

Humane Happenings



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FOURTH ANNUAL PET PHOTO CONTEST!

The Humane Society of Citrus County is sponsoring our Fourth Annual Pet Photo Contest to give pet owners a chance to show off their pets. If you haven't already, go to our website at www.humanesocietycitrus.com and see how you can submit that great photo of your best friend. Or you can mail your photos and entry fees to us postmarked by March 20. Entry Fee is \$1.00/photo which counts as your first vote.

Votes are \$1.00 per vote with opportunities to earn free votes.

Votes will be accepted until midnight on April 11. The top 3 vote getters will receive a trophy and top pet will receive a sitting with Old Dog Photography and a gift basket, donated by our sponsors, worth over \$500.

Funds raised will be used to support our efforts to rescue abused, neglected, abandoned pets. So visit our site and support your favorite pet.



Our Mission:

THE HUMANE SOCIETY OF CITRUS COUNTY FL INC IS A 501(C)3 CORPORATION DEDICATED TO THE PROTECTION OF ALL ANIMALS. IT IS OUR GOAL TO RESCUE AND FIND FOREVER HOMES FOR AS MANY ABANDONED, ABUSED PETS AS POSSIBLE AND TO TRY TO EDUCATE THE PUBLIC TO THE IMPORTANCE OF SPAY/NEUTER TO ALLEVIATE THE PROBLEM OF THE OVER-POPULATION OF UNWANTED, ABUSED, ABANDONED PETS..

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Need a photo to use in the contest? **Old Dog Photography**, located at Paws-itively Pets, will take that perfect photo of your pet and create your photos for you. You can also purchase a gift certificate so all your friends can have a photo taken also. To make an appointment for your photography session, call us at 352-341-2222 and let us know when is convenient for you. When you purchase photos or gift certificates, you help the many rescue pets that come through our doors.

OLD DOG PHOTOGRAPHY
PHOTOS BY LISA AND FARRON



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WHY A DOG IS BETTER THAN

A WIFE

- ◆ The later you are, the more excited your dog is to see you.
- ◆ Dogs don't notice if you call them by another dog's name
- ◆ Dogs like it if you leave a lot of things on the floor
- ◆ A dog's parents never visit
- ◆ Dogs agree you have to raise your voice to get your point across
- ◆ You never have to wait for a dog...ready to go 24/7
- ◆ Dogs find you amusing when you're drunk
- ◆ Dogs like to go hunting and fishing
- ◆ A dog will not wake you up at night to ask "If I died, would you get another dog?"
- ◆ A dog will let you put a studded collar on it without calling you a pervert
- ◆ If a dog smells another dog on you, they don't get mad
- ◆ Dogs like to ride in the back of your pickup
- ◆ And last, if a dog leaves, it won't take half your stuff

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WHAT'S NORMAL..WHAT'S NOT!

By knowing what is normal for your dog, you can better tell when he may not be feeling well and need to make a visit to the vet.

Body temperature in animals is taken rectally. Normal body temperature for your dog is 100 to 102.5. If your pet has a temperature of less than 99 or more than 104, contact your vet immediately.

Color of gums is a good indicator of blood perfusion and oxygenation. His gums should be pink. Pale, white, blue or yellow gums should be cause for concern and you should contact your vet.

Heartbeat varies on size. For small dogs and puppies, normal heart rate is 120 to 160 beats per minute. Dogs over 30 pounds have heart rates of 60 to 120 beats per minute. The larger the dog, the slower the normal heart rate. If your pet's is outside the normal range, contact your vet.

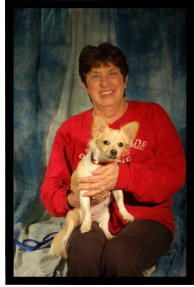
Normal Respiratory Rate for dogs is 10 to 30 breaths per minute. They can also pant normally up to 200 pants per minute. Counting the number of breaths per minute can be very important in an emergency so get to know your pet's normal breathing pattern.

WAYS YOU CAN HELP!

Before heading out to the store, go to www.goodsearch.com and select the Humane Society of Citrus County as your favorite charity. You can shop online at Wal-Mart, Pet Smart, Barnes & Noble, Office Depot and many other stores and we receive a percent of the sale. Also, check out www.humanesocietycitrus.com and click on the Pet ID link. Remember also to go to www.freekibble.com to help feed shelter animals. Join us on **Facebook** at <http://www.facebook.com/group.php?gid=103825539948> or just do a Facebook search for "**Room For One More Pet Rescue**" and join our Group. Post stories and photos of your best friends and read stories from other pet lovers. The link is also on our web sites at www.roomforonemore.net and www.humanesocietycitrus.com.



SOME OF OUR HAPPY TAILS!



CHLOE & NEW MOM



PAGANI (L) & NEW FAMILY



MASERATI & NEW MOM & DAD



GINGER & NEW DAD



MAXIMILLION & NEW MOM & DAD



BUTTERCUP & NEW MOM



BUSTER & NEW MOM



BUGATTI & NEW MOM & DAD



BRODY & NEW MOM & DAD



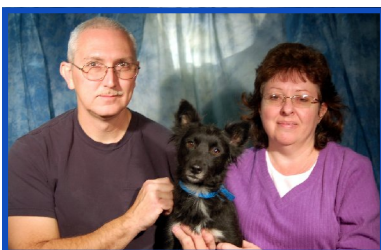
TEBOW & NEW MOM



MILES & NEW FAMILY



TEKO & NEW MOM



TESSI & NEW MOM & DAD



BUDDY & NEW FAMILY



BUDDY & NEW MOM



SAM & BAILEY & NEW MOM & DAD

MORE HAPPY TAILS



JASPER & NEW MOM



KEENAN & NEW DAD



HARLEY & NEW MOM & DAD



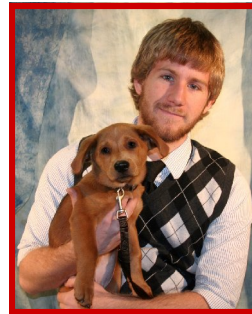
CODY (L) & NEW FAMILY



OGEE & NEW MOM



TUCKER & NEW FAMILY



CODY AKA NEMO & NEW DAD



CLIPPER & NEW MOM & DAD

THANKS TO OUR DECEMBER SUPPORTERS

- * Una & Alex Burgos
- * Marvin & Evelyn Aaberg
- * Carol Johnson
- * Reva Rosenbach
- * Robert & Mary Naumes
- * Sandra Knapp
- * Lance & Carolyn Smith
- * Mary Alexander
- * Charles & Rebecca Wagner
- * AF & CV Bravo
- * Genevieve Verdone
- * Doug & Juanita Oxford
- * Nancy Wessel
- * Victoria Richter
- * Patricia Williams
- * Michael & Rebecca Howard
- * Doris G Sartorio
- * Joseph & Cheryl Barcelo
- * Elizabeth Bayne in memory of Jean Ellison
- * Dan's Clam Stand
- * Darren & Pam Boyd
- * James & Judith Rumble
- * Phillip & Laure Filosa
- * Gary & Susan Winter
- * Charles & Sandra Stobber
- * Antoinette Boossy-Beamer
- * Central Ridge Elementary
- * Dr. Ronald Fagan, DDS
- * Girl Scout Troop 373
- * Karen Fink
- * Charles Lasseter
- * Betty Lindskog
- * Wayne & Geraldine Gangler
- * Deborah & Mark Lamanna
- * Linda Suarez/Gail Bonhoff in memory of Deb Schlofman
- * Gene Ramistella Jr
- * Maryann Smith-Freedom Ridge Riders
- * Cathy Trump
- * Regis Ahern
- * Helen Vandewalker
- * Julianne Jackson
- * John W McBeath
- * Sybil Schweitzer
- * Joan Scott
- * Progress Energy Employees

THANK YOU! 

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HERNANDO ELEMENTARY 3RD GRADE READING ROCKS DONATION



HERNANDO ELEMENTARY 3RD GRADE

Pat Rupp, Humane Society Secretary, (upper right) recently received a call from Maggie Lamparelli, a teacher at Hernando Elementary, requesting that she visit her class and receive a donation earned by the class for reading the most books in the Reading Rocks Program recently held across the County. The students were very interested in learning about our Rescue and how to adopt a pet.

MORE HAPPY TAILS



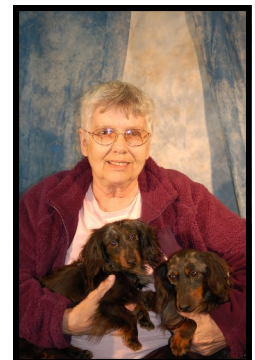
CHARLIE & NEW MOM



WINSTON & NEW MOM



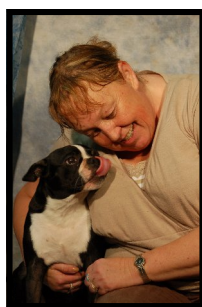
BAY & NEW MOM



DUNCAN & SOLO & NEW MOM



DUNCAN & NEW MOM & DAD



CHELSEA & NEW MOM



LULA & FAITY & NEW MOM



FANCY (L) & NEW FAMILY

IN LOVING MEMORY

SADIE

MAY 4, 1997 - JANUARY 31, 2010



Grieve not nor speak of me with tears, but laugh and talk of me as if I were beside you...

I loved you so...

'Twas Heaven here with you.

Sadly missed by Jim and Jeannie

Condolences

THANKS TO OUR JANUARY SUPPORTERS

- * Una & Alex Burgos
- * Barbara Bove
- * Peter & Pam DelVecchio
- * Thomas & Doris Mattingly
- * Tom & Bianca Fox
- * Irene Page
- * Wayne & Geraldine Gangler
- * Cliff & Agnes Wolfe
- * Genevieve Verdone
- * Sue Brascia
- * Progress Energy
- * David & Betty Miller
- * Charles & Rebecca Wagner
- * Juanita & Doug Oxford
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PET TIP OF THE MONTH

WHAT MAKES CHOCOLATE POISON TO DOGS?

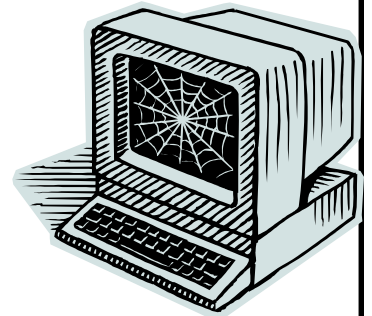
Chocolate is made from cocoa and cocoa contains caffeine and a chemical called theobromine which is the real threat. Dogs metabolize theobromine much more slowly than humans so you may get a buzz from chocolate for 20 or 30 minutes but in dogs, it can last for hours. Even small amounts can cause vomiting and diarrhea. Toxic amounts can induce hyperactivity, tremors, high blood pressure, a rapid heart rate, seizures, respiratory failure and cardiac arrest. One ounce of milk chocolate per pound of body weight can be lethal.

If your dog has snuck into your chocolates and is showing signs of hyperactivity or seizures, the faster you get it to the vet, the better. Fluids are typically given, along with intravenous drugs to protect the heart.

And don't forget, DO NOT USE COCOA MULCH IN YOUR YARD. It is toxic to your dog.

WE'RE ON THE WEB
AT:

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IMPORTANT: March - 3rd Week - National Poison Prevention Week

Looking For Their Forever Homes



HARVARD



HAZARD



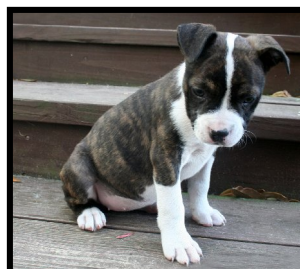
HEIDI



VARIOUS YORKIES



HOOVER



EUREKA



BAILEY



The world is a dangerous place, not because of those who do evil but because of those who look on and do nothing.

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PETS ADOPTION
CENTER**

NEXT GENERAL

MEETING:

10 AM - March 6

New Members, Volunteers and guests are always welcome to join us at our monthly meetings. We are always looking for new ideas to help rescue more of the many pets who find our door. Please join us!

REMINDER

2010 Membership Fees are now due.

The Humane Society of Citrus County FL Inc. receives no funding from any State or Local agency or from the Humane Society of the United States. That's why local donations are so important to the continued success of our Mission. Thanks for your support.

THOUGHT FOR TODAY

Most cats, when they are out want to be in, and visa versa, and often simultaneously." - Louis J. Camuti



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