

Bartels Busack Pet Clinic



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Annual Dental Special

Every pet owner is eventually told, "your pet needs a dental cleaning." But **why** do we do dental cleanings on our dogs and cats? Why spend the time and money to take care of their teeth?

- 85% of pets over 2 1/2 years old have gingivitis. This is painful inflammation of the gum tissue near the tooth. **It is reversible if treated early!** If left untreated, it leads to irreversible periodontal disease, increased pain, bone loss, gum recession, serious infection around the teeth, and eventually—tooth loss.
- One tiny milligram of plaque has **1 trillion** bacteria! Imagine what the constant exposure to this infection can do to the rest of the body. It leads to damage of other organ systems, including the heart, liver, kidneys, brain, and lungs. Studies show that animals with healthy teeth live longer, by **up to 3 years!**
- Dental disease causes bad breath! This is a sign of oral infection.
- Their teeth are a lot like our fingers. Pets need their teeth for playing with toys, chewing exercises, and properly eating food. Tooth loss to a pet would be like losing your fingers. You could survive without them, but you wouldn't want to!

Have your pets Preventative Care Bloodwork and a Urinalysis completed during the months of December or January and receive \$20.00 off your pets dental cleaning!

Coupons expire March 15th of 2012.

When you schedule your pets Dental Cleaning during the months of January or February not only are you receiving the best dental care , you will also receive a free bath, holiday picture and special gift for your pet!



We now offer Bioglass fillings for you pets. Bioglass is the same filling material that your dentist will use in your mouth.

The material will bond with the surrounding tooth to make an impenetrable filling. Bioglass can also be sculpted to match the rest of the tooth so your pet does not even know it is there. These fillings are light cured so they can set in a matter of seconds!

Why do your pet's dental cleaning with



us?

We take the oral health of your pet very seriously.

In addition, we have established anesthetic protocols to maximize safety for your pet while under anesthesia.

We always have your pet on IV fluids for a safer and faster anesthetic recovery.

We use only gas anesthesia, allowing the patient to recover within minutes of stopping the anesthetic.

Both doctors and technicians are highly trained in animal dental care.

We are one of the only clinics with a digital dental x-ray machine.

80% of dental disease is below the gum line, where you cannot see it unless dental x-rays are taken.

We are able to do advanced oral procedures like oral surgery, filling cavities, and surgically extracting teeth.

