

18:13:55 <Renee> Hi Tami

18:17:11 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> Hi Renee

18:17:24 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> I was wondering if anyone was awake!

18:17:54 <Renee> Yes, just barely. I was a little early

18:17:59 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> Have you gotten your scanner figured out yet?

18:18:13 <Renee> Well, yes and no.

18:18:21 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> OK...

18:18:58 <Renee> The scanner I have figured out. I've not gotten my ISP in sync with Outlook, so I still can't scan and e-mail pictures

18:19:16 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> Can you scan and save to a file?

18:19:30 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> Then attach the file to an email?

18:19:56 <Renee> Yes and yes, but then when I hit ""send"" I get an error message

18:20:23 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> Perhaps they are too big to send, some ISPs have a limit on file size.

18:21:45 <Renee> I've gotten some info on the error message, I just haven't quite figured out how to change the darn settings

18:22:17 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> How is the DFW area? We have had one set of rain bands from the storm, but so far it has been pretty calm.

18:22:43 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> Although, the wind is picking up and we are supposed to get more thunder later this evening.

18:23:21 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> It's quiet tonight, not much going on on the FDMB either.

18:24:36 <Renee> Nothing here except heat and humidity. Doesn't look like we're going to get anything from the hurricane

18:24:41 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> Hi Don!

18:24:49 <Renee> Hi Don

18:24:49 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> Hi All!

18:25:24 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> How is everything?

18:25:53 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> So far so good, although we have a little storm brewing in the gulf.

18:26:11 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> so I hear

18:26:53 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> weather here in Buffalo, NY has been wonderful the last couple of days

18:27:03 <Sally\_and\_Penny\_GA> Hi everyone

18:27:07 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> Hi Sally!

18:27:15 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> Hi Sally!

18:27:25 <Renee> Hi Sally

18:27:42 <Sally\_and\_Penny\_GA> Hi Renee, Don, & Tami :)

18:27:52 <Renee> Tami, do you have a date yet for the Houston sugarcat meeting?

18:28:42 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> Not yet, everyone I sent an initial mail to wanted to come, but when we try to set a date, I don't get any replies, LOL

18:29:23 <Renee> You may have to do like Ellen did and just set a date.

18:29:44 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> Yeah, I think that's the best way.

18:30:20 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> Looks like we have about 7-8 people who want to come.

18:30:55 <Renee> That include the DFW people?

18:31:16 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> No DFW people have responded.

18:31:28 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> But, all are welcome.

18:32:07 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> How are things with you Don? Take your wonderful weather while you can, it will be snowing soon enough!

18:33:10 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> Tell me about it!

18:33:21 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> Things are pretty calm here.

18:33:24 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> Sally, if you wouldn't mind, please send your email address to either Ellen or me, we couldn't find it on the FDMB.

18:33:44 \* Don\_and\_Cosmos MOTIONS/smile.gif Cosmos is doing pretty good.

18:34:14 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> That's wonderful! Always good news when a sugarcat is feeling good.

18:34:46 <Sally\_and\_Penny\_GA> OK

18:34:54 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> Just wish I could get him near regulation!

18:35:30 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> It takes some time! Sassy was well regulated in about 4 months, then got his shots...

18:35:51 <Sally\_and\_Penny\_GA> I can give it to you now: cl-pennywise2000@catlover.com

18:36:11 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> Went totally unregulated, but is now back to his happy self on .6 units PZI.

18:36:12 <Renee> It took about 8-9 months before Buzzy(GA) got a number below 200

18:36:26 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> Thanks Sally!

18:36:28 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> Took me 9 months the last time, then he honeymooned for 8 months

18:36:51 <Sally\_and\_Penny\_GA> :)

18:37:35 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> I keep thinking Sassy wants to pack his bags, but then like yesterday he gave me numbers in the 400s

18:38:20 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> Full moon, being a cat, I don't know?

18:38:33 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> Welcome back

18:38:53 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> I guess I got kicked out! LOL

18:39:08 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> having cable problems here

18:39:22 <Deb\_and\_Jingles> hi :)

18:39:27 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> Hi Deb!

18:39:30 <Renee> Hi Deb

18:39:35 <Deb\_and\_Jingles> how are ya all?

18:39:37 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> Hi Deb!

18:39:53 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> Great here!

18:40:08 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> My cable rarely goes out, only when the power does. Not like my DSL, which was out every other day!

18:40:08 <Deb\_and\_Jingles> yay glad ot hear it!

18:40:08 <Renee> Tami, Buzzy would do that every now & then, I swore he had beer and pizza hidden somewhere

18:40:14 <Sally\_and\_Penny\_GA> I thought Penny was going on a honeymoon the last few weeks

18:40:16 <Sally\_and\_Penny\_GA> Hi Deb

18:40:46 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> I think they toy with the idea just to keep us on our toes, Sally.

18:41:25 <Sally\_and\_Penny\_GA> Well, now that I know she had kidney cancer & they were failing, I think that was why her BG was so good

18:41:36 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> Like to keep us on our toes

18:41:36 <Renee> Sally, you doing OK? I know how hard it is, especially the first few weeks

18:41:39 <Deb\_and\_Jingles> I'm lined up for my second surgery in two months on Thursday.. more quality time with Jingy Bear haha :)

18:42:08 <Renee> Jing going to be a good kitty while you recover?

18:42:08 <Sally\_and\_Penny\_GA> I'm OK, trying to deal

18:42:29 <Deb\_and\_Jingles> I hope so! Last time he hypod and I had to get up and take him to the vet before I was allowed out of the house \*LOL\*

18:42:45 <Renee> I know, even after 3 months, some days just suck

18:42:46 <Deb\_and\_Jingles> in my pyjamas! \*LOL\*

18:42:50 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> He just wants you to get well quicker.

18:43:21 <Deb\_and\_Jingles> well this will be a quicky surgery.. should be back on mv feet bv mondav so

I'll be ready hehe

18:43:28 <Sally\_and\_Penny\_GA> One good thing, got another job today. So I'll be too busy to think

18:43:38 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> Even after 2 years, some days just suck.

18:43:42 <Renee> My back went out this weekend, so Dixie decided to throw a glass bowl in the floor so I'd have to roll around on the floor. I swear I wasn't sure I was going to be able to get up

18:44:03 <Deb\_and\_Jingles> oh no!

18:44:08 <halo13> Hey, Everyone! from Kimber & Bunny

18:44:13 <Deb\_and\_Jingles> they sure do keep you on your toes don't they?

18:44:17 <Sally\_and\_Penny\_GA> Hi Kimber

18:44:18 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> Hi!

18:44:19 <Renee> A new job? Congrats

18:44:21 <Deb\_and\_Jingles> hello!

18:44:22 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> Hi Kimber!

18:44:30 <Renee> Hi Kimber

18:44:48 <Deb\_and\_Jingles> yay for a new job! though I can't say I'm one for getting up and going to work every morning.. it sucks \*LOL\*

18:45:22 <Renee> I get to work at 9:30. If I had to go to work at 8am I don't know what I'd do

18:45:23 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> Congrats on your new job, getting up is tough

18:45:48 <Deb\_and\_Jingles> I start at 8:30 so I have to leave around 8:10.. it sucks! \*L\*

18:46:04 <Sally\_and\_Penny\_GA> Thanks Renee

18:46:13 <Sally\_and\_Penny\_GA> and Deb

18:46:15 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> My last 2 jobs had me starting at 7:00am, yuck!

18:46:18 <halo13> I start at 8, leave at 7:30. Congrats, Sally

18:46:19 <Deb\_and\_Jingles> I'm getting married in October! :)

18:46:21 <Sally\_and\_Penny\_GA> And Tami

18:46:30 <Deb\_and\_Jingles> ew thats bad! \*L\* I doubt I'd ever make it that early

18:46:31 <Sally\_and\_Penny\_GA> Sorry, got distracted by the phone

18:46:35 <halo13> Congratulations Deb

18:46:38 <Deb\_and\_Jingles> thanks :)

18:46:40 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> Congrats Deb!

18:46:43 <Deb\_and\_Jingles> thanks! :)

18:46:56 <Renee> That's wonderful. Is Jing going to be the ""Flower Cat""?

18:46:59 <Sally\_and\_Penny\_GA> Best is I can still work from home, it's on the net :)

18:47:00 <halo13> Big wedding?

18:47:07 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> Happy day..a fall wedding, so nice

18:47:17 <Sally\_and\_Penny\_GA> Congrats Deb

18:47:17 <Deb\_and\_Jingles> \*LOL\* I asked my om if we could get him a little bow tie or kitty tux and I want the [photographer to take a picture of me with him !!

18:47:27 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> That's the same as my DH and I, we both work from home.

18:47:28 <Renee> Oh Sally, that is cool. Working in the jammies

18:47:30 <Sally\_and\_Penny\_GA> Oh, that would be cute

18:47:39 <Deb\_and\_Jingles> about 130 people.. 8 people in the bridal party :)

18:47:46 <halo13> Worked from home for over a year, MISS IT!

18:47:49 <Deb\_and\_Jingles> oooooooooooooooooooh I wanna work from home!

18:48:00 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> It would be really hard to get back to the real world.

18:48:03 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> I just want to work! LOL

18:48:14 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> So true, Don!

18:48:22 <Deb\_and\_Jingles> ok you can do my job and give me the money Don \*LOL\*

18:48:23 <Renee> Don, what kind of work?

18:48:23 <Sally\_and\_Penny\_GA> I've been working part time on the net, now it's 2 part time jobs that equal full time

18:48:36 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> I'm glad I haven't been caught in the layoffs yet.

18:48:37 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> Employment market is really bad around here.

18:48:52 <halo13> What state, Don?

18:48:53 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> Down here too, I know one guy been looking for over a year.

18:48:54 <Deb\_and\_Jingles> it is everywhere :( my mom has been trying to find a job for a few months now

18:49:07 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> New York

18:49:24 <Sally\_and\_Penny\_GA> It's bad here too, Dh goes 25 miles one way to work.

18:49:39 <Deb\_and\_Jingles> bad in PA too

18:49:43 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> One thing I don't understand though is why they are building so many big new houses when so many are out of work?

18:50:03 <Renee> My best friend had a nervous breakdown a year ago April and lost her job. Talk about tough to get another one and change careers

18:50:11 <halo13> \$200,000-300,00 Homes at that!

18:50:14 <Sally\_and\_Penny\_GA> That's where I am Deb

18:50:20 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> Wow, that must be hard..

18:50:21 <Deb\_and\_Jingles> oh hey where in PA ?:)

18:50:29 <Sally\_and\_Penny\_GA> Berks co

18:50:33 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> That's about the same thing that happened to me.

18:50:38 <Sally\_and\_Penny\_GA> North of Reading

18:50:44 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> I lived in Philly for 5 years!

18:50:50 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> I lost my job two years ago

18:51:00 <Sally\_and\_Penny\_GA> Philly is about 60 miles from me

18:51:02 <Deb\_and\_Jingles> \*LOL\* I'm about 15 minutes away fromphilly

18:51:06 <halo13> What kind of work do you do Don?

18:51:07 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> Worked for the Co, for 15 years

18:51:13 <Renee> Don, that is a really hard spot to be in

18:51:15 <Deb\_and\_Jingles> delaware county

18:51:16 <halo13> I LOVE Philly!

18:51:17 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> Systems Administrator

18:51:33 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> Downsized

18:51:36 <Deb\_and\_Jingles> maybe a half hour from center city

18:51:43 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> Two years! That is a long time to work for a company, but longevity means nothing anymore.

18:52:04 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> I meant, you've been looking 2 years.

18:52:06 <halo13> Where I used to work they downsized a guy who had been there 25 years

18:52:13 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> Bummer!

18:52:19 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> nore does loyalty or being a top performer

18:52:26 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> How true!

18:52:41 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> Well, lets get on topic in about 5 minutes.

18:52:43 <Renee> At my firm, longer you've been there, the higher the odds for layoff. Longtime employees are too expensive.

18:52:49 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> We got a new manager and from day one I knew he did not like me

18:53:11 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> you got that right

18:53:32 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> Same here, I've been with SAP for 9 years, although I work for the German division, the Americas is laying off their higher priced folks.

18:53:33 <Sally\_and\_Penny\_GA> I'm glad my DH is in the teamsters, hard to fire him

18:53:51 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> The unions do have their purpose!

18:54:03 <Sally\_and\_Penny\_GA> Yup

18:54:21 <Sally\_and\_Penny\_GA> I have no job security were I'm at, could fire me anytime

18:54:36 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> What is job security anymore?

18:54:41 <Sally\_and\_Penny\_GA> true

18:54:47 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> No one has job security anymore.

18:54:50 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> one day at a time

18:54:54 <Renee> very true

18:54:55 <halo13> Owning your own business

18:55:07 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> True, is that what you do?

18:55:18 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> I would love to work from home but don't know what to get into! LOL

18:55:31 <Renee> Tami, what is tonight's topic?

18:55:54 <Sally\_and\_Penny\_GA> I fell into my job, they came & asked me :)

18:56:17 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> There is only one thing I continuously fall into! LOL

18:56:21 <Renee> I don't think I'd like working from home, I get too distracted. I'd be playing with the kitties or watching old movies

18:56:21 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> Tonight's topic is What is the biggest obstacle you had to overcome in dealing with feline diabetes?

18:56:51 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> Everyone ready to have a go at it?

18:56:55 <Sally\_and\_Penny\_GA> It was nice, I could stay here & keep an eye on Penny

18:57:00 <halo13> Who is going first?

18:57:13 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> Since you asked, how about you?

18:57:21 <halo13> MILK

18:57:27 <Renee> That's true, when Buzzy was sick, I would have gladly stayed here to work

18:57:30 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> Milk?

18:57:41 <halo13> Bunny can't get enough and it is driving his bg's through the R00F

18:57:43 <Sally\_and\_Penny\_GA> Milk?

18:57:56 <Renee> Hi Myn

18:57:57 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> Hy Myn!

18:58:00 <halo13> I only give him a little each day...Hey Myn

18:58:03 <MynandBadgerAss> hi all

18:58:04 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> Hi Myn!

18:58:11 <Sally\_and\_Penny\_GA> Hi Myn

18:58:13 <Deb\_and\_Jingles> I can't get Jing regulated.. so that's a huge obstacle.. his numbers are all over the place

18:58:22 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> Are you feeding Bunny regular cows milk or the kitty replacements?

18:58:40 <halo13> Either one does it.

18:58:42 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> Hi Deanie!

18:58:43 <Sally\_and\_Penny\_GA> I used to give Penny milk, only upped her BG about 30 points

18:58:44 <halo13> Hey Deanie

18:58:49 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> Hi Deanie!

18:58:50 <MynandBadgerAss> hi deanie

18:58:52 <Sally\_and\_Penny\_GA> Hi Deanie

18:58:57 <deanie> hi there

18:58:57 <Deb\_and\_Jingles> hey myn and deanie

18:59:03 <Renee> Does it help to water it down some?

18:59:07 <Renee> Hi Deanie

18:59:09 <halo13> He was semi regulated again until he started his Gotta have Milk thing

18:59:14 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> I am suprised that regular milk would raise so much.

18:59:22 <halo13> Watering down doesn't make a diff

18:59:33 <deanie> omg, it's hot--boo doesn't even want to go out

18:59:38 <halo13> At first I thought the insulin was bad, but bought another bottle

18:59:43 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> He's been reading too many magazines with those ads.

18:59:48 <Renee> What about that canned milk

18:59:59 <halo13> They all have sugar

19:00:05 <halo13> Even Soy milk

19:00:34 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> That'a bummer if Bunny likes it so much.

19:00:48 <halo13> Would tell him no, but, he is on barrowed time

19:01:07 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> When you are ready Kimber, tag the next person!

19:01:10 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> Hi Debra,

19:01:13 <halo13> Hey Debra

19:01:18 <Debra\_and\_CB> Hi everyone

19:01:20 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> Hi Debra!

19:01:21 <Sally\_and\_Penny\_GA> Hi Debra

19:01:29 <Renee> can you boost his insulin just a bit to cover it?

19:01:30 <halo13> Who would be next?

19:01:30 <Deb\_and\_Jingles> I have to brush master Jingles here while I chat with you all \*LOL\* he's yelling at me

19:01:37 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> Your pick

19:02:08 <halo13> Renee, he drops to mid-low 100's at peak--so no

19:02:19 <deanie> hey, nice preshot for Boo--243!

19:02:24 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> We are discussing the biggest obstacle you had to overcome in dealing with feline diabetes.

19:02:34 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> All right Boo!

19:02:35 <Debra\_and\_CB> terrific Deanie :)

19:02:44 \* Debra\_and\_CB (Plays Sound: applause.au) applause

19:02:51 <halo13> Yeah Boo!

19:02:52 <Deb\_and\_Jingles> \*LOL\*

19:02:58 <deanie> not bad after all the extra snacks he got

19:03:06 <Deb\_and\_Jingles> you scared the bejesus out of Jingly \*LOL\*

19:03:10 <halo13> How about Deb and Jingles

19:03:13 <Debra\_and\_CB> lol

19:03:23 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> Go Deb, your turn!

19:03:49 <Deb\_and\_Jingles> well I don't feel like I've overcome much yet :( he's still not regulated.. I hope this feeding change works.. but I'd say maybe hometesting. cause I was getting really frustrated with that

19:04:11 <halo13> It IS hard at first

19:04:35 <Deb\_and\_Jingles> between him not sitting still and ten not getting enough blood or only getting half full strips I was getting very frustrated

19:04:36 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> yes...my fingers were sore from testing myself so much at first! LOL

19:04:47 <Debra\_and\_CB> hehehe

19:05:06 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> Funny, I had no problems with hometesting the first week, then I went on a business trip for 3 weeks and when I got home, I couldn't do it anymore!

19:05:09 <Deb\_and\_Jingles> I tested everyone in my family \*LOL\*

19:05:29 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> no one would come near me

19:05:38 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> they got stuck if they did

19:05:45 <Deb\_and\_Jingles> I had the opposite.. everyone was curious as to what their blood sugar was \*LOL\*

19:05:47 <halo13> LOL!

19:05:52 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> Don, we're called vampires for a reason...

19:06:06 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> this is true

19:06:06 <Deb\_and\_Jingles> mine was high because I had just had a tonsillectomy and all I could eat was ice cream and jello \*LOL\*

19:06:21 <Debra\_and\_CB> wb Deanie :-)

19:06:25 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> Man, tough eating all those goodies

19:06:25 <Sally\_and\_Penny\_GA> My DH was chicken, wouldn't let me test him

19:06:26 <halo13> Welcome back Deanie

19:06:29 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> WB Deanie

19:06:53 <halo13> Good night all--gotta go

19:06:58 <Sally\_and\_Penny\_GA> Mine was 90, after eating chocolate chip cookies

19:06:59 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> So, how are you doing with hometesting now?

19:07:32 <Deb\_and\_Jingles> pretty good.. I think I found the magic spot :) I am going to do a curve this weekend since I won't be able to go anywhere

19:08:03 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> So, finding the right spot is what made it easier?

19:08:03 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> that's great....good luck!

19:08:15 <Deb\_and\_Jingles> my mom has also learned and my dad wants to learn too.. I feel good about that in case I go away anywhere

19:08:31 <Sally\_and\_Penny\_GA> That's great they want to learn

19:08:34 <Renee> brb

19:08:40 <Sally\_and\_Penny\_GA> That they are helping

19:08:47 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> Good to have grandparents to watch the kiddies.

19:08:47 <Deb\_and\_Jingles> yep.. and Jing getting used to it. So he'll sit and be patient and I'll hit the right spot and almost always get enough blood on the strip. I feel much more confident now

19:09:04 <Sally\_and\_Penny\_GA> Hi Alita

19:09:04 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> Hi Alita!

19:09:06 <Alita> Hi All!

19:09:08 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> Hi Alita!

19:09:16 <Deb\_and\_Jingles> Hi Alita

19:09:18 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> It makes it so much easier when they cooperate...LOL

19:09:22 <Debra\_and\_CB> Hi Alita :-)

19:09:23 <Deb\_and\_Jingles> it really does!!

19:09:35 <Deb\_and\_Jingles> right now I am waiting for him to go pee pee in his special box \*LOL\*

19:09:39 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> Cosmos come running when he hears the meter come out

19:09:40 <Alita> full crowd tonight!

19:09:57 <deanie> boo just sits wherever he is and i bring the meter to him

19:10:04 <deanie> lol, he only runs to shrimp

19:10:05 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> has nothing to do with the test, he knows he gets a treat afterwards

19:10:08 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> When the microwave beeps, that's when Sassy comes.

19:10:08 <Sally\_and\_Penny\_GA> Penny was a doll, she'd get mad when I stopped testing for a curve. She'd sit at her spot & wait for me to test her again

19:10:14 <Deb\_and\_Jingles> Jing runs now whenever I am in the kitchen \*L\* cause we started meal feeding and he's starved \*LOL\*

19:10:35 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> arn't they funny

19:10:55 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> Like us, they get conditioned with FOOD!

19:10:55 <Alita> I have a slightly on topic poll- Who bg tests in a special spot and who goes to your kitty?

19:11:18 <deanie> i go to boo

19:11:21 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> Good question, we have a special place set up in the bedroom

19:11:25 <Sally\_and\_Penny\_GA> I used to do both, if she was sleeping I'd go to her

19:11:34 <MynandBadgerAss> If you mean run through the house chasing after her, that's me

19:11:36 <Alita> I've done both, so I don't think one is better over the other.

19:11:37 <Debra\_and\_CB> I have a special spot, but CB comes to me when I sit down there

19:11:42 <deanie> lol, myn!

19:11:48 <Deb\_and\_Jingles> well if he's walking around I put him on the counter so I can see what I am doing. If he's napping I go to wherever he is

19:11:48 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> I test on the kitchen counter

19:11:55 <Renee> I started taking Buzzy into the bathroom (to keep the other nosey kitties out), but thenm I jsut went to him

19:12:05 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> sometimes when I am doina curve I go to him if he is sleeping

19:12:06 <deanie> lol, how many of us allow the cats on the kitchen counter?

19:12:21 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> Same here Don, curve days are different, I go to Sassy.

19:12:23 <Sally\_and\_Penny\_GA> The kitchen counter was Penny's

19:12:29 <MynandBadgerAss> Like we have a choice, Deanie! LOL

19:12:32 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> why not? It belongs to them!

19:12:39 <Alita> With Rikki, I always went to him, but with Smokey (as he was so difficult) I test him on the kitchen counter.

19:12:47 <Deb\_and\_Jingles> oh well jeez after several years of not being able to keep them off of therewe just gave up and feed them on a special section off to the side

19:12:49 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> Mine don't bother to jump that high.

19:12:49 <Debra\_and\_CB> with 7 cats??? I'm lucky they let me hve any house priiviledges\

19:12:53 \* Sally\_and\_Penny\_GA MOTIONS/smile.gif Everything belongs to them

19:12:56 <Alita> On a towel filled with catnip. Now, he loves that spot!

19:13:20 <deanie> same with my b

19:13:26 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> catnip is good

19:13:30 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> OK Deb, who's it?

19:13:48 <Deb\_and\_Jingles> ummmm Don :)

19:13:53 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> OK

19:13:58 <Debra\_and\_CB> sorry about my typos....I'm on a different computer tonight, mine crashed

19:14:26 <Alita> My cats are not allowed on the kitchen counter. Smokey is only allowed there on his towel.

19:14:27 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> besides the devastating aspects of the disease itselg Ithink it was working with the significant people in my life

19:14:28 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> I just got a new one for the second time in 8 months, they keep crashing on me.

19:14:50 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> How so, Don

19:14:50 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> trying to get them to understand what and why I was doing what I was doing

19:14:58 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> they all thought I was nuts

19:14:59 <Alita> It is easier for me to bring him up to my level to do battle.

19:15:14 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> to do all that for a cat

19:15:29 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> a lot of people just don't understand

19:15:32 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> But, he's not just a cat...

19:15:34 <Renee> My friends were about 50/50, some knew exactly. Others, thought I was nuts

19:15:36 <deanie> no they don't

19:15:42 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> this is true for me

19:15:49 <Sally\_and\_Penny\_GA> My Mom said I should pts when I told her Penny was diabetic

19:15:51 <Deb\_and\_Jingles> I've gotten a lot of resistance too don. My fiance grew up with a family who put their pets to sleep when the slightest thing was wrong. He totally doesn't understand. And some of my friends think I am a little goofy too. Thankfully my parents are really helping and supportive

19:15:51 <deanie> my family was great about it though

19:15:58 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> but they don't know that nor do they necessarily care

19:16:18 <Sally\_and\_Penny\_GA> I told her, ""You have diabetes, should I put you to sleep?""

19:16:18 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> I think it is for all of us. Lucky my DH feels the same as I do, and I don't care what anyone else thinks.

19:16:19 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> I weeded out a lot of people from my life because of this

19:16:46 <Deb\_and\_Jingles> I felt sorry for them that they've never cared so much about a pet and had such a bond that they would do anything to help them.. thats sad

19:16:54 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> family memebers included

19:16:56 <deanie> yeah but you still have cosmos and that's what really matters

19:17:13 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> you can say that again

19:17:25 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> Cosmos is the second cat I had that was diabetic

19:17:29 <Renee> My ex didn't really understand until he lived with me and my ""kids."" When Buzzy had DKA, he wrote the check.

19:17:34 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> Now you know who the important people in your life are!

19:17:45 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> I bet you felt the same way about Mr. Peepers.

19:17:46 <Deb\_and\_Jingles> I asked my fiance if we had a child with diabetes if he would put them to sleep and he said thats different and I said no its not

19:18:04 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> yea, it really gets you thinking

19:18:04 <Sally\_and\_Penny\_GA> they are our kids

19:18:13 <deanie> i had a co-worker make some really rude remarks a couple of weeks ago

19:18:27 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> And you don't have to put them through college!

19:18:28 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> those are the worst

19:18:30 <Debra\_and\_CB> I don't think it's a ""cat"" thing....to me, it's just having respect for life essence

19:18:31 <Sally\_and\_Penny\_GA> First sentence my grandson said was, ""Penny is gradma's baby""

19:18:34 <deanie> and i've decided if he does it one more time, i'm filing a written complaint with the lab manager

19:18:50 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> you can't work with them and you can't shoot them either! LOL

19:18:50 <Renee> Oh Sally, how sweet

19:19:04 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> People can be so heartless sometimes

19:19:11 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> Hi Kat!

19:19:13 <Debra\_and\_CB> Hi Kat :-)

19:19:14 <deanie> hee hee, i got him in trouble last week though for a major screw-up

19:19:15 <Sally\_and\_Penny\_GA> Hi Kat

19:19:17 <Alita> Hi Kat

19:19:17 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> Hi Kat!

19:19:21 <AmeKat> Hello from Kat and Nox

19:19:27 <deanie> hey kat!

19:19:31 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> yes they can till it comes to them

19:19:31 <AmeKat> how is everyone tonight?

19:19:38 <Renee> Hi Kat.

19:19:38 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> great here!

19:19:39 <Deb\_and\_Jingles> Ive had coworkes say rude things about people who just own cats.. like oh you know how ""cat people"" are..

19:20:01 <AmeKat> yeah, I have heard those peDople too

19:20:15 <Sally\_and\_Penny\_GA> What gets me are people I know who will spend thousands on a dog, but think I was nuts for spending money on my cat

19:20:17 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> I know....men don't have cats for pets....they have dogs

19:20:31 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> Bull!

19:20:40 <deanie> look at the bright side, don--women adore men with cats!

19:20:41 <Deb\_and\_Jingles> my dad never liked cats til we got 3.. then I'd find him talking to them when he thought he was by himself and I'll come downstairs and he'll have two of them on his lap \*L0L\*

19:20:58 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> <blushing>

19:20:58 <Renee> Sorry, all, but I've got to go early this evening. My back is on my last nerve. Nite everyone.

19:21:05 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> OK Don, your turn to pick the next confessor.

19:21:06 <deanie> night renee

19:21:08 <Alita> very true, Deanie! Don, you are A-Okay in my book!

19:21:11 <Sally\_and\_Penny\_GA> Night Renee

19:21:15 <AmeKat> that is true...I am tired of men who ""don't like cats""

19:21:15 <Deb\_and\_Jingles> mine too!

19:21:15 <Sally\_and\_Penny\_GA> take care

19:21:16 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> Nite Renee

19:21:18 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> Night Renee

19:21:20 <Deb\_and\_Jingles> and Jing agrees \*L0L\*

19:21:26 <AmeKat> night renee  
 19:21:29 <Deb\_and\_Jingles> night renee  
 19:21:49 <Alita> night, Renee.  
 19:21:54 <AmeKat> brb  
 19:21:55 <Sally\_and\_Penny\_GA> My DH was the one who decided we'd keep all 5 kittens :)  
 19:22:06 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> so that was the biggest obstacle for me  
 19:22:15 <deanie> wow, sally--hang on to that one!  
 19:22:26 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> Sounds like you managed to survive it  
 19:22:33 <Sally\_and\_Penny\_GA> uh, actually I probably won't  
 19:22:43 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> How about you Alita?  
 19:23:03 <Alita> How about me? What are we talking about?  
 19:23:10 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> tag  
 19:23:13 <Deb\_and\_Jingles> hehe  
 19:23:15 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> LOL  
 19:23:19 <Alita> Oh, topic time- my biggest obstacle?  
 19:23:30 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> About the biggest obstacle you ran into with Feline Diabetes  
 19:23:38 <Alita> PATIENCE!  
 19:23:43 <deanie> LOL  
 19:23:45 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> What's that?  
 19:23:48 <MynandBadgerAss> OK, I'm just catching up and I have to say that you're wrong, Don, when i started dating my hubby he had Badger, he said a cat fits a partying single guy lifestyle a whole lot better than a dog you have to walk every three hours!  
 19:23:57 <Alita> I am having a heck of a time getting Smokey regulated.  
 19:24:06 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> I'll second that!  
 19:24:20 <Alita> I did a curve the other day on 2.5 units of L...  
 19:24:34 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> I bet Smokey is still under a lot of stress, new home, new people, etc.  
 19:24:38 <MynandBadgerAss> SO there are other cat guys out there LOL  
 19:24:40 <Alita> The lowest he went was down to 348 and duration was 6 hours.  
 19:24:48 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> of course there are.  
 19:25:00 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> Wow, that's pretty short for L

19:25:04 <Alita> I emailed Lisa and said ""Can I raise him to 4 units now?""

19:25:06 <deanie> yeah and i just broke up with one, like the idiot i am

19:25:24 <Deb\_and\_Jingles> aww I'm sorry

19:25:24 <Sally\_and\_Penny\_GA> Wow, Penny got 24 hours out of L

19:25:35 <MynandBadgerAss> I told you Deanie, I have another if you want him, I'll have to scan that pic for you..... 8-)

19:25:39 <deanie> i think a full unit increase to 3.5 is safe

19:25:43 <deanie> we did it with boo

19:25:48 <Alita> Actually, she came up with a good suggestion to try a different bottle of L.

19:25:51 <Alita> Did that.

19:25:56 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> And?

19:26:02 <Alita> No change.

19:26:23 <Debra\_and\_CB> Different bottle, from different store, from different lot #???

19:26:33 <deanie> when boo's peaks were still over 300, we did full unit ncreases

19:26:33 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> I'm having the same results on L

19:26:42 <Alita> I changed the litter box today and figured out I went through 35 lb of litter in the last two weeks!!!

19:26:48 <Alita> This guy can pee!

19:26:54 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> He's still eating?

19:27:03 <Alita> Oh yea!

19:27:13 <Alita> no problems there.

19:27:38 <Deb\_and\_Jingles> \*LOL\* Jing's upper lip just got stuck on his tooth and he looked like he just took out dentures

19:27:42 <Alita> I don't believe he is stressed anymore. He has made himself right at home here.

19:27:52 <Alita> LOL

19:28:24 \* Deb\_and\_Jingles MOTIONS/laugh.gif

19:28:25 <Alita> I'm going to give this new bottle a chance to work and then my next increase may be a full unit.

19:29:04 <Alita> I dropped his dose when he came here (he was on 4 units) because I couldn't get him to eat.

19:29:20 <Alita> He may end up right back at 4 units eventually.

19:29:42 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> Sassy seemed to like high numbers for a while (had him up to 5 units), turns out he was hypothyroid and anemic. We fixed that, now he is at .6

19:29:48 <Deb\_and\_Jingles> I have a question.. if you've been on a certain insulin for a little while.. is the duration the same no matter what the dose or does it change?

19:29:59 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> Cosmos was on L u of N bid before he honeymooned

19:30:20 <Debra\_and\_CB> Deb, I found that the duration changed for CB

19:30:50 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> duration should stay pretty much the same

19:30:50 <Alita> Or may switch to PZI, but Patience is giving me a problem right now.

19:30:50 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> Sassy's duration on PZI vet varies from 2-4 hours some days.

19:30:55 <Debra\_and\_CB> wb Alita :-)

19:30:59 <Sally\_and\_Penny\_GA> A lot of times the duration gets longer with a higher dose

19:31:03 <Alita> thanks.

19:31:04 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> wb alita

19:31:11 <Deb\_and\_Jingles> like if I am spot checking around 4-5 hours on L will that always be his peak time?

19:31:14 <deanie> lol, no 2 days are ever the same with a sugarcat!

19:31:18 <AmeKat> I thought I was going to visit for a while, but I am hungry and I have to leave to call for pizza....nothing else will do but pizza

19:31:27 <Deb\_and\_Jingles> ooh brb jingy is pee peeing in his special box \*LOL\*

19:31:29 <AmeKat> have a good night :)

19:31:30 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> true, true

19:31:32 <Alita> bye, kat

19:31:35 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> don't forget each cat is different

19:31:39 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> nite!

19:31:46 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> nite Kat

19:31:47 <MynandBadgerAss> night Don!

19:31:49 <Debra\_and\_CB> Deb, CB used to peak at +3 on 1 unit L, and now he peaks at +5, on 1.25 units L

19:31:59 <Alita> Smokey is peaking on L at +2

19:32:06 <MynandBadgerAss> Oh wait, just ignore me please

19:32:10 <Alita> I can not get the insulin to last.

19:32:15 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> Man, that's short Alita

19:32:25 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> LOL thought I was leaving or something!

19:32:26 <Sally\_and\_Penny\_GA> Penny peaked beyween +6 & +8, then stayed there for hours

19:32:28 <deanie> alita, wanna try some PZI for free?

19:32:40 <Alita> I know. 6 hours and then he is in the high 400's again.

19:32:52 <Alita> You have PZI?

19:32:52 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> Cosmos is peaking at +4

19:32:55 <deanie> yup

19:33:04 <deanie> your choice--Br or BCP

19:33:13 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> and streams right back up

19:33:20 <Deb\_and\_Jingles> ok back :)

19:33:20 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> Sassy peaks +8 to +10

19:33:32 <Alita> I don't know if I'm ready to switch just yet, but I should know in a week or two.

19:33:41 <deanie> ok, let me know if you do

19:33:50 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> Have patience !

19:33:52 <Alita> I'll email you if I decide to switch.

19:33:57 <Alita> Thanks, Deanie!

19:34:07 <deanie> shay has a bottle of BR PZI that she wants to get rid of

19:34:12 <Deb\_and\_Jingles> we checked him today and he was 149 at 12:14 which was a little over 4 hours.. and then 2 hours later he was at like 256.. I'm just thinking is it possible he peaks earlier or not

19:34:17 <deanie> and we aren't using our free sample of BCP

19:34:21 <Alita> How long does the L take to settle?

19:34:32 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> brb

19:34:33 <deanie> I did curves on Boo every 7-10 days

19:34:44 <deanie> but then he had other issues

19:35:04 <Alita> I'm doing it every 7 days (it's been a Sunday thing).

19:35:06 <deanie> and that's the way it worked out with my work schedule

19:35:21 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> Who's next Alita?

19:35:23 <Deb\_and\_Jingles> last curve was a couple of weeks ago. but this weekend I changed the feeding so I'll do a curve this weekend again

19:35:52 <Alita> Well, Smokey has heart issues. We see the vet on Fri. Hopefully, that won't effect the insulin.

19:36:04 <Sally\_and\_Penny\_GA> Hi Anne

19:36:05 <Alita> Has Deanie gone?

19:36:09 <deanie> nope

19:36:09 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> Hi Anne!

19:36:10 <Alita> Hi Anne.

19:36:16 <Alita> I tag Deanie.

19:36:18 \* AnneFrenchFry MOTIONS/happy.gif

19:36:26 <AnneFrenchFry> hi everyone

19:36:48 <deanie> our biggest obstacle, without a doubt....

19:36:48 <deanie> was the money

19:36:50 <deanie> DKA 5 days before Christmas? I was completely broke

19:37:08 <Alita> Boy, I hear that one!

19:37:12 <Deb\_and\_Jingles> jeez that is tough :(

19:37:14 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> Bad things always seem to happen at the worst times...

19:37:17 <deanie> my parents had sent a check for a gift that didn't even cover our initial vet bill

19:37:37 <deanie> i knew my checking acct was empty and i was bouncing checks at the vet's

19:37:42 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> Hi Anne

19:37:46 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> How long was Boo at the vet?

19:38:02 <deanie> only a day and a half the 1st time in DKA

19:38:20 <Alita> I'll brb all.

19:38:26 <AnneFrenchFry> that's not too bad

19:38:32 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> Whew, it could have been worse I guess.

19:38:48 <deanie> they had sent his labs out and we didn't evne know he had ketoens for the 2st 24 hours

19:38:48 <deanie> he's very lucky he made it at all

19:38:48 <deanie> lol, that would be the 1st 24 hours

19:38:58 <deanie> and i haven't even had a margarita yet!

19:38:58 <AnneFrenchFry> wit -- first time? how many times has boo gone DKA?  
 19:38:59 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> How did you get through it Deanie?  
 19:39:01 <deanie> twice  
 19:39:09 <deanie> good vets!  
 19:39:11 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> My first cat, Mr. Peepers was at the ER for 7 days with DKA I hate to tell you what that bill was  
 19:39:15 <AnneFrenchFry> wow -- that's scary  
 19:39:27 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> Cosmos has hd two incidents  
 19:39:31 <deanie> incredibly supportive co-workers, family and vet  
 19:39:40 <AnneFrenchFry> ff was only DKA at DX  
 19:39:49 <AnneFrenchFry> hi Autumn :-)  
 19:39:51 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> Hi Autumn  
 19:39:58 <deanie> boo's 2nd bout of dka was a 2 day stay at a 24 hour ICU  
 19:40:00 <Autumn\_and\_SpankyLee> Aha, yall are still here!  
 19:40:00 <Sally\_and\_Penny\_GA> Hi Autumn  
 19:40:00 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> Hi Autumn  
 19:40:04 <deanie> that bill was over \$2000  
 19:40:13 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> Ouch!  
 19:40:19 <Autumn\_and\_SpankyLee> See, now reading that scares me.  
 19:40:20 <AnneFrenchFry> omg - i could never have afforded it  
 19:40:21 <deanie> God bless IMOM for helping us out of that one!  
 19:40:24 <Autumn\_and\_SpankyLee> I simply could not afford it.  
 19:40:26 <Deb\_and\_Jingles> how do I get a little guy next to my name?  
 19:40:38 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> mine was just a little over \$4000.00 for one week  
 19:40:38 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> IMOM is a wonderful organization!  
 19:40:46 <AnneFrenchFry> right click you name on the list - select avatar  
 19:40:53 <deanie> in the 1st 3 months,imom paid almost \$3000 in vet bills for boo  
 19:41:05 <AnneFrenchFry> i thought i had it bad at \$360  
 19:41:07 <deanie> and then another \$800 this year  
 19:41:13 <AnneFrenchFry> guess i got lucky  
 19:41:13 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> that's wonderful

19:41:37 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> that's why we have to support IMOM!

19:41:45 <deanie> yeah, we've got a special project in the works for IMOM!

19:41:56 <AnneFrenchFry> i'll tell you - it's shocking seeing ehat some vets charge

19:42:11 <deanie> our current vet is ok on prices

19:42:11 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> Info on your website?

19:42:31 <Autumn\_and\_SpankyLee> And I about freaked over the \$600.00 DKA bill I had. Sheesh, \$2,000?

19:42:39 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> My vet is really high on a lot of things, except for insulin.

19:42:49 <Deb\_and\_Jingles> ok yay! thanks :)

19:42:54 <AnneFrenchFry> my vet seems to be very inexpensive

19:42:57 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> WB Kat

19:43:08 <Autumn\_and\_SpankyLee> I've been afraid if Spanky Lee gets DKA again, I've had to put him down. So this IMOM will help?

19:43:09 <AnneFrenchFry> wb Kat

19:43:14 <Autumn\_and\_SpankyLee> Hi Kat!

19:43:19 <AmeKat> okay, I am back, pizza is ordered...

19:43:33 <AnneFrenchFry> Is IMOM taking new cases again yet?

19:43:33 <Sally\_and\_Penny\_GA> Hi Kat

19:43:45 <AmeKat> I should actually be non hungry in a few minutes

19:43:51 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> I get charged cost for the insulin, but pay \$37 for a bag of ringers and a drip set.

19:43:54 <AnneFrenchFry> We just had the most fantastic Jamaican Jerk Chicken

19:44:02 <AmeKat> what IS the topic tonight?

19:44:07 <Autumn\_and\_SpankyLee> I just made a pot of shrimp gumbo and pigged out.

19:44:26 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> What was the biggest obstacle you had to overcome with FD

19:44:37 <deanie> keep losing my connection!

19:44:59 <MynandBadgerAss> it's the heat deanie

19:45:08 <AnneFrenchFry> <<< passing the duct tape to deanie to keep her here

19:45:10 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> that's OK Deanie, I keep loosing my mind! LOL

19:45:11 <deanie> i can agree with that!

19:45:12 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> The lines are melting....

19:45:12 <MynandBadgerAss> i blame EVERYTHING on the heat

19:45:14 <Autumn\_and\_SpankyLee> The first week of Spanky's diagnosis was like hell week for me.  
 19:45:33 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> Deanie, who's it?  
 19:45:37 <AnneFrenchFry> i think that first week was rough on all of us  
 19:45:40 <AmeKat> well, Autumn, you had a particularly bad week of it, i have to say.  
 19:45:55 <deanie> i'm not sure who didn't go  
 19:46:02 <Autumn\_and\_SpankyLee> DKA, wouldn't eat, vet giving 7 units of PZI, then hypoglycemia. Awful.  
 19:46:15 <deanie> ok, how about autumn?  
 19:46:17 <AnneFrenchFry> what heat? it's in the 60's tonight - good sleeping weather  
 19:46:28 <Deb\_and\_Jingles> I know finally a little break in the heat!  
  
 19:46:35 <MynandBadgerAss> ohhh, i'm SO sorry Autumn that had to suck  
 19:46:35 <Sally\_and\_Penny\_GA> I'm going to get going, night everyone  
 19:46:35 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> here too Anne  
 19:46:35 <Autumn\_and\_SpankyLee> HA. Since's I'm blabbing anyways?  
 19:46:40 \* deanie MOTIONS/furious3.gif anne!!!!!!  
 19:46:49 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> LOL  
 19:46:51 <Autumn\_and\_SpankyLee> Oh, tht's cute.  
 19:46:54 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> Your turn Autumn, What was the biggest obstacle in dealing with Feline Diabetes?  
 19:47:13 <Autumn\_and\_SpankyLee> Honestly, not knowing what I was doing.  
 19:47:14 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> Mote Sai;u  
 19:47:15 <AnneFrenchFry> hi Sally  
 19:47:17 <Autumn\_and\_SpankyLee> Being so afraid.  
 19:47:19 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> Sally  
 19:47:37 <Autumn\_and\_SpankyLee> I'm still struggling, but not panicked anymore.  
 19:47:40 <Deb\_and\_Jingles> ok guys I'm heading off.. goodnight!  
 19:47:45 <deanie> night deb  
 19:47:48 <Autumn\_and\_SpankyLee> The hypo scared me so I didn't want to give insulin.  
 19:47:51 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> Bye Deb  
 19:47:57 <MynandBadgerAss> night deb

19:48:00 <Autumn\_and\_SpankyLee> Then the DKA also scared me so I was afraid not to give insulin.

19:48:19 <deanie> dka makes the whole thing so much harder

19:48:25 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> Rock and a hard place, huh?

19:48:32 <Autumn\_and\_SpankyLee> DKA and hypo within the first week make it awful.

19:48:36 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> I agree

19:48:41 <deanie> and i did NOT need the guest kitty to go there last week!

19:48:56 <AnneFrenchFry> how did the owner take the news?

19:49:02 <deanie> she was cool with it

19:49:17 <deanie> paid the bill before she picked up the cat and still paid me for sitting

19:49:23 <Autumn\_and\_SpankyLee> Spanky's goggle and puke continues to be a little bit of a problem, but I'm handling that.

19:49:25 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> How are you getting thought it Autumn?

19:49:28 <deanie> told her i didn't want it but she insisted

19:49:49 <Autumn\_and\_SpankyLee> I'm not panicking anymore, which is helpful. The board has helped a lot, and special E-mails from folks.

19:50:00 <AnneFrenchFry> i'm glad - some people might have reacted differently

19:50:11 <deanie> hey, i saved that cat's life!

19:50:16 <Autumn\_and\_SpankyLee> Spanky gobbled and puked yesterday and I just put him out some dry DM, which he ate.

19:50:17 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> I think we all feel panic the first week

19:50:33 <Autumn\_and\_SpankyLee> He won't eat canned after he regurgs it, for a day or so.

19:50:39 <Autumn\_and\_SpankyLee> But he's back to eating it again tonight.

19:50:45 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> it is so overwhelming

19:50:50 <Autumn\_and\_SpankyLee> Feels much better with a little knowledge behind me now.

19:51:02 <Autumn\_and\_SpankyLee> Much more reassuring.

19:51:03 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> so much to learn....so much to think about

19:51:05 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> A lot of kitties eat fast and then upchuck. Try feeding smaller portions at a time if possible

19:51:22 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> A tablespoon every 10 minutes or so.

19:51:28 <Autumn\_and\_SpankyLee> I do, too, but sometimes he still qobbles. Yesterday was the first time

in over a week.

19:51:34 <AmeKat> Have you tried smaller amounts?

19:51:45 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> Cosmos always throws up on DM dry

19:51:45 <Autumn\_and\_SpankyLee> He only gets 1/4 can of FF spread out on a plate at a time.

19:51:45 <AnneFrenchFry> i would have such angry kitties if i ever did that! lol

19:51:57 <Autumn\_and\_SpankyLee> And 1/8 cup of dry DM spread out on a dinner plate.

19:52:04 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> DM dry also raised his BG considerably

19:52:08 <AmeKat> sorry tami that is what I get for watching tv and chatting at same time.

19:52:13 <Autumn\_and\_SpankyLee> The dry DM has been a godsend for me.

19:52:18 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> No problem

19:52:44 <Autumn\_and\_SpankyLee> I cut his carbs in half with it and if he won't eat canned after regurg, it puts something in his stomach.

19:52:55 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> I feed 4 times a day, two regular meals, then a small snack in a timed feeder. They don't seem so hungry anymore.

19:52:57 <MynandBadgerAss> I'm not sure where my cat is but i hear strange noises in the corner, i must investigate brb, (pray she's not peeing again)

19:53:01 <AnneFrenchFry> wb Alita

19:53:10 <Debra\_and\_CB> wb Alita :-)

19:53:11 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> I think I have to keep Cosmos away from dry altogether

19:53:19 <Alita> ty. I'm back.

19:53:28 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> whats a matter with the connections in florida and phoenix?

19:53:33 <Autumn\_and\_SpankyLee> I'd increased his canned and was down to 1/8 cup DM dry only a day, until yesterday when he regurged. He simply won't eat anything he regurged for a day or so.

19:53:34 <Debra\_and\_CB> wb Deanie :-)

19:53:36 <AnneFrenchFry> wb deanie

19:53:40 <Alita> who knows.

19:53:40 <deanie> sigh, i'm having issues tonight

19:53:48 <Alita> wb, deanie

19:53:59 <AmeKat> Nox does that occasionally.

19:54:03 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> wb Deanie & Alita.

19:54:17 <Autumn\_and\_SpankyLee> So it's a nice alternative backup.  
 19:54:27 <deanie> hey i just got a new Elite and it has  
 an orange button on it--kinda gross!  
 19:54:40 <Autumn\_and\_SpankyLee> The only canned he'll eat is FF  
 Turkey and Giblets.  
 19:54:43 <AnneFrenchFry> matches the insulin needles though!  
 19:54:44 <AmeKat> orange? mine is red  
 19:54:49 <Autumn\_and\_SpankyLee> I think mine has an orange button.  
 19:54:56 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> Hi Jon  
 19:54:57 <Alita> Hi Jon  
 19:54:58 <Debra\_and\_CB> Hi Jon :-)  
 19:55:03 <MynandBadgerAss> hi jon  
 19:55:07 <AnneFrenchFry> that's the only one my girls don't  
 like  
 19:55:24 <jonPIA> Hi ya hi ya! Jon & Pia have entered  
 the ROOM!  
 19:55:26 <AnneFrenchFry> I gotta stock up this week - 6 cans  
 for \$2 at shoprite  
 19:55:26 <Autumn\_and\_SpankyLee> Hi Jon.  
 19:55:26 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> Hi Jon  
 19:55:29 <deanie> myn, we've been invited to jon's  
 house to cool down  
 19:55:31 <AnneFrenchFry> hi Jon  
 19:55:38 <AmeKat> hi Jon  
 19:55:43 <MynandBadgerAss> ok, i'm with you  
 19:55:47 <Alita> Is it cool there?  
 19:55:51 <deanie> or at least i've threatened to do  
 that if he keep sgiving me grief  
 about the weather  
 19:55:51 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> Autumn, have you asked your vet about  
 it?  
 19:55:53 <MynandBadgerAss> anything to escape the heat  
 19:56:13 <AmeKat> WHY do cats have to be so gross :(  
 19:56:13 <Autumn\_and\_SpankyLee> About what, Tami?  
 19:56:21 <Alita> I want to go visit Yolly. She has  
 snow!  
 19:56:22 <AmeKat> I got a BAD smell wafting in here....  
 19:56:26 <AmeKat> <sigh> brb  
 19:56:29 <MynandBadgerAss> their not as gross as monkeys  
 19:56:32 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> About the eating too fast, then  
 getting sick

19:56:47 <Autumn\_and\_SpankyLee> Yeah, she recommended spreading the food, which works 99% of the time.

19:56:50 <deanie> i just want cool--no snow!

19:57:04 <Alita> I want snow!

19:57:06 <Autumn\_and\_SpankyLee> Spanky has done it all his life.

19:57:12 <jonPIA> Deanie> You started it! It's 75 on the thermometer in the kitchen. Breeze coming in from the lake.

19:57:13 <Autumn\_and\_SpankyLee> I'm glad it's finally gotten hot.

19:57:15 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> Maybe, you'll just have to continue with the dry...

19:57:17 <MynandBadgerAss> my ac is on 60, it's not too bad right under the vent

19:57:32 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> Don't tell me about heat and snow, we have a hurricane coming this way?

19:57:34 <Autumn\_and\_SpankyLee> Or be more careful with the canned. He was back to eating canned tonight.

19:57:38 <deanie> i've got a fan right next to me

19:57:38 <Autumn\_and\_SpankyLee> Ouch.

19:57:40 <Alita> my ac is set on 76.

19:57:52 <Autumn\_and\_SpankyLee> Well, if it makes you feel better, we had an awful tornado season this year.

19:57:59 <Alita> it is 82 degrees outside.

19:58:00 <Autumn\_and\_SpankyLee> Why I'm glad it finally got hot.

19:58:01 <AnneFrenchFry> i'm thinking of turning the heat on tonight

19:58:09 <MynandBadgerAss> Where are u autumn?

19:58:19 <Autumn\_and\_SpankyLee> Beats last week's 90s.

19:58:23 <Autumn\_and\_SpankyLee> Kentucky

19:58:32 <AmeKat> I haven't had any reason to complain about the weather this past weekend, but I hate last weekends humidity.

19:58:37 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> OK Myn, how about your turn?

19:58:38 <Autumn\_and\_SpankyLee> Plus, I just got a new pool this year. LOL

19:58:44 <MynandBadgerAss> oh, I have a friend that just moved up there your way

19:58:47 <jonPIA> A/C? What's A/C? <evil grin>

19:59:00 <AnneFrenchFry> it's a myth Jon -

19:59:06 <Autumn\_and\_SpankyLee> Where does Jon live?

19:59:08 <Alita> ac is a necessity here in Florida!

19:59:10 \* deanie MOTIONS/furious3.gif jon!!!!

19:59:13 <MynandBadgerAss> I don't think i really have anything to share

19:59:29 \* Alita MOTIONS/furious3.gif I agree, Deanie!

19:59:41 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> No obstacles so far?

19:59:44 <deanie> alita, we can take turns swapping houses with him

19:59:50 <AnneFrenchFry> Alita - you know you have a permanent invite

19:59:50 <Alita> LOL

19:59:52 <jonPIA> Wisconsin I'm about a half mile from Lake Michigan.

20:00:01 <deanie> he gets a week in florida and arizna and we go to the cool place!

20:00:04 <Alita> Oh, thank you, anne.

20:00:06 <Autumn\_and\_SpankyLee> Wisconsin is a nice state.

20:00:09 <MynandBadgerAss> no, EVERYTHING is an obstacle, and I call Deanie every other day I swear!

20:00:09 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> Yeah, but you get the mosquitoes there

20:00:44 <MynandBadgerAss> I think I've lost some weight from chasing the cat through the house! LOL

20:00:50 <deanie> LOL, youve called me 2-3 times

20:00:50 <deanie> myn ihave pee strips if you need them

20:00:52 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> So, you have obstacles, what is the biggest one, the one that is hardest for you to deal with?

20:00:55 <jonPIA> Skeeters? You mean the state bird?

20:01:03 <AnneFrenchFry> Chili likes wisconsin - they have cheese!

20:01:04 <Autumn\_and\_SpankyLee> Hey, I've lost weight since Spanky got sick, too.

20:01:05 <MynandBadgerAss> yes, but you live WAY out there

20:01:16 <MynandBadgerAss> You gonna be home tomorrow?

20:01:19 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> LOL Jon

20:01:22 <deanie> yes i am

20:01:23 <Autumn\_and\_SpankyLee> Myn, you had a time with ear-testing at first!

20:01:24 <Alita> Chili and Cheese!!! LOL!!!

20:01:28 <AnneFrenchFry> lol

20:01:42 <deanie> we can meet in the middle somewhere-- as long as it's air conditioned

20:01:55 <Autumn\_and\_SpankyLee> I have air-conditioning and a pool.

20:02:00 <MynandBadgerAss> Oh man, I've had a hard time with

20:02:11 <deanie> Everything, Testing was tough  
 you had trouble finding a vet  
 20:02:15 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> You said was, has it gotten better  
 now?  
 20:02:16 <MynandBadgerAss> I cried everytime I pricked her ear,  
 she cried, it was bad  
 20:02:17 <Autumn\_and\_SpankyLee> Sugar cats part on my wrap-around  
 porch sipping mint juleps? LOL  
 20:02:19 <AnneFrenchFry> I have fresh mountain air and a lake  
 20:02:33 <Autumn\_and\_SpankyLee> That sounds nice, Anne.  
 20:02:35 <AmeKat> I just need heat and a swimming pool  
 20:02:42 <AmeKat> anyone got that to offer?  
 20:02:47 <AnneFrenchFry> ty Autumn :-)  
 20:02:58 <MynandBadgerAss> My husband put salmon ice cubes in  
 his Kool-aid, I got the lancet stuck  
 in my arm once after a fight with  
 Badger, didn't even realize it untill  
 Hubby pulled it out  
 20:02:59 <Autumn\_and\_SpankyLee> What state are you in, Anne?  
 20:03:04 <Alita> I'm there, Anne!  
 20:03:29 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> Salmon ice cubes LOL  
 20:03:29 <AnneFrenchFry> NJ - way up north  
 20:03:33 <Autumn\_and\_SpankyLee> Okay, but you gotta admit it's funny  
 in a sick kind of way.  
 20:03:35 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> did he like them?  
 20:03:36 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> Salmon ice cubes in hubby's kool-aid?  
 20:03:42 <AnneFrenchFry> he must have dies when he drank that  
 Kool-Aid  
 20:03:44 <Autumn\_and\_SpankyLee> You have mountains up there?  
 20:03:51 <AnneFrenchFry> yes - Appalacians  
 20:03:52 <MynandBadgerAss> It's gotten better, I'm faster,  
 Pricking and running! But through it  
 all I think the most important thing  
 is a sense of humor, if you can't  
 laugh you will be in therapy  
 20:03:59 <AmeKat> wow myn...salmon ice cubes :) that is  
 a story to remember!!!  
 20:04:16 <MynandBadgerAss> He took it quite well, actually he  
 even chuckled about it  
 20:04:17 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> What flavor was the kool-aid?  
 20:04:23 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> sense of humor is a must!  
 20:04:28 <Alita> Salmon Kool Aid  
 20:04:30 <AnneFrenchFry> wb deanie

20:04:34 <MynandBadgerAss> grape

20:04:35 <Alita> LOL

20:04:36 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> LOL

20:04:45 <MynandBadgerAss> With a fishy twist

20:04:45 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> oh how refreshing

20:04:46 <Autumn\_and\_SpankyLee> Ewwwww grape and salmon.

20:04:46 <AnneFrenchFry> omg -- \*\* gag\*\*

20:04:46 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> Deanie, I'm gett'n tired of wb..

20:05:01 <MynandBadgerAss> I could market it as one of the new EXtreme flavors!

20:05:02 <Alita> Hi pat

20:05:02 <deanie> lol

20:05:04 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> Hi Pat

20:05:09 <AnneFrenchFry> Hi Patricia

20:05:11 <AmeKat> mmm, someone needs to write Kool Aid and see if they want to market that....you know....strawberry lemonade.....salmon grapeade LOL

20:05:12 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> Hi Pat!

20:05:12 <Alita> Hi Lisa!

20:05:13 <AnneFrenchFry> hi Lisa

20:05:14 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> EXtreme all right

20:05:17 <AmeKat> hello Lisa...LTNS

20:05:18 <Autumn\_and\_SpankyLee> I developed a ""swat test"" with Spanky to see how alert he is.

20:05:21 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> Hi Lisa

20:05:23 <Lisa\_and\_Gorb> hi all - just popped in to say ""hey""

20:05:38 <Lisa\_and\_Gorb> how's chat going? all good?

20:05:39 <Patcatpet> Good Evening all

20:05:42 <Autumn\_and\_SpankyLee> His swatters are still working quite well. Ouch

20:05:43 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> Hi Lisa!

20:05:45 <Autumn\_and\_SpankyLee> Hi Lisa

20:05:53 <AmeKat> horrible lisa, that is why we are all still here ;)

20:06:07 <MynandBadgerAss> Autumn, if he's anything like Badger just poke his belly

20:06:09 <Lisa\_and\_Gorb> hi gang

20:06:16 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> it's the salmon kool aid being served

20:06:17 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> OK Jon, how about you?

20:06:21 <deanie> a belly poke will get a hand removed here

20:06:24 <Autumn\_and\_SpankyLee> I run my hand across the floor like a spider and he pounces on it.

20:06:49 <MynandBadgerAss> LOL, Deanie does that go for Boo or you?

20:06:53 <Lisa\_and\_Gorb> so folks how's tami doing tonight? good chat mod? remember - she can see what you say lol

20:07:04 <deanie> lol, myn

20:07:06 <Patcatpet> What IS the matter Kat??

20:07:07 <Autumn\_and\_SpankyLee> I hate it when the cats wrap themselves around your whole hand and kick!

20:07:16 <AmeKat> Nothing Pat?

20:07:22 <deanie> oh that's a peachy trait!

20:07:39 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> Jon, what is the biggest obstacle you had to overcome in dealing with Feline Diabetes?

20:08:06 <AmeKat> autumn, my friend's cats all do that ....don't know how she trained them to it, but she did

20:08:15 <Patcatpet> How can everything be horrible"" if there is nothing wrong?

20:08:25 <Alita> Tami is doing just great, Lisa.

20:08:28 <Lisa\_and\_Gorb> come on jon - i'm only here for a minute - make it a good one :)

20:08:36 <Alita> Hi mary

20:08:38 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> Hi Mary

20:08:40 <AnneFrenchFry> hi Mary {{hugs}}

20:08:43 <AmeKat> I was making a joke Pat

20:08:50 <marymiracle> hi

20:08:55 <AmeKat> hi Mary

20:08:58 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> I think Jon fell asleep!

20:09:00 <marymiracle> how is everyone tonight

20:09:02 <jonPIA> We on topic? Biggest obsitcle? Hometesting.

20:09:03 <Autumn\_and\_SpankyLee> This that the Kentucky Mary?

20:09:12 <marymiracle> yes

20:09:17 <AmeKat> because it was so crowded, obviously, chat is going great :)

20:09:19 <marymiracle> hi autum

20:09:27 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> How did you deal with hometesting, Jon?

20:09:29 <Autumn\_and\_SpankyLee> Hello Mary.

20:09:36 <AnneFrenchFry> somebody get a hammer and nails for deanie

20:09:40 <Lisa\_and\_Gorb> so are you all sharing good obstacles? helping newbies figure out how to get past 'em?

20:10:01 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> We're trying...

20:10:12 <marymiracle> biggest obstacle...lack of education

20:10:18 <Autumn\_and\_SpankyLee> Agreed.

20:10:19 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> Cept Deanie and Alita keep leaving..

20:10:26 <jonPIA> biggest porblem was getting blood with consistancy.

20:10:49 <Lisa\_and\_Gorb> good one mary - and the leaving thing, the alita zone must be contagious :)

20:10:55 <marymiracle> i just wanted to say hi

20:11:03 <Alita> We are doing that just to keep you on your toes, Tami.

20:11:12 <marymiracle> I am exhausted and 5 am comes quicly

20:11:20 <MynandBadgerAss> yes, I have learned a lot

20:11:29 <Autumn\_and\_SpankyLee> Glad you stopped in.

20:11:32 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> I understand that Mary, you have so much to do.

20:11:32 <Alita> I have gotten to know that Alita Zone a lot better lately. :(

20:11:45 <marymiracle> we got a donation today

20:11:48 <marymiracle> 20.00

20:11:48 <Lisa\_and\_Gorb> hi mary - i'm just here for a few minutes too

20:11:48 <AnneFrenchFry> please post any updates on where to send donations etc MArY

20:11:49 <AmeKat> yay

20:12:01 <marymiracle> ahi lisa!

20:12:07 <Patcatpet> I am not surprised Mary - that is one big job you have taken on - I hope you can get lots of helpers

20:12:10 <Lisa\_and\_Gorb> mary's sanctuary will have its own website in a couple of days - gorb's cranking :)

20:12:14 <AmeKat> well, I am going to go...night all.

20:12:15 <marymiracle> for now send them to my hhouse

20:12:24 <marymiracle> we placed 6 kittens today

20:12:25 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> Do you ever stop Lisa?

20:12:27 <Autumn\_and\_SpankyLee> Jon, I had problems with consistently getting blood, too. Sometimes still do, but I've learned by looking what drop will and won't test right.

20:12:33 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> Wonderful Mary!

20:12:43 <Autumn\_and\_SpankyLee> Six? that's great.

20:12:53 <AnneFrenchFry> i'm so glad MARY

20:12:56 <marymiracle> yeah I am happy and all are healthy and in a clinic where they will be fixed before they leave

20:12:57 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> How did you get passed inconsistent blood draws?

20:13:01 <Lisa\_and\_Gorb> jon we still have problems getting blood consistently

20:13:02 <Autumn\_and\_SpankyLee> I put an appeal to ""New Appalachia"" group for you.

20:13:07 <jonPIA> I gotta go, this html chat is a real PIA.

20:13:11 <Patcatpet> That's great - do you have a Vet who will neuter at a reasonable price for new owners?

20:13:14 <MynandBadgerAss> I was thinking, I do that sometimes, is there anyway I wonder, to poll the Vet community on their knowledge of FD and treatment options, I'd be interested to see the results.

20:13:18 <Autumn\_and\_SpankyLee> Night, Jon.

20:13:28 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> Bye Jon

20:13:41 <marymiracle> not really but i am working on certs from the low cost clinic in lexington

20:13:49 <marymiracle> denise is a great resourse

20:13:55 <marymiracle> night jon

20:14:00 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> Debra, I don't think you have had your turn yet.

20:14:07 <Patcatpet> I wrote to the Australian authors of Everycat suggesting they update their section on diabetes - No reply!!!

20:14:25 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> Hi Pauline!

20:14:35 <Autumn\_and\_SpankyLee> Hi Pauline.

20:14:38 <PaulineandFelice> Hello i was not sure there would still be anyone here

20:14:40 <MynandBadgerAss> hmmm, I bet we could get some kind of flier together

20:14:48 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> Hi Pauline

20:14:59 <marymiracle> anyway, hoi and night

20:15:06 <Lisa\_and\_Gorb> folks i've spent my 5 minutes and no more quarters lol - good to see you

20:15:08 <marymiracle> hugs to you all, i miss chatting

20:15:12 <Autumn\_and\_SpankyLee> night.

20:15:18 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> Night Mary

20:15:22 <Patcatpet> My Vet gave me his ""Vet Bible"" and said - we will learn together!

20:15:24 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> nite!

20:15:25 <Lisa\_and\_Gorb> keep chatting obstacles, lord knows we face them every day ;)

20:15:32 <Patcatpet> Nite Mary

20:15:35 <Alita> bye, Jon.

20:15:39 <Alita> nite, Mary

20:15:42 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> Debra, are you there?

20:15:44 <Lisa\_and\_Gorb> have a good night - see you next time

20:15:47 <Autumn\_and\_SpankyLee> It's a regular revolving door around here. hehehe

20:15:49 <Debra\_and\_CB> kinda

20:15:51 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> by Lisa

20:15:54 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> Nite Lisa

20:15:57 <Autumn\_and\_SpankyLee> night, Lisa

20:16:00 <Alita> night, Lisa.

20:16:18 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> Want to tell us your biggest obstacle and how you got over it?

20:16:26 <deanie> ok, that's getting annoying now!

20:16:38 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> wb deanie, it sure is annoying!

20:16:45 <Alita> LOL< Deanie, you took me with you!

20:16:47 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> Deanie you and Alita better start paying your cable bill!

20:16:52 <Patcatpet> HI Pauline

20:16:53 <Debra\_and\_CB> Finding a vet that had the ability to figure out hat was making CB so sick

20:17:00 <deanie> if i get booted one mroe time, i'm not coming back!

20:17:10 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> Now, now Deanie!

20:17:21 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> How many vets did you go through?

20:17:23 <deanie> i'm mad at the 'puter!

20:17:29 <Autumn\_and\_SpankyLee> Just to diagnose the diabetes?

20:17:31 <Debra\_and\_CB> he saw a total of 4 different vets, and none had a clue.

20:17:36 <MynandBadgerAss> don't be bitter Deanie, hang in there, or I'll put you on speed dial! LOL

20:17:43 <deanie> LOL

20:17:46 <Debra\_and\_CB> no, this was after his initial diabetes diagnosis

20:17:51 <Autumn\_and\_SpankyLee> Oh.

20:17:59 <Alita> Must be the heat in P{hoenix and Florida.

20:18:08 <deanie> must be

20:18:26 <MynandBadgerAss> Either that or Boo's hungry and trying to get your attention

20:18:33 <Debra\_and\_CB> with the last vet, I told her up front that if she couldn't figure it out, to just refer us to state school.....she did too

20:18:34 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> So how did you finally find out what was wrong with CB

20:18:37 <Patcatpet> Deb, why not ask the Vet to fax details of CB's problems to Cornell and book an appointment for a Vet to Vet once they have had time to read them??

20:19:09 <MynandBadgerAss> It's frustrating to find a new vet

20:19:19 <Alita> Don, where are you located?

20:19:21 <Debra\_and\_CB> It's ok, Pat. State school figured it out

20:19:48 <Autumn\_and\_SpankyLee> What was it?

20:19:54 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> Sometimes it takes the specialists to figure out what's wrong.

20:19:54 <Debra\_and\_CB> he had pancreatitis, UTI, URI, stomatitis, plus uncontrolled diabetes because he wasn't on insulin

20:19:56 <Patcatpet> And what was it Deb?

20:20:10 <Autumn\_and\_SpankyLee> Poor kitty.

20:20:13 <Alita> Poor CB!

20:20:23 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> That's a lot of stuff to have wrong at the same time!

20:20:31 <Patcatpet> Oh WOW - poor Care Bear - is he feeling any better yet?

20:20:39 <Debra\_and\_CB> He's doing fine now

20:20:47 <deanie> that pancreatitis is awful stuff

20:20:50 <Autumn\_and\_SpankyLee> My vet (the new one) did tell me up front that a lot of cats with diabetes have pancreatitis

20:21:26 <PaulineandFelice> silly question...what is pancreatitis?

20:21:27 <deanie> one of the vets at our clinic.....

20:21:30 <Debra\_and\_CB> most of it could have been avoided if the first vet had started insulin treatment.....but that's all hindsight now

20:21:34 <Alita> I have to get going all. Good night.

20:21:36 <Debra\_and\_CB> inflammation of the pancreas

20:21:40 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> bye Alita

20:21:44 <Patcatpet> Bye Alita

20:21:45 <Debra\_and\_CB> G'night Alita :-)

20:21:46 <AnneFrenchFry> night Alita :-)

20:21:48 <Autumn\_and\_SpankyLee> Inflammation of the pancreas. Can be acute or chronic.

20:21:51 <Autumn\_and\_SpankyLee> night.

20:21:58 <deanie> thinks boo might have had pancreatitis 1st.....

20:22:00 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> An no question is silly

20:22:01 <PaulineandFelice> and how is it discovered?

20:22:04 <deanie> and that caused his diabetes

20:22:30 <PaulineandFelice> what are the symptoms?

20:22:30 <Debra\_and\_CB> with CB, the state school vet ran an abdominal ultrasound

20:22:33 <Autumn\_and\_SpankyLee> Does in people sometimes - I do know that.

20:22:35 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> It's really hard to diagnose, sometimes you can tell with an ultrasound

20:22:39 <Patcatpet> Symptoms Deanie?

20:22:50 <Debra\_and\_CB> vomitting, lethargy, lack of appetite, can cause fever too

20:22:58 <deanie> nausea, vomiting, diarrhea, lethargy, insulin resistance....

20:23:03 <Autumn\_and\_SpankyLee> Pancreatitis is often difficult to diagnose in cats because lipase and amylase don't elevate like they do in people.

20:23:06 <Debra\_and\_CB> diarrhea :P yeap

20:23:16 <deanie> soupy nasty poops

20:23:30 <Autumn\_and\_SpankyLee> Problem with those symptoms is that they are the same ones SL had with

DKA and antibiotics!

20:23:39 <deanie> yup, very similar

20:23:40 <Patcatpet> Well, I can say with confidence that Rhamu never had it!

20:23:57 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> How so Pat?

20:24:00 <Debra\_and\_CB> also, with CB, they felt a mass in his abdomen, which led them to the ultrasound

20:24:02 <Patcatpet> He never had ketones, let alone DKA either

20:24:12 <PaulineandFelice> niether has Felice

20:24:18 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> Neither did Sassy.

20:24:20 <deanie> boo's was very obvious on the ultrasound

20:24:23 <Debra\_and\_CB> CB had ketones too....it all grouped together with him at one time

20:24:35 <deanie> so did boo at diagnosis

20:24:48 <Autumn\_and\_SpankyLee> Ketones are awful. just awful.

20:24:56 <Patcatpet> Care Bear is obviously a great fighter!!!

20:25:08 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> I feel so lucky, we just had PU/PK and a bit of weight loss.

20:25:29 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> And Debra is a great cat mom.

20:25:42 <Autumn\_and\_SpankyLee> Must be to pull CB through all that!

20:25:43 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> same here along with neuropathy

20:25:45 <deanie> we've had way to many complications!

20:26:03 <Debra\_and\_CB> Pat, I honestly didn't think he was going to survive, but he did, and he now weighs 16 pounds from his ""sick"" weight of 12

20:26:11 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> Ok, who's turn is next? Anne, have you had your turn yet?

20:26:13 <PaulineandFelice> who had the neuropathy? CB?

20:26:25 <AnneFrenchFry> ok -- :) I'll go

20:26:26 <deanie> but still ,that 3rd anniversary is only 5 months away!

20:26:27 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> Cosmos had it

20:26:28 <Debra\_and\_CB> Yes, he still does, Pauline

20:26:41 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> Cosmos had cleared up

20:26:47 <Patcatpet> I don't know the answer to that - he ate well, took his shots and further down the track with CRF fluids without a murmur. I thought we might have problems when CHF occurred and we had to limit the fluid but no - no

UTI or Kentones just one slightly dehydrated but otherwise happy cat

20:26:49 <AnneFrenchFry> Biggest obstacle -- i think was probably learning that i can't always control this

20:27:09 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> when he was regulated the first time around it went away

20:27:11 <PaulineandFelice> Felice is still having problems with that but at least now she is getting up and down the stairs again on her own

20:27:18 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> It's hard for us control freaks....

20:27:26 <Autumn\_and\_SpankyLee> So true.

20:27:35 <AnneFrenchFry> i was really frightened at first - and started reading and researching everything - then tried to apply it all at once

20:27:50 <PaulineandFelice> Being diabetic myself, I can say that you will never get perfection

20:27:57 <Autumn\_and\_SpankyLee> I can relate to that, Anne.

20:27:58 <AnneFrenchFry> Learning to sit on my hands sometimes was really difficult

20:28:32 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> What would you say helped you the most in trying to get over the control issue?

20:28:46 <AnneFrenchFry> i was very frustrated - kept crying and feeling helpless

20:29:23 <AnneFrenchFry> Mostly My S/O sitting me down and pointing out to me what i was doing - making me look at my own obsessive behavior and face it

20:29:49 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> I can relate...

20:30:01 <Autumn\_and\_SpankyLee> In defense of that, though, I think it may take very tenacious and control oriented people for these cats to survive.

20:30:17 <AnneFrenchFry> he made me see that FF wasn't like a project that i could adjust just a little bit constantly and then it would work perfectly

20:30:36 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> bye Deanie...

20:31:07 <AnneFrenchFry> yes Autumn - we do have to maintain control and focus - but we also need to realize that our cats aren't machines - and all sorts of things can effect them

20:31:12 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> Yeah, it's really hard to accept that these cats have their own agenda.

20:31:26 <PaulineandFelice> you can't reason with a cat

20:31:33 <Autumn\_and\_SpankyLee> So true :-)

20:31:36 <AnneFrenchFry> nope - you can't

20:31:44 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> Anyone else have that control freak personality?

20:32:00 <Patcatpet> But that is what makes cats great!!!

20:32:01 <PaulineandFelice> just my mother in law

20:32:02 <AnneFrenchFry> but we can reason with ourselves and learn that the disease can't control us either

20:32:07 <Autumn\_and\_SpankyLee> Who, me? Ah, nah. har har har

20:32:08 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> LOL

20:32:09 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> I do to a certain extent

20:32:15 <MynandBadgerAss> I'm not a control person, actually I'm almost the opposite, the thing that kept me going was Mommy love, as weird as it may sound I have almost the same overprotectiveness towards my cat as I do my 18 mth old child.

20:32:27 \* AnneFrenchFry MOTIONS/embarassed.gif << 0CD

20:32:28 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> I just have to step back sometimes and let be was it going to be

20:32:48 <AnneFrenchFry> yes - that's what it took for me too Don

20:32:52 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> I am still learning to do that Don.

20:32:54 <Autumn\_and\_SpankyLee> I grew up with dad who would tell us never to come to him with a problem unless I had 3 possible solutions. LOL

20:33:08 <Patcatpet> Wise man

20:33:17 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> Makes you think

20:33:18 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> nature is going to takes it course

20:33:23 <Autumn\_and\_SpankyLee> I've had to let go and make myself let go with SL a couple times.

20:33:37 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> we do what we can do and what we can't we have to accept

20:33:39 <AnneFrenchFry> oh! there's another obstacle - Family that thinks that you're stupid to care for a chronicly ill cat

20:33:51 <MynandBadgerAss> AMEN Anne!

20:33:53 <Autumn\_and\_SpankyLee> I'm sitting on 1.5U PZI to settle with BGs in the 300s most of the time and it's killing me.

20:34:01 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> sometimes families suck

20:34:04 <Autumn\_and\_SpankyLee> I jump in the pool and swim laps.

20:34:05 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> Ah yes, Don can relate to that one too.

20:34:10 <Autumn\_and\_SpankyLee> Yeah, my family thinks I'm nuts.

20:34:14 <PaulineandFelice> I have a friend who thinks my cat should meet the wall

20:34:34 <Patcatpet> Tell the family the cat is teaching you to care for them - notice you are caring not recommending PTS - how would they like PTS

20:34:35 <Autumn\_and\_SpankyLee> I dunno, mom and my sister, Jenn, have been supportive.

20:34:36 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> My boss thinks my cats have a lead deficiency

20:34:38 <AnneFrenchFry> i love my family dearly - but they seem to think that i should PTS and ""get another one"" Like she's a toaster that burns the toast sometimes

20:34:41 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> all my one sister keeps asking me is ""how much did that cost?""

20:34:43 <PaulineandFelice> ans another who cannot fathom caring for a chronically ill animal

20:35:08 <Autumn\_and\_SpankyLee> My husband freaked over the bill.

20:35:15 <MynandBadgerAss> I had a close friend ask me why I didn't just put Badger to sleep? I asked her why she didn't put her son to sleep when he had to have his tonsils out

20:35:15 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> like everything has to do with money

20:35:16 <Autumn\_and\_SpankyLee> But then I did, too. LOL

20:35:18 <PaulineandFelice> i haven't told mine what this is costing

20:35:19 <Patcatpet> Don - None of her business - it is your money and your cat

20:35:23 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> we all do

20:35:31 <AnneFrenchFry> i won't even tell my parents about the bills

20:35:33 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> it's expensive lets face it

20:35:37 <Autumn\_and\_SpankyLee> Very.

20:35:52 <Patcatpet> 00h Myn - what was the response??

20:35:55 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> but soooooo worth it!

20:35:57 <Autumn\_and\_SpankyLee> Especially when you first start testing and go through a whole box of strips for 2 sticks. LOL

20:36:08 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> LOL

20:36:13 <MynandBadgerAss> Um, I lost a close friend, she's a bit petty,

20:36:27 <Autumn\_and\_SpankyLee> You lost a friend over it?

20:36:34 <MynandBadgerAss> yeah

20:36:35 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> I'm to the point now where I very rarely ruin one strip

20:36:44 <MynandBadgerAss> Same week Badger was Dxed

20:36:46 <PaulineandFelice> guess she didn't appreciate the reference to her son

20:36:50 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> So far we have hometesting, money, fear, control, finding a good vet, unsupportive friends/relatives, have I missed something?

20:36:52 <Autumn\_and\_SpankyLee> I'm getting there,Don.

20:36:55 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> I lost friends over it too

20:37:01 <Patcatpet> Myn - if she doesn't know that pets, like children and family, are for life she doesn't know what she is missing

20:37:04 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> no they lost me over it I should say

20:37:15 <Autumn\_and\_SpankyLee> I haven't lost friends over it. One came and Spanky-sat when my husband had surgery.

20:37:17 <MynandBadgerAss> We had other problems, she was not an outwardly caring person, not really an animal lover anyway

20:37:41 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> Who hasn't had a turn yet? Pat?

20:37:48 <Autumn\_and\_SpankyLee> Never trust a person who doesn't like animals.

20:37:57 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> ahmen

20:38:02 <AnneFrenchFry> people who haven't had pets don't know what it's like - they don't understand that our pets are also our children

20:38:12 <MynandBadgerAss> Worse part..She lives next door to me! LOL

20:38:18 <Autumn\_and\_SpankyLee> Oh my!

20:38:32 <MynandBadgerAss> I always smile and wave

20:38:37 <Patcatpet> Cat or dog - they take you on trust, give their all and ask nothing - if you can't related to that - well - somehow the spirit must be mean

20:38:37 <AnneFrenchFry> also never trust a person your pets dont like

20:38:47 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> Pat, are you there?

20:38:56 <MynandBadgerAss> true, pat, true

20:38:59 <PaulineandFelice> so true. pets have great instincts

20:39:06 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> a girl I use to work with got rid of her cat 'cause the pan gaged her

20:39:13 <Patcatpet> Yes Tami

20:39:17 <MynandBadgerAss> And it is an incredible blessing to be loved by one

20:39:23 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> but she was changing diapers! Go figure! LOL

20:39:26 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> Your turn Pat

20:39:27 <PaulineandFelice> unconditionally

20:39:31 <Autumn\_and\_SpankyLee> Depends on the pet. I have some that like a person then another animal won't like that person.

20:39:57 <AnneFrenchFry> well -- Chili loves everyone - so she's no guage

20:40:29 <MynandBadgerAss> I miss my Dog, he was like that, loved everyone

20:40:33 <PaulineandFelice> my cats love to jump on people that don't like them just to annoy them

20:40:38 <Patcatpet> Pets can be funny about people - I had a Siamese that would go nowhere near a quite 19yo booy who wanted nothing more than to love her. We used to tease him - ""animals know"" we would say

20:40:49 <AnneFrenchFry> FF has always been a good judge of people

20:40:52 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> I'll have to tell the story about the time I threw my supervisor from work out of my house for kicking one of my cats

20:41:00 <Autumn\_and\_SpankyLee> My cats hide from people they don't know.

20:41:01 <PaulineandFelice> love to hear that one

20:41:03 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> Kicking your cat

20:41:10 <MynandBadgerAss> Don, you didn't kill him?

20:41:18 <Autumn\_and\_SpankyLee> I would have kicked him in the behind on his way out.

20:41:22 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> was the begining of the end of me at work

20:41:27 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> it was a she

20:41:32 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> I can understand.

20:41:35 <Patcatpet> About 2 years later, away on a gliding trip, I found her curled up wuth him in bed

20:41:40 <Autumn\_and\_SpankyLee> She actually kicked your cat?

20:41:50 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> yes because she hated cats

20:41:58 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> we were having a team meeting

20:42:14 <PaulineandFelice> does not give her the right to hurt your animal, especially in your home

20:42:15 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> I asked her to leave

20:42:27 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> insisted that she leave

20:42:34 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> she left my house

20:42:37 <AnneFrenchFry> i wouldn't have ""asked"" i would have ordered

20:42:39 <Autumn\_and\_SpankyLee> Pat, she probably just needed to adjust to him.

20:42:42 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> I lost my job

20:42:59 <PaulineandFelice> I would have sued, but then I love a good fight :o)

20:43:00 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> was downhill at work for me from that point on

20:43:01 <Autumn\_and\_SpankyLee> I would have said, ""Get the @#\*\* out of my house.""

20:43:16 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> th's what I said! LOL

20:43:42 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> she was a bitch anyway....nobody liked her except her boyfriend

20:43:47 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> That is a difficult situation to be in Don. I would have lost my job too!

20:43:47 <Autumn\_and\_SpankyLee> I'm as territorial and protective as a dog when it comes to my house and my critters.

20:43:53 <Patcatpet> Don, she should have been reported to the SPCA and sued for unfair dismissal

20:44:08 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> I agree with Pat

20:44:12 <PaulineandFelice> bet she had a way around the unfair dismissal

20:44:18 <AnneFrenchFry> she should have been shot

20:44:22 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> that was not the only reason for me being ""downsized""

20:44:25 <Autumn\_and\_SpankyLee> Who wants to work for someone like that anyway?

20:44:33 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> not me

20:44:41 <Patcatpet> It helps to pay the Vet

20:44:41 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> me either

20:44:58 <PaulineandFelice> ditto

20:45:06 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> Pauline, how did you overcome your biggest obstacle?

20:45:21 <PaulineandFelice> Haven't yet, actually. we are battling neuropathy.

20:45:27 <Autumn\_and\_SpankyLee> Strange, but my supervisor, who normally acts like it'll kill her if you take a day off, would actually call to see how SL was doing.

20:45:43 <PaulineandFelice> As far as the diabetes goes, my vet is one recommended on IMOM

20:45:59 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> Is Felice regulated yet?

20:46:10 <PaulineandFelice> but Felice and I have been doing ok at home with regulating. As I said, I'm Type 1 too

20:46:24 <Patcatpet> Pauline, the closer you get to regulation the better the B12 will work

20:46:35 <Autumn\_and\_SpankyLee> brb

20:46:36 <PaulineandFelice> Took a while though. She's been great for the past few weeks, knock on wood

20:46:52 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> usually neuropathy will start to clear up with regulation

20:46:58 <PaulineandFelice> I've been giving her 10mg of the B12. How long should I keep this up for?

20:46:59 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> Lots of times, the neuropathy will subside after the kitty is regulated, have you tried b12

20:47:10 <AnneFrenchFry> i gotta get to bed i'm on Jury duty ... grrr 7:30 am comes quickly

20:47:18 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> Nite Anne

20:47:20 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> I use to expercise Cosmos legs

20:47:23 <AnneFrenchFry> night all :-)

20:47:26 <Patcatpet> I started Rhamu on B12 almost as soon as he was dx - as a preventive - and it seemed to work

20:47:27 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> nite anne

20:47:29 <PaulineandFelice> Better you than me. I've never been called up. Good luck.

20:47:38 <PaulineandFelice> How do you exercise the legs?

20:47:42 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> never tried the B-12

20:47:43 <AnneFrenchFry> 8 times so far .... they love calling me

20:47:46 <MynandBadgerAss> got to go put child to bed, will check back later, Good night Guys and Gals!

20:47:46 <Patcatpet> Goodnight Ann

20:47:52 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> but I hear good results with it

20:47:55 <Patcatpet> Bye Myn

20:47:56 <PaulineandFelice> G'night

20:47:57 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> nite Myn

20:48:24 <PaulineandFelice> There's only one place to get the B12 up here that I've found and it's an hour + away

20:48:37 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> I get mine via the web...

20:48:38 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> you can get it on line

20:48:39 <Patcatpet> I use it myself but absorb so well I have had to cut back to one tablet twice a week

20:49:12 <PaulineandFelice> Yes, but I'm an hour north of Toronto and the exchange rate to get it from the US is deadly

20:49:19 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> My father in law started on it after I told him about B12, he loves it.

20:49:36 <PaulineandFelice> What does your FIL use it for?

20:49:41 <Patcatpet> I bought mine on-line from New Zealand but we can get it here, now

20:49:49 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> He has diabetes, and is in his 80s's

20:49:50 <PaulineandFelice> Where's here?

20:50:15 <Patcatpet> Here in Australia - sorry

20:51:12 <Patcatpet> My GP says I am Type 2 but my last Hb1AC (non fasting) came in at 5 - I reckon that is normal

20:51:32 <PaulineandFelice> That's perfectly normal. Between 4 & 6 is excellent

20:51:52 <PaulineandFelice> 6 & 8 are still ok too.

20:52:02 <PaulineandFelice> Over 10 you should worry

20:52:27 <Patcatpet> I eat lowGI low carb - medium level protein and lots of veg and some fruit. No pasta and only Doongarra ricee which has a nice low GI

20:52:52 <PaulineandFelice> I'm Type 1 so I count carbs

20:53:13 <PaulineandFelice> and adjust my insulin accordingly

20:53:40 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> It seems to be easier for a human to adjust their insulin than for a cat.

20:53:40 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> anyone use vitamin E as a supplement? Not for neuropathy, just in general.

20:53:51 <Patcatpet> Low GI carbs are best - have you been to [www.glycemicindex.com](http://www.glycemicindex.com) - it is an Aussie site and lists low GI food from all around the world.

20:53:51 <PaulineandFelice> can't say i do

20:54:15 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> I use Vit E for my kitties fur coats. It makes it shine and there is not so much dandruff.

20:54:24 <PaulineandFelice> thanks, just wrote that one down. I'll check it out

20:54:32 <Patcatpet> I do Don - Take it with my C0210 - they work together

20:54:38 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> and do you see any difference in insuliin obsobption

20:54:59 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> wow how did I spell that? LOL

20:55:17 <Patcatpet> Not on insulin. Found with my cat the Vit E did help - had him on C0Q10 too

20:55:17 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> Actually, when I started them on the Vit E, Sassy's insulin needs did go down, maybe by a half a unit

20:55:25 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> I read somewhere that it helps

20:55:26 <PaulineandFelice> Hi Cyndy

20:55:34 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> Hi Cyndy

20:55:35 <Patcatpet> Hi Cyndy

20:55:39 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> Hi Cyndy!

20:56:19 <Cyndy> Good evening all - stopping by for a minute or two

20:56:29 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> It seems to help my guys, I took the recommendation from Rosemary.

20:56:46 <Patcatpet> AS far as humans are concerned a local research body has found that diabetics who take Vit E, C, multi B etc are generally healthier than those who don't - better skin and hair, better energy levels

20:57:43 <Patcatpet> I can also tell you that if your kitty has arthritis it pays to get get some acupuncture - that really lowered the BG - presumable because no pain = no stress

20:58:36 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> I thought of another obstacle. When your vet tells you something and you know he or she is wrong or doesn't have a clue.

20:58:49 <Patcatpet> Much as I enjoy chatting with you I must ge

20:58:50 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> how do you handle that?

20:59:06 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> bye Pat, have a good day

20:59:14 <PaulineandFelice> G'night Pat

20:59:18 <Cyndy> Do Sugarcats reach a point where ""little things"" pop up, a temp, an upset tummy, even more diarrhea, on and on. We have done so well for so long (2 + years) but now it seems there is always something

20:59:19 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> nite Pat

20:59:19 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> Don, that was my biggest obstacle.

20:59:52 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> do you argue, try to enlighten, change vets...

21:00:03 <Cyndy> This is Marco Polo - sorry . His is his jolly old self but just this and that

21:00:24 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> not all vets are up on diabetes

21:00:25 <PaulineandFelice> My vet is very knowledgable but I have done better at managing Felice's BG at home by myself than with her help

21:00:41 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> For me, it was the internet vs. my vet of 15 years. Fortunately, my vet is willing to learn.

21:00:57 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> I don't even ask anymore about changing dosage or even changing insulin

21:01:02 <Cyndy> I guess I would see if the vet is open to reading etc, if so share, mine certainly is one of these, he enjoys a good challenge and MP is it!

21:01:19 <PaulineandFelice> With my vet, I bring her the information. She is quite willing to try something new

21:01:24 <Patcatpet> must get off the line - I said I would be available for calls after 1pm and it is now 1.15 - I am getting all the info I can on Kangaroo meat ""Kangaroo meat can also help in the prevention of metabolic abnormalities of diabetes. Indeed, in a study with diabetic Aborigines, Professor O'Dea has shown that this disease regressed when the subjects reverted to their traditional diet which was low in fat and rich in kangaroo meat""

21:01:29 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> mine is open

21:01:30 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> I don't either, every 6 months I take

21:01:54 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> them in for a checkup and bring Sassy's numbers with me, but I am pretty much in control.

21:02:03 <PaulineandFelice> Kangaroo meat!! Yuck!!

21:02:15 <Patcatpet> Pauline - I do the same - have an appointment with my Vet this pm to discuss diet deficiencies

21:02:20 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> how many still get fructosamine tests?

21:02:33 <Cyndy> We do not -

21:02:51 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> Not us

21:02:54 <Patcatpet> Never did it - don't believe in fasting a diabetic cat

21:02:59 <PaulineandFelice> I was told to bring Felice in for one shortly after her diagnosis but seeing as it took so long to bring her BG down and now they seem to be maintained, I haven't bothered

21:03:17 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> me either. I think if you home test you have a very good idea of how

your cat is doing. Why waste the money.

21:03:22 <Patcatpet> Actually Felice - it taastes quite goo - and Kangaroo Tail Soup is soup to diet for

21:03:32 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> Cyndy, I somethimes think that we become more attuned to every little thing that goes on with our kitties, so we notice the little things more often.

21:03:40 <Autumn\_and\_SpankyLee> Back. Sorry, I had to find the dog's leash so it took awhile.

21:04:01 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> I agree

21:04:25 <Cyndy> Guess hadn't really thought of it that way - thanks

21:05:12 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> I have become very aware of my cats, how they breathe, litterbox habits, I wake up if one sneezes at night, LOL

21:05:17 <Cyndy> The big clue for Marco is he sleeps on the floor instead one of his many perches-seems his way of saying something ""ain't right"" - & it works

21:05:49 <Autumn\_and\_SpankyLee> I have four cats so sometimes it's hard to tell.

21:05:52 <Patcatpet> Sometimes love is blind though - I knew Rhamu was fading fast and to me he was till my beautiful boy. I took a couple of pics on that last day - I still can't believe how thhin he had become and how scruffy was his fur.

21:06:11 <Autumn\_and\_SpankyLee> Spanky has been camped out in my office with me in the day here, with his litter box and such, though.

21:06:13 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> I can even tell whos poop is whos! LOL

21:06:21 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> They each have their own way of telling us. With cats, you just have look harder.

21:06:26 <Autumn\_and\_SpankyLee> That way I can get a ketone check in between typing reports!

21:06:50 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> now there is an obstacle....getting urine!

21:06:53 <Autumn\_and\_SpankyLee> I don't know what I would have done had I not worked at home, as sick as he was at first.

21:06:59 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> Pat, my DH was the same way about my GA...he just couldn't see the changes in her until I showed him some pictures.

21:07:36 <Autumn\_and\_SpankyLee> I just put the diastix right under Spanky when he pees in his kitty box.

21:07:48 <Patcatpet> I guess it is a protective thing -

keeping us blind to that over which we have no control

21:07:49 <PaulineandFelice> Same with Wee Felice

21:07:49 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> ketone testing is a must

21:07:57 <Autumn\_and\_SpankyLee> I test him every day.

21:08:10 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> For me, catching urine is easy, my kitties are not in any way modest, so I just stick a ladle underneath and test away.

21:08:19 <Autumn\_and\_SpankyLee> At least until I can get some better BGs. This started with DKA.

21:08:24 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> I test Cosmos everyday too. He is prone to them.

21:08:39 <PaulineandFelice> Even when Felice was at her worst, she never had ketones

21:08:44 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> the hardest part is stalking him to catch him in the pan!

21:09:03 <Patcatpet> Lucky you - I had to keep a spare litterbox with aquarium gravel and lock Rhamu in the laundry. He knew why he was there and would yowl loudly to let me know he had obliged

21:09:06 <Autumn\_and\_SpankyLee> I don't know if Spanky Lee is prone to them, or if his BGs just got out of control undiagnosed for a long time. But I'm not taking that chance.

21:09:11 <PaulineandFelice> With her neuropathy, she is happy when I carry her to the pan so no stalking is required

21:09:13 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> My other cat, Mr Peepers (GA) died from DKA.

21:09:33 <Autumn\_and\_SpankyLee> Oh, how awful. Sorry to hear that, Don.

21:09:45 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> It was 13 years ago

21:09:46 <PaulineandFelice> My condolences

21:09:47 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> I agree Pat, sometimes blindness helps us.

21:09:50 <Cyndy> Gotta be rough !

21:09:52 <Patcatpet> I would test every day at least once after that Don

21:09:57 <Autumn\_and\_SpankyLee> dka was what caught my attention something was wrong - when he wouldn't eat

21:10:08 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> Then wouldn't you know I would get another sugar baby!

21:10:37 <Autumn\_and\_SpankyLee> Isn't that unusual. I've had cats all my life and didn't even know they got diabetes until Spanky Lee!

21:10:47 <PaulineandFelice> Speaking of sugar babies, I must be off to check on mine. Good night

folks. Nice chatting with you again.

21:10:56 <Autumn\_and\_SpankyLee> Night, Pauline.

21:10:57 <Patcatpet> I think if that ""protective"" blindness was not working we wouldn't function very well

21:11:06 <Cyndy> Good night all - the litter boxes need cleaning and its getting late

21:11:09 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> I think Don, Mr. Peepers send Cosmos to you, he knew you would learn and take good care of him.

21:11:13 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> back when Mr Peepers had it treatment was hit or miss if that

21:11:14 <Autumn\_and\_SpankyLee> night Cyndy

21:11:14 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> Nite Pauline

21:11:25 <Autumn\_and\_SpankyLee> Sheesh, it still is, if you ask me.

21:11:30 <Patcatpet> Bye Pauline - I really must do some housework so I am off too - Bye all

21:11:34 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> How true Pat

21:11:39 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> Nite Cyndy

21:11:44 <Autumn\_and\_SpankyLee> The first vet 0Ded little Spanky with PZI.

21:11:44 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> nite!

21:12:20 <Autumn\_and\_SpankyLee> I suppose it's late and everyone is bailing.

21:12:31 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> that's what I thought was wrong with Mr. Peepers. thought he was hypo. Stopped giving him insulin on a holiday weekend.

21:12:39 <Autumn\_and\_SpankyLee> Oh no.

21:12:48 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> turned out he was not getting enough

21:12:55 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> Man, it always happens on a holiday.

21:13:08 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> he was in ICU for a week

21:13:15 <Autumn\_and\_SpankyLee> Where I live, any weekend is bad news.

21:13:27 <Autumn\_and\_SpankyLee> And he still didn't pull through?

21:13:28 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> became too depreseed and I had to put him down....broke my heart

21:13:34 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> And treatment has come so far since then.

21:13:53 <Autumn\_and\_SpankyLee> I must have caught Spanky's sooner than I thought I did.

21:14:07 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> I think once an animal gets depressed like that it is very difficult to get them to want to come back.

21:14:23 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> It is one of the hardest things to do, is let a friend go. They seem to

know when it is time.

21:14:39 <Autumn\_and\_SpankyLee> Yeah, it's a big drawback to having pets.

21:14:49 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> yes they do. It was like he was begging me

21:14:51 <Autumn\_and\_SpankyLee> You know you're going to lose them.

21:14:56 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> But, think of all the love you would have missed without them.

21:15:03 <Autumn\_and\_SpankyLee> That's how my beagle was last year, Don. She had throat cancer.

21:15:15 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> that's all a part of responsible pet ownership

21:15:21 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> Touche

21:15:35 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> It's the very last thing that we can do for THEM

21:15:41 <Autumn\_and\_SpankyLee> Okay, so I'll admit I even rescue wild critters.

21:15:52 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> so do I!

21:16:04 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> I can't even kill a spider in the house!

21:16:09 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> And I put the lizzards and bugs out of my house insetad of killing them'

21:16:16 <Autumn\_and\_SpankyLee> I rescued an orphaned fawn the week after Spanky came home from the vet and it died. It was very depressing.

21:16:23 <Autumn\_and\_SpankyLee> I squish spiders.

21:16:34 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> that's too bad Autumn

21:16:36 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> Debra, you still there?

21:17:37 <Autumn\_and\_SpankyLee> I'd better go. I can blabber all night, and I have to work on ER again in the morning.

21:17:43 <Autumn\_and\_SpankyLee> See you all next time!

21:18:05 <Don\_and\_Cosmos> well I think it's time to get going here. Nice chatting with all of you!

21:18:17 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> Have a good nite Autumn

21:18:38 <Debra\_and\_CB> I'm still here, but just running between rooms

21:19:10 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> Looks like it will be just you shortly, 5:30 comes early in these parts.

21:19:11 <Debra\_and\_CB> anyway, I see that everyone has left, so I better split and get back to work on my own computer

21:19:25 <Tami\_and\_Sassy> Have a good nite Debra.

21:19:27 <Debra\_and\_CB> G'night Tami :-)