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Judy Taylor and family would like to offer a huge and heartfelt thank you to the many family, friends, and community members who organized, hosted, attended, and/or donated to the benefit dinner on November 8 at the Interlaken Sportsman Club. Very special thanks to Sue Johnson, Bill Wech, Codie McGuane, and Sportsman's Club employees and volunteers for creating such an amazing event. We are beyond grateful for the countless hours of food preparation, donation organization, setup, and teardown, as well as everything in between, that went into planning this beautiful display of support. Such an outpouring of love is truly humbling; we were, and remain, moved and inspired by the kindness of our community.

Mom (Judy) has completed 6 rounds of chemotherapy for Diffuse Large B-Cell Lymphoma (Non-Hodgkin) between July and October. She has responded very well to this treatment, and we are hopeful that in the coming weeks we'll receive continued good news regarding her health and the status of the cancer.

We expect days, weeks, months, and years to hold ups and downs – this past year has certainly had its share of both for us, in ways we did not expect. But we cannot know compassion without suffering... and from hardship arises the opportunity to build resilience. And if we're lucky, we get through these times of hardship with a team of people in our corner who care for, uplift, and strengthen us through the fight. We are all extremely thankful to have such a team, found in this community, of wonderfully compassionate neighbors, family, and friends.

Many thanks again to all those involved in creating such a heartwarming and special day, and to those who sent cards, stopped by to visit, dropped off food, and provided rides to and from appointments throughout the summer.

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(Reprint) "What has been will be again, what has been done will be done again; there is nothing new under the sun." Ecclesiastes 1:9 RSV

Most treasured readers, every once in a while I wake up on Monday morning deadline day and find myself having absolutely no idea of what I'm going to write about. On days like these, if I have the time, I just start babbling on and on, and after about an hour or so, a few coherent sentences begin to fall out, and before I know it, boom, I have an article. On other days, like this exceptionally cold and dreary morning, when I'm in a hurry (Theresa is up to her neck in baby lambs, and so I have to help her out in the barn), I fall back on the archives I've collected after eighteen years of my Monday morning scribbling. As I did so this morning, I was struck by the realization of how certain themes and situations in this business of veterinary medicine perpetually come up year after year. The following story was as true eight years ago as it is today.

"... Life is unfair." John F. Kennedy

Last week during my afternoon office hours, three times I very patiently listened to three different loving clients who shared with me their problem of being overwhelmed with a deluge of unwanted stray cats that had showed up at their homes. They all had three things in common.

The first was that they were all from Seneca County. The second was that they were all living on a fixed income and had to face the realization their cat-caring habits were costing them more money than they had. As they spoke, the desperation in their voices and the pleading in their eyes was heart-wrenching. I did my best to listen as they poured out their wrath and bemoaned the fact about how unfair it all was, not only to them, but to the poor cats. As concerned as I always try to be at delicate moments like these, I also found myself becoming a little bit irritated (for reasons I'll explain shortly) by these conversations.

"I know the world isn't fair, but why isn't it ever unfair in my favor?" Bill Watterson, author of the Calvin and Hobbes.

My reason for the irritation had to do with the third common feature all three of these otherwise compassionate people shared in with regards to their vagabond cats. It seems that all of the stray cats had in one thing common: they were either pregnant, or were accompanied by several kittens, or, worst of all, were both pregnant and accompanied by nursing kittens. But their sharing with me their burden of motherhood in these stray cats wasn't what bothered me, it was their demanded solution to their problems that really smoked my drawers.

All wanted me to either abort the pregnant cats, or outrightly kill the mother cats, or at least get rid of the extra kittens. I know they were all desperate, and my intent of this article is not to in anyway lessen their difficulties. My intention is to make known, and to clarify, my personal policies and philosophy on the matters of euthanasia and abortion.

Regular readers of this column, as well as patient readers of my humble two best-selling books, already know my policy on euthanasia. With very, very, few exceptions, I will only put to sleep two categories of dogs and cats: Aged, old, or, otherwise suffering pets, and those that are mean, aggressive to the public, or those who have bitten their owners or a child. Period.

On the subject of not wanting to intentionally abort an animal, my philosophy takes two forms. The first, and probably lesser of the two reasons, is that it's simply often a sloppy mess. I remember in my internship days, the owner of a registered German Shepherd had asked the senior partner to abort her dog because of a miss-mating. The veterinarian did so, and despite having warned the pet owner of the likely consequences, the owner nonetheless freaked out when her poor dog spent the next week expelling dead and rotten puppy parts. Likewise, the few times I've accidentally had to do it because I didn't know the pet was pregnant until I opened them up for a routine spay, let me just say it's just a sickening thing. More importantly—but not nearly on the same level—my beliefs with regards to abortion in pets is identical with my revulsion of the procedure as it regards to human mothers and their compulsion to terminate the lives of their unborn because the precious little infant would likewise be an inconvenience. (I'll probably hear from the hysterics on this one)

Oh well. In closing, here's one more.

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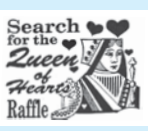
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9AM-2PM ---- Holiday Bazaar & Charlie's Dog Haven -----	Ovid
9AM-12PM --- Letter's to Santa -----	Bl
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10AM-3PM --- Open House & Craft Table -----	Bl
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11AM-GONE - Church Luncheon -----	Ov
1PM-1:30PM- Christmas Music -----	Pa
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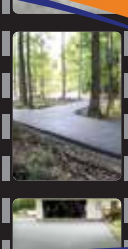
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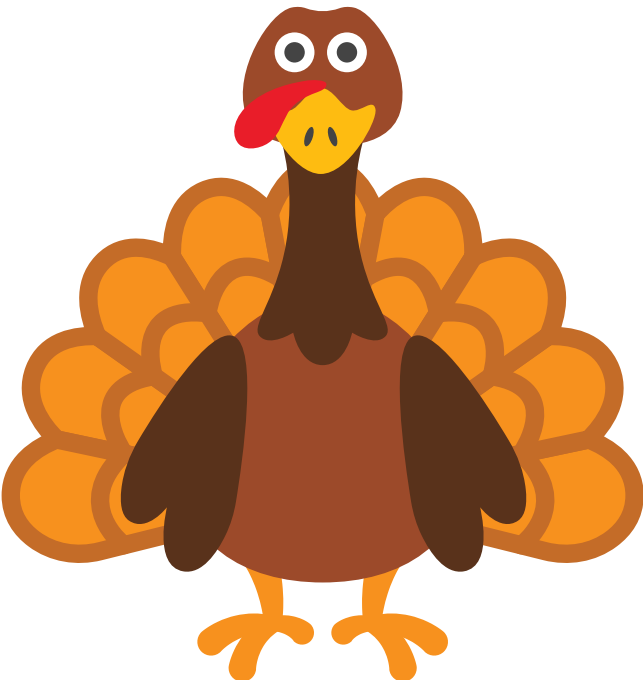
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Why did the police
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Why couldn’t the pilgrims
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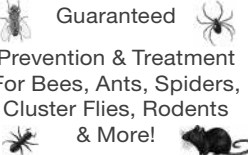
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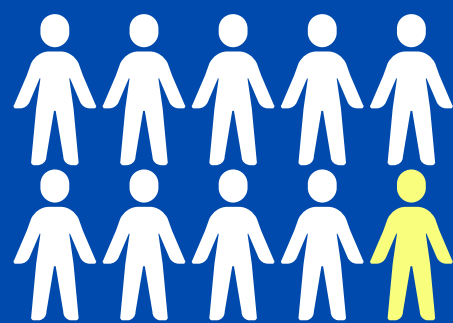
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