

Bartels Busack Pet Clinic

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New Hospital Construction is now in progress!

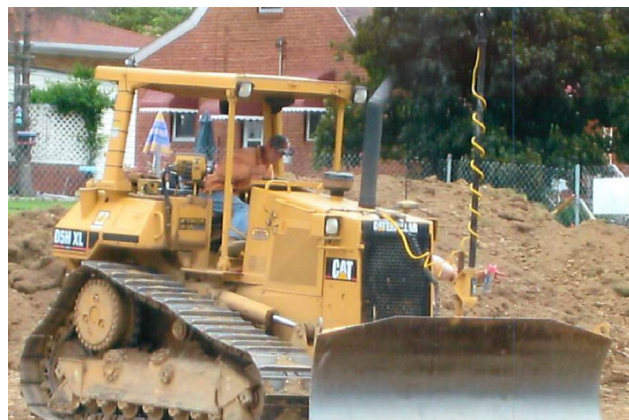
Construction of the new hospital is currently underway. The new clinic will be located in Parma at **6280 State Rd.** This is the site of the old firehouse which was demolished in June. The new hospital will include full medical and surgical services, as well as boarding and grooming. The facility will be 13,300 square feet. (Compare this to our current facility, at about 1,700 square feet!)

The new boarding facility will offer luxury boarding for dogs and cats, including televisions and internet access to view your pet while you're away. Doggie Day Care will give your dogs exercise and socialization. (This can even be done while they are boarding!)

A new training center will provide behavior classes and other education programs for the public. Spa grooming offers hair care products, toys, clothing, and other items to pamper your pet. The front of the hospital will feature a cat adoption center through the Parma Animal Shelter.

The bereavement room will provide a quiet, comfortable, and private place for grieving over ill pets and to make the euthanasia process easier for our clients.

The tentative move in -date is February 2009.



This is an actual picture from the construction site. This gentleman is demolishing the actual building and leveling the land so that they can start construction on the building.

Do I need Pet Insurance?

There is no question that the cost of veterinary care has gone up in recent years, and will likely to continue to rise. The cost of providing care is rising; more advanced technology, new equipment and procedures, continuing education, skilled and certified staff, and higher fixed overhead costs all contribute to increased veterinary fees.

More and more people are realizing the benefits of pet health insurance and are investigating the different companies that offer it. Insurance for accidents and severe illnesses is a godsend for owners facing large bills. Now pet lovers can rest assured that they will not have to make their health care choices based solely on finances.



Wellness Blood Screening Special!



Wellness blood screenings are an important as part of a preventative wellness program for our pets. Detecting changes in blood work early helps us to find disease and treat or control the problem better than in the advanced stages. These screenings also allow us to perform procedures such as dental cleanings and tumor removals as safely as possible under anesthesia.

Routine testing can help us detect:

- Infection
- Anemia
- Diabetes
- Kidney disease
- Liver disease



Until one has loved an animal, a part of one's soul remains unawakened.
~ Anatole France

My little dog - a heartbeat at my feet.
~ Edith Wharton

An animal's eyes have the power to speak a great language.
~ Martin Buber



From July through September, with every wellness screening receive a complimentary nail trim and a complimentary urinalysis (a \$42 value).



Heatstroke Warning!



As the weather begins to heat up, we want to remind you of the risks of overheating to your pet. Everyone knows not to leave a dog in a parked car with the windows up, but did you know that running with your dog or leaving your cat in a hot apartment without water can also lead to heat stroke? Animals that are most at risk include short-faced dog breeds like pugs and bulldogs, older animals, and overweight animals, but any dog or cat can succumb to the heat if it is severe enough. Signs to look for include excessive panting and collapse. The most important first step is to get your animal's temperature down with tepid or cool (not ice) water and direct a fan on them for evaporative cooling. At the same time, make arrangements to get your pet to us or the emergency clinic. Heat stroke can lead to kidney failure, heart problems, seizures, muscle injury, and death, and for these reasons it is important to have your pet treated medically as soon as possible.

4th Annual Canine Canal Walk!



Where: Carvel Thornburg Station
8111 Rockside Road, Valley View
(On the Towpath)

When: Saturday, August 16th, 2008
Registration begins at 8:00am

Dog Walk: 9am-11am

Pet Fair: 8am-Noon

Cost: \$5.00



Includes: Dog walk, animal adoptions, raffle and vendors, free ice cream and bandanas for the first 100 dogs registered! Proceeds will be donated to the *Dick Goddard Best Friends Fund!*

Canine DNA Tests

Cochise's DNA results are:
Part border collie
Part Italian Greyhound

We definitely think he is border collie mix. There is no way to verify whether the rest of the test is accurate.

