HAPPENINGS AROUND THE HOUSE

NEWS FROM HOYTT OWNERS AND HOUSE OF HOYTT

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KIDS WHO WOULD LIKE TO GO HOME FOR THE HOLIDAYS







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FOOD FOR THOUGHT



With the Christmas hustle and bustle just a few weeks away, I wish you a healthy and happy time with friends and family.

The last thing you need is to stress over your pet and the bounty of food around, so I thought providing a few general tips and reminders would be useful.

Please discourage well-meaning friends and family from feeding your pet from the table or anywhere else. I understand that you may do it now and again when they are not around. However, in this situation, you have no control over the amount or what is being fed to your pet.

The reason I started off with this tip is because acute pancreatitis is one of the leading causes of veterinary emergency hospital visits during the holidays. This life-threatening condition usually occurs from overfeeding companion pets particularly high fat foods.

I acknowledge that food scraps may fall on the floor or be thrown from a baby high chair and any opportunistic dog (or cat) will gleefully devour them. Again, I don't want you to stress about it, but I want you to be aware if you should scramble for the scrap and take it away.

Foods to Scramble for:

Onions, Raisins, Grapes, Bones, Chocolate, Macadamia Nuts, Corn cobs and Mushrooms

Many of the nutritious foods provided during a Holiday feast can safely be added wisely to the pet's diet or used as treats. With holiday dishes, it is not the primary ingredient that is the problem, but often the way we cook them. Meaning: lots of butter, sugar and gravy.

Left Overs:

Canned Pumpkin

Plain, canned pumpkin can be a great topper on dog food for its Vitamin A and carotenoids. Please ensure that it is literally plain with no added spices, sugars or other fillers. I would start off with ½ to 1 tablespoon per day.

Butternut Squash

Just like pumpkin, butternut squash is packed full of Vitamin A and carotenoids. It always amazes me the bounty of food you can get from one butternut squash. Personally, I would cut it up and then freeze it. When needed, gently steam the pieces (plain) for 4-5 minutes, or bake them.

Turkey, Duck or Goose Honestly, I am fine with leftover small pieces of turkey, duck or goose so long as you do not include the fat, skin or gravy.

Bones

Most importantly, never ever give your companion dog turkey or any other type of bone. Leave those to the experts.

And with that, I wish you a joyous holiday season! Jean













HANGING WITH DAD

LEFT: TANK
IN
MONTANA
WAITING
FOR DAD TO
PLAY BALL

RIGHT: CI CI, NEW TO THE STEPHENS FAMILY, LEARNING ABOUT WINNING IN OBEDIENCE FROM DAD



RIGHT: REAGAN IN PENNSYLVANIA GOES TO THE WINERY WITH DAD



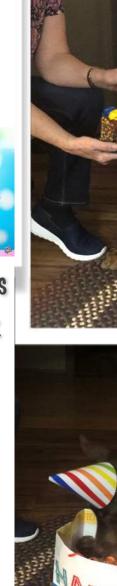




LEFT: FORREST IN ALABAMA TURNED 9 IN NOVEMBER, AND GOT SCRAMBLED EGGS WITH CHEESE FOR BREAKFAST













REAGAN IN TENNESSE

TURNED 1 IN NOVEMBER AND DECIDED HE LIKES CAKE!



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