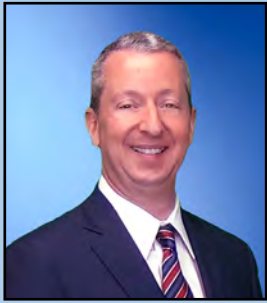


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Juliet's Corner

Since the first day we brought Mo home from the shelter, he and Scott have been running together. At first, it was a necessity to burn off some of the crazy chocolate lab youthful energy, then it became a way for the two of them to spend quality time together and Scott “enjoyed” having a dog as an alarm clock who forced him to not skip a run.

As Mo has gotten a little grayer around the muzzle, he has slowed down quite a bit, and Scott heads out on runs without him. A nice walk with plenty of sniff breaks around the neighborhood is more Mo’s speed.

But one thing hasn’t changed: the post-workout breakfast. Mo has always enjoyed stepping up to the trainer’s table to eat a hearty meal. Many weekend mornings, I’ll watch Scott scramble eight to ten eggs: half for himself and half for Mo. When I point out the high cost of eggs, or that we’re running out of eggs, or it’s just ridiculous for one person and a dog to eat three fourths of a package of eggs, Scott always says: “Athletes get eggs.”

The girls made Scott this sign for Father’s Day this year and we all got a huge kick out of it. I love that in this picture, Mo is in a food coma (because Grandma Penny, Scott’s mom, always arrives at our house with a separate package of food ready to put on the grill just for Mo; this time he got salmon.)

Whatever you’re doing wherever you are, I hope you are staying safe and cozy with those you love, including your own fur babies.



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CAPTAIN AMERICA KIDS DRINK

INGREDIENTS:

- 1 can of Cherry 7-Up
- 1 oz of Grenadine
- 1/4 cup of Pina colada mix
- 1 Cup of Blueberry Kool-Aid (you can also use blue Gatorade or Blue Hawaiian juice)



Full Instructions: https://www.awortheyread.com/captain-america-kids-drink-celebrate-red-white-blue/?utm_medium=social&utm_source=pinterest&utm_campaign=tailwind_tribes&utm_content=tribes&utm_term=347418936_10859052_380679

DIRECTIONS:

1. Fill 1 large glass with ice
2. Pour the Cherry 7-UP with Grenadine 1/3 of the way full
3. Now add the Pina colada mix 1/3 of the glass
4. Top off with the Blueberry Kool-Aid (or the blue drink of your juice)
5. Garnish with a Star and Stripes straws or Cherries {optional}

CREAMY CALIFORNIA AVOCADO TORTELLINI

INGREDIENTS:

- 2 large California Avocados, peeled seeded and halved
- 1 cup baby spinach leaves, packed
- 1 1/4 cup fat-free evaporated milk
- 2 tbsp. lime juice
- 2 cloves garlic, finely minced
- 1/2 tsp. salt
- 1/4 tsp. ground pepper
- 1/8 tsp. cayenne, or more to taste
- 1 (20-oz) bag refrigerated tortellini



DIRECTIONS:

1. Puree avocados, spinach, evaporated milk, lime juice & garlic until completely blended.
2. Pour mixture into saucepan and heat on medium-low. Add in salt, pepper, and cayenne.
3. Meanwhile, heat salted water in a large pot and cook tortellini per package directions. Drain water from pasta.
4. When avocado mixture is warm and heated through, toss with drained pasta and serve with cracked black pepper and shaved parmesan.

For Full Instructions: <https://www.californiaavocado.com/blog/august-2019/creamy-california-avocado-tortellini?pp=0&epik=dj0y-JnU9TW9wVHpvVDNENGM4RTdFODdUZHBnbmwwc3lGbzVvOXcmcD0xJm49QjFojFic3BBOG9tdGpMaXNBZWczZyZ0PUF-BQUFBRjdxY1VZ>

4TH OF JULY SPARKLE BOTTLES

The full directions can be found here:

<https://www.thingstoshareandremember.com/4th-of-july-sparkle-bottles/>

SUPPLIES:

- bottles with caps, labels removed & cleaned
- buttons
- straws
- fuzzy sticks (pipecleaners) from CraftProjectIdeas.com
- holographic glitter from CraftProjectIdeas.com
- craft foam star shapes
- metallic star garland
- curling ribbon
- mesh tube ribbon
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INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Cut all the supplies in pieces.
2. Select items and drop them in the bottles.
3. After filling the bottles, tighten the caps as tight as possible. For good measure tape them with colored Duct Tape.
4. Put on the glittered star decorations around the neck of the bottle. Just adds something a little extra!

DIY PATRIOTIC STREAMERS

SUPPLIES:

- Blue plastic cups
- Hole punch
- Red/white ribbon
- Star stickers
- A pipe cleaners



Full Instructions: <https://www.momprofessionals.com/2018/06/super-easy-and-clean-patriotic-craft.html>

DIRECTIONS:

1. Using your hole puncher, punch 12 holes along the rim of the cup.
2. Next, cut 12 strips of ribbon (6 of each color) for each wind catcher that you're going to make.
3. Thread them through the holes and once pulled through tie them. EASY!
4. Once they had all their ribbons tied on, decorate the blue cups with the white star stickers.
5. Poke a hole through the top and put a pipe cleaner through it and hang them up!



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Happy 4th of July!



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Five Steps to Take When a Trustee Won't Sell a Trust Asset

What should beneficiaries do when a trustee fails to sell an asset within a reasonable timeframe? Consider taking the following actions:

1. Consult with an experienced trust litigation attorney. Deciding whether or not to pursue legal action with regard to a trust matter is not always an easy process. It is important to seek guidance from a knowledgeable professional.
2. Carefully review the terms of the trust relating to the asset in question. Is the trustee directed to sell the asset, or given the discretion to do so?
3. Continue reviewing the terms of the trust. Doing so will help you determine whether the trustee powers include the ability to sell a trust asset.
4. Consider involving the probate court with the trust administration process. Typically, the court is not involved with a trust administration unless there is a dispute among the parties or confusion over the meaning of a trust provision. If a trustee is failing to sell a trust asset and it is creating harm, consider involving the court.
5. Evaluate whether or not to pursue more aggressive action against a trustee if you suspect that the trustee is breaching a duty. This may include an action to have the trustee removed and replaced.

It is important to remember that any time wasted in not protecting your rights as a beneficiary could result in irreparable harm to your share of the trust property. For this reason, we strongly encourage you to act quickly and contact our office today.