

HAPPY LABOR DAY!!!

Back to school:

Believe it or not, Labor Day weekend is here, the unofficial end of summer. It will be a busy time as families enjoy picnics and spending time outdoors, or even taking off for a last minute getaway. Whatever is on the agenda you don't want to forget about your four-legged buddy. Whether he's joining in the activities or will be left home there are certain precautions to take to ensure a happy, safe holiday for all.

- 1. Do not apply any sunscreen or insect repellent product to your pet that is not labeled specifically for use on animals.
- 2. Always assign a dog guardian. No matter where you're celebrating, be sure to assign a friend or member of the family to keep an eye on your pooch-especially if you're not in a fenced-in yard or other secure area.
- 3. Made in the shade. Pets can get dehydrated quickly, so give them plenty of fresh, clean water, and make sure they have a shady place to escape the sun.
- 4. Always keep matches and lighter fluid out of paws' reach. Certain types of matches contain chlorates, which could potentially damage blood cells and result in difficulty breathing-or even kidney disease in severe cases.
- 5. Keep your pet on his normal diet. Any change, even for one meal, can give your pet severe indigestion and diarrhea.
- 6. Keep citronella candles, insect coils and oil products out of reach. Ingesting any of these items can produce stomach irritation and possibly even central nervous system depression in your pets, and if inhaled, the oils could cause aspiration pneumonia.
- 7. Never leave your dog alone in the car. Traveling with your dog means occasionally you'll make stops in places where he's not permitted. Be sure to rotate dog walking duties between family members, and never leave your animals alone in a parked vehicle.
- 8. Make a safe splash. Don't leave pets unsupervised around a pool-not all dogs are good swimmers.

Chewies to keep Chewy busy:

If you are going to give a dog chew toys to your dog make sure you give the appropriate one. Each type of dog toy has a different purpose. Most are targeted for different types of dogs. It may be harmful if you give your pet the wrong one. The easiest way to decide what the best type of chew or bone is for your dog, please consult your veterinarian.



Peanut Butter Dog Treats:

- 1 to 1-½ cups flour
- ¾ cup oatmeal
- ¼ cup wheat germ
- ¼ cup crunchy peanut butter
- ¼ cup vegetable oil
- ¼ cup honey
- 1 tsp baking powder
- ½ cup water



Directions:

Preheat oven to 325° F (165° C).

Combine all ingredients and mix on low until blended.

Form into tablespoon-sized balls and place on ungreased cookie sheet. Flatten balls to ¼" using tines of fork.

Bake for 15 - 20 minutes, or until golden brown.

Makes about 20 cookies.

* Not recommended for pets with allergies.



Signs Your Pet Needs Attention Immediately:

- Vomiting/Diarrhea
- Unintended weight-loss/gain
- Change in appetite-decreased or increased
- Change in normal activity level:
 - Lethargy
 - Hyperactivity
 - Restlessness
- Limping
- Sudden inability to move back legs or collapse
- Crying when touched
- Clumsy/disoriented behavior
- Seizures
- Any loss of consciousness
- Coughing (especially at night)
- Any difficult or labored breathing
- Any blue, purple, or pale hue to the tongue or gums
- Excessive drooling
- Change in urination:
 - Location
 - Frequency
 - Amount
 - Color
 - Smell
- Straining in the litter box without producing urine
- Panting in a cat
- Bloated abdomen
- Sneezing excessively
- Uncontrolled bleeding from any orifice
- Bruising anywhere
- Any unusual odor or hair loss
- Runny nose, eyes, or squinting

FOR ADOPTION:



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Pet Odor Eliminator:

East-West Animal Hospital is pleased to announce that we now carry the full line of Pet Odor Eliminator Products; Including Candles, Air Fresheners and Car Fresheners.

This month's featured Flavor:
Bamboo Breeze

Rewards:

The East-West Animal Hospital Rewards Card helps us reward valuable clients like you with products from our hospital and other local retailers, remember one dollar spent is one point. The best part of the program is that you earn **500** points when you refer other clients to our hospital so that they can also receive the highest level of care.



Urine-Off Cat Formula – Urine-Off Dog Formula

Urine-Off:

East-West Animal Hospital is also pleased to announce that we now carry Urine-Off, A veterinary strength Odor and Stain Removal for Cats and Dogs.

Pet I.D. Cards:

East-West Animal Hospital will now be offering Pet I.D. Cards as a bonus for our wonderful furry friends. They are being offered through Vet Street and are free of charge. Next time you stop by our practice, be sure to bring your fuzzy children with you to have their picture taken for their I.D. cards.

Pet Portal:

We strongly encourage you to sign up for Pet Portal. It is and quick and easy way to access information about your pets, including lab results, appointment information, and reminders due for your pets. Please visit our website for more information.

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