



# CALVIN & SUSIE

Hawaii's Store for Healthy Pets

## Latest Store News

### New Products in Stores:

Sleek, smart, and stylish travel bowls from Poochie Bowl and Sleepypod.



Natural, healthy chews from Redbarn Premium Pet Products!

Cocolicious Organic Beef, Wholesome Venison, and Wild Caught



Salmon Dog Food from Party Animal Pet Food.

Earthborn Oven-Baked Grain-Free Holistic Dog Treats

### Upcoming Anesthesia-Free Dental Cleaning dates:

- Kapahulu - Sunday, April 23rd
- Kailua - Saturday, May 6th

Call for more details!

Kapahulu: (808) 734-2320

Kailua: (808) 262-2320

## On The Blog

**BEING A CAT PARENT: HOW I LEARNED TO FEED MY CAT**



**15 WAYS YOU CAN MAKE 2017 THE BEST FOR YOUR PET**



## BEING A DOG PARENT PART 2: STOCKING YOUR DOG'S FIRST-AID CLOSET

*Welcome to the second installment of our ongoing series of Calvin & Susie Blogs on "Being a Dog Parent" or "Being a Cat Parent". In this series we'll share how we, the Calvin & Susie team, learned how to care for our pets. We've made some missteps along the way, and we're still learning, but as people who make pet care our profession, we want to share with you the good stuff we've learned so far. Read the first post, on how the Calvin & Susie Blogger learned to feed her cat, [here](#).*

*This week's post comes from our owner and founder, Alli.*

### **Do you have a dog closet?**

For me, it's a full-height utility/storage closet in my laundry room. From top to bottom it's full of dog "stuff". Having raised several dogs over the last 17 years – five large and one small – I've accumulated quite a bit of supplies. Some I have used and purchased over and over, and some I bought, tried once or twice, and in that closet they sit, waiting for that moment when it will one day come in handy again.

I admit there are many items I probably could have done without – some have become favorites, and some were definitely impulse

buys for an unspecified emergency that I thought I might have to deal with in some vague future, and some I got just to test them out. Oh, well. Better safe than sorry.

So from one pet parent to another, I thought I would share some of my favorite items from my “dog closet” and hopefully save you from a closet full of clutter that somehow grows and grows. That is, if you don’t already have a dog closet of your own that is bursting at the seams like mine!

## **Must-Have Items**

I sleep better knowing that I have these items and products for emergencies.

**Calming products:** I have a tiny little bottle of Rescue Remedy, a little bottle of Buck Mountain Valerian Extract, and a ThunderShirt. I have used them in some combination, and sometimes just one or another depending on the severity of my dogs’ anxiety. Needless to say, during New Year Eve’s fireworks, the whole arsenal is deployed.

## **Medical Care**

**Hydrogen peroxide** – To clean wounds and to induce vomit. If you have feeding syringes, administration for vomiting is much easier, but if you don’t, teaspoons will do. For more information and guidelines on helping your dog vomit in an emergency, click [here](#).

**Buck Mountain Wound Balm for Animals** – To help heal wounds. One evening, I came home from work, and my Tommy had a couple of pretty deep gouges on his nose. He was in the yard all day while I was out, and I suspect he was fighting with the neighbor’s dog through the chain-link fence. (We now have double fencing on that side – it’s amazing how my shy and cowardly dog turns into this ferocious hound behind the security of a fence!) I cleaned the wound by pouring a generous amount of hydrogen peroxide over his snout, and packed it with Wound Balm. I kept it liberally slathered, and within days pink flesh started filling in and he was as good as new. He also lost a fight with a cat and got a bloody nose with a very distinct cat claw lines on his nose. Again, Wound Balm to the rescue. And because it’s made with ingredients that’s that are OK to ingest, I don’t worry about him licking his nose.

**Buck Mountain Wound Aid for Animals** – To stop the bleeding from cuts and scrapes. It works like styptic powder, but it also has healing properties. Also, it’s bitter so it discourages licking.

**A thermometer** – I used to have a rectal one, but now I also have an ear thermometer and I must say, it is Heaven-sent. One evening, when my reliably-ravenous Tommy didn’t want to eat his dinner, alarm bells went off. And since I had my very easy-to-use ear thermometer handy, I took his temperature and found that he was running a slight fever. I took readings throughout the night, and finding that his temperature continued to inch up, ended up rushing him to Pearl City VCA at in the wee hours of the morning. The vets managed to get his temperature to stabilize by the following day, and after labs and imaging ruled out anything serious, he was able to come home with antibiotics. . . (Read the full post at [calvinandsusie.com/blog](http://calvinandsusie.com/blog))

## **New and Featured Products**

### **Holoholo Collars & Leashes**

Calvin & Susie is happy to have new collars and leashes in our original Aloha prints back in stock. Made in limited quantities and only currently available in stores, come in and have a look!

