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Happy dogs, Happy homes!

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Upcoming 2016 Classes

Puppy Class:

Wednesday Jan 6 – Feb 10

Monday Jan 11 – Feb 15

Doggy Manners:

Wednesday Jan 6 – Feb 10

Monday Jan 11 – Feb 15



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Happy Clients!



Lucy



Nala



Charley



Bear



Rocky



Dixie

Holiday Safety Tips

The holiday season is a time of fun, family and joy! Dogs are part of our families, sharing in the season as well. Keep your dog safe during the holiday festivities: make sure your dog does not accidentally get out an open door, jump up on guests or become stressed with all the activity.

Depending on where you and your dog are in your training process, you may need to teach a new skill, brush up on a less used behavior, or manage the situation and train for next year.

Open Doorways

- 🐾 Training: Teach your dog to wait at the door when it opens and closes.
- 🐾 Management: Use a gate to block access to busy doorways. Or, keep your dog on leash and with you during the coming and going of a gathering.

Jumping on Guests

- 🐾 Training: Teach your dog to Sit/Stay to say Hi. Also, require he keep all four paws on the ground for continued petting!
- 🐾 Management: Keep your dog behind a gate or on leash as guests enter. Allow your dog to say Hi on leash which gives you the ability to immediately remove him if he tries to jump up.

Stealing Food Items

- 🐾 Training: Establish a solid Leave It behavior that teaches your dog to stay off tables and counters where food is present.
- 🐾 Management: Keep your dog gated out of the room where food is being served. Another option is to send your dog to his crate or safe room while people are eating.

Stress

- 🐾 Training: Implement a safe spot such as a dog bed or crate and teach your dog to go to bed on cue. Make sure you locate your dog's spot away from the high traffic area.
- 🐾 Management: Prior to any guests arriving put your dog in his crate or safe zone with plenty of chew toys and soft calm music playing.

Plan ahead! Do not try to rush through training, use management where needed. Both you and your dog will enjoy the holidays with these ideas in place!

Happy Holidays from our family to yours!



Q'S VIEWS



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@Quincy Joe Simpson

Well, Momma says this year is coming to an end. So, Q reflected back on his year and decided things went awesome this year!

I have continued my agility lessons and am getting lots better! The teeter totter is still a bit scary, but I am way better at jumpies and staying with Momma on the course. I think next year I might be ready for my first trial...

I also have a best friend Lenny who I play with at the park each Friday now. We are buds and love to play and wrestle and find sticks. Plus each weekend my "brothers from another mother" come over for play time! Q loves it when Tuck and Murph come to play! At the holidays, remember to be thankful for your family and friends!

My biggest moment this year was the premier and after party for my movie! Lots of wonderful people came to see me in the movie and to my house to celebrate! I was even interviewed for the local news!

YEAR IN REVIEW: 2015

As we reflect on 2015, it was a year of continued cherished relationships, meeting people in a wonderful rescue organization, amazing clients – both human and canine, and even a fun party!!

- 🐾 Our amazing friends at Great Lakes Hospital for Animals have continued to be a wonderful host for classes! The compassionate, kind staff entrusts Happy Tails with training for their clients dogs. We truly appreciate the GLHA family and look forward to another year of shared success!
- 🐾 In addition, both Shaggy Pines Dog Park and Bridges Animal Hospital have provided a location for our classes during the year. We appreciate the staff and people at both the Park and Bridges.
- 🐾 A new relationship developed this year with LuvNPupz Rescue. This organization demonstrates true love and compassion for puppies and dogs in dire need of saving. We are honored to assist the foster and adoptive parents with training for the dogs and puppies.
- 🐾 Among all the hard work, there was also time for some fun! Takoda and Quincy's movie premiered this past August! A wonderful group of family, friends and clients attended a showing of the movie and an "after party" at Happy Tails to celebrate the boys big screen debut! While Koda watched from above, his little brother did him proud representing at both the theater and the party.

ANNOUNCING... NEW CLASS LOCATION!!

Happy Tails is excited to announce we are offering classes in the Cascade/Ada area starting January 11! The classes are being held at the Paws & Claws Cascade location; in the mall behind the D&W on 28th Street in Cascade. We will have an indoor area large enough to hold Puppy, Doggy Manners and Advanced Manners classes. Class information is posted on the website.

KIRB'S BLURB



Everyone is talking about the holidays and the past year's events. While I might not be a movie star like "some" dogs around here, I have remained Momma's right paw man for her training. I helped A LOT of dogs this year learn to be calm and feel safe around unfamiliar dogs. So my job may not be as glamorous, but Momma says I am very important part of the success of Happy Tails.

Plus, Kirb was at the after party too. I was the best host a boy could be. Checking to make sure all the guests were happy, comfortable, and had plenty to eat and drink. I made sure everyone got a wiggly hello from me and knew where the party was at!

Overall, Kirby has been a super good boy again this year. I believe Santa Paws knows how good of a boy I have been, and I will get A LOT of presents this year!