NEWSLETTER



Miss Cay posing in the leaves.

November Classes

We will be open on Veteran's Day, November 11, and closed on November 28-29 for Thanksgiving.

Mondays: Beginner Obedience, 6:00-7:00 pm

Drop-in Obedience, 7:00-8:00 pm

Tuesdays: Handling Class, 6:00-7:00 pm. Check the online calendar for instructors. There will be no class November 26.

Wednesdays: Last classes of Beginner and Advanced Obedience, 6:00-7:00 pm and 7:00-8:00 pm.

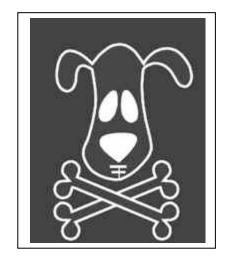
Beginner Agility, November 13 and 20, 6:00-7:00pm.

Did you know that November is "Adopt a Senior Pet" month? There are tons of reasons to rescue a senior, but here are just a few: no potty training, usually calmer, ready for a loving companion, and most important, you could save its life. Consider adopting a senior pet today!

Albuterol Poisoning and Your Dog

Inhalers and dogs that chew are not a good match. If a dog gets a hold of an inhaler and punctures the canister, any amount of albuterol can poison him. If you suspect your dog was poisoned, get him to your vet immediately. Your dog may react by initially by being very excited, panting excessively, vomiting, and losing balance. Along with physical signs, what you can't see is high body temperature and blood pressure, abnormal heart rhythms, and low blood potassium. As the potassium level lowers, your dog will slow down and become depressed. If your dog gets vet care as soon as possible, he should be alright in a few days. The vet will give him IV potassium and beta blockers to slow his heart rate. Without proper care, this is fatal.

A good source of information on poisoning can be found at www.petpoisoninghelpline.com. If you suspect your pet has been poisoned, you can also call 1-800-213-6680, the Pet Poison Hotline.



Other medications to keep away from pets:

Ibuprofen

Acetaminophen

Anti-depressants

Sleep aides

Birth control

Cholesterol and Thyroid medications

With the holidays approaching, also be mindful of the following toxic plants (if ingested) to dogs.

Amaryllis

Paperwhites (Narcissus)

Mistletoe

Holly

Chanukah and Thanksgiving Treats for your Furry Friend

Lassie Latkes

Recipe courtesy of Loews Hotels.

Ingredients:

9 sweet potatoes (peeled and grated)

1/2 cup honey

3 tablespoons grated fresh ginger

2 tablespoons walnut oil

1 teaspoon ground cardamom

1/2 teaspoon ground black pepper

Instructions

Preheat oven to 400F degrees. In a large bowl, toss together the sweet potatoes, honey, ginger, walnut oil, cardamom, and pepper. Transfer to a large cast iron frying pan. Bake for 20 minutes in the preheated oven. Stir the potatoes to expose the pieces from the bottom of the pan. Bake for another 20 minutes, or until the sweet potatoes are tender and caramelized on the outside.





Grain Free Thanksgiving Treats

Recipe from the Newark Animal Welfare Examiner.

Ingredients:

8 oz ground turkey, an amount approximately the size of a can of tuna. The amount doesn't have to be exact.

½ C. shredded carrots

2 eggs

2 medium potatoes mashed

Directions

- 1. Mix all ingredients.
- 2. Roll the mixture into treat shaped balls, or shape as desired.
- 3. Preheat oven to 400*F, bake on an ungreased cookie sheet for 20 30 minutes until desired texture is reached. The longer you let the cookies bake, the crispier they will be.

This year, Doggie Fun Zone will be held on Saturday, June 14 at Fireman's Field. All of the proceeds from this event will be going to the training and care of Sergeant David Tupper of the United States Marine Corps' dog. Sgt. Tupper served the United States with tours in Iraq and Afghanistan. He suffered a traumatic brain injury as a result of combat-related incidents, and is now wheelchair bound.

Sergeant Tupper went out of his way to bring home a bomb-sniffing dog of a handler and friend who lost his life in service. He now needs to care and train the dog to be his service dog.

Sergeant Tupper is a 2002 graduate of Old Saybrook High School, where he was a student athlete and active member of the community. He is married, and a proud father of three young children.



To make this year's Doggie Fun Zone a success, we need your help! We need volunteers during and before the event. We would like food vendors, crafters, and any dog-related demonstrations the day of the event. We will have more information for upcoming meetings on our Facebook page and upcoming newsletters. If you would like to help or have any suggestions, please call or email Donna. 860-388-1819/ddtails@cs.com



Holiday Mini Sessions



We will have holiday props available for the photos. We expect these sessions to fill up quickly, so make your appointment soon!

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