



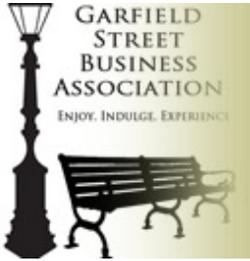
Animal Hospital Of Parkland



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Join us at the Garfield Street Fair!



Please join us on **Saturday August 17, 2013** from 10am to 5pm for the annual Garfield Street Fair! The Fair is aimed at bringing the local community together for a day of entertainment, music, food and FUN! We had a great turnout last year. We were amazed at the number of folks that brought their pets by to see us. We are going to be giving away a lot of free products and toys again as well as having some drawings for some awesome gifts. We will also be offering discounted HomeAgain microchipping

at both our booth at the Fair, as well as at our clinic that day. If you haven't already gotten your pet microchipped, we'll be doing it for only \$25.00! We'll only be able to take cash at the Street Fair location. Also, if you have any questions about animal care, we'll be there to help you out. So please come see us at the Garfield Street Fair and support our local community at the same time.

For more information on the Garfield Street Fair, please go to www.shopgarfieldstreet.com.

**Our pet weight contrkosh3
ol program is a resounding success!**

After only a few months, our pet weight control program is up to 24

Summertime Precautions

While it is unusual for Western Washington, the sun and warm temperatures are finally here. Summertime can be a dangerous season for pets, so here are a few tips for keeping our furry friends safe:

- Don't leave your pets (or children) in the car! Even on a mild day, the temperature can quickly rise to dangerous levels inside a car.

Outside Air Temp	Inside Car Temp
70°F	100°F
75°F	110°F
80°F	120°F
85°F	130°F
90°F	140°F

- Be careful when walking them on concrete or asphalt. These surfaces can get really hot and burn their feet in no time.
- Too much exercise or not providing them with adequate shade and water can cause heat stroke. If it is too hot for you, it is too hot for them! Brachycephalic breeds like Pugs, Bulldogs, Pekingese, etc. are especially vulnerable to overheating. They already have a hard time breathing and the hot weather can make it harder to shed excess heat.



New Frontline Tritak !

Merial, the makers of Frontline Plus®, have come out with an improved version called Frontline Tritak®. It contains the same flea killing ingredients as Frontline Plus®, but with an added ingredient that helps kills fleas even faster. It starts working in as little as 5 minutes on dogs and 1 hour on cats. Since it kills fleas even faster, they have less time to bite your pet. It kills flea eggs and larva as well. And just like Frontline Plus®, one application lasts the entire month.

With this flea season already shaping up to be a really bad one, don't let your guard down. Protect your pets even better with new Frontline Tritak®!

The Facts of fleas

- A flea can bite your pet up to 400 times a day.
- Fleas reproduce rapidly- an average adult female can lay up to 40 eggs per day.
- By the time you see fleas, an infestation may already be established in the environment.
- Flea eggs roll off wherever an infested animal goes, turning your pet into a "salt shaker" that leaves new sources of fleas around the house and yard.
- Carpets, bedding and furniture provide ideal conditions for these immature fleas to develop into adults.



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What is Parvo and why is it a problem?

It is summer time and we are now well into parvo season. In fact, our hospital has seen more cases of parvo this year than the last several years combined. It is therefore vital that you keep your dog, and especially puppies, up to date on their vaccines. If you are not familiar with parvo, here is a quick rundown of this potentially fatal disease.

1. Parvo is a virus. It has only been clinically recognized since about 1978.
2. Canine parvovirus only affects dogs. Most of time it affects dogs less than 1 year of age and that have not had their vaccinations. Adult dogs may become infected though.
3. The incubation period is 3 to 7 days. This is the time from when they are first exposed to the time that they start showing clinical signs (provided their immune system does not fight it off).
4. Dogs will become infected through oral contact with the virus in feces or contaminated soil, toys, or other fomites. It is important to be careful about where you take your new puppy. It is not recommended that they go to places like parks until their puppy vaccine series is completed.
5. The virus does two primary things. First, it attacks the lining of the intestines causing vomiting, diarrhea (sometimes bloody), inappetence, dehydration, etc. Second, it attacks the bone marrow so that it weakens the dog's immune system. This makes it difficult to fight the virus and any secondary bacterial infections. The main reasons that dogs die from parvo is the dehydration and sepsis.
6. The typical course of the disease is about 5 days during which they are responding to treatment and getting better, or they pass away.
7. Treatment can be very expensive, so it is best to prevent it in the first place and get your dog vaccinated!

How do I get my pet to quit chewing on my electronics' cables?

As our lives become more and more dependant on our electronic gadgets, one of the problems that pet owners face is the possibility of our pets chewing on the power cords. This can obviously lead to severe injuries or even death from being electrocuted. So what can you do to prevent this? The most obvious answer is to not leave cables out in the open to attract attention. Tuck them out of the way to keep them away from curious mouths. Wrapping the cables in "split loom tubing" will add an extra barrier to sharp teeth. You can even apply nasty tasting substances like Bitter Apple® or Yuk® to really make the cables really unappealing.

Summer Flea Control Specials!

For each box of Frontline Plus you buy, you get one dose free.
Buy one box of Frontline Tritak and you get a \$7.00 rebate coupon.
Buy two boxes of Frontline Tritak and you get one free dose, plus for a limited time while coupons last, get \$15.00 off.
For any of the above specials, while supplies last, you also get a free toy for your pet.