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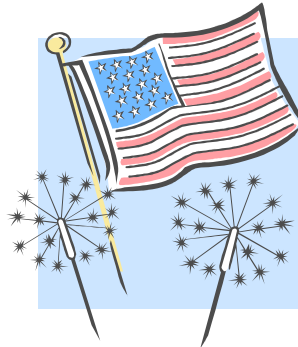
Summer 2008

Summer Safety Tips

As summer gets into full swing after a long spring we find it is a time for picnics, family gatherings, and fireworks. However, activities like fireworks are not always fun for the family pet. Every year pet owners call their vet in distress for tranquilizers to help calm their pets during this noise and activity filled time. Here are some simple tips to keep everyone safe and your pet comfortable through the 4th of July and summer season.

- Keep pets inside during the festivities. When frightened, even normally well behaved pets can jump a fence to get away from the source of their distress. This is a very common time of year for pets to come up missing. Micro-chipping your pet can help your pet find their way back home when lost. Please ask our staff about the additional benefits of microchipping your pet. If your pet is anxious or stressed with loud noises you may want to speak with your veterinarian about anti-anxiety medications or supplements to help your pet remain calm during this stressful time.

- When inviting friends and family over it is important to remember that your pet may not enjoy the family cookout the same way we would. Dogs in particular, can have anxiety about strangers coming into their environment and may react differently than normal. It is important to give dogs and cats a place to get away from the noise and confusion. Cats don't like change and stress, behavior problems can arise with stress in a cat's life.
- Check your pets water bowl several times a day during the summer to make sure there's enough water for your thirsty pet. And don't forget to provide shady spots for pets who live outdoors. Avoid overexerting during play and use caution when exercising your pet outside on hot days. It is best to exercise in the early morning to avoid temperature related illness. The heat of pavement can blister your dogs pads. Always provide plenty of water to avoid dehydration.



- Don't leave your pet in the car on warm or hot days. The temperature in your car can reach up to 120 degrees in a matter of minutes even when the windows are rolled down. Exposure to such heat can lead to heatstroke and can be fatal.
- Outdoor chemicals such as herbicides or insecticides can be hazardous to your pet. When applying chemicals to the yard do not let your pets in the yard for 3-4 days afterward. Also, slug and snail bait and rodent poison are toxic to pets.

We want this summer season to be fun for the WHOLE family! If you have any questions or concerns please contact McKenzie Animal Hospital for more information.

Staff News...

- Congratulations Angela Crum on your baby girl Taylor Jolynn. We are so happy for you!
- Welcome to our new staff members! Outpatient Technicians Brenna and Kristen Inpatient Technician Assistant Naomi, and Client Care Coordinator Stephanie. Welcome to our Team! Check out their bios on our website.
- Dr. Arpaia will be out of office starting in August on maternity leave and will be taking some time off to spend with her new baby.
- Dr. Buxton will be back this summer for a short time and will then be relocating to North Carolina in September.

Happy 30th Birthday McKenzie Animal Hospital!

In 1978 Dr. Martha DeWees established McKenzie Animal Hospital after 3 years in a mobile practice in Lane County. Dr. DeWees personally designed and oversaw the building, construction and all aspects of the quality work. She chose the east Springfield area because of the potential for future growth and the need for a high quality, comprehensive veterinary facility to serve the growing area.

The hospital received accreditation from the American Animal Hospital

Association in 1978 and has maintained accreditation to present day.

Over the next 22 years the practice grew as did the population of the surrounding area. Dr. DeWees continued to look for ways to improve care and service, acquiring the latest, best equipment, expanding and training our highly skilled and caring staff.

In 2001 Dr. DeWees oversaw the design and construction of the

new addition and remodeling of the older building expanding by 150% to 4100 sq ft. In 2006 all medical records were changed over to digital record keeping.

Today the hospital now operates with 5 doctors and a staff of 25 team members, we continue to offer the best care for you and your pets.

Thank you for trusting us with your pet's care, we look forward to serving you for many years to come.





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Employee of the quarter...

Mekeesha Price

McKenzie Animal Hospital is proud to announce Mekeesha as the summer employee of the quarter. She has been an outstanding member of the McKenzie Animal Hospital Team for the past five years. Mekeesha has been remarkably dedicated throughout the past year while enduring treatment for breast cancer. As of Wednesday June 25th we are proud to announce that Mekeesha is cancer free. Mekeesha really defines caring for pets and their people too. She is proud to call the majority of our clients her friends. We are grateful to have Mekeesha on our team and want to say thank you for the time and energy you put into our hospital. She and her family have 3 cats: Stanley, Cleo and Mandy. They also occasionally welcome foster kittens into their home and help find them homes



Introducing Our New Doctors: Brooke Jacoby and Kathryn Boyle

This June McKenzie was proud to announce that we have two new doctors on staff. Dr. Brooke A. Jacoby and Dr. Kathryn T. Boyle.

Dr. Jacoby graduated from Oregon State University. She has been very active in the veterinary community serving on the board for Pro-Bono here in Eugene. Dr. Jacoby's interests include internal medicine, pain management and soft tissue surgery. Dr. Jacoby has 2

dogs, named Lena and Brody.

Dr. Kathryn T. Boyle is a graduate from the University of Missouri. Dr. Boyle and her husband have moved here from Missouri and are

looking forward to exploring Oregon's beautiful surroundings. Dr. Boyle has a special interest in clinical pathology and internal medicine. She has 2 dogs named Ali and Stache.

ask one of our staff members to introduce you the next time you are in. Welcome to our team Dr's. Jacoby and Boyle!

Dr. Brooke A. Jacoby



We are very excited to have such wonderful doctors joining our team. Dr. Jacoby and Dr. Boyle are already fitting right in with our staff. If you haven't met our new doctors and would like to meet them please

Dr. Kathryn T. Boyle



Celebrating 30 years... Pet Family Fair

McKenzie Animal Hospital would like to invite you to our Pet Family Fair on Saturday, August 16, 2008 in honor of our 30th Anniversary from 2-6pm.

We will be opening up our facilities for the public to come in and tour our hospital and participate in learning centers, games, door prizes and lots more.

One of the featured attractions of

the day will be the Springfield Police Department's K-9 unit demonstrating the abilities of canines on the job.

We will also have agility course demonstrations courtesy of Dogs at Play and canine behavior demonstrations by Emerald Dog Obedience Club.

Kids are encouraged to bring in their stuffed animals for medical treatment from our veterinary technicians.

We welcome you to join us for this fun, interactive, and educational event. See you there!

