



Pet Express

Be My Valentine

Animal Care Center

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Valentine's is the time for love! And we all know how much we love our furry family members. While Port and Scout are not allowed the typical Valentine's treats (Chocolate is bad for dogs you all know), they are allowed lots of hugs and kisses (only on cue right?) Before I would ask for those kisses I would like to make sure that they have kissable clean teeth! February is National Dental Health Month. Periodontal disease is the most common clinical condition occurring in adult dogs and cats, and is entirely preventable. By three years

of age, most dogs and cats have some evidence of periodontal disease. Besides having a sore mouth (and a gummy pet), dental disease can contribute to other systemic diseases such as valvular heart disease, kidney disease, and chronic anemia.

Unlike you and I cleaning your pet's teeth is an anesthetic procedure, they will not lay still as we scale and polish their teeth. If you have a middle to geriatric aged pet, blood work may be required prior to cleaning. We understand that many worry about anesthesia, but as your pet's health

care provider, we worry more about the affects of poor dental health. We use gas anesthesia which allows to maintain a very low plane of anesthesia and allows your pet to wake up quickly after the procedure. Your pet will go home the same day as the procedure.

During the month of February we are offering 15% off a dental cleaning. Talk to our staff about scheduling.



Pet Quote:

"Until one has loved an animal, a part of one's soul remains unawakened." -Anatole France

Dr. Yolonda is making new efforts at blogging. Help inspire her by visiting and following. Also feel free to e-mail her with topic suggestions.

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Keeping Your Pet Healthy

Maintaining your dog in top physical shape and optimum health is the goal of every responsible dog owner. It is also your veterinarian's goal, and together, you can ensure that your pet stays healthy for years to come.

Check-ups are important because they provide an opportunity to prevent diseases or even avoid them altogether.

Besides getting an up to date history, your veterinarian will look at your pet from head to tail, looking

for any signs of problems or impending problems. Recommendations will be made based on findings.

Preventions is the key to longevity. If your pet has not been examined within the last year, call for an appointment today.



Scout Blogger Dog