

## Edgewood Veterinary Tips by Dr. Kristy McCamy

## When Dog Meets Skunk

When you combine the natural curiosity and playfulness of a dog with the defense mechanism of a skunk, the results can stink. If the dog has been sprayed by a skunk, it's important to act fast: otherwise the odor can linger! First, secure the dog outside the home, or run the dog straight into the bathroom. (Skunk spray is made of oil which can rub off onto furniture, leaving a smelly trail throughout the house.) Mix together a quart of hydrogen peroxide a quarter cup of baking soda, and a tablespoon of Dawn dish soap. Scrub the dog, rinse, and follow with a second scrub using the dog's usual brand of shampoo.

If you have questions regarding your pets, please come to **1055 Grass Valley Hwy.**, or call **530-885-1919** today. Consider joining our family.

P.S. Remember to wear old clothes when shampooing a dog that has been skunked since the smell will linger in clothing fibers. You may need to purchase a new collar if the current collar is cloth.



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