



Sand Creek
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**Sand Creek
Animal Hospital**

Monthly Newsletter

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<https://www.sandcreekanimalhospital.com>



What's New at Sand Creek

Exceptional veterinary care, education, and peace of mind.

We now carry Credelio Quattro, Elanco's new all in one chewable that protects your dogs against heartworm, fleas, ticks, and intestinal parasites. If you are interested in switching to an all in one chewable, give us a call.

[Read more on our website](#)

Featured Adoptable Pet

This is Bear. He is available for adoption at The Animal Protective Foundation. The shelter has had a hard time being placed due to some medical issues that he has. The shelter said this: "Bear is a Pomeranian mix and is estimated to be 12 years old. He weighs 10 lbs. Bear is a delight to be around. He has a great personality and doesn't mind other dogs. I am sharing his story in case anyone is interested in adopting him that works in the veterinary field or if you have any clients that may be interested. He has a grade 3 left sided mitral musical murmur, suspected tracheal collapse and possibly hypothyroidism. We performed a dental and neutered him." If you are interested in learning more about Bear, please contact the Animal Protective Foundation at 518- 374-3944 or at <https://www.animalprotective.org/>



Spring Is Turning to Summer

Some seasonal reminders for everyone:

- If you are planning a deep spring clean at your home, be sure to keep your pets away from all cleaning supplies. Even all natural cleaning supplies can cause adverse reactions in pets if they consume them.
- Check your dogs' collars - be sure they have all appropriate identification on their collars, such as name tags and rabies tags. This is important all year round, but after the colder months some of us will forget to do this after being mostly inside during the winter. If your dog is due for a rabies vaccine, please give us a call to schedule an appointment.
- If treating your lawn or working in your garden, be sure to keep your dog away from lawn treatments, fertilizers, and mulch. These are toxic if ingested. Some dogs will happily snack on these if left unsupervised.
- Reminder - as enticing as it may be to want to use all natural flea/tick prevention, remember that some essential oils are toxic to pets, and should not be used. If you need flea/tick prevention medications, please give us a call.

Does My Pet Have an Ear Infection?

We have seen an increase in pets suffering from ear infections. This is a very common issue to see this time of year. If you notice that your pet is pawing at their ears, their ears look red or swollen, or you are seeing any dark discharge coming from them, or a foul smell, they could be infected. As a reminder - many different types of bacteria, and yeast, can grow in ears, so the only way to treat this issue is to identify the problem with an ear swab. Please give us a call for an exam if you notice any of these symptoms.

June is...

National Adopt a Cat Month

National Pet Preparedness Month

National Microchipping Month

National Foster a Pet Month

June 1 - 7 is Pet Appreciation Week

June 4 is International Corgi Day

June 10 is World Pet Memorial Day

Events

Sunday, June 1

Woofstock 5K Walk/Run Event with The Animal Protective Foundation

More information here: <https://secure.qgiv.com/event/2025woofstock5kandwalk-a-thon/>

Saturday, June 7

11 am - 2 pm

Woofs and Wags Pop Up Shop with Out of the Pits

Colonie Center

Adoption event

Sunday, June 8

3:30 pm and 4:30 pm

Yoga with Puppies

Mohawk Hudson Humane Society

Sunday, June 8

10:30 am - 12:30 pm

Yappy Hour at Ravenswood with Out of the Pits

Fundraiser

Saturday, June 14

10 am - 4 pm

Goldstein Adoption Day

Mohawk Hudson Humane Society

Saturday, June 14

10 am - 3 pm

Curtis Lumber's Pet-A-Palooza

Adoption event

Saturday, June 21

11 am - 3 pm

Party with Pit Bulls with Out of the Pits

Alexis Diner, 294 N Greenbush Rd, Troy

Fundraiser

Saturday, June 28

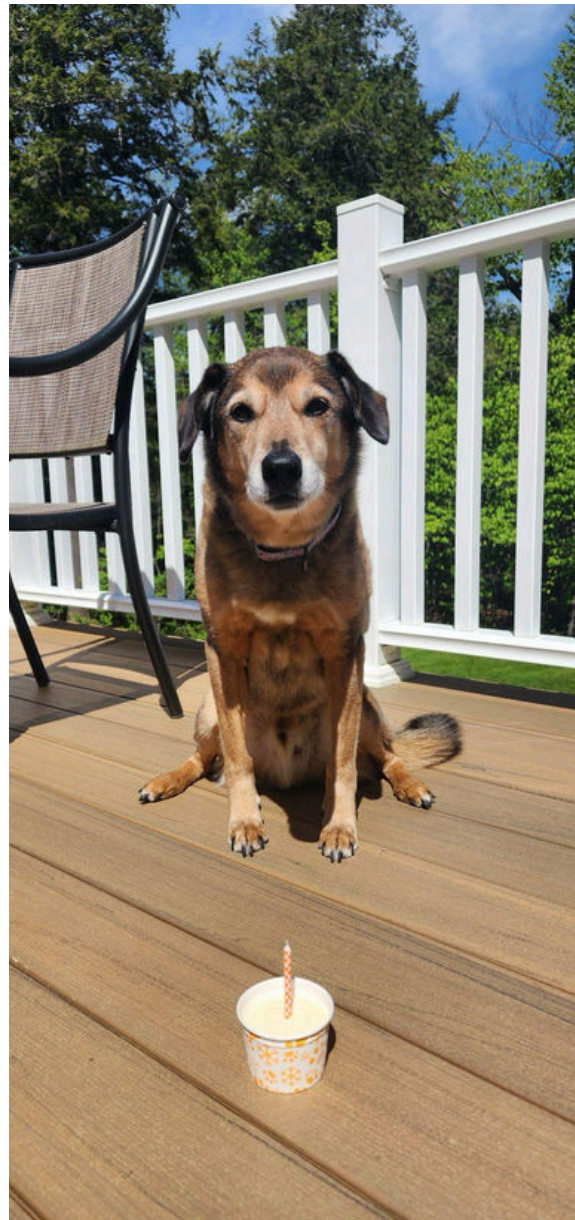
12 pm - 2 pm

Wreath Making Workshop with Out of the Pits

Osborne Mill Nursery, 231 Osborne Rd, Albany

Employee Pet of the Month

This handsome man is Austin! He is owned by one of our LVT's, Erin. He is a 13 year old beagle mix, adopted from Safe at Last rescue. His favorite treat is whipped cream, and his favorite activity is sniffing anything and everything! He loves to go for walks, take naps, and at night he will wait at the top of the stairs for his family to go to bed - he will not go by himself! Natasha, one of our other LVT's said "Austin is the best treat taker, the most gentle at all times, and always sits so proper." His doctor is Dr. Bewick, and she said, "Austin is such a sweet boy and an A+ patient for his visits. He will just chill in his kennel sitting like a proper boy waiting for his mom."



Learn More

If you've ever been interested in learning more about how to deepen your relationship with your pet, the team here at Sand Creek Animal Hospital has some suggestions for further reading.

Books:

- [Decoding Your Dog: Explaining Common Dog Behaviors and How to Prevent or Change Unwanted Ones: Amer. Coll. of Veterinary Behaviorists, Horwitz, Debra F.: 9780544334601: Amazon.com: Books](#)
- [The Other End of the Leash](#)
- [Don't Shoot the Dog](#)
- [Control Unleashed](#)
- [The Cautious Canine](#)
- [Doggie Language](#)

Trainers who work with families with children:

- [Pooch Parenting](#)
- [The Family Dog USA](#)
- [Family Paws Parent Education](#)

Fear Free Veterinary Care

Here at Sand Creek Animal Hospital, we practice what is known as Fear Free medicine - that means we do anything and everything we can to ease our patients' anxiety when they visit us. All of the staff that interact with pets regularly are Fear Free Certified, which includes an educational course on how to handle fearful animals. Learn more here: <https://fearfreepets.com/>

Community Support: Pet Loss

Did you know that there are many options in the capital district for pet loss support? If you or someone you know has lost a pet and are struggling, there are options out there for support. Upstate Veterinary Specialties offers an hour long group every second Tuesday of each month at 6 pm. Patrons may attend in person or virtually. Learn more here: <https://www.uvsonline.com/wellbeing-support/>

For those who do not feel comfortable attending a group, The Association for Pet Loss and Bereavement offers a private chat room for those struggling with pet loss. Their website also has many other resources for those in need. Learn more here: <https://www.aplb.org/>

If you have a specific need for support or further resources, please do not hesitate to reach out to us, by email, phone, or text. Here at Sand Creek Animal Hospital, we are all here to help and support our clients and their families. There are even options for those of us who are suffering from the loss of a pet for behavioral reasons. If this applies to you, you may benefit from the group "Losing Lulu." Learn more here: <https://www.losinglulu.com/>

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