

# Marsh View



## Veterinary Clinic

FALL 2008

### Staff Welcome

Wow, where did summer go? It can't possibly be time for school to start, or is it? It must be, as fair time is a quick reminder that our summer is quickly coming to a close.

This newsletter will provide you educational articles regarding emergency medical services for your pets, preventing heat stroke and heat exhaustion, fun human interest stories and a host of fun community activities for you and your family.

We hope you enjoy our newsletter as much as we enjoyed putting it together.

### This quarter we will feature:

- Emergency Medicine - Present Day
- Enjoying the Present... Looking Forward to the Future
- Columbia County Fair News
- Let's Go For a Walk...Part 2
- Kid's Corner
- Intense Rains Impacts Local Family's Pets
- Upcoming Community Events -Please Join Us.
- Dodge County and Columbia County Humane Societies Need Your Help!

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*8:00am - 5:00pm;*

*Wednesdays: 8:00am - 7:00pm*

*Saturdays 8:00am - 12:00pm*

## Emergency Medicine - Present Day

Hello Friends. With this newsletter comes the end of summer. Labor Day is upon us and kids will soon be back in school. I wanted to address a frequently discussed topic in veterinary medicine: Emergency/After Hours Services. Historically (decades ago), veterinary clinics made themselves available 24 hours a day/7 days a week. This was especially true in rural areas. As veterinary medicine evolved and pet owners continued to take advantage of higher levels of care, the first after hours emergency clinics were born.

These emergency clinics were located in metropolitan areas and provided small animal after hour services to the clients of multiple small animal clinics from the surrounding metro area. These clinics are staffed throughout the night and weekends to treat and monitor hospitalized patients as needed.

We at the Marsh View Veterinary Clinic strive to provide the best care possible, including seeing patients after hours and on weekends. We are equipped to handle most emergencies including those which may require radiology, on-site blood chemistry analysis, fluid and shock therapy, to name just a few. This said, there are times when a patient may require round-the-clock monitoring or very specialized equipment. With these patients, we feel it is our obligation/responsibility to offer a referral to an emergency clinic or to the University of Wisconsin School of Veterinary Medicine.

Enjoy a safe, healthy, and wonderful Labor Day,

Jeff Hookstead, DVM

If you missed any of our past newsletters, please feel free to visit our website to download them.

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# Large Animal Happenings

## Enjoying the Present...Looking Forward to the Future



Louie, Stan, and Faye DeBoer in their milking parlor

Stan and Faye DeBoer, along with their son Louie, live and operate their dairy farm at W11273 County Road P, Randolph. Louie is the fourth generation to continue on with the family traditions. Five years ago, when Louie graduated from high school, things changed for their dairy operation. They built a free stall barn and went from milking 80 cows to 200 cows. The biggest change was to convert their stanchion barn into a holding area and parlor - a double 8 flat barn with step up. Stan loves the parlor and says that "this is the way to go." Another change they recently incorporated was to milk the top 100 cows three times a day. While this is still a new adjustment, they have already seen positive results.

When asked why they stay in farming, Stan joked, "to keep Jeff in business." All kidding aside, Stan, Faye, and Louie love the lifestyle. They are their own boss and enjoy the rural life.

The DeBoer's raise their own calves. They built a calf barn this spring and house almost 50 young calves in it. At four months of age, they all go to another location, where they are cared for until they are confirmed bred, at which time they are brought back home again. The reason for this is due to lack of space at their home farm. Besides the 200 milk cows and 50 young calves, they also have 60 bred heifers and dry cows at the home farm and 65 heifers currently being raised off the farm.

The most enjoyable part of each of their days varies greatly. Stan loves the morning time - relaxing for a time to enjoy a cup of coffee. Louie, on the other hand, likes mixing the feed. Their hopeful aspirations include expansion - to build more, and have more cows. As one generation prepares to step aside, the next is ready to continue on with the future of the dairy industry.

## Columbia County Fair News



This summer the Marsh View Veterinary Clinic was a proud sponsor of the Columbia County Fair. One of the many enjoyable events at the fair is the Sale of Champions. This year Jennie Braaksma bid on and won Kyle Becker's pig. Congratulations Kyle on a great year at the fair.

## Question of the Quarter

Your chance to win a \$25 Gift Certificate to Feil's Supper Club.

The 1<sup>st</sup> person to call us at 326-3020 or 326-5PET (5738) after August 27<sup>th</sup> with the correct answer to the question below.

**Question:**

**How many years has the Randolph Kiwanis been hosting the Kiwanis Korn Karnival?**

Congratulations to Bill Woelffer. The answer to last quarter's question was Randolph/Cambria/Friesland Middle School Track.

# Marsh View Bark Park Opening Soon

# Critter Care

## Let's Go For a Walk...Or Maybe a Run?

### Part Two:

## Heat Stroke/Heat Exhaustion

In connection with our article written on exercise and your dogs from our last newsletter, we wanted to talk about a very important topic: heat stroke and heat exhaustion. Heat stroke is an excessive elevation of the body temperature from prolonged exposure to high temperatures, high humidity, and/or inadequate ventilation. Heat stroke can easily occur from vigorous exercising on a hot day. Dogs cannot regulate their body temperature, so it is vitally important to moderate their exercise when temperatures and humidity levels are high.

Other ways dogs can suffer from heat stroke are leaving them in an automobile with the windows rolled up on a hot day, or leaving them confined outdoors on a hot day with no access to shade and/or water.

Clinical signs include elevated temperature, weakness, panting heavily, and disorientation. If you see any of these signs in your dog, seek veterinary assistance promptly, as heat stroke requires immediate therapy. First aid for these pets includes reducing the animal's core temperature. Bring the animal into a cool environment and wrap them in a cool, wet towel. Call us as soon as possible, so we can treat and monitor your pet as necessary.



## Coby, A Special Member of the Huizenga Family



Pictured above is the Huizenga Family

This is our dog Coby. We've had him for about one year.

One Saturday morning in the fall of 2007, when the leaves were falling from the trees, we remembered all the fun we had with our old dog, Sebastian, playing in the falling leaves.

We started talking about wanting another dog and our father told us that our uncle had a 4-year old golden retriever that he was thinking of getting rid of. We asked our uncle if we could have Coby for one-week for a trial run. The first thing he did when he got in the house was to run upstairs. This wouldn't have been so bad except that he is very scared of going down steps. After trying for over an hour to get him down, our father had to carry him down. After lunch that day he ran right back up those stairs. Since then he has learned his lesson and he hasn't gone upstairs again.

Coby loves water. One night we went for a drive and decided to stop by a creek. Our sister opened the door to get out and Coby pushed right through. She ended up lying on the ground and Coby was down the hill and into the creek fast as lightning. As you can see he fits right in with the family. We recently took a trip to Illinois and Coby went with us. He loves going for rides and really enjoyed sharing our French Fries.

The Huizenga Clan,  
Coby, & Butterscotch  
(our cat)



Yes, I'm in the dryer (that's another story)

**Marsh View Veterinary Clinic**  
Celebrating Our First Anniversary in Our New Clinic

# Heavy Rains Impacts Family's Beloved Pets



Pictured Above: (front to back) River, Willow, and Hunter

On June 28th of this year, Ed and Dawn Lewandowski knew something was wrong with their dog Willow, a 12 year old Weimaraner. She was vomiting, anorexic, and lethargic. The Lewandowskis live near a lake which had an algae bloom following the June floods. Due to this algae, both Ed and Dawn were concerned about the possibility of blue/green algae toxicity. After examination, Willow was admitted and placed on IV fluids and treated for liver failure. Unfortunately Willow did not respond to treatment and succumbed to the toxicity.

That same day, Ed and Dawn's second dog, River, a 7 year old Weimaraner, began showing the same signs as Willow. She was brought in for evaluation, admitted, and also placed on IV fluids. As with Willow, River's liver values were critically high. The next day, River was not improving and a decision was made to refer her to the UW Veterinary Medical Teaching Hospital in Madison. It was determined River's liver enzymes were 60 times above normal. Over the course of her stay, River's liver enzymes continued downward, and she was sent home on July 5th.

As a precaution, the Lewandowski's third Weimaraner, 6 year old Hunter, was examined even though she showed no signs or symptoms of acute liver toxicity. All her blood results came back normal.

As of today, River is doing remarkably well. We are still awaiting the results of a sample of the water, being tested for the blue green algae. We are thrilled that River responded so well to treatment and is now back to her usual self!

## Clinic Food Drive

### Randolph Food Pantry Needs Our Help!

The Randolph Food Pantry recently had an article in the paper explaining that they are in need of food and personal supplies. Please feel free to drop off non-perishable food items at our clinic Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday 8:00am - 5:00pm; Wednesdays 8:00am - 7:00pm and on Saturdays from 8:00am - 12:00pm.

## Pampered Pets Resort & Spa Boarding



Two Dogs Enjoy Their Playtime

Our 8 indoor/outdoor kennels with in-floor heating and air conditioning are regularly being requested for weekend and full week stays.

Please call ahead.

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**"Building the Future of Veterinary Medicine in Randolph"**

# Please Join Us!

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## Kiwanis Korn Carnival

Monday, September 1, 2008  
10:00am

Enjoy a Great Day with your family  
watching the Labor Day Parade beginning  
at 10:00am.

(Parade Route runs from the high school, turn left on  
Columbus Street, right on Stark Street, Right on High  
Street (Hwy 73), and right on Hammond)

**FREE Corn on the Cob following the  
Parade at the Park.**

Also enjoy Kids Rides, a Food Stand, Entertainment,  
Bingo, Pie Stands and Much, Much More

**A Great Day for Your Family**

**COMING SOON.....**

## GRAND OPENING OF THE "MARSH VIEW BARK PARK"

1 1/2 Acre Play Area for your  
dogs. No more need to walk  
your dog on a leash. They will  
be able to play and run in our  
new dog park.

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## Dodge County Humane Society

## OPEN HOUSE NEW LOCATION CELEBRATION

Wednesday, August 27, 2008  
4:00pm -8:00pm

Tours of the New Facility located at  
N6839 State Road 26  
Juneau, WI 53039



## Beaver Dam/ Randolph Girls Varsity Ice Hockey Fundraiser

## Spaghetti Dinner

Dinner Includes Spaghetti, Salad,  
Garlic Bread, Milk or Coffee, & Dessert

**Wednesday, September 24, 2008**  
**4:30pm - 7:30pm**

**Beaver Dam High School**  
Tickets:\$7.00 per person; \$25.00 per family

# Local Humane Societies Need Your Help!

## Dodge County Humane Society, Juneau

The Dodge County Humane Society has moved! We are now in our new building, located at N6839 State Road 26, located a bit north of Juneau. Our new telephone number is 920.386.0000 and our fax is 920.386.9770. The building is larger, better ventilated, and just plain gorgeous! Please join us for our grand opening celebration on August 27 from 4-8pm. We want to show off our new digs and thank the gaggles of supporters that made our new shelter possible. As part of our celebration, from now until August 31, every pet's adoption fee has been reduced by \$25.00 and there are several pets that have no adoption fee.

Mark your calendars! Our annual Dog Walk will be held on October 25 in the morning hours. We are still working on the details, but more information will be handed out at the open house. Check our website, [www.dodgecounty-humane.org](http://www.dodgecounty-humane.org), for information and more upcoming events.

### Featured pets:



If there is a prettier cat on the planet, we'd like to see him/her. Joliee has been waiting patiently for a new home for a long time. She is stunning, but sassy. Joliee must be the only apple in the bowl (pet in the house). She doesn't get along with cats or dogs, but with humans, she's purr-fect! Joliee's adoption fee has been waived and she is spayed and up to date on vaccinations. She's waiting for that special someone to take her home.



Birds of a feather flock together and we have a flock of parakeets! They were surrendered to us because their owner was having financial difficulties. They are all gorgeous, happy, little boys and girls! Their adoption fee is minimal (2 for \$10.00) and some even come with a cage.

## Columbia County Humane Society, Portage



### Save your Stuff for Fur and Fluff! The Columbia County Humane Society "Marching for Mutts" 2008 Dog Walk Saturday September 20th 11:00am-1:30pm

Contests, games, Best Costume contests, Demos including a police k-9 trainer demo, refreshments!

Walk along the Wisconsin River Levee.

Pre-registration by 9/12/08 \$15(1 dog & Family) add \$5 per each extra dog Regsitration \$20 after 9/12 or day of event.

Each dog must have a handler

Join us for a great day and support the humane society



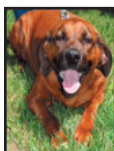
### CCHS Cat Adoption Fee Special - \$20-Adult Cats; \$50 kittens

All cats are altered and vaccinated. Cats 6 months and older are tested for FeLV/FIV

We are overflowing with awesome house cats and kittens. We also have a few outdoor cats available that just won't adjust to indoor living.



Cher the cat would really love to have a home. She is an adult cat but is the size of a young adult! She is very social and has been at the shelter for a long time! Please adopt!



Penny is a 7 year old Redbone Coonhound. She has been at the shelter for months and is in desperate need of a new home. She is so sad here at the shelter. Penny is a great dog. She has personality! She loves to play. Penny is a cuddle bug! Please consider her!!

Donation desperately needed: Canned Dog Food

We are open to the public Weekdays except Wednesday 12pm-5pm Saturdays from 11am-3pm 608-742-3666