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Tales from Riley & Rascal

Someone suggested I do a pet column about my animals!

I have an 8 year old Brittany Spaniel named Riley and an 11+ year old cat name Rascal.

I often find Rascal sun bathing in the perfect spots around the house for his daily naps. I'm super jealous of his laziness and I'll go lay down with him for a quick "cat nap" sometimes haha

The other day I took Riley to the pet store to pick out his Christmas gifts. He was having such a good time sniffing all the things and checking out all the treats that he accidentally **peed all over the floor in the toy aisle**. I was mortified and totally willing to clean in up but the nicest worker, Mary, recognized us from my videos and offered to do it! Shoutout to Mary! I also did end up buying a **CACTUS catnip toy** I found! Go Figure, Right?!

Say hi to your pets for me – big and small!
See pics of them on page 6.



Holiday Facts

The song "Jingle Bells" was first called "One Horse Open Sleigh". It was written by James Lord Pierpont and he originally wrote it for his church's **THANKSGIVING** concert.

In Israel during Hanukkah, over **17.5 million** donuts are consumed.

45% of Americans make New Years Resolutions.



Wrap It Up

There are lots of things you can wrap presents in besides traditional wrapping paper!

- Brown Paper Bags
- Old wallpaper
- Shelf liners
- Newspaper
- Old potato chip bag
- Duct tape
- Old calendar pages
- Paint the box it was shipped in!



Craft Corner

A lot of our Christmas tree ornaments represent special times in our lives. This year I made these cute cactus ornaments to commemorate my crazy journey with Alloy the cactus!

See the video of me making them on my YouTube : "Christines Snaps"



“Remember That One Time...”

Hilarious holiday stories that will be talked about for years and even generations!



- “Long story short but my grandma accidently cooked a rat! TRUE STORY!”
- “Mom dropped dessert. It’s been 20+ years, we still judge her.”
- “My extended family and I almost burnt down a bed and breakfast.”
- “Forgot one of the kids stockings one year and filled it with what I had... oranges.”
- “My grandma would get sloshed on eggnog and air out all of the family skeletons.”
- “One time before Christmas I decided to skateboard in my house and I went too fast and created a huge hole in the wall.”
- “Prime rib was cooking in the oven all day then at dinner we realized the wrong oven was on.”
- “My cousin drove through the wall of my grandma’s house.”
- “One year my family couldn’t afford a tree so we decorated a floor lamp.”
- “My brother likes to wrap gifts crazily so one year he wraps mine in PLASTER – took hours to open.”
- “I baked a pie but forgot the crust. Ended up serving crust cookies separately like tortilla chips to dip.”
- “I let me husband grate the zucchini for a casserole and he grated a cucumber instead.”
- My dog somehow got out of the yard and ate all of my neighbor’s lights.”
- “My son decided to high-five the plate of Jello – leaving a full handprint in it.”
- “My grandma made mashed potatoes with vodka.”
- “I lost my necklace my boyfriend gave me two weeks after Christmas. I replaced it and four years later he still doesn’t know.”
- “My husband’s family used to put on a Christmas show on the roof of their house. His mom would hand out hot chocolate and they made it on the news!”
- “One year my dad threw out a hidden bag of presents instead of the bag of garbage.”
- “My granddad taking the door of it’s hinges to get the sofas out to make room for the table. Hilarious!”
- “I ruined Christmas dinner by leaving the table crying because my mom didn’t make gravy.”



Gifts: The Good, The Bad, & the Wacky

Anonymous stories of gifts that weren't the best.



An advice column from Alloy's POV.

Topic: Annoying Family

Question: How to deal with annoying/rude family members at holiday celebrations.

Alloy's Answer:

Great question! Holidays can be great but family can be a lot. Keeping everyone playing nice and acting cordial can be hard.

Here's some tips: Keep their mouths and hands full. Always have snacks out to munch on and keep drinks full so they're occupied. If conversation get stale suggest playing a card game or Pictionary. Maybe discuss favorite holiday movies or the weirdest holiday traditions they've heard of. Stay safe!

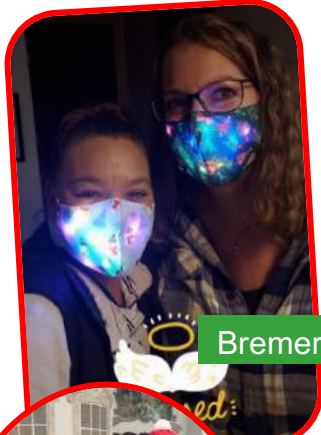
XOXO Alloy

- "An ugly ceramic pig head to hang on the wall as a towel holder."
- "A water bottle from my exes grandma she got from opening a bank account."
- Re-gifted tequila that I gave the person the year before..."
- "A goldfish that I just left at their house." 
- "Younger cousin gave me her mom's crockpot and I had to give it back."
- "I got my 1st bra for Christmas...opened it in front of everyone. Thanks mom!"
- "In-laws accidentally spoiled my engagement by gifting me a sign with my future last name on it."
- "When I was 13 I got a purse and a Cabbage Patch doll. My sister got a horse - - A REAL ONE!"
- "I gifted nipple pasties as my gift & my grandma got it."
- "My husband's siblings got Kindles and he got a box of old fireworks."
- "A Hallelujah clock – it sang Hallelujah every hour, ON THE HOUR!"
- "My wife gave me plastic storage bins for a gift."
- "Half eaten Pop-Tart and a phone book." 
- "Fake piece of dog poop..."
- "A bull whip."
- "I got a White Castle candle for Christmas. It smelled like grease."
- "I received a guest book that goes in your bathroom and your guests sign it while pooping."
- "My husband gave me a rock tumbler, so I could make my own jewelry."



Oldie Moldies Out In The Wild

****Photo submissions from fans of the newsletter****



Bremerton, WA



Mallory making Christmas cookies



Samantha, 11 months old, visiting Santa!
-Winchester, CA



Jeri and Leo spreading Christmas cheer!
-Napavine, WA



McVay Family in Washington



Cindy and her festive flamingo sweater!
-Petoskey, MI

Olive the Oldie Moldie



Abigail from Pennsylvania



Leslie and Kira at a work Xmas party (2019)
Peterborough, Ontario

Cheyenne from Washington



Karianne, Brigit, Kayla
-St. Petersburg, FL



Feliz Navidad



Wendy & Family
Las Vegas, NV

Gingerbread house by Leonie from Germany



Courtney, Ben, Asher
-Sandown, NH



"Coffee getting this Oldie Moldie through the holidays!"
-Maggie from Worcester, MA

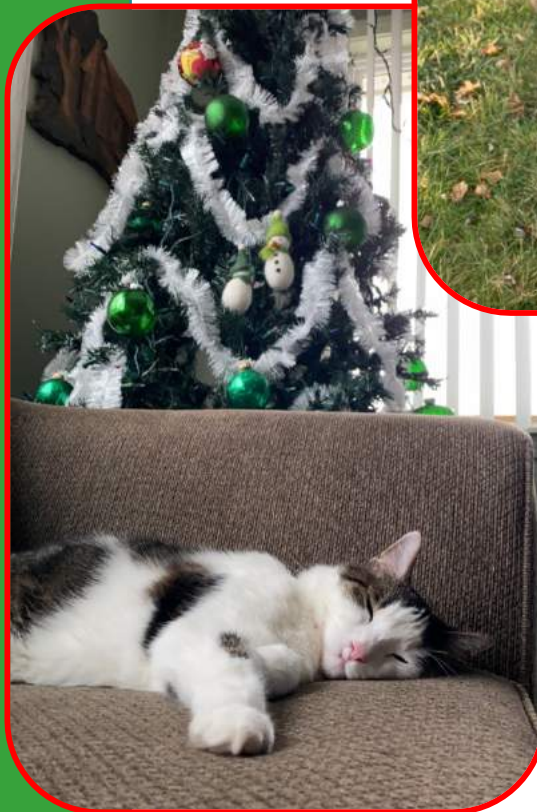
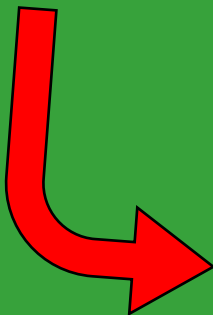
Otis George
-Springfield, MA



Have safe and happy holidays! 😊

Make sure to take some time for yourself and relax because this year has been chaotic - to say the least!

My cat, Riley, taking a fat nap next to our Christmas tree!
This guy finds the best places to sleep!



Riley chilling in the backyard and modeling a bandana gifted to him from the PO box.
THANK YOU!

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