

DOG TIRED DOGGIE DAYCARE

...because a tired dog is a happy dog



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THE DAILY BARK

News from the Lead Dogs

We would like to thank everyone once again for making our first few weeks so wonderful! We have had so much fun getting to know all of your K9 kids!

Since we have grown so fast so quickly, we have had to make some changes sooner than expected. We are now

requiring reservations at least 24 hours in advance. We are full, or almost full in the large dog rooms everyday. We would also suggest making a standing reservation for

the day or days you wish to bring your K9 kid(s). A standing reservation will guarantee your dog's spot at daycare.



We have implemented two half day sessions. Session one will run from 7AM until noon, and session two will run from noon until 7PM. Drop-

off and pick-up must occur within the same session otherwise a reservation for a full day can be made.

Also, for your safety and for the safety of the dogs, we are asking our parents to not go past the pink door unescorted by either Kari or Erin. We use the hallway behind the pink door to take the dogs in and outside. Opening the door could let the dogs out in the lobby and possibly outside the front door onto Fireweed Lane.

Alyeska Canine Trainers and PartyLite



Dog Tired is hosting a PartyLite event to benefit Alyeska Canine Trainers on November 13th from



1PM-4PM. Alyeska Canine trainers will receive 35% of all the

sales to go towards the new floor for their training facility. You will receive your order by the first week of December.

For more information on Alyeska Canine Trainers visit www.alyeskak9trainers.com

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Dog Tired

Doggie Daycare

Benefits of Daycare

- Your dog is supervised all day long - not into things they shouldn't be, at home!
- Your dog will have stimulating activity all day long, and be tired in the evening!
- Your dog will develop better social skills with other dogs, making lots of doggy friends!



Something about Kari....

Born in Santiago, Chile, into a family of five children two horses' one dog and twenty-nine cats, I knew from the beginning I would enjoy a life surrounded by animals and family members dedicated to saving those who could not save themselves. Chile in the sixties was a nation in poverty and one that barely took care of its human population let alone its four-legged members. Cats in particular were badly mistreated and my mother was a cat lover. Our home became a place for abandoned cats, if my mother wasn't bringing them home, someone else was dropping one off for her to nurse back to health or just to provide a place for food and shelter. When it was time to return to the States in the seventies we managed to bring seven humans, one dog and nine cats through customs without a hitch.

An accomplished opera singer, my educational background is in vocal performance. Having toured through Japan, Europe and the United States, I have performed with several opera companies and orchestras. Although my education and singing experiences have been very rewarding my lifelong

dream has been to work with animals.

From early childhood to my adulthood animals have played an important role in my life. But it wasn't until the mid nineties that I joined an organized group dedicated to the health and welfare of animals.

After a devastating tornado hit central Arkansas in 1997, a local group, Arkansans for Animals, put out a call for help to rescue animals left homeless from the storm. I spent a week in Arkadelphia, Arkansas trapping, feeding, and assisting with the medical treatments of homeless cats, dogs and just about everything else you can imagine. I didn't sleep much, ate even less and only got to a shower twice that week but I had the most profound eye-opening experience of my life. And I began to realize that one individual can make a difference.

When I returned to Little Rock I joined North Little Rock's Friends of Animals. I became a foster parent and joined the fund-raising committee to help generate funds. We were 30 people trying to make a difference in the animal population of one large city. Through yard

sales, and other small fund-raising events we were able to start a cam-

paign for new legislation requiring all animals be spayed or neutered prior to adoption at the local shelters.

Upon returning to Alaska in the late

1990's I became a volunteer with Friends of Pets. Joining the Board of Directors in 2000, I have served as the Membership Chair, Rescue Foster/Adoption Committee Chair, and held the offices of Vice President, Treasurer and Secretary.

I am married to a wonderful man, Dirk and we have two children, Cassi 16 and Colton 14. The four of us are owned by two dogs, Abby & Maddie, and two cats, Rascals & Pennies.

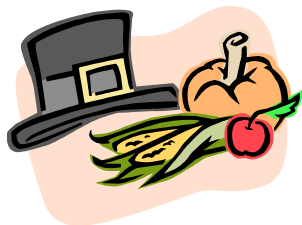
Seeing my dream of working with animals on a professional level come to fruition is by far my greatest accomplishment to date. Erin and I plan to expand Dog Tired LLC in the near future and look forward to meeting the needs of more of Anchorage's furry friends.



Holiday Hours and Schedule Change

Thanksgiving

Dog Tired will be taking some time off to enjoy the holidays with our families. We will be closed on Thanksgiving Day as well as the day after Thanksgiving, Friday November 25th. We will reopen the following Monday with our normal 7AM-7PM business hours.



Christmas and New Year's Eve

Dog Tired will close at noon on December 23rd and will be closed for the following week. We will reopen on Monday January 2nd with our normal business hours of 7AM-7PM.



All About Erin....

My love for animals began when I was a small child. I am from a small town in Indiana, and in a small town everyone knows everyone else. Our town's veterinarian attended the same church my family did and I LOVED going to their house to play with all of the animals. Later on when I attended college at Ball State University I volunteered at a local no-kill shelter "A.R.F." (Animal Rescue Fund.)

When I moved to Anchorage in January 2001 it was a natural move for me to take a position as Public Relations Coordinator for the Anchorage Animal Care and Control Center. My responsibilities included everything from promoting and tracking dog licenses to scooping cat boxes if we were short staffed in the kennel area. I designed behavior classes taught at AACCC funded by a grant from the lams company and the ASPCA and created KTUU Channel 2's "Pet of the Week" segment on the "Morning Edition."

While working at animal control

I adopted my two cats Caesar and Brutus and married my husband Robert (in that order). Later came Reagan (Alaskan Husky mix). Both Caesar and Brutus passed Delta Society's therapy animal test and were the #2 and #3 cats in the state of Alaska to do so.

After three years I moved on to be the Public Relations Coordinator for the Alaska Aces. (One of my greatest accomplishments with the Aces was to recruit Kari to sing the national anthem before the games.) During that time we adopted Copper from Golden Retriever Rescue in Fairbanks. I stayed with the Aces until September 2004 when I was seven months pregnant with my son Dylan. I never thought I would interview for a job 7 months pregnant, but I did when Kari recruited me to work with her at Anchorage Opera as the Marketing Coordinator. I stayed there until this past summer when Kari and I decided it was time to open Dog Tired!

Our first dog Reagan crossed the rainbow bridge this summer. Our backyard run is named for him,

"Reagan's Run." Two days before Dog Tired's grand opening Maggie joined our family also from Golden Retriever Rescue. I am finally not the ONLY girl in our household. When I am not playing with dogs I enjoy spending time with my husband Robert and my son Dylan. I also like to scrapbook, play tennis and pray for the Indianapolis Colts to not choke again in the playoffs. As a family, we like to travel, take our own dogs on walks or to the dog park and relax whenever possible!

Thank you all again for making Dog Tired such a fun place to be everyday. It has been so much fun getting to know you and your dogs!

Animal Health — Human Foods that Poison Pets

Most dog owners know that chocolate is harmful to dogs, but so are onions, macadamia nuts, coffee grounds, potato peelings, broccoli, grapes and resins. Tobacco and alcohol are also poisonous to dogs.



To keep you dogs safe from these

foods make sure to let you holiday visitors know not to feed them "people food." Keep dogs in their crates during meal times with their own treats, and make sure that all food is safely put away before letting them out of the kennel.

If your dog does ingest

something harmful, contact your veterinarian right away. On weekends or holidays Pet Emergency, located at 3315 Fairbanks Street in Anchorage, can be reached at 274-5636. Diamond Animal Hospital & Emergency Services, located at 2545 E. Tudor Road in Anchorage, can be contacted at



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Howl-O-Ween

Thank you to everyone who made our Howl-O-Ween party a success. Visit our website www.dogtired daycare.com to view pictures and media coverage from the event.



Winner! Best Dog
and Child Contest



Winner! Best Dog and
Adult Contest

Breed Highlight—The Catahoula Leopard Dog

A day never goes by when a parent dropping off their K9-Kid looks into one of the playrooms and says "ODDDDD, what kind of dog is that?" For that very reason we have decided to profile one of our amazing K9 friends each newsletter. This time, we would like to introduce you to Kari's youngest dog Madison, or as most of you know her "Maddie." Maddie is a very unique looking beauty with a spotted coat and one blue and one brown eye. She is a Catahoula Leopard Dog! ("CATAHOULA", is a parish in northern Louisiana, and a tiny town in southern Louisiana. From the Choctaw 'okhata', meaning lake and 'hullo', meaning beloved.)

The story of Maddie begins long ago when the glorious Castilian Knights of Christendom and Queen Isabella of the Holy Catholic Span-

ish Empire (Hernando DeSoto and crew) set out to spread the word of the one true god to the newly discovered Americas. Along with their wooden ships, armor, muskets and smallpox, they brought along an older weapon of war, the descendants of the Roman War Dogs and ancestors of what we now call Mastiffs. Those dogs were used in the wars with the Indians of the lower Mississippi Valley.

After DeSoto died, his decimated crew made their way to Mexico and along the way in both Louisiana and Texas, some of those war dogs were abandoned. Some of the Indians took in the abandoned war dogs. Over the years, these dogs interbred with the native red wolf and a new hybrid dog developed. As European settlers moved into central Louisiana, there were reports of a unique mottled colored,

blue-eyed dog being used by the Catahoula Indian tribe for hunting and tracking. That is how these descendants of the war dogs and red wolves became known as Catahoula.

Catahoula Leopard dogs have been popular as a cattle working and hunting dog (particularly wild boar - leading to another common name of Catahoula hog dog). Catahoula Leopards are extremely agile and athletic, territorial, protective of "their property". They are more primitive psychologically than most breeds and need consistent obedience reinforcement. The owner must understand the Alpha concept and stay in control at all times, but still be loving to the dog. Very loyal, loving, intelligent and independent... they really think for themselves.



Madison Campbell
Louisiana Catahoula
Leopard Dog