

Cicero Animal Clinic, P.C



January 2019 Newsletter



Keep up with Clinic News:

At Cicero Animal Clinic, P.C. it is always our goal to provide the best possible healthcare to your pets and the best possible customer service to you. We believe in treating our clients and their pets as part of our family and make every effort to go above and beyond your expectations.

Each year our Doctors and staff are kept up to date on the latest diseases, treatments and recommendations through continuing education to make sure we are always up to speed with the changes and challenges in veterinary medicine.

Cicero Animal Clinic, P.C. is dedicated to providing

Compassionate care

Amicable staff and surroundings

Recognition of the human/pet bond

Education to prolong the quality of life

Our mission is simple and we strive to uphold it.



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Welcome to the CAC family!



Faye Josephine

~9.17.18~



Tori

Happy Visit Reward Program

It's very important to us at Cicero Animal Clinic, P.C. that your pet is not full of fright while they are in our office. We implement many things behind the scenes to help ensure your pet is as comfortable as they can be. We spray calming pheromones (learn more below), study and practice fear-free techniques and restraining and genuinely care about your pet's state of mind while in our hospital. We are putting these strategies into action by creating our Happy Visit Reward Program!



*Get a Free
Prize on
your 3rd
Happy
Visit!*

What else can aide in keeping your dog or cat calm and more at ease while traveling, at the Vet or even at home? Calming Pheromones! We now offer complimentary sprays of Feliway (for cats) and Adaptil (for dogs) Calming Pheromones in the office. Just ask an employee for your sample!



DENTAL SPECIAL

February is National Pet Dental Health Month!



Before



After

- ♦The most commonly seen disease in pets is dental disease.
- ♦Poor dental health is painful, inhibits eating and predisposes your pet to other major health concerns such as heart, kidney and liver disease.
- ♦While brushing your pet's teeth regularly is helpful, the best way to evaluate and maintain your pet's oral health is by having a comprehensive dental cleaning.

♦♦ In recognition of the upcoming National Pet Dental Health month in February, we are offering a special rebate on your pet's pre-anesthetic physical evaluation (a \$47 value) to be used at the time of your pet's dental cleaning during the months of February or March. ♦♦

(All pets undergoing anesthetic procedures must be examined by one of our veterinarians within four (4) weeks prior to the procedure. Your pet(s) must be up to date on all required vaccines and dogs must be up to date on their heartworm test.)

Before you say “AHHHHH”



Teeth Brushing 101:

FROM YOUR VETERINARIAN

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Chew on this!

You can help keep your pets' teeth strong and healthy at home—and positively impact their overall health—with these tips for home dental care and pet toothbrushing.



1 Start brushing their teeth as soon as possible—8 to 12 weeks old is best. If you brush every day your pet will become familiar with the routine when their permanent teeth

erupt. Please note: You may need to stop brushing while your pet is losing its baby teeth. Their mouth will be a bit sore and handling may cause more pain. Continue once all the permanent teeth come in.

2 Work with your pet's mouth. Be patient and make it fun. Use love and praise, and try to practice at the same time each day to establish a routine. Choose a quiet time, such as late in the evening, or if your pet is highly motivated by food, try just before dinner so your pet will be rewarded for cooperation.

3 Handle the muzzle and touch your pet's lips and work up to rubbing the teeth and gums with your finger. Put a few drops of water flavored with low-sodium chicken or beef bouillon for dogs and tuna juice for cats in their mouth and they'll begin to look forward to these sessions.



4 Use a bouillon- or tuna-flavored washcloth or a piece of gauze wrapped around the end of your finger to rub the teeth gently.

5 Finally, use a finger brush or a soft veterinary or human toothbrush to brush the teeth using the bouillon water or tuna juice. Hold the brush at a 45-degree angle to the tooth and brush gently back and forth or in a circular pattern from gum to tip. Brushing the tongue side of the teeth is less critical, but still good. Offer rewards and treats when your pet allows you to brush to keep it a good experience.

6 Consider other dental aids. A large selection of veterinary toothpastes, oral rinses, and gels are available to you. Our veterinary team can help you select the one right for you and your pet. These products all enhance your home care program, but daily brushing is best. Avoid human toothpaste because fluoride and detergents can be harmful if swallowed. Hydrogen peroxide can be harsh on the gums and shouldn't be swallowed either. Baking soda has a high sodium content and should be avoided in older pets.



7 Pick kibble and rubber chew toys that will help keep the teeth clean. Avoid natural bones, which are hard enough to fracture teeth. Your veterinarian can recommend a

complete and balanced professional diet to use at feeding time and as a treat.

Thank you for letting us help improve your pet's dental health. Following a consistent home care program will safeguard your pet's dental health and result in fewer professional cleanings, less tooth loss, and a happier, healthier pet. Just remember there's no substitute for professional veterinary care. Work with your veterinary team to ensure a long, happy life for your pet.

Rachel Ray Dog Treat Recipes

Tuna Dog Treats – 5 min prep, 25 min cook time

Ingredients

- 1 can (3.5 oz.) tuna in water (do not drain)
- 2 eggs
- 1 1/2 cups flour



Preparation: Preheat the oven to 350 degrees. Lightly grease a 9-inch square baking dish.

In a food processor, combine the tuna with its liquid and the eggs; pulse to blend. Add the flour and pulse until crumbly.

Transfer the mixture to a baking dish and press into an even layer. Bake until set, about 5 minutes. Let cool for 15 minutes then cut into 3 dozen squares. Once the treats cool completely, store in an airtight container in the refrigerator for up to 1 week, or freeze for up to 3 months.

K-9 Ingredient Meatballs

- 15minCook Time
- 15minPrep Time
- 12Servings

Ingredients

- 1/2 pound ground beef
- 1/2 cup cooked brown rice
- 1 carrot, shredded
- 1 stalk celery, finely chopped
- 1/2 cup frozen chopped spinach, thawed and drained
- 2 tablespoons chopped flat-leaf parsley
- 2 tablespoons parmigiano-reggiano cheese (or other cheese)
- 1 large egg
- 2 teaspoons ground turmeric



Preparation

Preheat the oven to 400 degrees. Grease a muffin pan or a baking sheet. In a medium bowl, combine all of the ingredients and mix well. Fill each muffin tin with about 1/4 cup of the mixture, or form the mixture into 10 balls and place on the baking sheet. Bake until cooked through, about 15 minutes. Let cool completely on a rack.


To find more dog friendly Rachel Ray recipes, go to the link below:

<https://www.rachaelraymag.com/real-life/our-most-popular-dog-friendly-recipes>

Wellness Plans

Cicero Animal Clinic, P.C. is proud to offer canine and feline wellness plans to help you budget the costs of owning a pet. In today's economy it can be difficult to afford the level of preventative and wellness care you want to provide for your pet. Many times loving and responsible pet owners have to decline important wellness recommendations such as blood-work due to finances. In an effort to help our clients provide the care their pets need, we offer our monthly wellness plans for kittens, puppies and adult cats and dogs.

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