



US Presidents and dogs

by **Dasun Edirisinghe**
in Washington DC

If you want a friend in Washington, the old saying goes, get a dog. Since the dogs of George Washington, the first President of America, most US Presidents had one or several dogs as their pets, to prove the old saying.

There is a special gallery for first dogs in the 4th floor of the Newseum in Washington DC. The Newseum is the world's most interactive museum, where five cen-

turies of news history meets up - to - the - second technology on America's Main Street - Pennsylvania Avenue. The Newseum's 14 major galleries and 15 theatres will immerse you in the world's greatest news stories - the people, the places and the times. The presidential dogs' gallery in the Newseum is named 'First Dogs' and it is a popular section of the 4th floor.

The names of some of the First Dogs:
George Washington - As a breed-

er, George Washington had dozens of dogs including the fancifully named Topsy, Drunkard and Tipler
Abraham Lincoln - Fido
Franklin R. Roosevelt - Fala
Lyndon B. Johnson - Him and Her
Richard M. Nixon - Checkers
George H. W. Bush - Millie
Bill Clinton - Buddy
Barrack Obama - Bo
Rutherford B. Hayes - Dot
Theodore Roosevelt - Rollo
Benjamin Harrison - Jack

Today's Special

Banana Pupcakes

2 cups Water
2 bananas
1 tsp vanilla
3 cups flour
1 tbsp baking powder
1 egg
3 tbsp honey

Heat oven 350 degrees
Mash bananas
In Bowl Mix all ingrediants
WELL Pour into cupcake pans
Bake 20 mns.

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THE SECRET BEHIND OUR GREAT-TASTING WATER IS THAT EVERY DROP IS AGED TO PERFECTION IN THESE ENORMOUS PORCELAIN VATS...

MARK PARISI

In lighter vein

Dog property laws

1. If I like it, it's mine.
2. If it's in my mouth, it's mine.
3. If I can take it from you, it's mine.
4. If I had it a little while ago, it's mine.
5. If it's mine, it must never appear to be yours in any way.
6. If I'm chewing something up, all the pieces are mine.
7. If it just looks like mine, it's mine.
8. If I saw it first, it's mine.
9. If you are playing with something and you put it down, it automatically becomes mine.
10. If it's broken, it's yours.

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