

Evanger's Dog Food Recall



February 3, 2017 — Evanger's Dog and Cat Food Company, Inc. of Wheeling, Illinois, is [voluntarily recalling](#) specific lots of its Hunk of Beef product due to potential contamination with the deadly drug, pentobarbital.

Pentobarbital can affect animals that ingest it, and possibly cause side effects such as drowsiness, dizziness, excitement, loss of balance or nausea — or in extreme cases, death.

What's Being Recalled?

Although pentobarbital was detected in a single lot, the company is recalling all related Hunk of Beef products manufactured the week of June 6 through June 13, 2016.

The affected lots numbers that start with 1816E03HB, 1816E04HB, 1816E06HB, 1816E07HB, and 1816E13HB, and have an expiration date of June 2020.

The second half of the barcode reads 20109, which can be found on the back of the product label.

Where was the Product Sold?

The affected products were sold both online and also distributed to retail locations only in the following states:

- California
- Georgia
- Indiana
- Massachusetts
- Minnesota
- Ohio
- South Carolina
- Wisconsin
- Florida
- Illinois
- Maryland
- Michigan
- New York
- Pennsylvania
- Washington

About the Recall

The recall affects 5 lots of food that were produced from its supplier's lot of beef, which is specifically used for the Hunk of Beef product and no other products.

To date, five dogs reportedly became ill. And one of the five dogs died after consuming the product with lot number 1816E06HB13.

Evanger's is proactively issuing a recall so as not to risk potential exposure to pentobarbital in the product. According to Evanger's, all suppliers of meat products are USDA approved.

They insist the beef supplier provides the company with beef chunks from cows that are slaughtered in a USDA facility. Evanger's continues to investigate how the contaminant entered its raw material supply.

Because it sources its meat products from suppliers that are USDA approved and since no other products have reported any problems, the company is not extending the recall to other supplier lots.

According to Evanger's, this is the first recall event for the company in its 82 years of manufacturing.

What to Do?

Although it has been verified that little or no product remains on store shelves, consumers are asked to return recalled product to the place of purchase for a full refund.

Consumers with questions may contact the company at 847-537-0102 between 10 AM and 5 PM Central Time, Monday through Friday.

U.S. citizens can report complaints about FDA-regulated pet food products by calling the [consumer complaint coordinator](#) in your area. Or go to <http://www.fda.gov/petfoodcomplaints>.

Canadians can report any health or safety incidents related to the use of this product by filling out the [Consumer Product Incident Report Form](#).

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My love for animals started at a young age growing up in Akron, NY where the pharmacy is located. I was very fortunate to be given the opportunity to attend Louisiana State University School of Veterinary Medicine in order to fulfill my dream. My career of practicing veterinary emergency medicine has been very rewarding but I felt that I could do more. My thoughts kept returning to the shelters where I have volunteered as time allowed and the recurring need for additional funding was always there. The shelter staff and volunteers work so very hard to provide the care and love the animals require but they also have to spend time raising funds through donations, auctions, dog washes, bake sales etc. There has to be a better way.

Pet Rescue Rx is the better way. By purchasing pet medications through us you are directly funding animal shelters and rescue groups in your area. The best part is that you get to choose the group to support with every purchase!

People have options today on where they purchase their pets medications. Many large retailers are now making huge profits from these products. Pet Rescue Rx believes these profits should be going to the shelters and rescues which REALLY need the money.

I know that there is a passion for helping these pets find homes and fulfillment in being a part of something great. This will be great! And you will be a part of it. Just think about the shelters in your area both large and small which have suffered with funding and donation decreases. Think about all those faces that need our support and help. These faces still need food, the comforts of air conditioning on a hot summer day, heat in the winter and a dry place to sleep.

They need medical care and everything else that money can buy. I take no compensation from Pet Rescue Rx. This is my way of giving back to the pets which have brought so much happiness to my life. This is what they deserve.

Please tell your friends, family and everyone you meet about a better way. Tell them about Pet Rescue Rx. "A pets before profits pharmacy".

Peace, Love and Rescue,

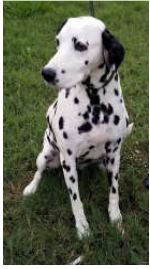


Glenn Buckley, DVM
Pet Rescue Rx, Founder

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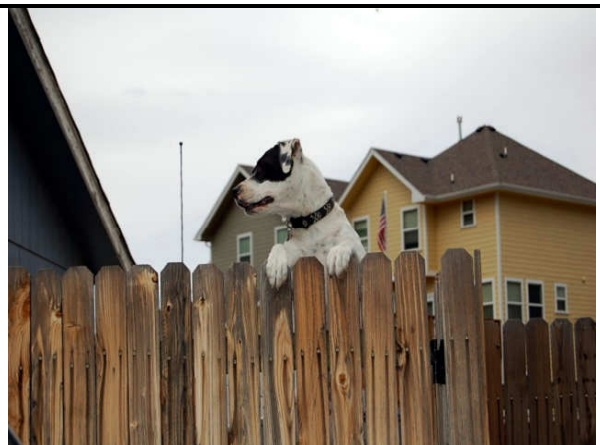
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Attention Adopters!! – Yes, I'm talkin' to you!

If you haven't already submitted your Happy Beginnings Story, PLEASE, PLEASE, PLEASE take some time to do it now! Yes, I am begging. We really would like to have your stories on the website and make you a star here in the NewSpots!! So, what are you waiting for? Submit your stories and a new photograph of your fur kid(s), and yourself if you want, to me today! dalmatianrescueofco@comcast.net

Want To See Your Dog In Print? (or on our website or advertising flyers, etc.)??

We are seeking reader submitted photos! So get busy with your camera and start sending the photos in today. We prefer either TIF or JPG format and sized no smaller than 640 x 480 pixels. Please include some descriptive text to help identify what's happening in the photo(s) and be sure to include your dog's name(s), your name, city and state (so that I can give you credit for the photo). Send photos to me at spotted-dog-designs@comcast.net. I cannot guarantee that we will use all photos submitted. The more interesting and unusual the photo, the better the chance of it being used. Some ideas of photos could be your dog 'reading' a newspaper (hint, hint) – even better if he'll wear glasses while doing so; your dog watching television; sitting in the driver's seat; wearing a harness (this one could be used for a safety article); costumed up ready for Halloween. So there you have it... time to get busy with the camera and submit your photos today! See below for a few sample reader submitted photos – three of them have already appeared in NewSpots!



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Umm... not very hospitable, is it? In fact... it's hostile, right?

I actually have seen signs like this at people's houses. Not at any of my students' homes, but at other dog enthusiasts' I've known thru dog training clubs, etc.

Jetta is gone now, of course, but when someone came to my home, she quit barking when I told her to, and she jumped up onto the couch or into her wicker basket, depending on which I pointed to.

(BTW: That was HER couch. I bought that couch FOR HER. She did let me sit on it with her though. LOL)

Then, when my guest came through the door, she stayed on the couch or in her bed. (And this is what I teach to students, too, of course.) When my guest was READY to see her, either he or she would approach the couch to pet her, or I'd call Jetta off the couch to say hi.

This person has a right to not interact with a dog if he or she doesn't want to. And even if they don't like dogs, that doesn't make them a bad person and unwelcome in my home.

BTW... if you've been reading my newsletter for a while, you know that in 2007 I went on trial for a crime I did not commit. (And yes, I had eye witnesses and was found not guilty in a jury trial.) A woman in Salem named Billy Jean Peirce lied to the police and told them I sic'd Jetta on her. A cop came to my door - POUNDING on my door! - to serve me a summons to go to arraignment.

I opened the door to see him with his hand on his gun, asking if my "dogs" were contained.

Jetta was loose, but assigned to stay on the couch and be quiet. LUCKY! Lucky she was trained and stable. Cops often kill dogs who rush them! And a DOBERMAN??? Bye-bye doggie.

But I digress...

When a guest comes to my home, I want my dog to control herself.

People have a right to their own personal body space.

A sniff test is mandatory???

Come on!

Every human being has a right to not be sniffed by ANY dog.

Another sign I saw said: "It's her nature to sniff your crotch. Please feel free to sniff hers."

That's funny actually, but not so much if you really mean it.

We need to control our dogs so we - and our dogs - can show respect for others.

However, if someone can't or won't control their pets, maybe it's best to just text?

'Til next time, "kiss the kids"

Tori (Mom of Jetta WAC, CGC)

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Is An Assertive Dog Good or Bad?

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Zuzu turned 2 years old on October 28 (2015). She was just six weeks old when we brought her home. Just a tiny little thing. But even before we brought her home, we could see she was going to be a tough cookie who stood up for herself. We first met her when she was just under three weeks old. We visited her each week until we brought her home. During one of our last visits, one of her brothers stepped on her or bumped into her and she whipped around and snarled at him. That was a sign of things to come!

When we needed to collect Zuzu or direct her somewhere she did not want to go, her first response was to get feisty. She was an assertive dog who knew what she wanted and was not afraid to say so. And not afraid to stand up to anyone who tried to tell her otherwise.

At nearly two years old, she has come a long way. She has learned how to handle herself in better ways. She has learned how to communicate in less obnoxious ways. She has learned that sometimes you have to do things you don't want to do. That's life. Does she still get feisty sometimes? Oh, absolutely, but we know that is a part of her personality that will never completely go away. But that does not mean we blindly accept it and make excuses for

her. She has learned how to control herself better and is continuing to do so.

I often hear from clients that they were told by previous trainers or other people that you can never change certain behaviors. If a dog has bitten someone, they will always bite. If a dog has darted out the door and run off, they will always do so. If a dog has killed a small animal, they will always have a taste for blood. Some of these behaviors can be difficult to change, but it does not mean the dog is not capable of controlling their impulses and learning better ways to respond to situations.

Rather, these tendencies – whether they are breed tendencies or specific to that individual – are merely things we take note of and understand how they are going to help or hinder our end goal. They are not an excuse, but they do help us understand where we might need to focus more of our efforts.

Do I wish Zuzu were a little less assertive dog about things sometimes? Yes, surely. But there are also times when I love her ability to assert herself and not be easily pushed around. Depending on the circumstances, an undesirable trait in one case can be a highly desired trait in another situation. It all depends on your perspective.

While Zuzu's assertiveness can seem like a detriment when it contradicts what I want her to do, it is also a desirable trait when she needs to get past something that frightens her or when she has to deal with another dog who can be a bully and push others around. Because of her particular traits, she is resilient and able to move past things that other dogs would have a hard time moving on from.

Happy birthday to my resilient little pistol, Zuzu!

If you have an issue you would like addressed in a future installment of Ask the Trainer, please send your question to: sbrown@lovemydogtraining.com or Sue Brown, Love My Dog Training, 1494 S Perry Park Road, Sedalia, CO 80135.

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Bits & Pieces

Do you have a business or a hobby that other adopters, fosters, and volunteers might be interested in? Let us help you spread the word by 'advertising' in Dalmatian Rescue of Colorado's monthly newsletter – NewSpots! We currently notify a little over 450 people of the new editions of NewSpots! That's a lot of word of mouth and print advertising for FREE!! **Below is an advertisement appearing for the first time in NewSpots!!**

Advertising in NewSpots! is free!!

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*******Be A Pal, Save A Dal*******

PLEASE – They need YOUR help!! Remember when your rescue Dalmatian came home with you, from the warmth of a loving foster family? If we hadn't had foster homes, you probably would not have gotten YOUR dog. PLEASE think about fostering a dog for the Dalmatian Rescue where you obtained your Dal, or the one closet to where you now live, so they can save lives like they saved your dog's life!! PLEASE give a warm home to a dog who can relax, show his true personality, enjoy a thick bed rather than a concrete floor in a shelter and get ready for a new home. PLEASE help rescues and the dogs so that others might have a dog that is well socialized, trained and ready to love. PLEASE think about this... Dalmatians are everywhere and are literally dying to meet you or someone willing to give them a "spot" to LIVE until their forever home comes along. PLEASE be a spot for rescue and for them?

We thank you and you know any dog you help your local rescue save will be eternally grateful! PLEASE submit a foster application if you can possibly help your local rescue and them! PLEASE take your cookie... good boy/girl!

Reader Recommendation

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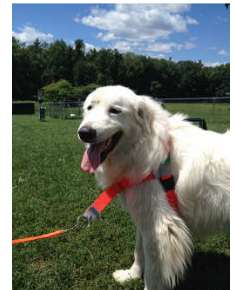
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In The Doghouse... Our Featured Dalmatians

Georgia

6-12 Months Old, Black Spayed Female

Reason Available: Stray

Foster Home: Valdosta, GA

Georgia is a lovely, very young Dalmatian mix puppy. She loves to cuddle, play, run and give and get kisses. Georgia was being fed by a family who moved away and asked their neighbor to feed her. When Georgia refused to eat, she was brought to the shelter to be cared for. Now in a foster home, in Georgia, Georgia is eating well, overcoming fear of abandonment and really blossoming! She is not a very large girl (weighing in at only 23#), so will fit just about anywhere! She has lots of growing to do yet, and lots of learning. Won't you be her teacher and show her that not all people leave little girls behind! For more information contact Sandy at sandy@ksold.com. Adoption \$250.



Nemo

2 Years Old, Black Neutered Male

Reason Available: Stray

Foster Home: Waco, TX

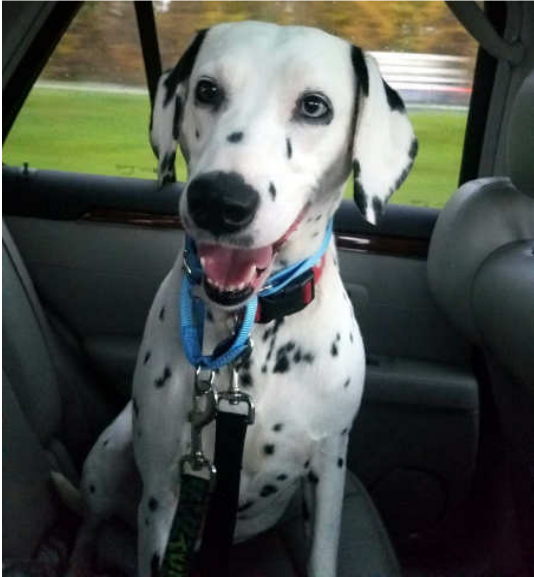
You read about Nemo in last month's issue... Now here he is ready to go!!!

When Nemo came into rescue he had a severely broken leg. Who knows why, but the vet suggested that the way the break spiraled around the bone that he was either slung by a human or caught his foot in something and did the damage himself. We'll never know, of course, but today Nemo's missing that leg we tried so hard to save. Nemo loves to rough house with the other dogs in the home and does so with ease. Happy to cuddle as well and share the couch or bed, Nemo is a very friendly guy. He is also a game player but a non-dominant dog would be the best canine companion for him. He does best with a routine and is crate trained. His house manners are good, but then he is in a "doggie" house that keeps items out of reach. Currently in Waco, TX our Nemo is ready for the next Happy Chapter to come along. For more information, contact Tena at tjp@grandecom.net. Adoption \$300.



Happy Beginning Stories

Leonardo (aka Shadow)



Leonardo riding home for the first time!

My “Happy Beginnings Story” begins two and a half years before bringing Leonardo (formally known as Shadow) home. In May 2014, I found myself without a dog after 16 years. Grover, my Chihuahua, my best friend, had passed away as a result of kidney failure. I was thirteen when I brought him home. He grew up with me, was a part of all life’s changes, always by my side. And now he was gone.

About six months after he died, I was ready to have another dog. I had always known since I was a child at some point in my life I would have a Dalmatian. This was the time. I began my search not realizing it was going to be a two year endeavor.

I have always believed in the idea of rescuing/saving/adopting. I have always been the type of person that has the desire to help an animal in need. My goal was to find a Dalmatian who needed a home. I diligently checked many rescues all over Michigan over many months. No luck. Curiosity led me to search up Dalmatian breeders in my state. I discovered there are very few in Michigan. This led me to the conclusion this was why the breed was not common in the shelters or rescues.

While still searching within my state, I began reaching out to shelters and breeders outside of my state. Typically because of distance or availability,

or even specific rescue and breeder guidelines, it was just not in my favor to bring one of their pups home. I do not know how it happened, but randomly searching for a Dalmatian online one day led me to a pup who needed a home through Dalmatian Rescue of Colorado. At this point I had invested many hours a week searching online and wondered why the DRC had never presented itself to me in the last two years of searching.

Like several times before, I contacted the rescue, specifically Beth White, inquiring about giving one of their dogs a home. By now, I was not hopeful due to many disappointments in the past. Apparently, I just had not found the right rescue. Beth White was the first person to make me feel like getting a Dalmatian was actually a possibility. It was just a matter of time now - I just had to wait for the dog who’s picture and story gave me “that feeling.” Oh my gosh, how quickly it happened. In about five weeks after discovering DRC, I had brought home my new best friend.

Around November 5, 2016 Leonardo (Shadow) was looking for a home through the rescue. Everything about him seemed just right except for his age. I looked at him and thought about him every day for a week. Then I inquired about him. Another week later, I got an email saying he was nearly ready to be adopted. I was bummed but was prepared for it. I had been disappointed a few times in the last two years of looking. Plus, I hem-hawed about him for too long.

The next day, I got another email about him. This one said he was up for adoption again and he was available for me. I cried. He was mine. I had not realized it but in my heart I had already made a connection to him. Three days later I brought him home. After searching and waiting for so long, it was very surreal for about a week to see him in my home. It was weird to turn around and he be right behind me, looking right at me.

He bonded to me right away. Stays by my side or keeps his eye on me. Makes me feel bad when I have to leave his side. I am very lucky to be able to take him to work with me if I desire. He goes on lots of car rides. Unfortunately, the Michigan snow and cold is keeping us from being able to spend a lot of time outdoors. I am looking forward to the warmer months-long walks, trips to the lake, camping, or simply going outback to play and run!

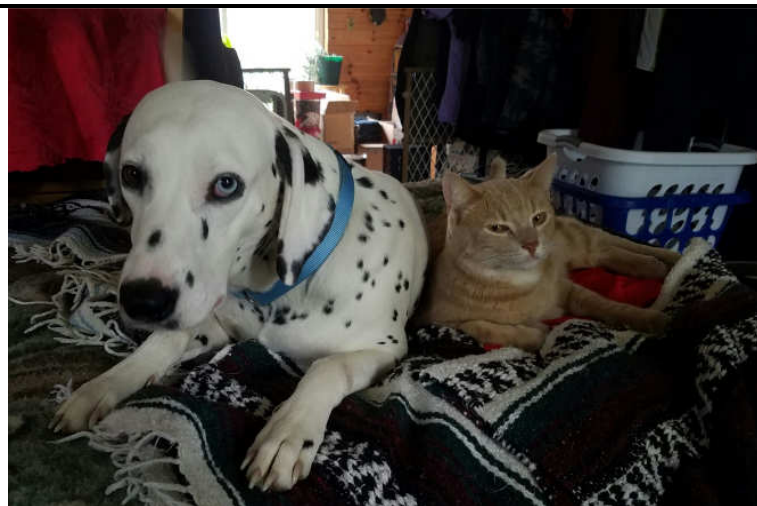
ADVICE FOR FUTURE ADOPTERS: Leonardo has had many good days and some trying moments. Not only has he had to learn me but I have had to learn him. Week one felt like the “Honey Moon Week.” You are both willing to please each other. You tend to let things slide as not to upset this new dog in your home after everything they have been through. Week two and three is now learning each other’s boundaries. It is now time for your dog to start learning your rules and expectations. After week four, it is reinforcing daily. Have lots of patience and give lots of love. They have been through a lot. In addition, I recommend a vet visit-the time to do this would be done with your best judgment. Leonardo needed some attention even though he appeared healthy in the beginning and had been to the vet previously with his foster family. It took a couple weeks for me to notice a pattern in behavior that yielded a vets attention and care.

I appreciate and thank everyone who has had a part in his life. I thank his first family for raising and training him to be the wonderful dog he is today. I thank his foster family for caring for him when he had nowhere to go. I thank Sandy Fuller for bringing us together. My biggest thanks goes to Beth White for giving me the opportunity to be a part of the DRC family. Leonardo has brought me so much happiness.

– Holly B.
Mancelona, MI



Aren't I so handsome? I could look at me all day!!



Hey! How'd that CAT get here???



Nap time!!



What's this white stuff in the yard?



Life is GREAT now!!!!

Please don't forget... if you haven't sent in your Happy Beginnings Story yet, why not do it right now while it's fresh in your mind! It's never too late to see your story in print!!

NewSpots is published and released on the first calendar day of the month. The deadline for submissions for future issues of NewSpots will be the 25th of the previous month. Submissions received after the deadline may be delayed in publication until the following month, subject to the Editor's discretion.

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