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Summer/Fall 2009

Staff Welcome

Spring is behind us, Summer is upon us, and Fall is just around the corner. Can time fly any faster?

Believe it or not, but it is time for the County Fairs, so please check inside this edition for the fair schedule. In this newsletter we are also excited to provide you with some fun and informative articles from pet and large animal owners in the area. Each story brings with it unique aspects of the owner's lives. If you are a client of the Marsh View Veterinary Clinic and would like to be featured in our newsletter, please contact us. Please also feel free to contact us if you have a particular subject pertaining to pets or large animals that you would like to see in the newsletter. Although we can't guarantee we will be able to put in every idea or suggestion, we will make our best effort to do so.

This quarter we will feature:

- Dog Days of Summer
- Living Breathing History
- Fair Schedule
- Unbreakable Bond
- Dog Park Memberships
- A Journey of Love and Life
- Please welcome...
- Dog Training Classes
- Kennel Information
- Randolph Korn Carnival
- Dodge and Columbia Humane Societies Need Your Help!

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Dog Days of Summer...Literally

by Dr. Jeff Hookstead



**Bailey and Jake.
Dr. Jeff's Hunting
buddies**

By the time this reaches your mailbox, we will be starting the proverbial "dog days of summer." It's during this time of the year that I'm often asked by dog owners who hunt their dogs, "Doc what should I do to get my dog ready for the season?" Whether you are a waterfowler or an upland bird hunter, the basic recommendations are the same.

Quite often owners want to focus on getting their dogs in physical shape. While this is extremely important, it is not the only thing we need to be concerned with. Hunting dogs have a significant increased risk for contracting common diseases due to more time spent outdoors (especially for

hunting dogs which are primarily house dogs) in the woods, marshes, tall grasses and around wild animals. These risks increase their exposure to such things as fleas, mosquitoes (heartworm disease), ticks, canine distemper, leptospirosis and rabies virus. Having your hunting companion protected against these common parasites and diseases will get them off to a good start.

Hunting dogs are athletes. For them to perform to their highest potential, they need to be in peak physical condition. Most dogs hunt 2-3 months of the year and are family pets the other 9-10 months. Because of this, physical conditioning needs to start slow. Going for walks, playing fetch, and jogging with your dog are all good ways to get them back in shape. Work with your dog either early in the morning or late in the afternoon. Thus, staying away from the heat of the day. You will also need to make sure your dog has plenty of cool water and is allowed to drink anytime it wants. Keep training sessions short (15 minutes to start) and build slowly. Be aware of signs of heat stroke, which consist of excessive panting, dry mouth, disorientation and in extreme cases, collapse. If any of these signs are present, place your dog in a cool, wet blanket and seek medical attention immediately.

Swimming is also an excellent way to get your dog in shape. It is low impact to joints and muscles and is tremendous for building cardiovascular and pulmonary stamina.

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

Large Animal Happenings



Bella with Kay and Fred Heidt

Living, Breathing History Creates Loving Bond

Standing out in the beautiful fields owned and operated by Fred and Kay Heidt, you discover more than just the corn or the fields of grass: you discover a living and breathing piece of history which is very near and dear to both Fred and Kay. Her name is Bella. Bella isn't a Black Angus, a Red Angus, or a Hereford Cow, she is a Texas Longhorn Cow.

For quite some time Fred had wanted a Texas Longhorn Cow and for Christmas one year, he received Bella as a gift from Kay. To the Heids, Bella represents the roots of raising cattle in the United States. Bella, a full bred Texas Longhorn, is what beef cows were prior to cross-breeding. When comparing a Texas Longhorn to a Black Angus, Fred can quickly explain the differences in stature, fat content and the several hundred pound difference between the cows. Fred and Kay would most certainly know, as they raise both.

In addition to raising beef cows, Fred and Kay also grow crops on the 500 acres they own. Their land crosses county lines including a parcel which straddles Green Lake and Columbia Counties. Farming has been in Fred's family since he was a young boy. Having grown up on a dairy farm, he is used to the long, difficult hours of farm chores. As a young girl Kay grew up in town and worked on an area farm doing daily chores. As part of her wages Kay got the opportunity to ride the horses on the

farm: a passion she would enjoy for many many years. Whether Fred grew up on a farm, or Kay enjoyed riding horses, both enjoy being outdoors taking care of their cows and raising their crops to sell.

Fred's favorite part of farming is the field work, while Kay's is raising the cows. Both agree that seeing the cows have calves and watching mom and calf together is pretty amazing. On a couple of occasions, when the temperatures were dangerously low, Fred and Kay have taken the extra step of saving calves by bringing them into their home to warmer temperatures. They also have stories of instances when they separated the calves from their mothers only to have the calves work their way out of the field to find their moms and visa versa. Stories such as these bring to light the bond between mom and calf.

Whether it is the crops which are raised to eventually be sold or used on the farm, or the cows are raised to go to market, each season on the farm brings new calves, new moms, and new crops. Yet, there is one face which won't ever go to market and that is Bella's. Bella has a place in the Heidt's hearts which means she will always reside on the farm, never to be sold to market. Fred and Kay hope they will be able to enjoy calling Bella in for a special treat of an ear of corn, or checking on her and the other cows for many more years. Just like Fred and Kay, who have no intentions of ever retiring from farming, Bella most certainly won't be retired either.

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Enjoy this Summer's County Fairs

Columbia County Fair
July 22nd - 26th

Dodge County Fair
August 19th - 23rd

Green Lake Fair
August 6th - 9th

Critter Care

An Unbreakable Bond



Trevor and Belle

Being in many activities as a teenager is just one aspect of Trevor Levey's life. Trevor, a 16 year old Cambria High School student, enjoys each season of the year. From football in the fall to snowmobiling in the winter, trap shooting in the summer and hunting throughout the year, he is always on the go. Plus, when he isn't taking part in sports or hobbies, he is busy singing in the Friesland

Men's Choir with his dad. Trevor is the youngest member of the choir.

Even with all these activities, at the age of 13 Trevor decided he would like to get his first dog and train his dog to hunt pheasants with him. This is when Belle, a purebred Brittany Spaniel, came into Trevor's life. Three years later the two have created a very special bond.

Right off the bat there was a connection between Belle and Trevor. But this bond would soon be tested when Belle ran out into the road a year ago and was hit by a car. Trevor and his parents didn't know if Belle would be able to recover from such serious injuries. Yet each night Trevor would sleep next to Belle and tend to her needs, including feeding her with a tongue depressor. Through Trevor's tender loving care, Belle recovered and their bond has been unbreakable since.

Trevor hopes that this year or next Belle will be ready to hunt with him in Mitchell, South Dakota. Her recovery slowed the process of being trained and ready to hunt, but Trevor is thrilled that she has come as far as she has. Belle and Trevor spend lots of time walking on their property "looking" for pheasants and "working" the land to see if Belle can point any birds. Trevor truly enjoys Belle's companionship on these long walks. He also looks forward to the many years ahead they will have together.

Dog Days of Summer cont'd

Basic obedience is another aspect to getting your dog ready for the season. I am not talking about hand signal and blind retrieve, but rather "sit", "stay" ("whoa" for pointers), and "come". Having a dog under control will make everyone's hunting experience more enjoyable.

Getting your dog ready for the season is more than throwing a ball in the backyard the week before the opener. It's about getting them ready medically, physically, mentally and nutritionally. Addressing these four areas will help ensure you'll have a great hunting season (that is if you can shoot straight)



Marsh View Bark Park Membership Information

We are very excited to see all the dogs and their owners enjoying the Bark Park. On several occasions we have been asked if we prorate the annual \$25 Membership Fee. As of May 1, 2009, we no longer pro-rate our membership fee. As your annual membership expires, we will send you a renewal notice. To help explain how the membership works, if you were to purchase a bark park membership on May 1, 2009, your membership will be good for a full 12 month period expiring on May 1, 2010. We thank all those who use the bark park. Watching the dogs play outside brings joy to our work day.

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Madaline, Heather, Abigail, Jack (basset/lab) and Stoli (Westie/Lhasa Apso) Sanderson

Journey of Love Takes Family Through Difficult and Fun Times Together

My husband and I got our first pets together (2 cats) in the fall of 2000. Even though we lived in Columbus at the time, we chose to take our cats to Randolph to see Dr. Jeff. Now, 9 years, a few more cats, 2 dogs, 2 tortoises, 2 daughters and 1 move to Portage later, we are still taking all of our pets to see Dr. Jeff.

I love animals and before I had children, my animals were my 'babies' and I wanted the best care for them. Over the years, our family has enjoyed the journey with our pets.

In 2003, when I was pregnant with my first daughter, my male cat was lying around, would not get up, and growled at me if I touched his back. Luckily, when I called the office, I got Kari on the phone. Even though I had my doubts about how sick Gus was, Kari encouraged me to bring him in. Dr. Jeff diagnosed Gus with a blocked urinary tract, a very serious condition. So you can imagine how excited we were when we were able to bring him home from the veterinary clinic three days later. We now have him on special food and he has not had this problem again.

In the spring of 2005, my then 4 year old basset-lab mix was playing in the yard with a rat terrier when he all of a sudden came up lame on his right side. We took him to see Dr. Jeff and Stoli was diagnosed with a torn anterior cruciate ligament (ACL). Dr. Jeff advised me of my options and I chose to take him the UW Veterinary hospital for surgery. While at the hospital, I was told that there was a good chance his left leg would also have to be repaired in the future, and they were right. In 2007, he went lame on his other leg. Because I had just had my second daughter, I asked Dr. Jeff how much harm would be done if I waited. I felt I could not handle the surgery and the subsequent rehab for Stoli with two small children. Dr. Jeff felt it would be okay to wait some time, so we did not have it repaired until the fall of 2008. Stoli will probably never be my running partner again, but he now has the use of both legs.

Our life journey with our pets goes beyond illnesses and injuries. Last year we were preparing for a trip to Canada in which both Stoli and Jack would join my husband, myself, and our children on a very exciting trip to Canada. Suddenly, while packing, we realized that we could not find the rabies certificates for the dogs. I called Dr. Jeff at 8 o'clock that night and told him our dilemma. I was all ready to drive to Randolph to pick up a copy of the rabies certificates, when he and his wife Rita did some fast thinking and came up with a great idea. They told us to call the next day during office hours when we were somewhere that had a fax machine and they would fax them to us. In the end we were never checked at the border, but if we had been checked we knew we didn't have to worry about it!

Through illness, injuries and family trips, our pets play a very important part in our lives. Our family looks forward to many happy years together with our pets.

Question of the Quarter Your chance to win a \$25 Savings Bond



The 1st person to call us at 326-3020 or 326-5PET (5738) on August 10th or after, with the correct answer to the question below will win a \$25 Savings Bond from National Exchange Bank

Question:

Which Country beat The USA Men's Soccer Team for the World Cup Championship

Winner of Last Quarter's Question: Congratulations to Karen Decker who answered that the all time leading scorer for the Badger Men's Basketball team was Alando Tucker

Please Welcome our Newest Staff Members

We are excited to welcome two new staff members to our clinic. Please take a moment to introduce yourself if you see either Tiffanie or Sue at the clinic.



Tiffanie Nelson

Tiffanie Nelson, Kennel Worker

My name is Tiffany Nelson and I will be a Junior this year at Cambria High School. My family consists of my sister and parents. Our family also includes a German Short-haired pointer, "Swede", our guinea "Mocha" who was rescued from the Humane Society and a hamster "Gizmo." I hope to attend college at Michigan State University to receive a degree in Veterinary Medicine for large animals. It is to the thanks of Mr. Keith Gundlach, FFA Instructor at Randolph High School that I have begun achieving my goal.

Sue Eager, Clinic Cleaner

My name is Sue Eager and I grew up on the family farm near Friesland. In 1978 I graduated from Cambria High School and stayed in the area to work and raise a family. Since I was very young, I have worked with both large and small animals. I look forward to working with Dr. Jeff, Jennie, and Pam here at the Marsh View Veterinary Clinic.



Sue Eager

We would like to extend a Thank you to the following employees who have provided wonderful customer service and help to our clinic. Thank you Chris Kasmiski, Heather Bruch and our groomer Carol Aronhalt. Carol, we hope you enjoy your retirement and we wish the best to Chris and Heather



Part-Time Employment Opportunity Now Hiring an Experienced Groomer

**We have an opening for a groomer 3 - 4 days a week.
Great potential for growth.**

**If you are interested in this position, please feel free to contact us at:
groomer@marshviewvetclinic.com**

Randolph Spring Fling a Success



Aaron Drzonek Enjoys the Marsh View Vet Clinic Booth at the 2009 Spring Fling

Congratulations to the following winners from our drawings at the 2009 Randolph Spring Fling:

Jody Reyes: Mom's Pampered Spa Basket - consisted of 1/2 hour massage, bath and body lotions and a towel

Marlene DeYoung: Children's basket - bubble toys, sidewalk chalk, bath towel, summer toys.

The Staff at the Marsh View Veterinary Clinic were proud to sponsor the 2009 Dodgeball Tournament. Congratulations to all the winners.

We are looking forward to the Dodgeball Tournament during the Randolph Korn Karnival

A Clinic Shoutout

Dr. Jeff has always had the kind of demeanor that instills confidence and calms, even if he is giving me bad news. He always calmly goes over the facts and my options and helps me to make the right choice for the situation. Our family chooses to go to the Marsh View Veterinary Clinic not only because of Dr. Jeff, but because of the excellent staff at the clinic.

Heather Wiersma Sanderson

Pampered Pets Resort & Spa - Boarding Plan Ahead for Summer Vacations



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 plan ahead for Labor Day and Beyond

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Begins Thursday, September 17th

Puppy: 6:30pm
Beginner: 7:30pm

All Classes \$80*
(All Classes are for Six Weeks)

Our classes are now being offered through
The Dodge County Humane Society.
Classes taught by Kate Derge or Kim Waugus, The
Dodge County Humane Society Director
Please call the Shelter to register: 920-386-0000

Discounts Available:
Dogs adopted from the Dodge County Humane Society:
50% off = \$40.00 Class Fee (first class only)

Dogs adopted from other shelters and rescues:
25% off = \$60.00 Class Fee (first class only)

Multiple Dogs in same class/session and Repeat
Clients:
\$5.00 off each dog

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Please Join Us....
LABOR DAY - Monday, September 7th

46th Annual Randolph Korn Karnival - 10:00am

1st Annual "Run For The Paws"

10K/5K Runs & 1 Mile Fun Run/Walk Benefiting the Dodge County Humane Society - Runs Begin at 6:45am; Walk/Run 8:30am

FFA Breakfast 6:30am - 9:30am

\$4.50 adults; \$2.50 Children Under 12; Children Under 6 - Free

Korn Karnival - Following Parade

**Includes: Kid's Games • Entertainment • Food Stands
Dodgeball Tournament**

- download registration form for dodgeball tournament at www.randolphwi.net
or e-mail: dodgeball@mailingexpert.com \$30 per team



Run For The Paws

10K • 5K • 1 Mile Fun Run/Walk
Labor Day, September 7, 2009
Hosted by Marsh View Veterinary Clinic



REGISTRATION FORM - Race Day Registration Also Available

Register On-Line at www.active.com

10K Run- \$25

5K Run - \$25

1 Mile Fun Run/Walk - \$10

Name: _____ Address: _____ City: _____ St: _____

Phone: () _____ E-mail: _____ Grade in School (fall 2009): _____

Shirt Size: **Adult:** S _____ M _____ L _____ XL _____ XXL _____ **Child:** S _____ M _____ L _____

I would like to make an additional donation to The Dodge County Humane Society: \$ _____

We would like to have breakfast at the Randolph High School (6:30am - 9:30am) Tickets:

_____ Children Under 6 (FREE) _____ Children Under 12 (\$2.50) _____ Adult(s)(\$4.50) Total Due for Breakfast \$ _____

+ Total for Run: \$ _____ + Total for Breakfast: \$ _____ + Additional Donation: \$ _____ = \$ _____ (Total Balance Due)

Please submit Payment and Registration by August 29th to:

Dodge County Humane Society: Attn: Rita; W12025 County Road AA; Randolph WI 53956

Registrations must be received by August 29, 2009 to guarantee a t-shirt • All Race Entrants will be required to sign a Waiver of Liability on Race Day. • Please feel free to make copies of this form

Look Inside for Fun Human Interest Stories, Upcoming Community Events, and Educational Articles for Pet Owners.

Local Humane Societies Need Your Help!

Dodge County Humane Society, Juneau

Featured Pet:



Chewy needs a retirement home! Chewy is in need of a comfy retirement home. He's 11 years old, adorable, playful, and sweet. He and his sister, Tyra, were abandoned in a house. Because of his age, Chewy was placed in foster care and he's loving it. His adoption fee is only \$50.00 and we hope that someone out there can give him a soft place to lay his head for the rest of his life. By the way, Tyra is also up for adoption.

Upcoming Events:

Paws for a Cause, the Dodge County Humane Society's annual dog walk, will be held on Saturday, August 15 from 10am - 2pm. There will be demonstrations, contests, vendors, doggie baths, and a silent auction. The registration fee is \$20.00 and registration forms are available at the humane society or by visiting their website at www.dodgecountyhumanesociety.org. Prizes will be awarded to the team and individual that raised the most money. For more information, contact Kim Waugus at 920.386.0000, Ext. 212.

Dine for Dogs (and cats, too!) at the Moose Head Pub in Watertown on August 31. 100% of the proceeds will go to the Dodge County Humane Society. Stop in for delicious food and fun. For more information, visit www.mooseheadpub.com.

Visit our Thrift Store for new and gently used items! Our Thrift Store is located in the back of the humane society and is open Thursdays and Fridays from 10am to 5pm and Saturdays from 10am - 2pm. Boutique items and gifts and bargain prices. For more information, contact Jean at 920.386.0000, Ext. 101.

The Dodge County Humane Society, Inc. is located at N6839 State Road 26 Juneau, WI 53039 :: 920.386.0000.
We are a 501(c)(3) not-for-profit organization. Donations are tax deductible.

Columbia County Humane Society, Portage



Dog who needs a home! Astro is a 3 year old bulldog/pitbull mix. He was surrendered to the shelter in late April and is still searching for a new home. Astro is housetrained. He gets along with other dogs but doesn't care much for cats. He is a medium level energy dog who enjoys going for walks but also enjoys laying around and hanging out. Please consider Astro!

CCHS needs donations of canned dog food, laundry detergent, dish soap and cat litter. We are very low on these items at the shelter. All donations are greatly appreciated and tax deductible!



CCHS has many cats and kittens available for adoption. All cats/kittens adopted from CCHS are spayed/neutered, vaccinated and microchipped. Some adoption fees on adult cats have been sponsored. Visit CCHS and find your new furry friend!

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