

Dekalb Tails

Dekalb Animal Hospital

Our New Family Member

Hi, my name is Kathy and I'm the newest family member of Dekalb Animal Hospital. I grew up in Greenville, S.C. and moved north to go to college and start my career in the animal field. After graduating from college I moved to New York City where I became a licensed Vet Technician and then a surgery technician in a large specialty hospital. I've been a Technician for nearly 8 years now, I wouldn't change a thing!

I've just recently moved back to the area from NYC to be closer to my family. I have two dogs, Edie and Riley who I love dearly. Edie is a Great Dane and Riley is a boxer mix. They are both four years old, however they both seem to act more like six months old. They enjoy the outdoors, so that allows for tons

of hikes and swimming sessions.

Just like my dogs, I love to be outdoors, so needless to say that if it involves being outside, I'm there! I love sports, whether it be watching or playing them. My favorite team is the New York Mets. Go Mets! At the end of the day, I would have to say that being home with my animals and family means the most. I hope you feel that you know me a little better, now I look forward to meeting you at our office!!

Kathy :)



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Flea Season is not Over

Although it seems the weather may be getting a bit cooler, many are misled that flea season is finally over. However, I come bearing the bad news to inform you that it is not. October happens to be one of the worst months for fleas! The

reason is due to their reproduction cycle. They reproduce in large amounts during the summer, therefore their numbers are off the chart at this time of the year. Keep in mind that they can be tracked into your house and burrow in your carpets or

upholstery, waiting to attack! Just make sure to continue giving your pets their flea medication to ensure a flea free environment. If you have any questions please give us a call at the hospital.

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Rabies Alert

What is Rabies? Rabies is a virus. Rabies is spread by infected saliva that enters the body through a bite wound or broken skin. After the virus enters, it then travels from the wound to the brain causing inflammation or swelling. Some symptoms include; Drooling, muscle spasms, convulsions, etc.

There have been more cases reported to animal control for rabies observation in the past year. Due to the law, every animal that lives in your household is suppose to be current on their rabies vaccine. There are a

few options that you can choose. They offer a one year rabies vaccine and even a three year rabies vaccine. Just remember that if your animal is reported for any reason, even if reported for scratching a neighbor; If your pet does not have a current rabies vaccine, they will be quarantined for up to 10 days.

There have been reports of coyotes, foxes, skunks and even bobcats in the Tucker or Lawrenceville area. Be sure to get your pets vaccinated!



IAMS Food Recall

For those of you who may not know, IAMS Veterinary Diet foods had a massive recall. During the plants annual inspection, there was a small trace of salmonella found on the floor of the plant. Due to the findings, they further investigated the plant and discovered that the equipment and food were unharmed. Due to safety precautions, they did a voluntary

recall on their diet foods.

As of right now, there are no known cases reported. As of right now we have alternate comparable diets that can be substituted. Please call for details.



Senior Dog Month

This is a special month dedicated to all of our senior canines out there. This month is what we call Senior Dog Month.

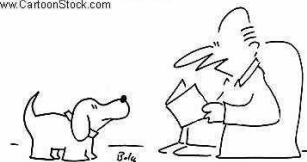
You may notice that with the weather changes, your senior pet may be struggling to get up and down again, or have a hard time keeping up with walks, jogs and even during play time. When the temperature starts to decrease it makes it more of a struggle for their joints to move they way we want them

to. So if you notice a difference give us a call and we can help get your pet on the right track.

There are a few different products that you can use in order to help them during this cold period. There are even certain diets that are made for joints. For instance we sell a product called Dasuqiun. This product is a joint supplement that is given to support cartilage production and helps block enzymes

in joints that break down cartilage. It's a maintenance medication, but works like a charm.

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"I know all about 'dog years,' but that still doesn't make you senior man around here."

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Saying Goodbye

Dear Clients,

I want to let you know that after 7 years here at Dekalb Animal Hospital, I am leaving. It is so difficult to leave, but I am expecting a baby girl in January. My long-term plans are still uncertain, but I will soon complete my certification and training in animal rehabilitation and physical therapy. At some point, I plan to exclusively practice therapy at my husband's veterinary referral practice.

I will miss every one so much! Dekalb Animal Hospital truly has a unique and caring set of doctors and staff. I am proud to say that I

believe Dekalb Animal Hospital offers the best care around. We value our relationships with our clients, which is another reason that leaving will be so hard.

Thank you for making my time here so very special. I wish you, your family and your pets the best.

Warmest regards,
Yvette Roshto, DVM



Upcoming Events!!

Here are a few events that may interest you!

At the Atlanta Expo Center South, they are hosting these 4 shows:

Atlanta Terrier Club 10/21/10

Douglasville Kennel Club 10/22/10

Atlanta Kennel Club 10/23/10

Newnan Kennel Club 10/24/10

Jim R Miller Park - Marietta, GA

Griffin Kennel Club 10/28/10 and 29th

Kennesaw Kennel Club 10/30 & 10/31

Cat Fanciers Assoc. Show Nov 6/7 at the Gwinnett Center

For more information please contact the hospital. Ask for Kelly Townsend. Have Fun!

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The Bully Lovers

Just to inform you, the Bulldog Club of Metropolitan Atlanta is holding an annual Fall Bullyfest. The festival will be held Sunday October 10, 2010 from the hours of 1:00 to 4:00 pm. The location is at our hospital, 4070 Lawrenceville Hwy, Tucker GA 30084.

So bring your bully breed and enjoy some holiday fun! They will hold a costume contest for the pets, along with games and entertainment. There will be a picnic but you must

bring a dish to share with the group. We also recommend that you bring your own chairs and crates.

If there are weather issues please call 678-935-7283 for further instructions!

Now come on out and have some fun!!



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