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Bash Christmas Party will be at Three Flames on December 5th. Mark your calendars

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Working on another design for a WINTER BASH shirt.

Last year we did a competition for a design for a BASH shirt that we purchased through an online program (works great as we can get multiple styles, colors and sizes- you pick, order and when it closes for sales they are sent to us.

We are asking for ideas or drawings for a shirt logo (will be on the front of most but some people want a zip up hoodie and that will be on the back) Can not be complex with too many colors (3-4 works well) or a line drawing (limits us to light colors only). An example might be 3 Siberians playing around a snow man, or a couple of Siberians (mom and pups) sleeping with it snowing....etc...send your idea or drawings to Randee at BASH@com-ctl.com. The board will pick the best picture or idea. The person (or persons) that send it in will receive a free shirt or sweatshirt with the design.

How Can I Keep My Dog Safe This Halloween?

Keep the trick-or-treat candy away from your dog. Candy is meant to attract, and it does. Candy is not good for dogs, and some candies can actually be lethal. Many Halloween candies containing the artificial sweetener [xylitol](#) that can be poisonous to dogs. Xylitol can cause a sudden drop in blood sugar as well as a subsequent loss of coordination and seizures. **Some common candy dangers for pets include:**

- Wrappers, string, and sticks that accompany candy may cause a blockage that requires medical attention.
- Fatty chocolate and candies can also predispose dogs to pancreatitis.
- Raisins can cause death in dogs, and many nuts are also dangerous if ingested.
- **Chocolate** — especially baking or dark chocolate — can be dangerous and even lethal for dogs. Symptoms of [chocolate poisoning](#) may include vomiting, diarrhea, rapid breathing, increased heart rate, and seizures.

The toxic component of chocolate is theobromine. Humans easily metabolize theobromine, but dogs process it much more slowly allowing it to build up to toxic levels in their system. A large dog can consume more chocolate than a small dog before suffering ill effects. A small amount of chocolate will probably only give your dog an upset stomach with vomiting or diarrhea. With large amounts, theobromine can produce muscle tremors, seizures, an irregular heartbeat, internal bleeding or a heart attack. The onset of theobromine poisoning is usually marked by severe hyperactivity.

The usual treatment for theobromine poisoning is to induce vomiting within two hours of ingestion. If you are worried or suspect that your dog may have eaten a large quantity of chocolate and they are showing any of the signs listed above, call your veterinarian immediately. If you have a small dog that has eaten a box of chocolates, you need to call and go to your veterinarian right away. Do not wait. However, should your dog get ahold of a piece or two, it is most probably not cause for alarm.

Do not leave your dog outside on Halloween. Vicious pranksters have been known to tease, injure, steal, and even kill pets on Halloween night. Keep your pets safe inside the house.

Keep your dog confined and away from the door. People will be coming to the house on a semi-continual basis, including children dressed in unusual costumes with masks. The continually ringing doorbell or knocking, and the door's constant opening and closing may upset pets. It is easy to see how a constant flow of visitors and noise can be stressful and confusing to a dog. Additionally, their protective instinct is and their reactions could range from fear and anxiety to aggression and escape attempts, which are more likely to be successful due to the frequently opening door. If you know your dog is nervous, keep them contained in a part of the house that is as far away as possible from the door to avoid [holiday pet runaways](#).

Keep Halloween pumpkins and corn out of your dog's reach. Although they are relatively nontoxic, these vegetables can induce gastrointestinal upset if ingested by your pet in large quantities. Intestinal blockage can even occur if they swallow large pieces of pumpkin or a corncob.

Do not leave lit pumpkins or electrical cords unattended around pets. Should your pets get too close, they run the risk of burning themselves or knocking the pumpkin over and causing a fire. If your dog chews on the cords, they could be cut on shards of glass or plastic, or receive a possibly life-threatening electric shock.

Be careful with pet costumes and try them on before Halloween. For some pets, wearing a costume can cause stress. The [ASPCA and PetMD](#) recommend not putting your dog in a costume unless you know they will be comfortable and stress-free. The costume should not limit your dog's movement, sight, or ability to breathe, or bark. The costume should be checked over for small, dangling pieces that can easily be chewed off to ensure there are no choking hazards. Let your dog become acquainted and get used to the costume beforehand. If they show any sign of not liking the costume, let them go without it.

Keep your dog calm and easily identifiable. Halloween brings a flurry of activity with visitors arriving at the door, and too many strangers can often be scary and stressful for your pets. All but the most social dogs should be kept in a separate room away from the front door during peak trick-or-treating hours. While opening the door for guests, be sure that your dog doesn't dart outside. Always make sure your pet is wearing proper identification—if for any reason he or she does escape, a collar with ID tags and/or a microchip can be a lifesaver for a lost pet. If your dog should escape and become lost, having the proper identification will increase the chances that they will be returned to you. Make sure the information is up-to-date, even if your pet has an embedded microchip. Halloween is fun for you and your kids and, with a little planning and prevention, it can be fun for your four-legged kids as well. Should you have any questions regarding safeguarding your pets during Halloween or would like more information about therapy dogs, please contact the

September Meeting

Thank you Bill Otto for hosting it. We had about 12 people physically at the meeting and 10 that joined us on Zoom.

Zoom worked better this time. It was great that a number of members that have moved from the area used the zoom as a way to check in with many of us. Got to see each others dogs etc. Chatted before and after the meeting on Zoom.

Kim and Frank are going to set up cameras at my house before the meeting in November so more people can join us through Zoom

Overall the meeting was short and to the point. (minutes will be available later)

We talked about how things are going and that we hope to do more events at everything opens up. For now we do have our Christmas Party on Dec 5 at 3 Flames in San Jose. Kim is going to check on if we can still do buffet style (before Covid they served us what we picked at the tables) or if they prefer us to purchase designated dinners. November newsletter will have all the sign up information.

SnoBASH- only if we can find a place to hold it. With so many fires this last year, many places that we could have sledged are burned out. We will look and hope for one in 2023???

Ice Cream Social- Is usually held in September to honor all of our adopted dogs and their families. Parks aren't opening up yet for us to reserve the...hopefully next year.



We discussed rescue and that we have still been able to help place many Siberians without having many foster homes. Heron Ho (who lives in Arizona) has kept up with coordinating people to pick up dogs, finding a person to foster a dog that is not a member of BASH (we help with all aspects of finding vets to help etc) and in evaluating possible adopters for dogs that we are sponsoring.

We discussed coming up with another idea for a shirt fundraiser (see article about it) They are fun to do and we don't have to inventory sizes for all.

We are open to ideas that anyone has about things to do?? Hike, husky meet up? Other ideas... Just send them to BASH@com-ctl.com

BASH General

Saturday November 20, 2021

5 pm
408-371-1841

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Come about 5pm and we will start the meeting at 5:30
If you can't come, here is the Zoom link (we will do our best but make no promises that you will hear all or be seen to ask questions.

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85381812965?pwd=aFZQd2xwVEI3MzMydjNjVtMzRNLz09> Meeting ID: 853 8181 2965
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We will discuss upcoming events ??? :

Hikes
Christmas
Party
Rescue



And anything
else people
would like to talk about

Dinner will follow meeting

RSVP if you are coming so we have a count for dinner.

BASH will supply the meal and drinks.

Hope to see many at this meeting....



Rescues October 2021

Karen Fenton

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Meet LeeLoo! Can I trust you? Will you be my best friend, confidant, and save me too? I am so scared but I want love and need your help. Rescue me. Stand by me.

LeeLoo is a black and white, bi-eyed, young female Siberian Husky about 18 months old. She came into the rescue traumatized, terrified and starving. After some weeks in foster care, encouraging her to trust again, she is ready for adoption to the right rescue experienced person or family. We request no applicants with very young children, cats, or pocket pets. She has done well with elementary aged children and up and enjoys playing ball with them.

LeeLoo is a delight to walk on leash and absolutely ADORES going for walks and trots. She is highly responsive to voice commands and could become an excellent Canicross or mushing partner. She also seeks praise and positive responses in running, working on recall, and daily household activities. She is very very affectionate once she knows you and trusts you; very timid until that point. She does not initially meet well due to how shy she is with new people. But she doesn't take too long to warm up. Her foster family has been working with her using positive reinforcement and treat motivation.



She does well with other, laid back, dogs if she is slowly introduced and given several days to adjust to her new place and order in the group. She does not do well in dog parks yet due to her need to learn trust, but she is a breeze on leash in human parks. She cannot be loose, off leash, unsupervised. She is completely house trained and happily crate trained and is perfectly at ease inside for hours or in a large kennel during the day.

LeeLoo's perfect forever home is rescue experienced and willing to give her blossom the sunshine it needs to grow. They will also have a firm commitment to continue to guide/train her while she learns her new environment.

Please open your hearts and home to this beautiful, amazing, special, loving girl. She will melt your heart, just give her the time and will have the key.

BASH Calendar- over the years we have always done a calendar with pictures of our Siberians. We sell it at our cost and have it printed through Shutterfly. We had gotten a 8 x 10 calendar (we know many younger people only use electronic ones now) but some of us still like that calendar to write on.

If you are interested in a calendar (cost is usually around \$20 with shipping) and want to send your dogs picture in to be in it.... Email pictures to BASH@com-ctl.com

Bay Area Siberian Husky Club

Membership Renewal and Associate Application 2021-22

Membership \$35.00

To be a voting member you need to attend 2 general meetings and then ASK to be voted in as a voting member (hopefully in the future we will have meetings again.....)

Date _____
Name(s) _____
Mailing address _____
City, State, Zip _____
Area code and phone _____
E-mail Address _____
Amount Enclosed \$ _____

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