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Planning a Pawsitively Perfect Party

In today's society, our dogs have become much more than just a pet. Many of us consider them a member of our family. As with any family member, we want to remember them on their special day. That special day does not necessarily have to be their birthday. Many of us have dogs that we have adopted from a shelter or local rescue. Not knowing your dogs actual date of birth does not mean you can't have a yearly celebration. Instead of a birthday party, you can consider celebrating the day of your pets adoption.

Like all get togethers, a party to celebrate your four legged family member will take a little planning. Some important things to consider are:

- Who to Invite
- Location
- Food
- Activities

In this issue, we will take a closer look at these.



Who Should I Invite?

This may seem like a very common sense sort of question, I'm having a party, of course I need to decide who I'm going to invite. There are however, a couple things to keep in mind when making your guest list.

- Will your party be strictly for dogs or will you invite people as well?
- Does your dog get along well with other dogs and people, or is he nervous in such environments?
- A party with several dogs is not a good place to introduce your dog to new dogs. Only invite dogs that your dog knows and gets along with.

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Location

While hosting your party at home is by far the easiest place, it's not always the best place. Neutral territories do work best, your back yard, however, will always do. Another thing to consider when selecting your location is the types of activities you want to have at the party. Do you need special equipment? Is there enough room for the number of people/dogs you are inviting? Is there adequate shade or heat? Is there a quiet place an over stimulated dog can go to get away from it all for awhile?

Some places you can consider depending upon the time of year and weather are:

- Grooming salons
- Dog Boutiques
- Doggie Daycare or Boarding Facilities
- Doggie Bakeries
- Dog Parks
- Training Schools



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Food

Adoption Corner

Already this year, the following dogs have found their forever homes!

- ♥ Matice
- ♥ Slipper
- ♥ Mindi
- ♥ Macho
- ♥ Abby

Some say the games and activities are the most important ingredient to a successful party. Me? I say bring on the food!!

On page 4 you will find a recipe for a cake I make for my dogs' birthday each year, they absolutely love it. One variation that you may want to consider; yogurt is a little too thin to make a good icing. Consider instead using low fat cream cheese or cottage cheese that has been pureed in the blender.

It is also important that food is handled properly and you have enough for all invited to avoid squabbles. You will also need to make sure you have an adequate amount of water down for the dogs.

Your human guests may not care for the doggie cake, so, if you are inviting them, you may want to consider making them a cake of their own.

ADVERTISE WITH CSDR

Have a dog related business? Interesting in some cheap advertising?

CSDR will put your add in our quarterly newsletter for a donation.

Contact us at csdrnew@yahoo.com

(We will not run any ads for breeders or dogs for sale)



In Remembrance: Charlie Burgess 1960 - 2011

CSDR recently lost one of our own. Charlie Burgess has been a volunteer of Chihuahua & Small Dog Rescue, Inc since 2007. When she moved to Utah last year, she wanted to continue her work with CSDR and played a huge roll in helping us set up our Utah branch. Charlie's heart was with our furry little friends. According to her family, helping them was one of Charlie's greatest joys.

Charlie was not only a volunteer with CSDR, she was also a friend. She will be missed by us all!

A New Year

2010 was a tough year for many people. CSDR was no exception to this. Our numbers were down all the way around, but we made it!

Rescued in 2010—90

Adopted in 2010—95

As we begin 2011, we are very optimistic and hopeful. We have some new ideas, some new goals. And with your help, 2011 will be a great year!

Our Wish List

For a full list of items needed, please visit our website at www.chihuahua-smalldogrescue.org. The following items are a few things that we are running very low on.

- Tall X-Pens (48inches)
- Dog Beds
- Old Blankets
- Collars
- Leashes

Activities

Indoor Activities

- Bring a Kong toy filled with cheese or peanut butter, one for each guest.
- Pick up some rope toys and play some tug of war. (Dogs as well as people can get in on this one)
- Have a lot of treats on hand and throw a contest for best sit, stay, roll over, shake, etc.
- Request that each doggie guest come in costume and have a mini fashion show. You may want to give out treats for best costume, most original, funniest, etc.

Outdoor Activities

- Bring enough balls so there are at least one for each doggie guest and play free-for-all fetch.
- Rent agility equipment like a tunnel for the dogs to race through. Make sure you offer them treats for a job well done!
- Bobbing for biscuits. Fill a child's pool with some water, throw in the biscuits and let them at it.
- Races. Which dog/person combo can make it to the finish line fastest?

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cldrnews@yahoo.com**Bacon Chicken Layer Cake**

3 cups flour
 $\frac{1}{2}$ cup margarine
 $\frac{1}{2}$ cup corn oil
 2 jars strained chicken baby food
 Plain or vanilla yogurt
 2 or 3 strips of bacon, fried and crumbled

1 tbsp baking powder
 6 eggs
 2 cups carrot, shredded

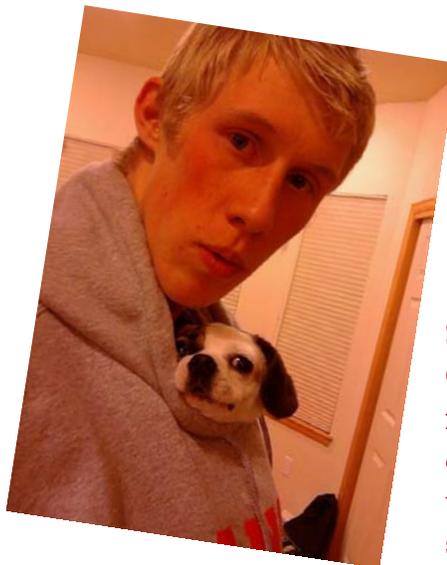
Grease and flour two 8" round cake pans; set aside. Combine flour and baking powder; set aside. In a mixing bowl, beat softened margarine until smooth. Add eggs and corn oil; mix well. Add strained chicken and shredded carrots and mix until smooth. Add flour mixture and mix thoroughly. Pour batter into the 2 prepared cake pans. Bake at 325 degrees for 60 minutes. Let cool for a few minutes before removing from pans. Cool completely on wire racks.

Place one layer on a serving plate and spread yogurt over top. Place second layer on top, spread yogurt on top and sides of entire cake. Sprinkle crumbled bacon or bits of jerky strips over top.

From Our Readers

Sometimes during the winter, we'd find Jaycie shivering and cold, so my son would put her under his hoodie to warm her up. Always curious, she'd squirm around until she found her way to the top of his hoodie and poke her head out by his neck. She was warm, but still kept an eye out for what was going on in the world.

Jan S.



Spread the news, CSDRNews that is! Have a friend who may enjoy receiving our newsletter? Sign up at www.chihuahua-smalldogrescue.org. The link is at the bottom of the page!

Have an interesting or funny story about your dog you'd like to share? How about a cute photo? Email them to cldrnews@yahoo.com and we will include it in our newsletter!

Come visit with some of our little ones that are available for adoption. Our foster parents will be available to answer your questions and we will accept applications for adoptions. This is a day that you can meet several little ones at the same time. We look forward to seeing you there.

PetCo

1650 Cheyenne Mountain Blvd
Colorado Springs, CO 80906

9:00am—2:00pm

February 5, 2011

February 19, 2011

March 5, 2011

March 19, 2011

April 2, 2011

April 16, 2011

PetCo

475 South Wadsworth
Lakewood, CO 80226

9:00am—2:00pm

February 12, 2011

March 12, 2011

April 9, 2011

PetSmart

7505 E 35th Ave
Denver, CO 80238

9:00am—2:00pm

February 26, 2011

March 26, 2011

April 23, 2011

PetCo

1820A West Unitah St.
Colorado Springs, CO 80904

9:00am—2:00pm

February 12, 2011

March 12, 2011

April 9, 2011

Upcoming Meet & Greet

PetCo

24101 E. Orchard Rd, Suite C

Aurora, CO 80016

9:00am—2:00pm

February 5, 2011

March 5, 2011

April 2, 2011

PetCo

9835 Prominent Point
Colorado Springs, CO 80920

9:00am—2:00pm

February 26, 2011

March 26, 2011

April 23, 2011

PetCo

7460 S. University Blvd
Littleton, CO 80122

9:00am—2:00pm

February 19, 2011

March 19, 2011

April 16, 2011

PetCo

450 E 120th Ave, Unit A2
Northglenn, CO 80233

9:00am—2:00pm

February 26, 2011

March 5, 2011

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Pictured above is Barb. She is a very affectionate and playful little girl who is looking for a forever home. Won't you please come out and meet her?