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# Airline flights possible for pets, if weather okay, animal healthy

#### **By JUDY ALLS**

Battalion Reporter Concerned pet owners who are flying home for the holidays may find taking their pets with them is no problem, provided certain conditions are met.

A person traveling with a pet from Houston Intercontinental Airport can simply buy a pet ticket from most airlines and cage the pet, Jane Williams of Eastern airlines said. She suggested that the pet's reservation be made several

days in advance. Some smaller pets, such as miniature poodles and cats, may be taken on the plane with the passenger, but must be kept in a cage. Larger animals are flown in the baggage compartment, Williams said

If a pet is to travel alone, Aero an animal cannot be kept on the

air freight will take the pet by truck from College Station to Houston Intercontinental, or meet the animal in Houston and bring it back to College Station, Mike Heritage of Aero said.

An animal traveling alone from Houston Intercontinental also can travel by air freight, but certain stipulations must first be met. A health certificate no older

than 10 days must be submitted to the airline, and it is suggested that the veterinarian signing the certificate recommend whether the animal be sedated, Weatherford said

If, at the final destination, the temperature at the airport terminal dock is less than 45 degrees or more than 95 degrees, animals will not be allowed to travel. Also,

dock for more than four hours, and will be sent to a kennel if it is not picked up within that time. "The trip must be done in the most humane manner, and we

ventilated on two-thirds of the outer surface, have handles and allow the dog to sit, lie, stand and Heritage said.

The animal's cage also must be usually find out the animal's name so that the driver and animal can build a rapport while traveling,



# Christmas kennel space lifficult to find in B-CS

e to leam and By ERICA KRENNERICH d in the year Battalion Reporter og and cat owners who want to

their pets in town for the el in the Bryan-College Staarea with available space. was booked before Thank

ng for the Christmas holi-, said Helen Snyder, owner he Blue Valley Cattery in She said she can board ab-30 to 35 cats. Other busy times luring Texas A&M Universipring break and before the versity's summer session be-she said.

lost of the kennels take and er reservations, especially for lays and other peak times.

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Anita Harper, owner of Har- Price depends on the size of the per's Tonkawa Kennels, said she dog has facilities for about 50 animals. She said her kennel is booked for wis may have to search for a the Christmas holidays, and that some pet owners made reservations six to eight months in advance

> Nancy Stricklin of the Aggieland Kennels said she has enough space to board about 50 dogs but was booked by Nov. 1 for the Christmas holidays.

Prices for boarding a pet vary, but generally range from \$2.50 to \$4 per day. Snyder, who boards cats, charges \$2.50 per night for a

Snyder said she asks pet owners to bring one of the pet's favorite toys with them. She feeds her boarders their usual food on their

familiar schedule, she said. Most kennels have both indoor and outdoor facilities. Many ken-nels require proof of the animal's inoculations, an emergency number and veterinarian's name

Snyder said Texas A&M stu-dents own about half of the boar-ders she will have for the Christ-mas holidays. 'If people care enough about an

animal to want to house it and take cat. Harper boards dogs and cats. care of it, then it's a service I can She charges \$3.50 to \$4 for a dog. render," she said.



# Pizza sales booming

By SANDRA KAY GARY Battalion Staff ring finals week, students' get hungry and order pizza. Terry Derringer, an empl the unit of formulas, facts, of Chanello's Pizza in College Sta-tion, said business Sunday was n in area pizza deliveries is heavier than usual and that workino's Pizza in Bryan, said: es eat more pizza while they ly for finals than anybody else he nation. We have 530 stores oss the nation and at the end of an and College Station, we'll ranked in the top 10 as far as

Terry Derringer, an employee

ndication, pizza is one of the popular finals-week foods. tanley Lyons, manager of chants have noticed little change in their sales this week. Bill Lee, manager of Pizza Express, said his store has been "a little bit busier,

week in area pizza stores

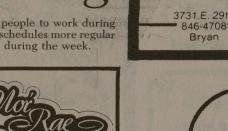
Derringer said Chanello's has placed ads in local papers to hire

employees during the week.



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