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## Greetings!

The Pet-A-Pet Club is back to regular scheduled visits at many facilities, although some aren't ready for us to return yet. During the pandemic we lost a good number of volunteers and are hoping to recruit new members to join our mission of bringing smiles to others.

Please check our **Visitation Schedule** (under the Membership tab of the website) and look for a location and time that fits your availability. We welcome new and old members to pick up where we left off. Please spread the word and contact us if you are interested in our activities.

## Dangerous Bread Dough

If you're baking bread, be cautious about your pets. Don't feed unbaked bread dough to dogs and make sure they can't steal rising dough from your kitchen counter. Bread dough has to rise, preferably in a warm, moist, draft-free environment. Unfortunately for dogs that eat bread dough, their stomachs offer optimum conditions for dough to rise.

The [Merck Veterinary Manual](#) lists bread dough as a food hazard for dogs. When a dog eats bread dough, the yeast continues to make the dough rise, distending your pup's stomach and releasing toxic levels of ethanol into the bloodstream. The pressure of the rising dough can mimic and [cause bloat](#), but the real danger is from the alcohol toxicosis. If your dog is fed bread dough or you suspect they have stolen bread dough, call your veterinarian immediately and look out for symptoms of alcohol toxicosis:

- Depressed central nervous system
- Weakness
- [Depression](#)
- Unsteady, drunken gait
- [Hypothermia](#)
- [Seizures](#)
- Coma

