

"An animal's eyes have the power to speak a great language." Martin Buber

May always brings in flowers and new life. Time for cool breezes and hiking in the out of doors. Remember when hiking with fur folk, check the temperature, bring water and a collapsible bowl, find shade, take lots of rest stops. Do NOT leave your animals (or humans) in the car, cars are ovens when it's hot!

EVENTS AND MY NEWS FLASHES

"FUR SHUI"®

"Fur Shui"® An Introduction to Animal Feng Shui.

TLC - The Discovery channel! Recently was filmed as I helped out a client with her question to clone her lovely dog Kabuki. The show "I cloned my pet, part 2" will air this Monday, and Tuesday, on TLC - TV14. Take a look on May 21 (Mon) 10PM or May 22 (Tues) at 1AM for the show!



Louis, Myra, (Kabuki's person) and Phil at Myra's home during the filming of "I cloned my pet". Cheers to both Louis (producer) and Phil (Director / Camera) from England's production co. of Cicada Bellwether, London

For other fun places the book and I and others have been "seen" go to:

<http://furshui.blogspot.com>

WHERE?

Been such a great hiking climate here in SoCal...taking advantage of the beach and the Mts! Discovering again the Santa Monica Mountains as well as seaside retreats! Recently visited Ojai for a biking day with friends from San Diego who travel all about biking and hiking. Flowers bloom at Easter time at the beautiful gardens at SRF in the Pacific Palisades, Los Angeles. Get out there and enjoy nature!



Roses at SRF, Fur Shui on top of Mt. Vetter, Los Angeles, and the old clock tower in Ojai, CA!

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WHO, HOW AND WHAT?

"Hot spot" season starting up! (from Dr. Andrew Jones)

"The technical name for a hot spot is acute moist dermatitis. They are a local area of bacterial infected hair follicles. They form most often during the warm summer months. Any scratch or wound can cause the skin to become infected and develop into a hot spot. Most hot spots are secondary to some type of skin allergy. SOLUTIONS: REMOVE THE HAIR. This is the most important thing to do in order to allow hot spots to heal. Use a pair of blunt nosed scissors to trim as much hair as possible on and around the spot. If you have clippers use them for trimming. These can be very painful and some dogs will not let you trim much hair. CLEAN THE AREA. Use a mild, non-perfumed antiseptic soap (Hibitane) to clean the skin. Gently dab it on the spot, lather up and rinse well. A CUP OF TEA. The key to curing hot spots is to get them to dry out. A very effective antiseptic drying solution is tea and aspirin. Brew up a strong cup of black tea and dissolve an aspirin tablet in it. Soak a cloth in this brew and apply it to the area for 5 minutes four times daily. And my new Remedy...Apple Cider Vinegar. It can be applied directly to the Hot Spot- 4 times daily. I soaked it in a cloth and wiped the clipped area. It has anti-bacterial and anti-inflammatory properties. As an aside, it is also high in potassium, making it beneficial for older, sometimes potassium deficient pets. As well, it can be consumed orally (after all it is fermented apples)- and it can give your pets an overall immune boost." Dr. Andrew Jones

Flower Essence Animal Tips for beginning of "vacation" season.

So many of us will be traveling without our fur side kicks this summer. When you have to leave your pet home or board them at a safe home away from home, flower essences can be a great help for coping with temporary changes and loneliness. Animals miss their people as much as their people miss them! Feelings of abandonment are common as vacations and moves happen. Below are a couple of essence hints to help. ALWAYS dilute essences when giving to fur folks...write to me, and I will send you the "how to do this" note!

Beech: If you are going to travel WITH your animal, Beech can help with the "motion" of travel and give a bit of extra confidence to your pet. Beech helps with car motion sickness...use with Walnut for a smoother trip for your pet!

Honeysuckle: This is an Essence that helps with the emotion of homesickness and abandonment. Use to balance out those lonely days and nights for both you and your animal...yes, this would be good for both person and pet to use.

Begin using essences at least a week before any travel or change is going to happen. Always let your animals know...talk with them, tell them the exact time and dates of your being away and when you are coming home.



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Something nice: Gratitude!

For each new morning with its light,
For rest and shelter of the night,
For health and food, for love and friends,
For everything Thy goodness sends.

~Ralph Waldo Emerson

Here is "Dripping Springs" at the Irvine Ranch Conservancy. Join me at the IRC for sketching, journaling, hiking and connecting to nature. <http://www.irclandmarks.org/>

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