## Flanary Vet Clinic Newsletter 2022– Issue 7





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It is July and the dog days of summer are well underway! Let's devote this entire newsletter to our best friends! FVC would like to take a moment to remind pet parents to think of their pet's needs during these hot days.

## Here are some key tips to help keep them cool and safe this summer:

- Provide fresh drinking water.
- Make sure they have access to shade.
- Test pavement to ensure it's not too hot for your pets paws before walks.
  - Aim for early morning/late evening walks to avoid the hottest times of day.

Never leave a pet unattended in a car.



## **Fun Dog Facts:**

- Most popular dog names of 2022 are: Charlie, Cooper, Milo, Lucy, Bailey, Daisy, Sadie, and Max.
- A dog's nose print is unique, much like a human fingerprint
- 45% of dogs in the US sleep in the same bed as their owner
  - Dogs are not color blind- they can see blue and yellow.
    - All puppies are born deaf.
    - Dogs pant to cool their body temperature
  - A large breed dog's resting heart beats 60-100 times per minute, and a small breed dog's heart beats 100-140.
     Comparatively, a resting human heart beats 60-100 times per minute.

# RABIES: It's always FATAL...Is your pet protected?



Rabies is an incurable viral

disease that affects the central nervous system of almost all mammals, including cats, dogs, ferrets and humans. Animals



which can commonly carry and spread the rabies virus are coyotes, skunks, foxes, raccoons, and bats. It is spread through contact with the saliva of infected animals through bites or breaks in the skin.

Vaccinations provide your pet with a much greater resistance to rabies if they are exposed to the disease, but you must be aware that there is no cure once it occurs. For this reason, many municipalities, including the state of Kentucky, absolutely require that all pets receive a 1-year rabies vaccine annually. In addition, you will definitely have to prove that your pet is vaccinated if you ever have to travel with them – whether across

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## **TOP 10 TOXIN CALLS FOR DOGS**

- 1. Chocolate 6. Antidepressant Medications
- 2. Mouse & Rat Poisons 7. Fertilizers

the country or around the world!

- 3. Ibuprofen & Acetaminophen 8. Grapes & Raisins
- 4. Xylitol 9. Decongestant Medications
- 5. Vitamin D (in large amounts) 10.Caffeine(pills & drinks)



## \*\*\*FVC July Special\*\*\*





#### Examination

1-2x per year to detect various health issues Such as:

Dental Disease, Cancer, Allergies, Ear Infections, Heart Disease, and more Senior Pet ( Age 7+) should be examined 2x per year. Pets age 3 1/2 years every 6 months

#### Vaccinations:

Recommended to prevent Rabies, Distemper, Parvo, Hepatitis, Lepto, Parainfluenza, and Bordetella.

There are several life threatening diseases and conditions that can be prevented with proper vaccinations.

### **Proper Nutrition**

Prevent Deficiencies, Obesity, & Maximize Health

### Parasite Prevention

To prevent Fleas and Ticks, which can lead to skin infections, cause tapeworms, and Lymes's disease and lead to misery for you and your pets,

#### Intestinal Dewormina

2-4 times per year depending on your dogs life style
\*If your dog is on heartworm prevention it gets dewormed for intestinal
worms monthly\*

\*Dr. Flanary & Dr. Ferrell recommends\*

Bravecto for Dogs for Flea & Tick Control
Interceptor Plus for Heartworm Prevention and Gl Deworming.

#### Spay/Neuter Procedure

Spaying or Neutering your dog will protect them from uterine infections, breast tumors, testicular cancer, prostate problems, and contributing to overpopulation

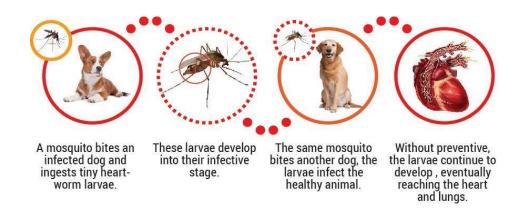
#### Bloodwork

Evaluates Kidney, Liver, and Gallbladder Function, and monitors for Diabetes.to help keep your pet healthy overall

Since we are in the dog days of summer when mosquitos, ticks and fleas are out in full force, I want to encourage everyone to use their heartworm and flea/tick prevention on their pets!

## Remember these important facts:

- Even strictly indoor pets can get heartworms.
- All it takes is one mosquito to bite your pet to transmit the deadly heartworm disease.
- "Out of sight, out of mind." These deadly worms live in the heart and we can't see the damage they cause.
- Fleas carry tapeworms, the most common worm, and are also pure misery for your pets!
  - One flea bites an average of 50 times.
    - Any fur animal is a flea hotel.
- Treat all pets in your home or you are wasting your money in only treating one.
  - Even inside pets need protecting because we as humans can bring in ticks and fleas.
- Any pet that goes outside needs protecting because fleas and ticks are everywhere!
- Ticks carry and can transmit Lyme's Disease, Ehrlichiosis & Anaplasmosis to your pet with just one bite!



## <u>Products we carry and recommend for the prevention</u> of Heartworms and Intestinal Worms:

- Interceptor Plus –Chew- (Given Monthly) Takes care of ALL intestinal worms as well as heartworms.
- Trifexis –Tablet- (Given Monthly) Takes care of some intestinal worms as well as heartworms.
  - Proheart Injection (Given every 6 or 12 months) Takes care of heartworms only.
  - Bravecto Plus- Topical for Cats- (Applied every 2 months) Takes care of some intestinal worms as well as heartworms.

## <u>Products we carry and recommend for Fleas and</u> Ticks:



- Bravecto Topical for Cats (Applied every 2 months)
- **NEW!** Credelio chewable for Cats (Given Monthly)
- Bravecto Chewable for Dogs (Given Every 4 or 12 Weeks)
  - Trifexis Tablet (Given Monthly)
  - Credelio Chewable for Dogs (Given Monthly)

### **PSA FOR PET OWNERS:**

Fleas and Ticks are especially bad this year, and there has been a major increase in the spread of tick-borne diseases in pets & humans!

This summer alone we are seeing at least 2 positive tests for Ehrlichia every day!

If you are unsure about your pet's status regarding tick borne disease we can test them with our 4DX test in as little as 10 minutes.

# SPECIAL DEALS THIS MONTH ON PREVENTION! JULY 1ST-30ST

### • Bravecto for Cats:

Get \$5 off instantly when you purchase of 1 box (\$ 44 + Tax)

Get \$10 off instantly when you purchase of 2 boxes (\$88 + Tax)

### Bravecto for Dogs:

3 month option only

Get \$5 instantly with purchase of 1 box (\$56.50 + Tax)

Get \$10 off instantly with purchase of 2 boxes (\$113 + Tax)

• Trifexis

(Price varies based on weight range of dog)

Get \$20 off instantly with purchase of 6 month supply Get \$45 online/mail-in rebate with purchase of 12 month supply

### Interceptor Plus

(Price varies based on weight range of dog)

Get \$6 online/mail-in rebate with purchase of 6 month supply

Get \$15 off instantly with purchase of 12 month supply

### The FVC SPA



Family reunions, vacations, and 4<sup>th</sup> of July Celebrations are a lot of fun! Taking time out to wash the dog was not part of those plans; why not let them get pampered with a spa day at FVC?!

Spa days include a nail trim, bubble bath with Dena, and a Bandana!

### Prices are:

1-25 LB - \$25

26-50 LB - \$35

51-75 LB - \$45

76-100-\$55

100+ - \$65

Every Tuesday- Friday in July!

## FAN FAVORITE STRAWBERRY LEMONADE SCENT IS HERE!

UPGRADE YOUR SPA DAY PACKAGE FOR JUST \$15!

Call 270-898-9738 today to make an appointment!



### **Boarding with FVC**



Going on vacation this summer? Let your babies board with Flanary Vet Clinic. We take pride in caring for your pet as if they were our own. You can be confident that they are receiving the care that they deserve, and you demand. And while we are making sure that they are happy and comfortable, we will also make sure that they stay healthy and safe. FVC offers cat condos and spacious dog runs, which are both climate controlled, and two outside fenced in

"play areas." Pets are always supervised when outside and never allowed with other pets unless they are "family." To make the hardship of being away from your pet a little easier we will text you a photo of your pet during their stay with FVC. Now a daily play time or some love and snuggles with your pet is included in your pet's boarding reservation. We also offer TREAT TIME for just \$2 per night or upgrade to extra play time/snuggling for just \$5 per day!! So let us give your furbaby some extra lovings while you're gone!! We love to spoil them! The treats can also be upgraded to our Gourmet Claudia Cuisine Cookies or to any of our Pupmuffin options. For all boarding reservations, your dog can receive a bath at the end of it's stay for 20% off!!!





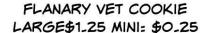


To read more about our boarding facility and see photos visit <a href="https://www.flanaryvet.com">www.flanaryvet.com</a>

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## FLANARY VET COOKIE SHE

CONFETTI CUPCAKE \$1.00



CREME BURLE CUP: \$1.50



SUN BONE: \$1.00



SPRINKLE BONE: \$1.00 DIPPED BONE: \$1.00







DROP COOKIE: \$0.75

FLOWER COOKIE: STAR COOKIE: STRIPE COOKIE: \$0\_10

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RED, WHITE, AND STRIPE STAR COOKIE SMALL: \$1.00 LARGE: \$2.00







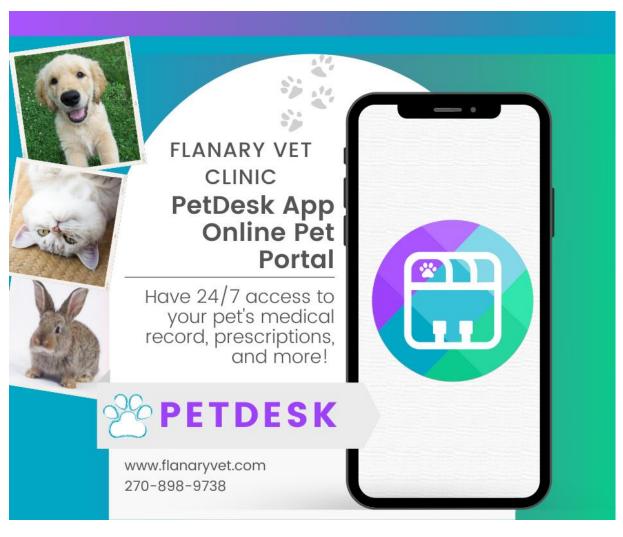
ASK ABOUT OUR \$5 COOKIE BUNDLE!

### \*\*\*\*PETDESK IS THE BEST\*\*\*\*

PetDesk is our best way of communication and it is as easy as downloading an app onto your phone!

### Through the PetDesk app you can:

- Schedule appointments
- Request medication refills
- View your pet's vaccine history
- View your pet's bloodwork results
- Direct text messaging through 270-898-9738 (and we can text you back!)



- Send us pictures of your pets directly to 270-898-9738

### IN CLINIC AND CURBSIDE APPTS AVAILABLE!

With Dr. Flanary and Dr. Ferrell on staff we are ready to see you & your pet! We are glad to continue to offer Curbside Appointment options as well as In-Clinic Appointments.

Since we had to implement curbside service in 2020, it has been a big hit with over 75% of our clients. Busy mothers with crazy schedules, injured or limited clients, and even just being able to run errands while we take care of your pet has been a lifesaver for many!

With this being said, please see below to see how to schedule your appointment

\*PLEASE SPECIFY IF YOU ARE WANTING IN-CLINIC OR CURBSIDE APPOINTMENTS WHEN SCHEDULING OVER THE PHONE OR IN THE NOTES SECTION ON THE APP\*



- \*Please DO NOT send Facebook messages as it is not consistently monitored and we have multiple platforms on which to contact us.
- \* We ask that you please utilize your PetDesk app to request appointments and request medication refills.

### 25 YEAR CARNIVAL CELEBRATION

Thank you for trusting me to care for your pets for 25 years! It has been a pleasure, a dream come true, and a blessing for all the friends- 2 and 4 legged- I have made along the way.

We had a wonderful turnout to our Carnival in June- over 300 of our friends and family helped us celebrate and ring in 25 years of care and compassion at Flanary Vet.

We are so grateful and thankful for all our clients, patients, and staff that have made this possible.

**CHEERS TO 25 MORE YEARS!** 

















## We want your feedback!

Tell us how we are doing!

- Do you like the curbside service option?
  - Did we answer all your questions?

- How can we better serve you or improve our service to you
   & your pets?
  - Is there a service or product you wished we offered?
    - How can we do better?

### Let me be honest, and go on my soap box for a minute...

Daily, I hear a lot of people turn down heartworm prevention for their pet. Please remember even though you can not see heartworms, they are real and can KILL your pet! All it takes is ONE mosquito bite for them to become infected.

Also, all pets (MINE INCLUDED) eat things outside, including small dead creatures. It can happen before you even know they have done anything but eating things outside commonly infect them with worms! Did you know that most heartworm preventions also take care of Gi parasites? So, when we say heartworm prevention, it really should be called "Worm Prevention" since monthly it takes care of any worms in the heart and guts!

Lastly, I would like to ask everyone- Which vaccine do you think is the most important for the health of your pet? The most common answer we get is Rabies, which while it is important and required by law for your pet annually, there were only 15 cases in Kentucky in 2019. Do you know how many Distemper, Parvovirus, Hepatitis, or Leptospirosis cases we have seen? How about respiratory viruses in cats? Much more than 15. It's for this reason that the DHLPP or the FVRCP vaccine is what we consider the most important for your pet's health. Let us break it down for you.

**Canine Distemper**- A contagious and serious disease caused by a virus that attacks the respiratory, gastrointestinal and nervous systems of puppies and dogs. Spread by wild animals (like raccoons) through respiratory droplets or a shared water/food source. How many of you have caught a racoon at your pets outside food or water bowl? Preventable with proper vaccination.

Canine Parvovirus- The virus affects dogs' gastrointestinal tracts and is spread by direct dog-to-dog contact and contact with contaminated feces (stool), environments, or people. The virus can also contaminate kennel surfaces, food and water bowls, collars and leashes, and the hands and clothing of people who handle infected dogs. It is resistant to heat, cold, humidity, and drying, and can survive in the environment for long periods of time. It can also be spread by fleas who were hosted by a contaminated dog. Preventable with proper vaccination and flea control.

**Feline panleukopenia-** is a highly contagious viral disease of cats caused by the feline parvovirus. Kittens are most severely affected by the virus. The names feline distemper and feline parvo should not be confused with canine distemper or canine parvo— although their names are similar, they are caused by different viruses. Preventable with proper vaccination

Canine Hepatitis- Infectious canine hepatitis is caused by a virus, canine adenovirus 1. Consumption of urine, feces, or saliva from infected dogs is the most common route of infection. Recovered dogs shed virus in their urine for at least 6 months. The virus targets the lining of blood vessels, the liver, kidneys, spleen, and lungs, though other organs are occasionally involved. Long-term kidney damage and clouding of the cornea of the eye result from immune-complex reactions after recovery from the disease. Preventable with proper vaccination. Who walks their dog outside or lets it out in a yard?

**Leptospirosis-** Leptospirosis is an infectious disease caused by a type of bacteria. Bacteria are passed in the urine or open wounds of infected animals and can survive in the environment for long periods of time in warm, stagnant water or moist soil. Wild animals, including skunks, raccoons, opossums, rats, wolves, and deer, can spread infection to dogs. Preventable with proper vaccination. Who's dogs drink out of water puddles?

As you can see, your dog's DHLPP/DHPP and cat's FVRCP vaccine are the MOST IMPORTANT to their health and safety! Call or Petdesk us for an appointment to get your pet vaccinated against these deadly diseases.

We hope this was informative and helpful to you so you can make the best decisions for your pets' wellbeing in the future! We hope you have a great July and stay safe!



-LaNita. Flanary DVM

- Kayla Ferrell DVM