

doggy daycare and spa

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November 2006 Newsletter

Check out our updated website!

We have just updated our website with awesome new photos and a live action video taken this summer! Please take a look at it when you get the opportunity. The website address is www.doggydaycareandspa.com. Any comments and/or suggestions are welcome!

Holiday Spa Treatments

With the holidays fast approaching, the Spa will be getting busier and busier. We recommend scheduling your dog's spa appointment at least one week ahead of time to ensure that our Spa Specialists will have appointment times available. Regular grooming is essential for a dog's happiness and health. It keeps their coat mat free, removes undercoat, loose fur and dander, conditions and moisturizes their fur and skin, allows us to inspect for any unusual lumps, bumps or marks, and the added benefit of a fresh smelling dog is something we can all appreciate!

Special Thanksgiving Hours

We will be open on Thanksgiving Day for Daycare and Boarding. Our hours will be the same as on Saturday: 7am-12noon and 4pm-7pm. We will have special extended hours on Friday morning for those of you who would like to bring your dog in on your way to the biggest shopping day of the year! Our door will open for drop offs at 6:00am on Friday, November 24. If you plan to take advantage of this extra hour, please let any one of our staff members know!

Upcoming Anniversary!

December 1, 2006 marks one year that Janice has been back to Doggy Daycare and Spa. We rate this past year as a huge success as the daycare and boarding business have both grown significantly! We would like to thank every one of you for your continued support and patronage. It is because of clients like you that we are able to provide Lansing with the best daycare, boarding, grooming and training services in the area!

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| <p>We Need Pictures to cover our walls! If you bring in a framed photo of your dog, we would love to hang it up! It's fun to see our wall grow!</p> |
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Quick Reminder: For Safety Reasons, all dogs must wear a quick release snap on collar rather than a buckle collar. We appreciate your cooperation and compliance with our dress code!

Good Dog! Training

The next term of Group Obedience Classes begins the week of November 12, 2006. The popular Trick for Clicks class will be offered this semester! All of the classes are force free and use only positive reinforcement methods. They are definitely an enjoyable and constructive way for you to spend time with your pet during these cold weather months. Janice took the Pre-Agility Class last term with her dog Cecilia and had an absolute blast. Cecilia mastered all of the obstacles, even the teeter totter! For more information on Good Dog! Training Classes, please see any one of our staff members for an enrollment form or visit the Good Dog! Training website at www.janetasmith.com.

Important Health Reminders:

1. Even though it is getting cooler, we still require that all our daycare dogs be on year round flea and heartworm preventative!
2. Keep an eye and ear out for any signs of illness in your dog. Because they are exposed to other dogs (just like kids in school), they are exposed to more germs! We keep our facility fastidiously clean, however, some viruses, such as kennel cough, can be air borne. If your dog is coughing, has persistent diarrhea or vomiting, or just doesn't seem to be him/herself, please keep them home from daycare and make an appointment with your veterinarian. It is our top most priority to keep all of our "students" safe, happy, and healthy!

Just for fun...

If a Dog was your teacher, you would learn things like:

- When loved ones come home, always run to greet them.
 - Never pass up the opportunity to go on a joyride!
 - Allow the experience of fresh air and wind in your face to be pure ecstasy.
 - When it's in your best interest, practice obedience.
 - Let others know when they have invaded your territory.
 - Take naps.
 - Stretch before rising.
 - Run, romp and play daily!
 - Thrive on attention and let people touch you.
 - Avoid biting when a simple growl will do.
 - On warm days, stop to lie on your back in the grass.
 - On hot days, drink lots of water and lie under a shady tree.
 - When you're happy, dance around and wag your entire body.
 - Run right back and make friends.
 - Delight in the simple joy of a long walk.
 - Eat with gusto and enthusiasm. Stop when you've had enough.
 - Be loyal. Never pretend to be something you're not.
 - If what you want lies buried, dig until you find it.
 - When someone is having a bad day, be silent, sit close by, and nuzzle them gently.
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