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DR. NEGOLA'S VETERINARY HOSPITAL COMING SOON TO ROCKVILLE



We are happy to be part of Falls Grove Village Center and we want to be part of your family and your pet's life.

Visit us soon at 14925-A, Shady Grove Rd, Rockville, MD 20850

We're open Monday-Friday 8-6pm. Appointments Preferred (please call); Walk Ins Welcome; Emergencies Given Priority.

MEET DR. NEGOLA

Daniel C. Negola, DVM, DABVP, is the Owner and Medical Director of Dr. Negola's Veterinary Hospital. A Diplomate of the American Board of Veterinary Practitioners (ABVP) certified in Canine and Feline Practice since 1984, he maintains his specialty certification through ongoing recertification and extensive continuing education. Dr. Negola completed his undergraduate studies at the University of Maryland and earned his Doctor of Veterinary Medicine degree from the Tuskegee University School of Veterinary Medicine. Throughout his distinguished career, he has owned and operated multiple veterinary practices and has developed extensive expertise in both medical and surgical care, including advanced orthopedic procedures and complex referral cases. His newest practice reflects a lifelong commitment to providing high-quality, compassionate care to pets and their families.



IT'S HEARTWORM AWARENESS MONTH

Spring is here! It's time to start thinking about heartworms. You know they are transmitted by mosquitoes. Speak to Dr. Negola about testing and appropriate preventive medicine. Many include prevention of fleas and ticks, too.

APRIL IS A BUSY MONTH!

It's the month to highlight the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, National Kids & Pets Day, World Veterinarian Day, Prevention of Lyme Disease in Dogs Month, National Adopt-A- Shelter Pet Day, National Animal Control Officers Appreciation Week, National Volunteer Week, American Crisis Pet First and Awareness Month.

DO YOU KNOW?



Why do birds sing? They have biological need to sing. It's suppressed during the night, but when it gets light, they burst into song! Much like the nightingale, it boasts a rich repertoire of more than 200 unique musical phrases—filled with trills and whistles—sung both day and night.

HEALTH DEPARTMENT

Food “NO! NO!” for dogs include onions, macadamia nuts, grapes, raisins, chocolate and coffee.

RESCUE DEPARTMENT

Do you have a rescue dog or cat? Let me know where, when, and how you rescued and I'll include your story in our newsletter with a photo of your pet, too! Speaking of Rescues, there is a free app “THREADS” that features heartwarming stories of rescued dogs – thousands of them! Take a peak or tell your story!

WHAT'S NEW

Interested in adding a new cat to your home? Consider a Birman. They used to be called the Sacred Cat of Burma because they lived in temples with monks. They're very quiet, medium in size with fluffy coats and deep blue eyes. They come in painted colors and always have four white feet.

In addition to Birman breeders, there are rescue groups that may have one for you! Attend a cat show where you can view one in person!

Did you wonder about the Birman coming from Burma and were you confused because you'd never heard of Birman cats but you had heard of Burmese? These are not spelling errors and there are Burmese cats as well as Birman but Burmese cats are completely dark (somewhat like milk chocolate) rather than Birman who are white with light points (such as lilac) to darker points (chocolate, seal).



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Please see that your dog or puppy has a personalized identification tag on his collar or harness. Mic or chipping is wonderful, but if you lose your dog at the park, on the beach, or on a trip or hike, the good Samaritan who finds it cannot read the chip. Please simply phone the number on the ID tag.

APRIL IS VOLUNTEER MONTH, THESE SHELTERS ALWAYS NEED YOUR SERVICE AND HELP:

- Montgomery County Humane Society on South Stonestreet Avenue in Rockville
- Montgomery County Animal Services Shelter on Muncaster Road in Gaithersburg
- Animal Welfare of Montgomery County cat shelter on Park Avenue in Gaithersburg

If you can't physically help them, you can always donate food items or collect used towels, blankets, and other items for bedding.

SMILES

If a cow doesn't produce milk, is it a milk dud or an udder failure?
What do you call a collection of Ferrets? They are called a Business of Ferrets!

A QUICK GAME:

DOG WORD SEARCH

Can you spot the names of 12 dog breeds hidden in our word search puzzle? Good luck!

AKITA	COLLIE	POINTER
BEAGLE	CORGI	POODLE
BOXER	HUSKY	PUG
BULLDOG	LABRADOR	WHIPPET



PET FOOD RECIPES

Want a fun cooking experience for Fido?
Let's do turkey patties!

- 1 lb. ground turkey
- 3 large eggs
- 1 egg shell ground fine
- 1 cup finely chopped carrots
- 1 cup rolled oats
- 2 Tbsp olive oil

Combine & measure out into quarters or 4 balls. Cook pressed down on medium heat, add some water, cover and let steam 3-5 minutes each side. Store in refrigerator air tight container for up to 4 days.

