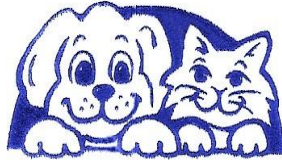


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'Tis the season

CELEBRATION

JOY

HEALTH

HAPPINESS

LOVE

FRIENDSHIP

PROSPERITY

Wishing you peace at
this holiday season,
and blessings!

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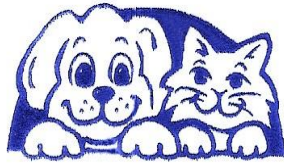
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Seen recently at Parkside Animal Hospital:



Abby



Gizmo



Marley



Pepey



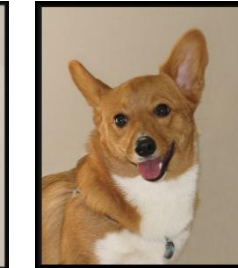
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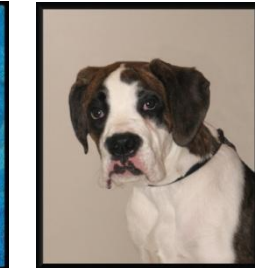
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Freya



Jubie



Steeler



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Dublin



Arabella



Rocky



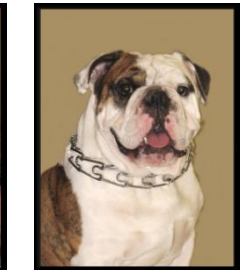
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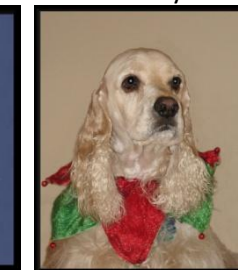
Sneakers



Rufus



Middie



Casey



Peanut



Ebbie



Ivy Breeze



Butch



Cleopatra



Abby



J.Lo



Jessica Jean



Wyatt



Buddy

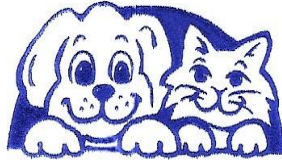
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HOME FOR THE HOLIDAYS ...what does this mean for your pet?

Our holiday traditions of candy and good cheer including food, drink, plants and decorations that make our holidays special can be harmful, even deadly for our pets.

DANGEROUS "PEOPLE" FOODS

In 2009, the ASPCA's Animal Poison control Center took over 17,000 calls regarding pets ingesting and being poisoned by "people" food. Foods that are dangerous for your pet include:

- Chocolates, coffee and caffeine
- Avocados
- Macadamia nuts
- Grapes, raisins and currants
- Yeast dough
- Raw/undercooked meat, eggs and bones
- Xylitol.. a sweetner in gum and many other products
- Onions, garlic and chives
- Milk
- Salt

Alcohol is also a danger to your pet during the holiday season. During holiday parties, pets may "sample" from drinks or foods left unattended. No animal should ever be given alcohol.

DANGEROUS PLANTS

Another nearly 8,000 calls were made to the ASPCA regarding pet poisoning cased by common houseplants, including the top 17 that may harm your pet.

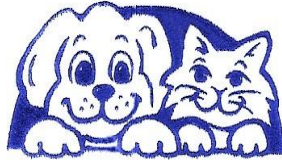
LILIES * MARIJUANA * SAGO PALM * TULIP/NARCISSUS BULBS * AZALEA/RHODODENDRON * OLEANDER
CASTOR BEAN * CYCLAMEN * KALANCHOE * YEWE * AMARYLLIS * AUTUMN CROCUS * ENGLISH IVY
CHRYSANTHEMUM * PEACE LILY (aka Mauna Loa Peace Lily) * POTHOS * SCHEFFLERA

PLEASE NOTE: Poinsettias are often considered poisonous. Most household varieties (those available commercially) are not poisonous. While any plant, including grass may cause gastric upset and vomiting if ingested, it is a long-standing urban legend that poinsettias are toxic. Another plant frequently used as decoration that IS highly poisonous.. is mistletoe. Avoid using mistletoe in holiday decorations.

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TOP TEN POISONS

Surprisingly “people food and plants aren’t the top issues when it comes to pet poisoning. In 2009, the ASPCA Animal Control Poison Center received over 140,000 calls about pets exposed to poisons. Here are the top 10 for 2009:

- Human medications: 45,816 calls
- Insecticides: 29,020 calls
- People food: 17,453 calls
- Plants: 7,858 calls
- Veterinary medications: 7,680 calls
- Rodenticides: 6,639 calls
- Household cleaners: 4,143 calls
- Heavy metals: 3,304 calls
- Garden products: 2,329 calls
- Chemical hazards: 2,175 calls

PLEASE NOTE: Antifreeze is a lethal poison for dogs and cats. A danger anyplace it is used or stored, it is more commonly found during winter months. Clean up any spills and consider using products that contain propylene glycol instead of ethylene glycol.

If you suspect your pet has ingested something poisonous, contact Parkside Animal Hospital immediately.

Should we be closed, contact the

- **Animal Emergency Hospital of North Texas at 817-410-2273** or the
- **ASPCA’s Animal Control Center’s 24-hour Hotline at (888) 426-4435.** For the ASPCA call, a \$65 consultation fee may be applied to your credit card.
- If your pet has a Home Again microchip, contact **Home Again at 866-738-4324.** They will contact Poison Control for you at no cost. This is a benefit to have your pet micro-chipped and to keep them registered with Home Again. You must provide the Home Again chip number and the pet/chip number must be currently registered with Home Again.

DO NOT WAIT FOR SYMPTOMS TO DEVELOP.

Minutes in treatment can make a difference both in survival for your pet and in cost of treatment.

PLEASE SEE OUR WEBSITE FOR ADDITIONAL SUGGESTIONS AND TIPS:
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