## THE MONTHLY PAWSLETTER

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#### Happy Holidays to all!

We are now in the midst of the holiday season and we want to send all of our warm wishes to all of our wonderful clients and neighbors. Our team is aware that craziness can ensure during the holiday season but know that we are here for you when needed!

We plan to keep up with our Equine ER hours throughout the holidays and will be open the days around the holidays for all of the other species that we see to ensure that your pets stay happy and healthy so you can enjoy this joyful time!

From all of us to you, Happy Holidays no matter what you celebrate!

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Holiday Safety tips for you and your pets!



Nothing can spoil holiday cheer like an emergency visit to the vet! These seven tips can help prevent a holiday disaster with your pets.

- 1. Keep people food out of the reach of your pet, and ask your guests to do the same. Table scraps included!
- 2. Make sure your pet doesn't have any access to treats, especially those containing chocolate, xylitol, grapes/raisins, onions or other toxic foods.
- 3. Don't leave your pet alone in the room with lit candles, a decorated tree or potpourri.
- 4. Keep holiday plants (especially holly, mistletoe and lillies) out of reach of pets.
- 5. Consider leaving the tinsel and any string off your tree if you have a cat.
- 6. Secure your Christmas tree to keep it from falling over if your dog bumps it or if your cat climbs it. Make sure all ornaments are secured on your tree as well!
- 7. Provide a safe place for your pet to escape the excitement (such as a kennel, crate, perching place, scratching post shelf or hiding place) if you're entertaining guests. If your pet is excitable or scared, consider putting your pet in another room with some toys and a comfortable bed.
- 8. Make sure all of your pets have microchips in case they get out!

"So good news. I saw a dog today." – Buddy the Elf from the movie Elf WE ARE STILL AVILABLE FOR EQUINE AND FARM ANIMAL ER ON DAYS THAT WE ARE CLOSED!



# This month's holidays and closures

December 2 | National Mutt Day
December 4 | World Wildlife Conservation Day
December 7-December 15 | Hanukkah
December 9 | International Day of Veterinary
Medicine

December 13 | National Day of the Horse
December 17 | Community Educational Event at
Kitsap Saddle Club

December 25 | Christmas Day (Closed)

December 26th | Closed in observance of Christmas

December 26 - January 1 | Kwanzaa

December 26th-Jan 21th | MOBILE APPOINTMENTS

ONLY! We are getting a new surgical suite!

December 27 | Visit the Zoo Day December 31 | New Year's Eve January 1st and 2nd | CLOSED for New Years

NEW SERVICES AVILABLE STARTING DECEMBER 5TH, 2023

### FARM ANIMAL ER!

THAT'S RIGHT, WE HAVE TEAMED UP WITH SOUND EQUINE TO CREATE A FARM ANIMAL ER TEAM TO HELP ALL OF OUR IN NEED NON-EQUINE AND NON-SMALL ANIMAL FRIENDS OUT THERE (DEPENDING ON THE DOCTOR, THIS MAY NOT INCLUDING CAMELS OR ZEBRAS (CAMELIDS)!

YOU CAN EITHER CALL SOUND EQUINE AT 360-779-5557 OR CALL US AT 360-917-5887 TO GET IN TOUCH WITH THE DOCTOR ON CALL STARTING DECEMBER 5TH.

WE ARE HOPEFUL THAT THIS NEW SERVICE WILL HELP OUR COMMUNITY AND THE SURROUNDING AREAS AS THERE ARE NOT MANY FARM ANIMAL VETS NEAR BY!

CONTACT US TODAY IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS ABOUT THIS NEW SERVICE



#### PAWS OF BREMERTON, PUGET SOUND GOAT RESCUE, AND S.A.F.E (SAVE A FORGOTTEN EQUINE) SUPPLY DRIVE!

### Join us in making a difference!

#### **Ways to Contribute:**

·Any cat, kitten, puppy, and dog dry and canned food
·Flea and tick preventative, intestinal parasite control, and unopened non-controlled
medications

·Clumping and non-clumping litter and litter scoops
·Garbage bags, specifically tall kitchen scented
·Office paper and printer ink HP 952 XL
Timothy or Alfalfa Pellets
Grain (Equine Senior or Haystack, unopened)

Purina Goat Grower Medicated Feed

Purina Goat Chow

Goat colostrum

GEM bedding (any of their products other than Cedar)

Nitrile Exam Gloves

Pampers Swaddlers Diapers size 2
Amazon or Tractor Supply Gift cards
And other items that you no longer need!

You can also donate to any of these 3 amazing organizations online!

PAWS of Bremerton



Puget Sound Goat Rescue



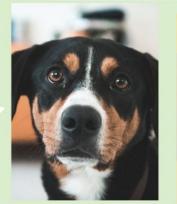
S.A.F.E (Save a Forgotten Equine)















Presented by our very own Dr. Parker and one of our Veterinary Assistants', Sarah!

On December 17th at 3:00pm at the Kitsap Saddle Club in Port Orchard