



# Pet Tips 'n' Tales

by Mary Ellen "Angel Scribe"

## My Donkey is a Pill!

Christine shared this experience with her donkeys' veterinarian. Therefore, it is comically vet approved!

"'Twas the night before Christmas (well, late afternoon)," began Christine, "and day one of dispensing four football size pills to Percival, one of my two mini donkeys. The instructions read: 'Add to grain. If necessary, crush, add liquid, put in syringe and plunge orally.'"

I wanted to avoid the 'plunge' method, so luckily Percival ate the first pill along with his vitamin pills.

On Christmas morning, he ate them again. So easy!

On Christmas night, Percival realized his vitamins/medicine combo tastes GROSS and he becomes a reluctant recipient, refusing it until I sprinkle my horse's supplement over them. All gone!

The next day, both methods fail. So I tried just the supplement powder. Success! Crunching. This is great! Then I see four rejected pills in his feed dish.

I dash to the fridge, chop up an apple and tuck a pill into each bite-sized treat with a few decoys in the mix. 'Al-ways offer a non-pill stuffed treat first.' Voila! So easy.

The next day? We're out of apples! Carrots to the rescue! Same M.O.: cut, core, insert the pill; bait and switch, feed an unloaded carrot and then a loaded one. Success!

The next day. Carrots eaten.

Pills spit out.

All is not lost, since the huge pill size is a boon. I retrieved and re-dispensed them. Percival had other ideas about THAT! He began carrot-cotting. (Donkeyism for boycotting carrots.)

Equines swoon over sweets! So I invent camo-carrots (camouflage carrots) doused in molasses.

Noooooo! Percival wouldn't consider the candy-coated carrots.

On the bright side, all the trips from the barn to our house and back helped me reach my goal of 10,000 steps a day!

Now what? I did not want to administer the purr-scribed 'crush and plunge method'. Think. THINK. THINK.

A new idea! Bread with jam! It worked! One bite at a time, times four, with the introductory decoy bite. Twice a day. Do the math. Percival did. Pills rejected again.

Is the pill bottle bottomless? The pills appeared to be 'going forth and multiplying'.

I tried a \$pendy natural bread, (apparently befitting Percival's palette), a flaxseed bread, (acceptable and more affordable), blackberry and strawberry jams, honey (not acceptable), grape jelly (too bland), and apricot preserves (so-so). I tried little bites, big bites and unloaded bites.

I, 'She, Who Only Has A Kitchen Because It Came With The House', hate to cook. Cutting apples, carrots, and spreading stuff on bread is like feeding a preschooler. My husband is now jealous of the

donkeys' diet.

Brainstorm: What about the leftover, sweet-junkie store bought cake treat from our grandson's visit? They're made for this! I excitedly added the 'little extra something' to the stale treat for the medicinal crunch.

Apparently donkeys know not to eat junk food - it was another no go.

I hand-fed our other donkey, Sebastian, almonds as a decoy. Percival approached to see what he was missing. Surely if Sebastian is happily munching and crunching almonds, the pill coast must be clear.

Are these pills magical? They fight infection and have given Percival 'Super Donkey Powers'! He can now detect pills like an eagle soaring at 5,000 feet can spot a mouse. Percival curls his upper lip and his ears go wonky at the first scent of 'eau de meds', demonstrating his disgust. And, once the pills begin crunching in his mouth, he does the infamous 'hock-tooey' and spits them out while giving, 'the I told you so!' look to Sebastian (while Sebastian happily crunches almonds).

It was time to think outside the refrigerator. What about peanut butter?

Not only does the crunchy peanut butter hide the dreaded sound of crunching pills, but pills embedded in the sticky combination are harder to spit out. (Not impossible. Just more difficult.)

After dispensing the last pill from the bottomless bottle, a beautiful Hallelujah Chorus was heard far and wide ema-



Courtesy Photo

Christine's two mini donkeys, Percival (L) and Sebastian (R), outSMARTed her...almost!

nating out from our barn into the night!

My new donkey problem? Percival has to join 'Peanut Butter Eaters Anonymous'!

DISCLAIMER: No grandchildren were harmed in the making of this epic. Despite the ingredients in the colorful cake treat, our grandson is still alive and well."

## Tips

"Sebastian is a greige Jerusalem donkey," said Christine, "so-called because he has a dark dorsal stripe and another one across his shoulder forming a cross. They are associated with the donkey, who carried Mary to Bethlehem and the donkey, who carried Jesus to Jerusalem on Palm Sunday. Percival and Sebastian come from a long line of donkeys, who have assisted humans for over 5,000 years! Their family is huge, 40 million worldwide, who are used in underdeveloped countries as pack animals. They pack a lot of power and personality into their little bodies! Our world is a better

place thanks to them."

It's no joke! A male donkey, or an ass, is called a jack and a female is a jenny. When a jack donkey mates with a horse, they produce a mule, which are called a hinny. Oh! The jokes that come to mind!

Dolly, a champion Pekingese, says, "I don't like taking medicine, but I love all the different treats my mother tries hiding them in."

I must say this article also rings true for our cats . . . and my husband! Cats don't eat peanut butter, so we use hamburger, but it is a good thing Mr. Angel Scribe likes peanut butter!

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## THANKS FOR HELPING KEEP OUR GRADUATES SAFE!

The 2016 School Year came to a joyful end and as the 33rd annual Drug and Alcohol free Graduates All Night party saw 117 revelers came safely through their first post High School Night. A committee of parents and community members working since January and a broad financial backing from many local businesses set the stage for a celebration open to all the local South Lane Graduates. Most of the young adults were still in attendance when the grand prize tickets were drawn after 4am at the Elks Lodge, which served as the party center. Thanks to all who helped including the following businesses.

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Sunday School 9:30am  
Worship 10:45am  
Living Hope Free Lunch  
Wed. at 12:30pm  
541-836-7051 [www.drainnaz.org](http://www.drainnaz.org)

**HOPE U.M.C.**  
131 W "A" St. Drain, OR  
541-315-1617  
Pastor: Lura Kidner-Miesen  
Bible Study: 10:45am  
Potluck Lunch: Noon  
Worship: 12:45pm

**COTTAGE GROVE:**  
**6th & Gibbs Church of Christ**  
195 N. 6th St. • 541-942-3822  
Pastor: Aaron Earlywine  
Youth & Families Pastor: Seth Bailey  
Services: 9am and 10:30am  
Christian Education  
Nursery for pre-k - 3rd Grade  
[www.6thandgibbs.com](http://www.6thandgibbs.com)

**Calvary Baptist Church**  
77873 S 6th St • 541-942-4290  
Pastor: Riley Hendricks  
Sunday School: 9:45am  
Worship: 11:00am  
The Journey: Sunday 5:00pm  
Praying Thru Life: Wednesday 6:00pm

**Calvary Chapel Cottage Grove**  
1447 Hwy 99 (Village Plaza)  
541-942-6842  
Pastor: Jeff Smith  
Two Services on Sun: 9am & 10:45am  
Youth Group Bible Study  
Child Care 10:45am Service Only  
[www.cgcalvary.org](http://www.cgcalvary.org)

**Center for Spiritual Living**  
**Cottage Grove**  
700 Gibbs Ave. (Community Center)  
Rev. Bobby Lee  
Meets Sunday 3:00 p.m.  
[cslcottagegrove@gmail.com](mailto:cslcottagegrove@gmail.com)

**Church of Christ**  
420 Monroe St • 541-942-8565  
Sunday Service: 10:30am

**Cottage Grove Bible Church**  
1200 East Quincy Avenue  
541-942-4771  
Pastor: Bob Singer  
Worship 11am  
Sunday School: 9:45am  
AWANA age 3-8th Grade,  
Wednesdays Sept-May, 6:30pm  
[www.cgbible.org](http://www.cgbible.org)

**Cottage Grove Faith Center**  
33761 Row River Rd. • 541-942-4851  
Lead Pastor: Isaac Hovet  
[www.cg4.tv](http://www.cg4.tv)  
Summer Schedule: Sunday Service 10am  
Full Children's Ministry available

**Covered Bridge Nazarene Church**  
152 S. M St.  
541-942-4422  
Pastor: Cindy Slaymaker  
Sunday School: 9:30am  
Worship 10:30am

**Delight Valley**  
Church of Christ  
33087 Saginaw Rd. East  
541-942-7711  
Pastor: Bob Friend  
Two Services:  
9am - Classic in the Chapel  
10:30am - Contemporary in the Auditorium

**First Presbyterian Church**  
3rd and Adams St • 541-942-4479  
Pastor: Karen Hill  
Worship: 10:00am  
Sunday School: 10:00am  
[www.cgpresbynews.com](http://www.cgpresbynews.com)

**Grove Community Church**  
77820 Mosby Creek Rd.  
Cottage Grove, OR 97424  
541-942-0123  
Pastor: Bryan Parsons  
Worship: 10:30 a.m.  
Nursery: Infant - Pre-K  
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**Hope Fellowship**  
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100 S. Gateway Blvd. • 541-942-2061  
Pastor: Dave Bragg  
Worship: 11:00am Sunday  
Bible Study: 7:00pm Wednesday  
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Sat Evening Service 6:00pm  
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**Non-Denominational Church of Christ**  
1041 Pennoyer Ave \* 541-767-0447  
Preachers: Tony Martin & Robert Evans  
Sunday Bible Study: 10:00am  
Sunday Worship: 10:50am & 5:30pm  
[www.pennoyeravcoc.com](http://www.pennoyeravcoc.com)

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Euch. Liturgies; Sat. 5:30pm  
Sun. 10:30am  
St. Philip Benizi, Creswell:  
552 Holbrook Lane • 541-895-8686  
Sunday: 8:30am

**St. Andrews Episcopal Church**  
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541-942-5213  
Pastor: Kevin Miller  
Bible Study: Saturday, 9:15 am  
Worship Service: Saturday, 10:40 am  
Mid-week Service: Wednesday, 1:00 pm

**Trinity Lutheran Church**  
6th & Quincy • 541-942-2373  
Pastor: James L. Markus  
Sunday School & Adult Education 9:15am  
Sunday Worship 10:30 am  
Comm. Kitchen Free Meal Tue & Thur  
5:00pm TLC Groups  
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**United Methodist Church**  
334 Washington • 541-942-3033  
Pastor: Lura Kidner-Miesen  
Worship: 10:30am  
Comm. Dinner (Adults \$5, Kids Free)  
2nd & 3rd Monday 5-6:00pm  
[cottagegroveumc.org](http://cottagegroveumc.org)

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Message: 11:00am  
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