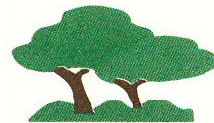


"In this Grove, we Grow Compassion."

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INTRODUCING PUPPY CARE PACKAGES!

Apple Grove Veterinary Care is proud to be the first clinic in the area to offer all-inclusive Puppy Care Packages! We know how exciting it is to welcome a new puppy into your home and want to ensure your four legged companion gets off to a healthy start.



Veterinary care during the first year of life is critical. In an effort to make preventive medical care **simpler** and **more affordable** for our clients, we offer an **amazing package deal** that covers routine care and provides discounts on other lifestyle offers for your puppy.

Our puppy program includes 3 routine vaccination visits and unlimited sick & minor exams until 4 months of age. The package is a complete health care package that optimally begins at 6-8 weeks of age, but can be adapted if a puppy is older. With the package purchase you also receive a Puppy Care Guide Book, coupons worth over \$75 and a free tote bag!

Stay connected! 'Like' us on Facebook and follow us on Twitter.

Be sure to check -in regularly for special news, upcoming events and deals!



Get your FREE Pet Portal for 24/7 access!

Pet Portal Sign up for FREE at www.applegrovet.com and stay current on your pet's health schedule, request Rx refills, shop online and much more!

Special Announcement...

Our head technician, Christie Buchholz & husband Brad welcomed baby girl Claire Alison on July 22nd!

Dr. Erin Howard and husband Jeremy welcomed baby boy Connor Brennan on August 25th!

Meet Dr. JoDell Walker!



Dr. Walker is a bright and energetic addition to our team! In June 2011, she joined Apple Grove as part-time associate practicing small & large animal medicine, surgery and dentistry. Growing up just outside of Portland, Oregon, she earned her Doctorate of Veterinary Medicine from Oregon State University.

Dr. Walker recently moved to the Battle Creek area with her husband Mike and son Corbin. In past years she has volunteered for Rural Area Veterinary Services offering spay, neuter and preventive health services to parts of Nevada. She has also performed

castration and dental services for several horse rescues in Washington.

Her areas of interest include small animal nutrition and weight loss, small ruminant herd health, and equine dentistry, nutrition and laminitis management.

Dr. Walker's husband Mike, is a dairy veterinarian that provides services to all of southwest Michigan.

Dr. Walker is excited to meet you at your next farm call or appointment! You can e-mail Dr. Walker directly at drwalker@applegrovet.com

This addition to our team brings our total to 4 doctors and will help to better serve the needs of our clients and expand our evening offerings to 4 days each week starting in November!

Lynn C. Weaver DVM | Erin K. Howard DVM | Rachel L. Morris DVM | JoDell S. Walker DVM

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SENIOR WELLNESS PROGRAM

Since pets age more rapidly than people, health changes can occur in as little as 3-6 months. Depending on breed, pets are considered "seniors" around the age of 7.

Many of the chronic disorders and disease processes seen in senior pets can be either cured or at least medically controlled if they are detected early enough. Earlier detection and prompt treatment of medical conditions improves the chances that senior pets will live longer, happier, and better quality lives.

At Apple Grove Veterinary Care we are dedicated to extending the life of your pet and improving their quality of life through early detection and treatment.

As part of our lifelong commitment to your pets, we offer a Senior Wellness Program with early detection diagnostics at a discount.

SAVE over 30%

- Complete Blood Count
- Thyroid & Cholesterol Testing
- Comprehensive Diagnostic Profile
- Chest Radiograph
- Urinalysis
- Nutritional Consultation
- Oral Examination
- Comprehensive Physical Exam
- Fecal Flotation

Please call today 543-6101 for your pet's Senior Wellness appointment!

Senior Pet Checklist

If you answer yes to ONE or more of these questions about your pet, please talk to one of our veterinarians about the next steps in your pets healthcare.

Yes	No	Does your pet have?
		Difficulty climbing stairs/jumping
		Increased stiffness or limping
		Inappropriate urination
		Increased water consumption
		Increased urination
		Changes in activity level
		Excessive panting/irregular breathing
		Circling/repetitive movements
		Confusion or disorientation
		Excessive barking/meowing
		Less interaction/hiding
		Tremors/shaking
		Skin/hair coat changes, lumps
		Excessive scratching
		Changes in sleep pattern/location
		Altered appetite
		Weight change
		Bad breath

upcoming events... {call us today 543-6101}

As a heartfelt thank you from the doctors and staff at Apple Grove Veterinary Care, we strive to provide our clients and community with events that honor the love for our furry companions! Please join us and be sure to checkout our spotlight each month on www.applegrovetvet.com

SEPTEMBER

It's National Pet Senior Wellness month!

Celebrate your senior pet by selecting a **FREE Lupine collar & leash** with the purchase of a Senior Wellness Program!



OCTOBER

HALLOWEEN COSTUME CONTEST

Visit us in October to show off your pet's costume OR post a photo to our Facebook page.



SPECIAL PRIZES!

All contestants to be featured & voted on Facebook!

NOVEMBER

Evening appointments will be available 4 days each week! Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday until 7pm.

FOUR LEGGED FOOD DRIVE!



Help us fill the barrel again this year for our furry friends by gathering items for donation to local shelters & pet rescues! We will collect cat & dog food, cat litter, towels, etc.

DECEMBER

8th Annual Santa Pet Photos

Each year we invite you to our complimentary annual pet photos with Santa.

Big & Small we welcome them all!

JOIN US!



**Tuesday
December
13th
5-7pm**