cabinets within easy reach of pets. To reduce the risk of a food based poisoning, buy a refrigerator magnet listing what foods are dangers to pets and make sure everyone is aware of what foods are dangerous to our furry family members. Make sure young children know not to share their food, candy or gum with pets and explain that it can make their pet very sick.

Common food items toxic to pets:

- Alcoholic beverages
- Apple seeds
- Apricot pits
- Avocados
- Cherry pits
- Chocolate
- Coffee, tea and soda due to the caffeine content
- Grapes
- Macadamia nuts
- Mushrooms
- Mustard seeds
- Onions and onion powder
- Peach pits
- Raisins
- Rhubarb leaves
- Walnuts

Health Tip for the Season

If you think your pet has ingested something poisonous, you can call either ASPCA Animal Poison Control Center at 1-888-426-4435 for a \$65 fee or Pet Poison Helpline at 1-800-213-6680 for a \$49 fee.

The Poison Control lines will need some information from you to be able to help. Please have your pet's weight, what the pet has eaten, how much, and how recently - if this information is known to you.

Training Tip for the Season

One of the best ways to avoid poisoning is by training your pet the 'leave it' command. If you and your pet should come upon any poisonous or unknown items while out on a walk,

- Xylitol (artificial sweetener toxic to pets. Many sugar free foods, such as peanut butter, candy and gum contain Xylitol)
- Yeast dough

Common Household Items Toxic Pets

- Aleve
- Bait traps
- Batteries
- Battery fluid
- Bleach
- Dibutyl phthalate (often called DBP) commonly found in glow sticks and glow jewelry
- Dishwashing detergent
- Drain cleaners
- Drywall compound
- Ethylene glycol AKA Antifreeze
- Fertilizer
- Foam insulation
- Foil
- Glue
- Hair dye
- Insecticide
- Lead paint
- Liquid potpourri
- Mothballs
- Motrin
- Mouse and rat poisons
- Oven cleaners
- Paint removers
- Pool chemicals
- Tea tree oil
- Toilet bowl cleaner
- Tylenol
- Varnishes
- Windshield washer fluid
- Zinc

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or you accidentally drop your medication while trying to get a pill out of the bottle, or the kids leave out a basket of chocolate - knowing the leave it command could save your pets life!

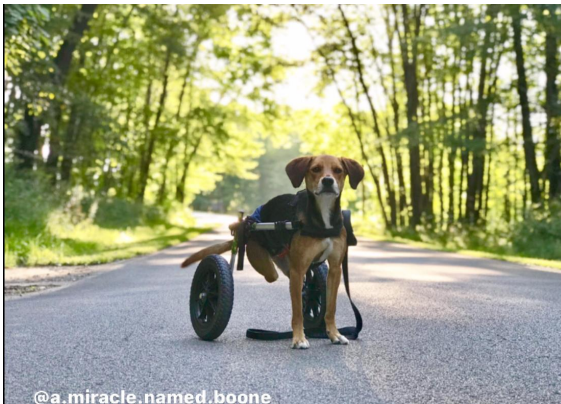
Pet Sitter Tip for the Season

Professional Pet Sitters Week is March 6 – 12 2022. This is a week to celebrate Professional Pet Sitters for all they do for pets! Professionals are insured, bonded and always educating themselves on pet care topics for the betterment of all pets. Don't forgot to show your appreciation and thank your pet sitter this Professional Pet Sitters Week!

Featured Organization of the Month



Joey's PAW



Joey's PAW (PAW stands for prosthetic and wheelchairs) helps rescues, shelters and individual dogs get prosthetic and wheelchairs for those in need. They give those pets the chance at living their best life possible! Joey's Paw also hopes that with these devices, the pets will have a better chance at getting adopted.

Boone is the ambassador for Joey's PAW and he attends all their events. Joey's PAW initially pledged a

wheelchair to the rescue that had Boone but Joey's Paw founders were complete foster failures (they adopted him) almost immediately. They got him a wheelchair and he became a whole new dog and came to life!

You can donate to Joey's Paw via their [Facebook page](#), [website](#) or through Paypal at <https://www.paypal.me/JoeysPAW>

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March Birthdays



March Pet Birthdays

Vinny Radzevich
Patches Knoepfle
Cokie Knoepfle
Luna Ioannou
Violet Klaput
Oliver Rhoades
Amber DeMello
Morgan Verrilla
Duppy James Miller
Mouse Koncz
Momma Wolfe
Koda Klaput
Stanley Ashley
Dexie Hammill
Jasper Chen
Lacey Senchak
Jolene Slobodnyak
Kit Kat Wolfe
Pythagoras Roberson
Ginger Mack
Goose Middleton
Gracie Perrone
Sydney Perrone
Tucker Ashley
Vinny Bearley

Happy Birthday, all! Paw-ty hard!

Healthy Homemade Treats for the Season

Spinach, Apple & Carrot Treats

Ingredients

- 3/4 c Coconut Flour
- 1 tsp Canola Oil
- 3/4 c Water
- 2 Eggs Organic
- 1/2 c Baby Carrots

- 1.5 c Spinach
- 1 Apple

Directions

- Preheat oven to 350
- Combine coconut flour, canola oil, eggs and water together in a bowl and mix until your dough is smooth, set aside
- Peel, core and slice apple making sure to remove ALL seeds
- Puree or blend together spinach, apple and carrots
- If you have to add water make sure to drain all the excess water out from your puree mixture
- Mix the pureed apple, spinach and carrots together with the dough until evenly combined
- Take a cookie sheet pan and arrange treats on the sheet using a cookie cutter; or take small pieces of the mixture, roll in your hand, and lie flat to make small round treats
- Bake for about 20-30 minutes until slightly browned and cooked



Spinach and Chicken Cat Treats

Ingredients

- 1/2 pound steamed organic boneless and
- skinless chicken thighs
- 1 cup fresh organic spinach leaves
- 1 cup organic quick-cooking oats
- 1 organic brown egg
- 1 tablespoon organic catnip
- 1/4 cup flour



Directions

Preheat your oven to 350°F.

Steam the boneless and skinless chicken thighs until cooked through. You can swap for boneless and skinless organic chicken breasts, salmon, or tuna with cat loving results too. Let the chicken cool for 20 minutes before the next step.

Place the chicken, oats, spinach leaves, egg, and catnip in a blender or food processor, and pulse on low until the mixture blends together. It should still be a bit chunky but also smooth, similar to the texture of wet sand.

Pop the mixture into a bowl and add the flour. You can also add a dash of salt or sugar to mix up the flavor. Use your hands to knead the dough until it's no longer sticky, then place on a flour-dusted work surface.

Use a rolling pin to create a rectangle of dough around 1/2 inch thick. With the help of a pizza cutter or small cookie cutter, create small shapes for the finished treats.

Place the kitty treats on a parchment-lined sheet tray, and bake for 20 minutes.

Remove from the oven, cool until room temperature.

Barking Truth



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We will be releasing a new podcast every Wednesday and hope you can tune in and support pets everywhere by uncovering the truth of pet care.

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