



# BVH Newsletter

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## Dog Talk

One of the important ways you can permanently protect your dog's identity is by microchip implantation. Micro-chipping allows your pet to be identified by a universal scanner held at most veterinary hospitals, animal control and animal shelters. The scanner reads the alpha-numeric coded chip that you register nationally and thus enables agencies to trace the pet's owner. Micro-chipping can be done at a simple office visit without surgery or anesthesia. A small chip, approximately the size of a grain of rice is implanted under the skin between the shoulder blades. Tissue forms around the chip and keeps it from moving. So whether your pet is

stolen, or happens to escape from the yard or house, if found, the pet can be scanned and the registered owner notified .

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### Proheart6 Heartworm protection is here!

Boulevard Veterinary Hospital has been certified to administer the Proheart6 injectable heartworm preventative available. Proheart6 provides your canine with six months of continuous heartworm prevention. In order for your pet to receive the

Proheart6 injection, certain conditions must be met:

1. Be between the ages of 6 months and 7 years old.
2. Have a current heartworm test.
3. Have a current blood profile.
4. Have a current medical exam.

For further information on how your canine can receive the Proheart6 please contact

our office at  
461-4416.



### Kitty Corner

Is your cat using your furniture as a scratching post? A simple, non-surgical alternative to declawing is “Soft Paws”. These pre-formed plastic nail covers can be applied to your cat’s existing nails and keep your cat’s paws blunt for a period of four to six weeks before the nail caps need to be reapplied. Soft Paws can be applied at our veterinary clinic or at home and are available in different sizes and colors.

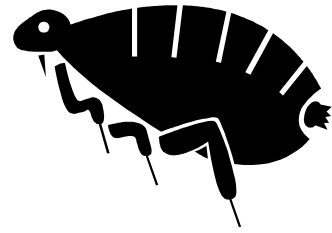
**Please remember to send in pictures of your pets for our pet gallery located on our homepage at [www.blvdvet.com](http://www.blvdvet.com)**

### Loyal Client Program

Our patients who receive all of their health care needs including appropriate vaccinations, heartworm and flea preventative at Boulevard Veterinary Hospital on a continuous basis will earn a 10% discount on services, after a one year qualification period. You may also want to consider utilizing a pet insurance program to help offset some of the medical costs of raising a pet. Check out our website for more information.

Our Pet Gallery is growing and we would love to have a picture of your pet on our homepage gallery!

If you have topics you would like to read about in the Newsletter please feel free to email them to me anytime.



### **Got Fleas?**

**We have had numerous cases of animals with flea infestations lately. Please remember to treat your pets with monthly flea protection and treat your carpets and yards. Also be careful not to bath your pet immediately after applying topical flea treatment as it may wash off the protection.**