

August 2025

MEOWING NEWS! BARKING NEWS! MEOWING NEWS! BARKING NEWS!*August and everything after!*

Hello August time for the end of summer and heading back to obedience school. It is still flea and tick season so please keep up on your preventatives!

When the temperatures go up please keep an eye on your pets. Heat stroke is deadly, and just 3-5 min on hot asphalt/concrete can burn your pets paws badly.

Also another reminder that just a few minutes in a hot car can turn deadly.

Air temp**Asphalt Temp**

77F

125F

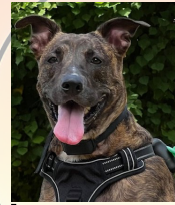
87F

143F

95F

149F

If you can't touch the back of your hands to the asphalt/concrete for 7 seconds it's too hot for them

*Ask Malaa!*

My male dog has these weird bumps on his chest/belly area, they look like ticks? If your dog is protected by a flea/tick preventative and if those bumps don't have legs then

those are probably his nipples they could also be a skin tag. If in doubt have a Vet check it out. If they suddenly get larger or you have never seen them before please have them looked at. They may be larger or smaller depending on the dog but please don't try and yank them off that hurts!

August Special

10% off 6 months supply of flea/tick preventative.

Ask the Vet

Vaccination for Lyme disease should be considered for dogs that live within or travel to regions heavy with Lyme disease. Lyme disease is caused by infection with tick-transmitted borrelial pathogens. Lyme disease is transmitted by the bite of black legged or deer ticks. Dogs that spend time outdoors in endemic regions are most likely to benefit from vaccination.

Vaccination should be complemented with a secondary control program as prevention of tick feeding prevents disease transmission. For dogs with travel planned to an endemic area, both initial vaccinations should be completed 2 to 4 wk before travel.

You can help protect your dog from ticks and Lyme disease if you:

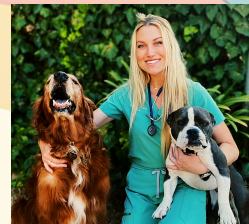
Use a highly effective flea/tick preventative.

Wear tick-repellent clothing.

Promptly check for and manually remove attached ticks from our dogs; it takes 24 to 48 hours for attached ticks to transfer the disease.

Give the Lyme disease vaccine to your dogs.

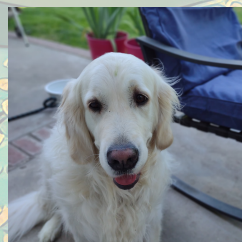
Be safe this summer!!

*Interesting pet facts*

The Beatles added a 15-kilohertz tone that dogs can hear but humans can't, in their Sgt. Pepper's Lonely Hearts Club album, following the song A Day in the Life.

Guinea pigs only sleep for about four hours during a 24-hour period and usually nap from between 20 seconds to six minutes. They mostly sleep with their eyes open in case of predators.

Dogs have a special organ in their mouth called the Jacobson's Organ that allows them to smell pheromones from other dogs





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Welcome to August!

Boy this summer sure has been busy here at the hotel. We have sold out every weekend in July and most other days are nearly full as well! Thank you all so much for your trust and faith in our caring for your precious fur babies!! We certainly appreciate you!

Things are heating up, so we have a lot of water play planned this month, with our pool & splash pads, ice cube & ice cream treats, and plenty of time in the nice AC. Make sure when walking in from the parking lot to care for your dogs' paws, and either walk quickly or carry those smaller ones to prevent burns. We are also doing Happy Camper photo shoots, so don't be left out of that fun! Ask a staff member for more info on these amazing photos.

Some special dates to consider in August are as follows: International Cat Day on August 8th, and Spoil your dog day on August 10th. AS if that isn't EVERY day. ;)

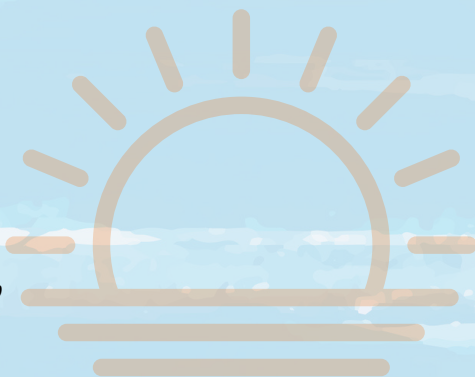
We have a special recipe for cats this month to celebrate your frisky felines.
TUNA CATNIP SURPRISE

Ingredients

1/2 cup whole wheat flour
1/2 cup nonfat dry milk powder
1/2 can tuna in oil
1 tablespoon vegetable oil
1 egg beaten
1/4 cup water
1/4 cup finely crushed dry catnip

Instructions

Preheat oven to 350°F and spray cookie sheet with cooking spray.
In a large bowl, mash the tuna and break up any large clumps.
Mix the flour and dry milk powder in with the tuna until thoroughly combined.
Add water and oil and mix well.
Beat an egg until foamy then add to the mixture. Expect the dough to be sticky.
Shape dough into tiny 1/4 teaspoon sized balls & roll them in finely crushed dry catnip.
Place the balls on the cookie sheet and flatten slightly.
Bake for 10 minutes, remove from the oven and let rest for 5 minutes.
Turn treats over and bake for an additional 10 minutes.



WE HOPE YOU ALL HAVE A MOST EXCELLENT AUGUST, AND REMEMBER TO BOOK EARLY!! WE WON'T BE ABLE TO ACCEPT MOST SAME DAY RESERVATIONS, AND WE WILL SELL OUT MOST WEEKENDS. WE WOULDN'T WANT YOU TO BE LEFT OUT OF THE SUMMER FUN!



PETS OF THE MONTH:

CAT: This month's cat of the month is Loki. Loki is an all time staff favorite! He is the most beautiful Bengal baby with the biggest personality! He always has something to say, and lets you know, loudly, that he wants pets and he wants them NOW!! Loki is a perfect angel! Congrats on being August's Cat of the month!

DOG: This month's dogs of the month are sisters Abby and Bella! These girls are relatively new to VPH, but they have already made their marks as favorites! Just the sweetest ladies, who want nothing but love and attention, and make friends wherever they go! Congrats Abby and Bella on being August's dogs of the month!

