

# doggy daycare and spa

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## January 2008 Newsletter

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### Happy New Year!

#### Dog Tags

Part of our Daycare Dogs' holiday gift included an id tag that we put on their collar with Doggy Daycare and Spa's phone number. You are welcome and encouraged to have the other side engraved with your dog's name and home contact information. Most pet stores can engrave the tag onsite in a matter of minutes. Can you believe we gave away 150 tags? And we didn't have quite enough! If your dog did not receive his or her tag, we will be ordering more. Please let Janice know and she will be sure to get one for your dog.

#### Under the Weather?

Please remember that anytime your dog shows any symptoms of not feeling well (ie. coughing, excessive sneezing, runny eyes and nose, vomiting, diarrhea) please keep him or her home from Daycare just as you would your child from school. It is our number one priority to maintain a safe, fun, and healthy environment for your dog to come and play. You will never, ever be charged for calling your dog in sick.

**January Good Dog! Training Classes have a new class beginning each week this month. Group classes with your dog help to cement the human-dog bond and help you both brush up on basic obedience. Classes also offer a perfect remedy for Cabin-Fever during these cold weather months. Class fliers are available in our reception area and online at [www.janetasmith.com](http://www.janetasmith.com).**

#### Spring Break Reservations!

Our next busy boarding time will be over Spring Break. If you plan to go away during the first part of April, please make your reservation as far in advance as possible as we will fill up. We always want to make sure we have room for our regulars!

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Past newsletters are available online at [www.doggydaycareandspa.com](http://www.doggydaycareandspa.com)

#### Tips from the Spa

Keeping your dog well groomed during the winter months is just as important as any other time of year.

- Trimming the excess hair from in between toes and pads keeps ice and snow from building up and makes your dog more comfortable when walking outside in the snow.
- Itchy skin can be relieved by an oatmeal bath and conditioning treatment. If your dog is particularly itchy, putting a humidifier on your furnace or near your dog's sleeping area will help keep their skin from feeling so dry. (Doesn't your skin get drier during the cold winter months?)
- Removing undercoat from double coated dogs keeps them more comfortable in the winter as well as in the summer.
- Regular grooming allows Racheal and Melanie to spot any abnormal lumps, bumps or colorations on your dog's skin and body.
- Most dogs will benefit from professional grooming every 6-8 weeks. Most breeds should be brushed at home at least once a week and dogs who easily mat, once a day. Designate a special spot for grooming so that your dog knows what to expect.

### Just for fun

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| AMERICAN-WHITE-SHEPARD | GREY-HOUND           | SAMOYED           |
| BLOODHOUND             | HOUND                | SCOTTISH-TERRIER  |
| BULL-DOG               | LABRADOR-RETRIEVER   | SHIH-TZU          |
| DALMATIAN              | NORWEGIAN-ELKHOUND   | SIBERIAN-HUSKY    |
| DOBERMAN               | OLD-ENGLISH-SHEEPDOG | YORKSHIRE TERRIER |