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GRAND OPENING!

Welcome to the grand opening of The Village Vet! We are thrilled to have the opportunity to provide you with the best veterinary care in town. We are confident you will find our unique approach to veterinary care refreshing: We not only care about your furry family members, but you as well. Our goal is to make you feel like a part of this practice and to make you feel at home. After all, we are your home for quality veterinary care!

Health News:

November begins the holiday season, a time to be with our families, give thanks and eat! But for Fido and Whiskers it's a different story.

A rare small scrap from the table is usually harmless. But at holiday time we generally eat lots of rich foods and desserts. And if you have a large gathering of people each sneaking a scrap to the dog or cat, it may result in serious gastric distress.

Generally, it is best to avoid giving your animal any table scraps. (We hope your guests will respect your wishes, too!) Signs to watch for are vomiting, diarrhea, and malaise. As always, bones are a no-no!

Keep in mind that most clinics are closed on the holidays, so preventing GI distress will also prevent you from incurring a large vet bill at an emergency hospital.

Hours of operation:

Monday: 8:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m.
Tuesday: 8:00 a.m.-8:00 p.m.
Wednesday: 8:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m.
Thursday: Closed
Friday: 8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.
Saturday: 8:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.
Sunday: Closed

Ask Louise



Dear Louise

I am a sweet, purr-fect kitty cat. I play during the day, sleep at night and I don't scratch the couch. My brother is a big ol' honking dopey yellow lab, and sometimes he likes to hump me. What should I do?

-Pestered Puddy Tat

Dear Pestered,

Sooner or later congress will pass a law against this, but until then rest assured your dog isn't being fresh. This behavior is merely an expression of dominance. Your canine sibling is merely asserting his "alpha" status, nothing more. Do what any other cat would do: open up those switchblade claws of yours and smack him one across his big, pointy nose! He may be "alpha", but you are the supreme being of the house. Act like it!

Pet(s) of the Month



This month we feature Puddy. Puddy was diagnosed with Hepatic Lipidosis, also known as fatty liver syndrome. Cats cannot metabolize fat, so when something causes a rapid weight loss, the fat builds up in the liver, essentially "clogging" it.

The cure for this is to get the cat eating again. In Puddy's case, she would not eat on her own, so a tube was inserted through her side into her stomach through which she had to be fed. Puddy did very well with this treatment. She would curl up on her mother's lap while the slow feeding process took place. Granted, Puddy is the rare case when a cat cooperates! Food volume was gradually increased until regular food could be added back into her diet. We are glad to report that today Puddy is a perfectly healthy cat!

In Memoriam

Buddy Moss,
Ricky Hagerman, Bigfoot Tausch, and
the many companions who passed this
summer.

Quote of the month: "Animals are such agreeable friends - they ask no questions, they pass no criticisms". ~George Eliot