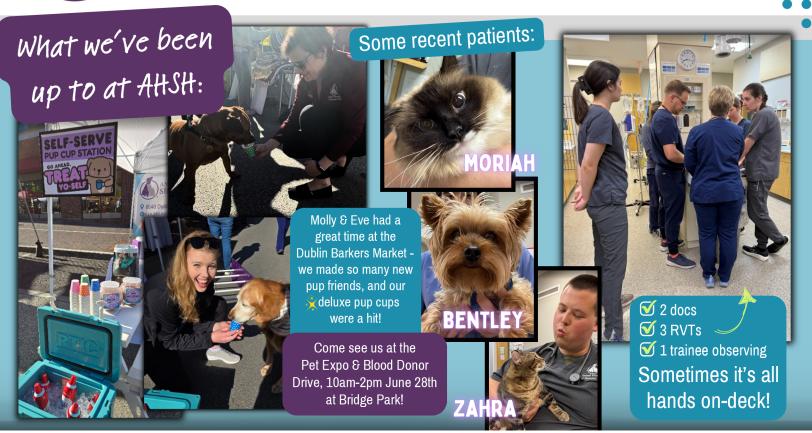


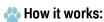
MONTHLY MEWS

June 2025



Introducing... the Angel tund!
Helping More Pets in Our Community, One Paw at a Time

We're thrilled to share something close to our hearts: our new Angel Fund is now live and accepting donations! The costs of veterinary care are rising, and we know it can be overwhelming when unexpected health issues arise. At Animal Hospital of Shawnee Hills, we believe no pet should have to go without care simply because their family is going through a tough time. That's why we've partnered with the myBalto Foundation to launch our very own Angel Fund—created to help pet parents in our community when finances get in the way of life-saving care.



Powered by your generosity... every dollar donated goes toward helping local families get the veterinary care their pets need. Whether it's emergency surgery or ongoing treatment, your kindness can make all the difference.

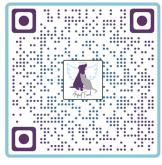
Coming soon – "Round Up at Checkout"!

We're working to integrate the Angel Fund with our payment system, so you'll soon have the option to "round up" your invoice total to the nearest dollar when checking out. Just a few cents can add up to big help for a pet in need!

Need help or know someone who does?

Pet parents can also create a personalized fundraising page through myBalto's "GoFundMyPet" feature. It's a simple, secure way to share a pet's story with friends and family and raise funds directly for their care.





SUMMER TRAVEL season is heating up -

does your pet need a HEALTH CERTIFICATE?

Whether you're dreaming of sharing croissants with your pup in Paris or visiting family across the country, let's chat about the not-so-glamorous and often-overlooked side of pet travel: Health Certificates!



Preparing your pet for travel (especially an international trip) is no small feat – and the most important thing to note is that every country is different! There is no one-size-fits-all when it comes to importing live animals. Most countries require (at the very least) that your pet be microchipped first, then have a current Rabies vaccine, and a Health Certificate that is endorsed by the USDA within a couple weeks of travel. But that's often just the start. Many destinations have specific rules about vaccines, lab tests, and parasite treatments - all on a precise schedule, sometimes needing to be started 6 months or more prior to your travel!

It's never too early to reach out if you're thinking about a trip with your pets. I've helped clients obtain USDA-endorsed Health Certificates and prepare for travel lots of destinations, including:

- Brazil
- **England**
- Israel New Zealand
- Cayman Islands
- Japan Jordan
- **Philippines**

- Colombia
- France Germany
- Saudi Arabia

- Costa Rica
- Korea Hawaii
- Sweden

- Czech Republic •
- Ireland
- Netherlands and more!

Staying in the US?? Many states & airlines still require a domestic health certificate for pet travel.

Helping you navigate the paperwork, timelines, and requirements is my jam - not kidding, it is honestly one of my favorite parts of my job! If you have a trip in the books or are even just thinking about planning one, please don't hesitate to reach out. I'd love to help make the journey smooth for you and your four-legged family!

- Molly Egan, Compliance Officer & International Travel Whisperer

Patient of the Month

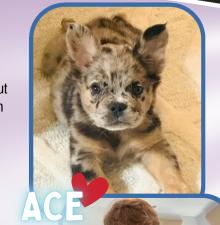
Meet Ace, an 11-week-old long-haired Frenchton (that's a long-haired French Bulldog mixed with Boston Terrier - aka, a recipe for cuteness overload!) He's as unique as he is adorable, and we're totally smitten. In just a few short weeks, Ace has been in to see us not only for his puppy vaccines but also for a little hiccup: an episode of acute diarrhea. With some fluids, medications, and a prescription bland diet, he bounced back like the champ he is all ready for his next round of puppy vaccines!

from Ace's family:

Ace is a sweet and spunky little guy, and he's already stolen our hearts since we brought him home on May 23rd. He has a beautiful merle coat, the cutest floppy ears, and eyes full of curiosity. What makes Ace truly special is his loving personality - he's equal parts playful and cuddly, always ready for an adventure or a nap in your lap.

Ace loves exploring new places around the house, chasing his favorite squeaky toy, and pouncing on anything that crinkles. He's a big fan of soft chew toys and can't resist a tasty treat (especially peanut butter flavored ones). Whether it's zooming around the living room or snuggling in a cozy blanket, Ace brings joy to every moment.

From day one, Ace has received such compassionate, thorough care from everyone at the hospital. His wellness visits, early vaccinations, and helpful advice from the team have made his transition home smooth and healthy. Thanks to the care and attention he's received, Ace is thriving happy, energetic, and growing stronger every day!





FIREWORKS ARE COMING!

IS YOUR PET PREPARED?

The 4th of July is just around the corner, and while we love a good celebration, our furry friends often feel very differently!

Loud noises, flashing lights, and the smell of fireworks can be overwhelming and terrifying for many pets.

Here's how to help keep your pet calm and safe at home:



Create a safe haven for your pet - a comfy space in a basement, bathroom, or closet works great (as far from noise & flashing as possible).

More pets find ways to escape their enclosures on July 4th than any other day of the year.



PROVIDE NOISE BUFFERS.

White noise machines, calming music, radio, or tv are all great options.





Weirdest pet you've ever had? My axolot!!

If I had to eat one meal every day for the rest of my life:

Tacos!

Favorite part of my job:

The relationships that I can make with clients and pets!

What's your absolute favorite holiday or time of year, and why?

CHRISTMAS!!! I love how it brings people together and it fills me with happiness every year, that's why I am getting married at Christmas time!





Treat puzzles, kongs, and favorite toys can help keep your pet occupied.

MEDICATION MAY HELP:

If your pet gets especially anxious, **reach out to us NOW** to ask about calming medications. Remember, fireworks often start a few days before the 4th — we want to make sure they get what they need in time!

CHECK THE CHIP!

Make sure your pet is microchipped and that your contact info is up to date. Not sure? Stop in anytime for us to scan your pet!

Need to be seen today? We've got you covered!

- Your pup eats something weird
- Your cat starts sneezing
- You realize the day before boarding that your pet's vaccines are overdue

Give us a call!

We offer same-day urgent care options, including drop-off and work-in appointments.

Our goal is to be there for our patients & clients when they need us most - and we know sometimes that means a last-minute appointment!



Are you earning Pet Perks??

With the PetDesk App, you can earn 2 points for every \$1 spent at AHSH. Every 400 points is worth \$5 off your next visit - no limits to how many points you can redeem at once!

- 1 Scan here to get the PetDesk App:
- 2 find us on the Providers tab, and
- 3 click on Pet Perks to opt-in.



That's it! We'll do the rest!

JUNE PET PERKS BONUS

Get your pup's Lepto vaccine up to date!

Due to increased prevalence, **Leptospirosis**

is now considered a core vaccine for all dogs.

Make sure your dog is protected from Lepto and earn 400 bonus Pet Perks Points!

TICK SEASON

is in full swing...

Please check your pets when they come inside!



JUST FOR FUN...

Did we forget to mention there's a quiz at the end??

We'll send 400 bonus PetPerks points to anyone who returns their completed crossword!

Across

- This vaccine-preventable illness is now considered "core" for all dogs
- 5. It's never too early to start preparing for _____ travel
- 6. The "P" in BP

