

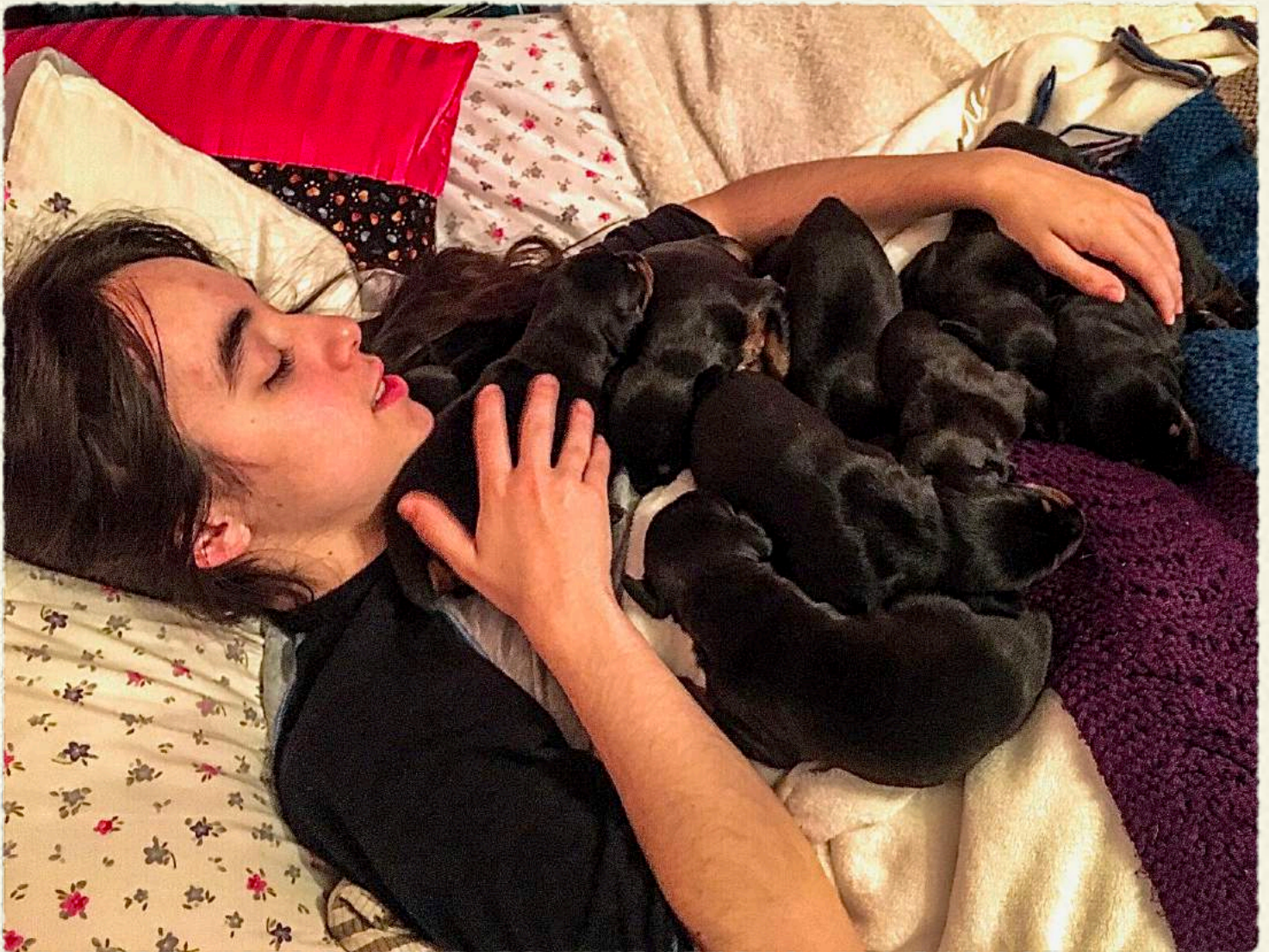
HAPPENINGS AROUND THE HOUSE

NEWS FROM HOYTT OWNERS AND HOUSE OF HOYTT

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HAPPY NEW YEAR



DREAMS CAN COME TRUE IN 2020

NEW LITTER FROM HOUSE OF HOYTT

**HOYTT
DOBERMANS
ROCKIN' AROUND
THE CHRISTMAS
TREE**



Thor in Ohio



**Henry &
Ruby in
Michigan**



**Below:
Reagan in
Tennessee**

**Sinatra and
housemate Ava
open presents**





**BLUEBERRY
AVAILABLE**

**PHOENIX
AVAILABLE**



**FLINT
AVAILABLE**

**PIPPY
SOLD**

**HOYTT
DOBERMANS
ROCKIN' AROUND
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TREE**



**DARWIN
WENT HOME TO THE AEBEL
FAMILY FOR CHRISTMAS**

RECENTLY PLACED



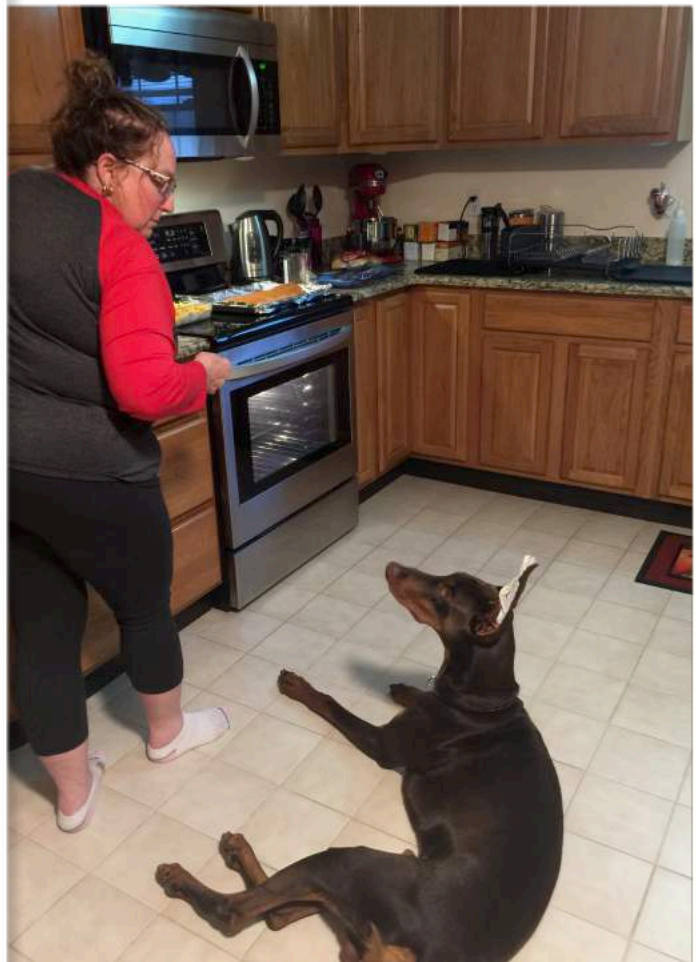
The Aebel family in Tennessee brought Darwin home on Christmas Eve.



Darwin loved all his new toys, and especially helping mom in the kitchen!



"What? This is all for ME?"



**Cajun and
Reagan in
Pennsylvania**



**Greta &
Olivia in
Pennsylvania**



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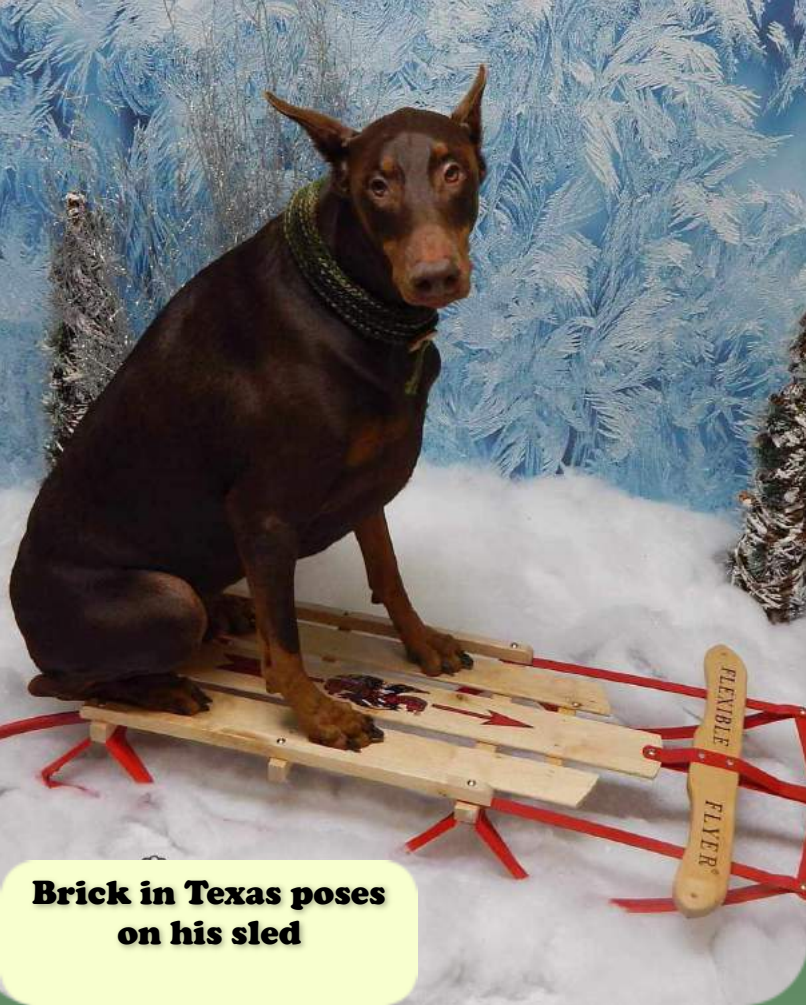
**Sinatra in
Tennessee**



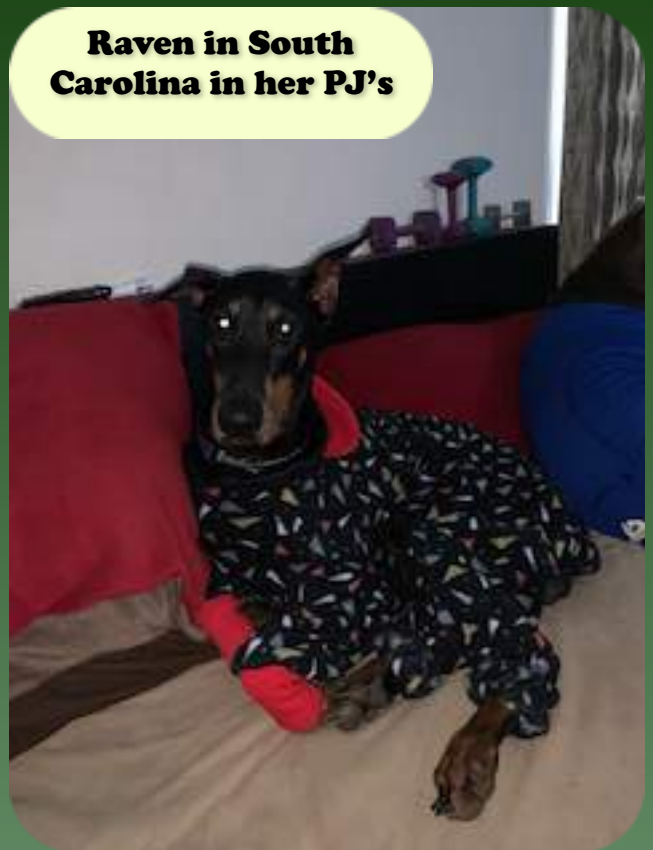
**Ramsey in
Pennsylvania**



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**Brick in Texas poses
on his sled**



**Raven in South
Carolina in her PJ's**



**Gunner in
Kentucky
meets Santa!**



**Thor in Ohio
looks as
though he
had too much
Egg Nog!**

RECENTLY PLACED

The Sisk Family picked up their new boy Vader just after Christmas



"I wonder how far Florida is?"



"Worth the trip"

WINTER SAFETY

EXCERPTS FROM HOLIDAY SAFETY FOR PETS
MARTY GREER, DVM & WINTER SAFETY TIPS AKC
WEBSITE



Plants

Traditional holiday plants like **mistletoe and holly** are **toxic** to dogs. Yew, the evergreen many people have in their landscaping is extremely toxic. As a safety measure, avoid bringing clippings into your home to use as garland unless you can identify the variety. Poinsettias are **not** toxic, but any plant ingestions can lead to oral irritation, vomiting and/or **diarrhea**.

Avoid Thin Ice

Too often we hear stories of dogs that had to be rescued from icy waters (and those are the lucky ones). It might look like fun to slide across that frozen pond, but ice can easily crack, and your dog, and you, could fall in. Slipping on ice can also lead to muscle strains and other injuries.

Antifreeze

Ethylene glycol, **antifreeze**, is highly toxic to pets. It has a sweet taste and remains liquid when other water sources are frozen. Ingestion initially will mimic alcohol consumption, but quickly leads to irreversible and fatal kidney failure. Keep antifreeze wiped up and stored in covered containers. Suspected ingestion should require a trip to the veterinarian immediately.

Sidewalk Salt

Avoid using regular sidewalk salt and instead, use cat litter or pet-safe sidewalk salt products. These are available at most pet stores, Home Depot and Lowes. City streets are coated with deicing substances, such as sodium chloride (rock salt) and calcium chloride, which make sidewalks safe for pedestrians, but can damage paw pads. Make sure you wash off your dog's feet. Some people keep a bucket next to the door to rinse their dog's feet as soon as they come in from the cold. Use warm water and make sure to reach spots between the toes and pads.

Limit Dog's Time Outside

Dogs can suffer from frostbite, especially on delicate earflaps and tail tips. In extreme cold, it's a good idea to keep dogs inside, with short potty breaks outdoors.

COUCH POTATOES

**BELOW: PAUL AND LILO IN
CALIFORNIA**

**PEARL AND
FORREST IN
ALABAMA SHARE
THEIR FAVORITE
PERSON
REBEKAH**



MAJOR AND CI CI SHARE THE COUCH WITH DAD IN TENNESSEE



LIVING WITH LITTLE ONES



**LARRY & HOUSEMATE LUCY IN
TENNESSEE**



**THOR WITH
HOUSEMATES
IN PENNSYLVANIA**

**SINATRA & HOUSEMATE AVA
IN TENNESSEE**



**BRICK & HIS BEST
FRIEND LUNA IN TEXAS**

**MINDA FROM
SOUTH
CAROLINA IS
PROUD TO
HAVE MADE
THE TOP 20
LIST FOR THE
DOBERMAN
PINCHER CLUB
OF AMERICA
HANDLED BY CAROL
STEPHENS
LOVED AND OWNED
BY TIM BELUE**



**CAJUN FROM
PENNSYLVANIA
WITH MOM IN
FLORIDA FOR
CHRISTMAS**



**GRACEE ROSE
IN ARIZONA
SHOWS OFF
THAT SHE IS A
WIGGLE
BUTT**



The Incredible Ability of Pets to Relieve Loneliness

Dr. Karen Shaw Becker

Pets act as a friend to talk to and a warm companion to cuddle with. They also provide a sense of stability, routine and purpose. There's a reason why **animal-assisted therapy** (AAT), such as bringing **therapy dogs** to interact with senior nursing home residents, is so popular — it's very effective and has been shown to reduce residents' perception of loneliness.⁵

In another study of adults aged 65 and over who did not have a partner, women who owned dogs reported being less socially isolated and less lonely than women without pets.⁶ Particularly during a stressful event like the loss of a spouse, having a pet nearby may help buffer some of the stress.

"You can talk to your dog. They're not going to tell you you're a bad person, they're just going to love you. Or you can pet your cat, and it's calming," Carr said, adding that a pet also adds meaning to your life:⁷

"Oftentimes, the relationship we have with our spouse is our most intimate, where our sense of self is really embedded in that relationship ... So, losing that sense of purpose and meaning in our lives that comes from that relationship can be really devastating.

A pet might help offset some of those feelings. It makes sense to think, 'Well at least this pet still needs me. I can take care of it. I can love it and it appreciates me.' That ability to give back and give love is really pretty powerful."

The companionship that pets provide is so powerful that experts have suggested they should be allowed in assisted-living facilities, while other research found older pet owners were 36% less likely to report loneliness than non-pet owners.⁸ Living alone and not owning a pet were associated with the greatest risk of feeling lonely.

It's not only seniors who can benefit from pet ownership. Rural adolescents who owned pets also had significantly lower loneliness scores than those who did not,⁹ showing that the companionship pets provide has no age limitations.

These findings likely come as no surprise for those who already share their homes with a pet and enjoy the unconditional love they provide. However, for those who are considering **pet ownership**, it's comforting to know that by opening your home and your heart to a pet, you'll gain a new friend who will support you and provide emotional support in both good times and bad.

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'Friendship isn't about whom you have known the longest... It's about who came and never left your side.'

Unknown



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