



**April 2017** 

## \$20 CAT SPAY/NEUTER SPECIAL FOR HAMILTON COUNTY RESIDENTS FOR A LIMITED TIME ONLY!

Thanks to a generous grant from The Joanie Bernard Foundation, cat spay/neuter surgery is only \$20 for Hamilton County, Ohio residents and cats will receive a FREE rabies vaccine (if they do not have a current vaccine). Feral cats brought in traps get FREE surgery, vaccinations and antibiotics, if needed.

This special will be available through December 31, 2017.



Book your appointment now at www.ucancincinnati.org.

## **INSIGHT WITH DR. AMY**

## **April is National Heartworm Awareness Month**



Amy Strabala, DVM Medical Director

Heartworm Disease is caused by a parasitic worm that is transmitted from an infected dog to another dog (or rarely a cat) through the bite of an infected mosquito. The heartworm infects the heart of its host, specifically the right side of the heart and the blood vessels connecting the heart to the lungs. Heartworms can grow up to 12 inches long and can lead to severe problems with the heart, lungs, liver and kidneys and may result in death.

UCAN offers a simple blood test for \$20 that will determine whether your dog has heartworm disease. Dogs should be tested annually for heartworms. It normally takes 6 months after infection through the bite of the mosquito for the blood test to show a positive result; therefore, the pet tested should be at least 6 months of age.

UCAN recommends year-round heartworm prevention in dogs. We currently sell the preventative Heartgard. Cost is based upon the weight of the dog, ranging from \$24 to \$36 for a 6 month supply. A dog must have a negative test before heartworm preventative should be given.



Mollie McGinnis started working at UCAN in August 2012, as a receptionist at our front desk helping clients. After taking a break to attend school, she came back in December 2014. Mollie graduated from Northern Kentucky University in December 2016, with a degree in Criminal Justice. She will begin school to obtain her master's degree at the University of Cincinnati this May, while still working part-time at UCAN.

Mollie provides exceptional customer service to our clients! She is in charge of invoicing the daily surgery clients and also assists with many other tasks, including animal check-in and check-out, preparation of daily sales reports, and helping to run UCAN's Low-Cost Wellness Clinic on Fridays.



Mollie McGinnis

Mollie is very passionate about UCAN's mission and loves animals. She is particularly crazy about Boston Terriers, especially her own sweet Boston, Bailee, who she loves dearly. She is seen in this picture giving love to a pit bull puppy during our Wellness Clinic - she snags all the cute puppies to cuddle!! We appreciate and thank Mollie for all of her hard work on behalf of UCAN!

2017 Surgeries

(through 4/21/17)

Cats: 2,985
Dogs: <u>1,643</u>
Total: 4,628

Over 98,900 surgeries since opening the clinic in April 2007!!

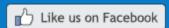
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