



**DOO THE  
RIGHT THING**



[www.dfwstormwater.com/petwaste](http://www.dfwstormwater.com/petwaste)

**2020 CALENDAR**



# Thanks for Doo-ing The Right Thing!

Thank you to all the dog owners who took the Doo the Right Thing pledge! You are helping to keep people and pets healthy, along with keeping our local waters clean. All the photos in this calendar were entries in the 2020 Doo the Right Thing Calendar Photo Contest. More dogs were submitted than we could feature in this calendar, go to [www.dfwstormwater.com/petwaste](http://www.dfwstormwater.com/petwaste) for the full gallery or follow us on social media for more adorable dog photos.

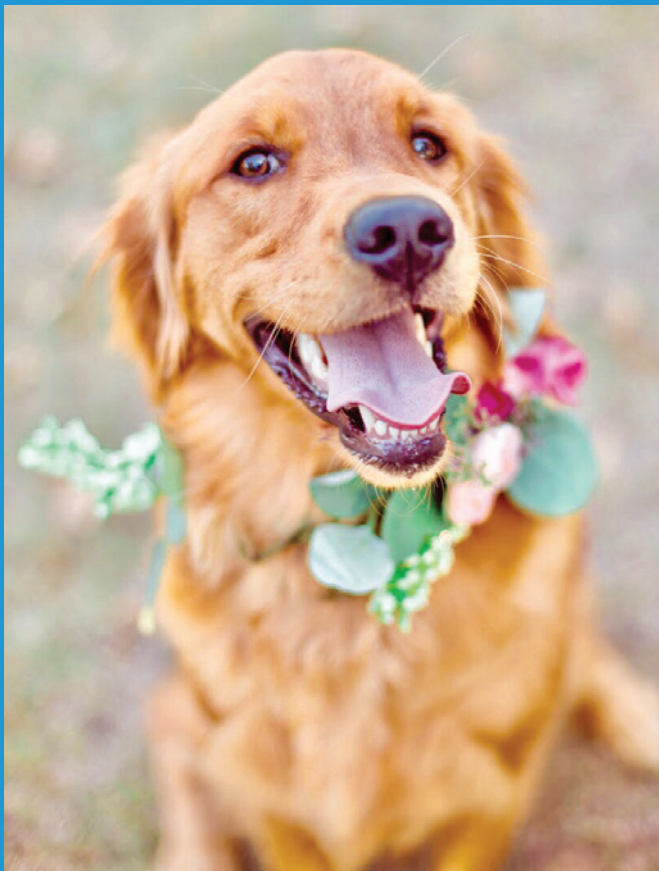
Why do we ask people to pick up after their dog(s)? Picking up after your dog is important for your health as well as the health of your community, pets and environment. Dog waste affects our water quality, harboring bacteria and parasites such as salmonella, E. coli, and giardia. One gram of dog waste can contain 23 million fecal coliform bacteria!

When dog waste is left on the ground, rain or sprinkler runoff can wash it into storm drains. The water entering storm drains does not get treated or filtered, so the waste – along with its bacteria and harmful nutrients – goes directly into our creeks, rivers, and lakes.

Approximately 1.5 million dogs are living in North Central Texas. The average dog produces three quarters of a pound of poo a day, which adds up to about 400 million pounds of dog feces produced every year in our region! That's a lot of "doo" – and a lot of potential to pollute our waters.

By simply picking up after your dog, you help keep pollutants from entering our local waterways. Pledge to Doo the Right Thing and submit your dog's photo for next year's contest at [www.dfwstormwater.com/petwaste](http://www.dfwstormwater.com/petwaste). When you pick up after your dog, you can make a difference in our region's water quality.

-The Partners of the Regional Stormwater Management Program of North Central Texas



Molly © Blake & Ashley F.



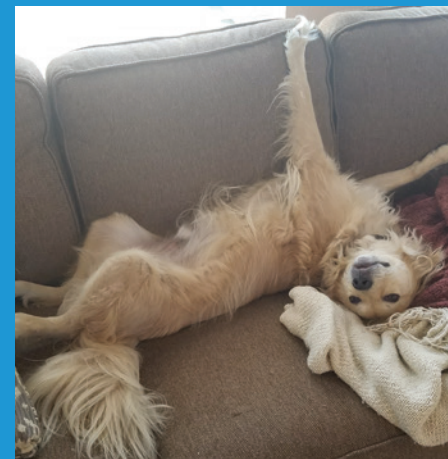
Lola © Jo S.



Arnie © Alisson J.



Hana © Kym M.



Cody © Bruce F.





Patch © Peter & Remy H.



Tilly © Paul K.



Jax © Shannon B.

## October 2019

S	M	T	W	T	F	S
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	31		

## November 2019

S	M	T	W	T	F	S
					1	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30

## December 2019

S	M	T	W	T	F	S
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31				

Want to see more cute dogs and learn more about why it is important to pick up after your dog? Follow us on social media!



@DooNorthTexas



@DooNorthTexas



@DooNorthTexas







December

S	M	T	W	T	F	S
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31				

# JANUARY

February

S	M	T	W	T	F	S
						1
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
 Ava Jane © Jeff C.	30	31	1 <i>New Year's Day</i>	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20 <i>Martin Luther King Jr. Day</i>	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	31	 Jeep © Evelyn D.



Make the resolution to pick up after your dog this year! Always carry plastic bags with you when you are walking your dog, and pick up any poo in your yard at least once a week. Throw your dog's bagged poo in the trash or use a pet waste composteer when disposing.







January

S	M	T	W	T	F	S
			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	31	

# FEBRUARY

March

S	M	T	W	T	F	S
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31				

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
 <p>Winkir © Bonnie C.</p>	27	28	29	30	31	1
<p>2</p> <p>Groundhog Day</p>	3	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
			Ash Wednesday			



Show your pet (and your neighbors) how much you care by picking up after your dog. When you set the example, you are promoting a culture of responsibility to pick up after your dog! Encourage this good behavior in your area!







February

S	M	T	W	T	F	S
						1
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29

# MARCH

April

S	M	T	W	T	F	S	
				1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11	
12	13	14	15	16	17	18	
19	20	21	22	23	24	25	
26	27	28	29	30			

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>1</b>  <i>Texas Smartscape Month</i>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>
<b>8</b>  <i>Daylight Savings Begins</i>	<b>9</b>  <i>Holi</i>	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>
<b>15</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>  <i>St. Patrick's Day</i>	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>  <i>First Day of Spring</i>	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b>
<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>
<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	

Bo © Doug P.



A common misunderstanding is that dog poop is similar to cow manure and can be used as a natural fertilizer. This is NOT true. Due to their different digestive systems and diets, dog waste is very high in nitrogen and phosphorus. Leaving behind dog waste is harmful to nearby watersheds, and can also leave burn marks on your lawn due to the nutrients it gives off.







March

S	M	T	W	T	F	S
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31				

# APRIL

May

S	M	T	W	T	F	S
					1	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
31						

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
 <small>Rocky © Gary G.</small>	30	31	1	2	3	4
5  <i>Palm Sunday</i>	6	7	8  <i>Passover Begins</i>	9	10  <i>Good Friday</i>	11
12  <i>Easter</i>	13  <i>Easter Monday</i>	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22  <i>Earth Day</i>	23  <i>Ramadan Begins</i>	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	1	 <small>Ranger © Nancy J.</small>



Let's make Earth Day, every day! Pick up after your dog and help reduce water pollution. You can reuse plastic bags such as grocery bags, bread bags, newspaper sleeves, or produce bags to pick up your dog's poo instead of purchasing special "dog poop" bags.







April

S	M	T	W	T	F	S
			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30		

# MAY

June

S	M	T	W	T	F	S
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30				

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
 Heavy © Mikaela H.	27	28	29	30	1	2
3	4	5 <i>Cinco de Mayo</i>	6	7	8	9
10 <i>Mother's Day</i>	11	12	13	14	15	16 <i>Armed Forces Day</i>
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25 <i>Memorial Day</i>	26	27	28	29	30
31	1	2	3	4	5	

Daisy © Briana C.



According to the EPA, dog poop is classified to be as toxic to the environment as oil spills are. This type of waste is considered to be in the same category as herbicides, insecticides, grease, and toxic chemicals! Protect other dogs, humans and wildlife by taking the time to "do" the right thing!







### May

S	M	T	W	T	F	S
					1	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
31						

# JUNE

### July

S	M	T	W	T	F	S	
				1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11	
12	13	14	15	16	17	18	
19	20	21	22	23	24	25	
26	27	28	29	30	31		

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
 <small>Princess Dottie © Baylee H.</small>	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14 <i>Flag Day</i>	15	16	17	18	19 <i>Juneteenth</i>	20 <i>First Day of Summer</i>
21 <i>Father's Day</i>	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	1	2	3	 <small>Hogan © Kevin M.</small>



Dog waste does not simply "wash away" as some people think. Leaving behind dog poop can contaminate our water supply through runoff and groundwater systems. Protect our waterways and always pick up after your dog!







**June**

S	M	T	W	T	F	S
1	2	3	4	5	6	
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30				

# JULY

**August**

S	M	T	W	T	F	S
						1
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
30	31					

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
 Charlie Brown © Patty R.	29	30	1	2	3	4 <i>Independence Day</i>
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	31	 T-Bone © Michelle B.



Parvovirus (also known as parvo), is a very serious and contagious disease that affects a dog’s intestinal lining. This can lead to the dog vomiting, having a loss of appetite, depression and even death. This virus can remain infectious on the ground for six months or longer. It can also be transmitted by shoes, car tires, and anything else that comes in contact with the infected dog waste. “Doo” your part to stop the spread of parvo and pick up after your pet!







July

S	M	T	W	T	F	S
		1	2	3	4	
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	31	

# AUGUST

September

S	M	T	W	T	F	S
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30			

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
 <small>Frank © Jean L.</small>	27	28	29	30	31	1
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
30	31	1	2	3	4	 <small>Boudreaux @ Laura S.</small>



Dog waste can take as long as a year to naturally break down! The bacteria in the waste can also stay in the soil long after the poop is gone if not picked up. According to the US Center for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), humans can pick up diseases when coming in contact with soil that has been infected with feces bacteria.







August

S	M	T	W	T	F	S
						1
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
30	31					

# SEPTEMBER

October

S	M	T	W	T	F	S
						1
						2
						3
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	31

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	31 <small>Georgia © Pam A.</small>	1	2	3	4	5
6	7 <i>Labor Day</i>	8	9	10	11 <i>Patriot Day</i>	12
13 <i>Grandparents Day</i>	14	15	16	17	18 <i>Rosh Hashanah Begins</i>	19
20	21	22 <i>First Day of Fall</i>	23	24	25	26
27 <i>Yom Kippur Begins</i>	28	29	30	1	2	

Ludwig Lucy © Kat M.



Whether your dog waste is left on the street or in your backyard, it can still cause water pollution. Through rain and sprinkler run off, the bacteria and nutrients from dog waste can wash into our storm drains where the water runs directly into our creeks, rivers and lakes. These bodies of water are our source of drinking water and where we swim, fish and boat.







# OCTOBER

**September**

S	M	T	W	T	F	S
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30			

**November**

S	M	T	W	T	F	S
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30					

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
 <small>Murray © Jeff F.</small>	28	29	30	1	2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12 <i>Columbus Day</i>	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	31 <i>Halloween</i>



October is Adopt a Shelter Dog Month! When you adopt a dog, you are also adopting the responsibility to pick up after your dog. The average gram of dog waste contains 23 million fecal bacteria. There are about 90 million dogs currently living in the United States. With that many dogs multiplied by that much concentrated bacteria each time a dog uses the bathroom, it adds up quick!







October

S	M	T	W	T	F	S
				1	2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	31

# NOVEMBER

December

S	M	T	W	T	F	S
				1	2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	31

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 <i>All Saints Day</i> <i>Daylight Savings Ends</i>	2 <i>All Souls Day</i>	3 <i>Election Day</i>	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11 <i>Veterans Day</i>	12	13	14 <i>Diwali</i>
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26 <i>Thanksgiving</i>	27	28
29	30	1 <b>DEFEND YOUR DRAINS</b> <small>www.defendyourdrainsnorthtexas.com</small>	2	3	4	

Ace © Gena B.



As the holiday season arrives, your dog (and perhaps yourself) may over indulge in all the good food. It's always a good idea to bring at least two bags on your walk, just in case. Be sure to not leave extra dog waste on your lawn for too long and clear your backyard of waste at least once a week.







November

S	M	T	W	T	F	S
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30					

# DECEMBER

January

S	M	T	W	T	F	S	
						1	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9	
10	11	12	13	14	15	16	
17	18	19	20	21	22	23	
24	25	26	27	28	29	30	
31							

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
 Levi © Zachary S.	30	1	2	3	4	5
6	7 <i>Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day</i>	8	9	10 <i>Hanukkah Begins</i>	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21 <i>First Day of Winter</i>	22	23	24 <i>Christmas Eve</i>	25 <i>Christmas Day</i>	26
27	28	29	30	31 <i>New Year's Eve</i>	1 <small>Rousey © Donny S.</small>	



A wonderful gift that you can give your neighbors, their dogs and the environment, is to pick after your pets! Dog waste contains high levels of bacteria and possibly parasites. Leaving waste behind can spread disease to humans, other dogs and wildlife. Along with E. coli and salmonella, dog waste has been known to carry Salmonellosis, Parvovirus, and Giardiasis. These types of bacteria and parasites can live in the soil for a long time if not picked up.



January



February



March



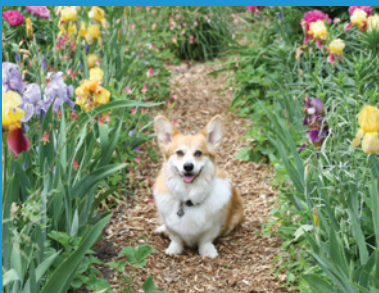
All the photos in this calendar were entries in the 2020 Doo the Right Thing Calendar Photo Contest. To submit your dog's photo for next year's contest and pledge to *Doo the Right Thing*, visit [www.dfwstormwater.com/petwaste](http://www.dfwstormwater.com/petwaste).

Follow us on social media for more information and adorable dog photos!



@DooNorthTexas

April



May



June



July



August



September



October



November



December



Produced by the Regional Stormwater Management Coordinating Council through the Stormwater Public Education Task Force.



OUR WATER

Take it personally!



North Central Texas Council of Governments Environment & Development



Please recycle this calendar when done using.