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Business Hours

Monday - Friday
7:00 am - 6:00 pm

Saturday
8:00 am - 12:00 pm

Closed Sunday

We would like to thank everyone who has participated in the dog and cat of the month. We want to encourage everyone to bring in or e-mail us pictures and short bios on your pets. The cat and dog of the month will be randomly selected every month and all other pets will be kept for six months. If your pet is chosen we will mail you a \$10 gift certificate to use towards your next visit.

December Birthdays

Jake Arvin
Selena Aurelio
Reggie Wright Baldwin
Zeke Barnhart
Dante Bishop
Taloula Booher
Tucker Booher
Mac Bowie
Bailey Brauss
Lucy Brooks
Baby Bruner
Titan Caughey
Ozzy Clark
Raja Clark
Sammy Cliburn
Kiar Dugan
Maisey Farnworth
Grizzley Flanagan
Smokey Flynn
Tank Fouts
Buster Brown Fredrickson
Jack Haynes
Wyatt Hemmer
Emma Henderson
Simon Hess



Pet of the Month

This is Gracie. Gracie is an eight year old Jack Russell. Gracie was diagnosed with Heartworm Disease a few months ago. She has now completed her treatment and is doing great. Gracie is a sweet dog with a loving personality. She loves, loves, loves to talk to you. She has two sisters, both dogs, Punky and Phoebe.

December Birthday's (cont.)

Jake Holmes
 Evey Holowell
 Mandy Holt
 Sadie Holzer
 Sassy Hon
 Molly Jeffries
 Lady Jennings
 Mocha Jensen
 Oreo Jensen
 Tripp Johnson
 Soda Kendall
 Howard Kidwell
 Pudgie Knop
 Faith Kramer
 Maximus Lawrence
 Baxter Leathers
 Shep Long
 Lucy McHugh
 Dakota McShanog
 Cocoa Meister
 Happy Moon
 Sushi Moore
 Buddy Owens
 Delilah Pennington
 JR Porter
 Max Rall
 Belle Smith
 Gibby Spurgeon
 Nalley Stallings
 Jack Stevens
 Tenebrae Thunell
 Bebe Toth
 Riley Veza
 Lizzie Viewegh
 Mallory Walker
 Laci Ward
 Brodie Waters
 Woofie Watness
 Maggie Weaver
 Cotton Wells
 Gryffin Went
 Lady Wicker
 Buddy Wilder
 Lassie Winkel
 Hunter Woods
 Kola Zoellner

Employee News

The new face you have seen around here is Megan. Megan is our new Veterinary Assistant. She is attending school to become a Registered Veterinarian Technician. Megan has two dogs of her own. She loves animals and cannot wait to meet your pets.

Pancreatitis

Pancreatitis is an inflammation of the pancreas. The pancreas is used to aid the body in the metabolism of sugars and promote digestion and absorption of fats. There are a few ways an animal may get this, some include; metabolic disorders, nutrition or the dog who “steals” greasy people food. Common symptoms are painful abdomen, vomiting, diarrhea and unwillingness to eat. We can diagnose pancreatitis by a couple different things but the most common way is a blood test. When the pancreatic enzymes, amylase and lipase, are increased this is a great indication of pancreatitis. Not to fear, pancreatitis is usually a curable problem. Step 1 is to rest the pancreas by not allowing the animal to eat ANYTHING, step 2 is IV fluid therapy, and step 3 is antibiotics also given by IV. Usually in 2-3 days the dogs tend to look up. When recovering from pancreatitis it's important to start a bland diet and gradually work back to the animal's normal diet. Sometimes the animal will always have to stay on a bland diet. But with the combination of early detection and treatment your animal will most likely pull through. Please call us if any of these symptoms sound familiar.

Urinary Tract Infections

Urinary tract infections or UTI's are caused when bacteria is not being flushed out of the bladder. When it comes to male or female, female dogs are more likely to have UTI's simply because their urethra is shorter than males. Some common signs you may notice are urinating frequently but a small amount, blood in the urine, and pain when urinating. There are many ways to diagnose UTI's but a simple and common way is to obtain urine directly from the bladder and complete a urinalysis. The doctor will also look at the urine sediment under a microscope for any sign of crystals. Treatments of UTI's are usually a course of antibiotics and anti-inflammatories. Sometimes a dietary change can help prevent future problems. If you notice any of these symptoms please call us.

Featured Product

Our featured product this month is Convenia. Convenia is a new injectable antibiotic. Convenia can be given to those “hard to pill” pets. One shot of this antibiotic lasts 14 days with out re-dosing. Convenia is already proven to be a hit with our cat parents.