

DANGER!

We often receive sweets and treats for holidays. Please remember that dark, rich, expensive chocolate is a great gift for a loved one but is poison to our dogs and cats.

Remember to keep grapes and raisins well out of reach, too. Grapes and raisins may cause renal (kidney) failure. Dogs who consume large amounts of macadamia nuts can suffer from transient hind limb paralysis. Easter time brings lilies into the house. A small amount from any part of the lily plant can induce kidney failure in cats.

A well-intentioned pet owner may be tempted to resort to over the counter pain medications meant for humans. But, **BEWARE!** Tylenol and any preparations containing acetaminophen are toxic to our beloved pets. Dogs may suffer liver disease. A dog's blood's oxygen carrying ability may also be affected. For cats, **ANY** amount of acetaminophen is toxic! If you think your pet may be in pain, contact your veterinarian immediately.