



AH, SUMMER!

Wow, it has been a glorious summer so far. I don't know if it is the weather or just the pure pleasure of having The Village Vet up and running and in full swing. It is hard to believe but July marks the eighth month of operation of our clinic. The staff and I have all settled into our spot here on Ridge Road in Webster. We are all proud to serve this wonderful Webster community and are so glad to be able to provide the best care possible to the pets and people of Webster. On behalf of myself and my wonderful staff, Amy, Jessica, Lisa, Karen, Kelsey, and Märya, happy summer!! -- Dr. Kelly

Health News

Join "The Kelly Cup" Challenge Contest!

We are pleased to announce the first doggy weight loss contest in Monroe County. In response to the growing problem of obesity in the pet population, The Village Vet is here to help you address your dog's growing waistline. Dr. Kelly is known for her famous "Kelly Cup". The cup of food you feed Fido may be a far cry larger than the 8oz. "Kelly Cup". Obese pets are at greater risk for joint injury in youth and arthritis in their senior years. Excess weight also puts more stress on the heart and lungs and increases the susceptibility to metabolic diseases such as diabetes.

To join the contest, please talk to either Karen or Amy for more information. We'll discuss the parameters of the contest and scheduled weigh-ins. Dr. Kelly will assist in tailoring a diet for your dog. Dr. Kelly and the staff will also help you with the emotional aspects of how to deal with your dog when he gives you those puppy eyes begging for more food or a treat. It's hard, we know. And we'll help.

The contest goes until the end of the year and the winner will receive a \$25.00 gift card from PetSmart.

Get the full details at the clinic, and good luck!

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 know I can't join that weight loss contest because it's too aggressive for a kitty-cat's delicate constitution. But what can I, as an indoor cat, do to slim down? I used to look like that British model Cat Deeley, but now I look like Kirstie Alleycat.

- Fat Cat

Dear Fat,

There are a few things your humans can do to help you slim down. First, lay off the treats. Cut 'em out completely.

Next, check the amount of food given to you daily. Do your humans leave a full dish of food out for you all day? Have you ever taken a look at who is in line at The Old Country Buffet? "All you can eat" is never a good idea for us kitties trying watch our waistlines. Portion control is paramount! 1/4 cup twice daily, no ifs, ands or oversized kitty butts!

Finally, get your human to play with you. Cats can play fetch, too! And those kitty wands with the feathers are more fun than scratching your mom's sofa!

It takes hard work to look fabulous. Just persist with diet and exercise, my kitties. I think I can... I think I can... I think I can! Why, just look at *me*! But don't hate me because I'm beautiful! Ta ta, and good luck!

Featured Pet



Meet Miss Bridgette, a sweet Bichon Frise. Due to complications of diabetes, Miss Bridgette previously had had cataract surgery on both eyes. When she came to us her right eye appeared to be bothering her. The right eye had not responded well to the surgery and developed glaucoma, resulting in an enlarged and painful eye. (see photo on left). The only remedy was to remove the affected eye.

UPDATE

Though Miss Bridgette responded well to her eye surgery and returned to her perky self, she unfortunately succumbed to kidney failure secondary to her diabetes a couple of weeks ago. We share in the loss of this sweet little girl. Our deepest sympathies go out to her family.

In Memoriam

Caeser C., Frankie G., Midnight G., Sadie H., Poco K., Ben M. Jake S., Tinker S., Jazz V., Princess M.