

# Recognize signs of pet illness

By Alice Scott

One comment I hear from many pet owners is "My pet is never sick." Quite often, it is because people do not recognize health problems that are affecting their pet.

The following are some simple steps to ensure good health for your pet.

1. General attitude is very important with an animal. Is your pet quiet and listless? How does your pet react when you ask if they want to go for a walk? Do they still seem interested in playing fetch or with their toys?

2. Stools should be checked periodically. Look for any signs

of irregularity such as diarrhea or constipation. Additionally, a stool sample should be examined by a vet once a year to check for worms.

Do not attempt to worm your dog or cat with over-the-counter drugs because it requires a different treatment for each species of worm.

Changing the food can sometimes cause problems as well. Gradually, change your dog's food by mixing his old and new food brands together for a few days.

3. A change in appetite is a good indication of your pet's health. If a dog or cat has always been a finicky eater, you can con-



## Pet Talk

However, if a pet that general-sult your vet about trying a new food the next time you see him or her.

ly has had a good appetite does not want to eat, picks at its food or vomits after eating, you should be concerned.

4. Check the ears every week for signs of discharge or foul smell. If your pet shakes its head often, or constantly scratches its ear, it may have a problem with mites, which we cannot see.

5. Learn how to take your pet's temperature to see if it has a fever. This will help the vet arrive at a diagnosis. Ask your vet to show you the proper procedures for taking a dog's or cat's temperature during your next visit to the vet.

Animals can't tell us how they feel, but they do show us in other

ways. If you are concerned about any change in your pet's general attitude and appearance, call your vet. Most veterinarians are more than co-operative during phone consultations, and understand the distances pet owners have to travel.

Making a phone call can help you feel more at ease and is not a great expense when it comes to your pet's health.

Note: For those interested, Alice will be giving an informal talk during the next Disability Action Group meeting on Oct. 20 at 7.00 p.m. at McCausland Hospital. She will discuss the role animals can have in providing services to the disabled.



Members of the Terrace Bay Rec Centre Flex and Tone Class look on as Instructor Louise Boileau demonstrates proper weight training techniques. A new class will begin soon, and ladies who are interested in general conditioning and body toning are invited to join.

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The North of Superior District R.C.S.S. Board invites tenders for snow removal at Holy Angels School in Schreiber and St. Martin School in Terrace Bay. Snow removal quotes must be submitted on the North of Superior District R.C.S.S. Board form. These forms are available at the local school or the Board Office.

Details regarding snow removal may be obtained from Mr. Tony Speziale in Terrace Bay (825-3255) or Sister Shirley Grexton in Schreiber (824-2553). The snow must be removed prior to 8:00 a.m. Written quotes will be received until noon, November 2, 1988. Lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted. Please forward written quotes to:

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To Friends who sent flowers, cards, phone calls, during my stay in Toronto Western Hospital.

**Stella Gusul**

## Card of Thanks

Our sincere thanks to all those who made Karlis' retirement - birthday party such a memorable evening. Also, many thanks for the best wishes, cards, phone calls, luggage, drill, money tree, oil painting, flowers and all the other beautiful gifts that we received. Special thanks to our 'kids' - Tina, John, Martin, Larisa for your love and understanding and all that hard work -- **PALDIES!**

A grateful thank you to all of our relatives who travelled to Schreiber from near and far to share this "fun time" with us. (Ottawa, Pickering, Thunder Bay, Murillo, Ont./Winnipeg, Man., Powell River, B.C., Mountain Ranch, Calif.) An extra-special thanks to those who helped with the dinner preparations, etc. Everything was very much appreciated and has been written down in our book of good memories.

**Karlis and Maureen Redins**

## FAREWELL FRIENDS

To our good friends and the people of Terrace Bay, it is with much sadness that we leave you and say farewell.

We have had ten very happy years in Terrace Bay, and although it is exciting and challenging to be in a new town, we will always cherish the memories and friends we have from Terrace Bay.

Thank you to everyone for your friendship and a special thank you to our wonderful neighbours, May and Doug Caldwell, and Anne, Serge, Stacy and Jennifer Querry. Your many favours and kindness shown over the years will always be remembered.

We certainly look forward to keeping in touch with everyone and will be very happy to see your familiar and friendly faces in Hearst.

Sincerely  
**The Viejou Family:**  
Linda, Rob, Jill and Becky

## ATTENTION MEMBERS

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