

RISE: PETS ARE FAMILY, BUT HOW DO WE KNOW IF WE ARE DOING THE RIGHT THINGS TO KEEP THEM HEALTHY AND HAPPY? I'M RISE JILL MILLER.

THERE ARE SOME MYTHS WE NEED TO DISPEL ABOUT WHAT IS AND ISN'T GOOD FOR OUR PETS' HEALTH.

VETERINARIAN DR. ASHLEY GALLAGHER WITH THE FRIENDSHIP HOSPITAL FOR ANIMALS:

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MOST PEOPLE THINK IT'S OKAY TO FEED PETS TABLE SCRAPS. BUT, DID YOU KNOW ONE OUNCE OF CHEESE FOR A 20 POUND DOG IS LIKE EATING MORE THAN ONE AND A HALF CHOCOLATE BARS! AND, THAT SAME PIECE OF CHEESE FOR A 10 POUND CAT IS LIKE EATING ALMOST THREE FULL CHOCOLATE BARS. TABLE SCRAPS ARE EMPTY CALORIES FOR PETS. THEY NEED PRECISELY BALANCED NUTRITION FOR THEIR SPECIFIC LIFE STAGE AND SPECIAL NEEDS TO STAY HEALTHY. A FOOD LIKE HILL'S SCIENCE DIET IS GREAT BECAUSE IT GIVES THEM EXACTLY WHAT THEY NEED WITHOUT ANY EXCESS NUTRIENTS THAT MIGHT BE HARMFUL.

AND, REMEMBER CATS DON'T HAVE NINE LIVES... AND NEITHER DO DOGS. TAKE THEM FOR REGULAR CHECK-UPS AT THE VET TO BE SURE THE ONE LIFE THEY HAVE IS HEALTHY.

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