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Kodiak is bear country. It's one of the things that makes our island so incredible,

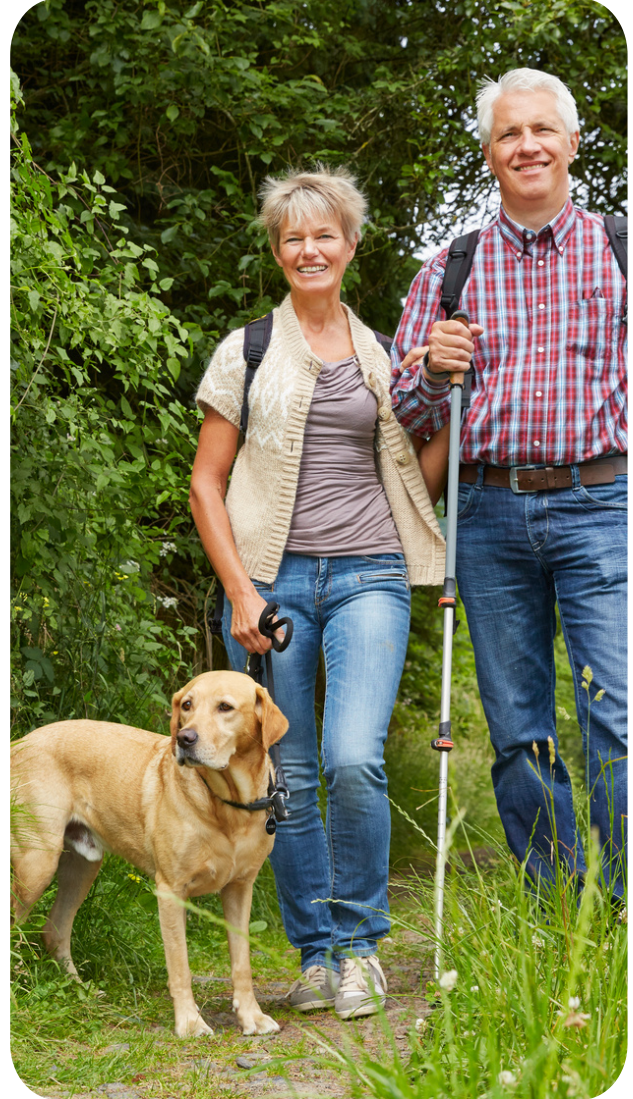
but it also means that every trip down a trail comes with a responsibility to keep ourselves, our pets, and our wildlife safe.

When hitting the trails:

- Keep dogs leashed and under control. Dogs may approach or chase a bear, then run back to their owner with the bear following.
- Be extra alert near salmon streams, berry patches and thick brush.
- Make noise as you travel, especially where visibility is limited. Carrying "bear bells" is great way to make noise.
- Carry bear spray where you can quickly reach it and know how to use it.
- Skip the headphones and stay aware of your surroundings.
- Never allow your dog to chase or harass wildlife.

If you encounter a bear, do not run. Keep your dog close, remain calm and slowly increase your distance when it is safe to do so. Always give bears, especially mothers with cubs, plenty of space.

Enjoy the trails. Respect the bears. Keep your dog close. And let's help keep everyone, two-legged and four-legged, safe out there.



CALLING ALL BAKERS!



The HSK is seeking scrumptious donations for both our furry and human friends to sell at our AAUW Bazaar booth Nov. 7th!

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