



The Village Veterinarian is located at 16 South Third St. in Waterville between the United States Post Office and First Federal Bank of Delta. MIRROR PHOTOS BY MELISSA GARRETT



Dr. Wendy O'Desky-Reichel, of the Village Veterinarian in Waterville, comforts a kitten in the hall where her many awards for dog and horse shows are displayed.

Waterville Chamber Of Commerce Spotlight – The Village Veterinarian

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MIRROR REPORTER

The Waterville Area Chamber of Commerce spotlight for October shines on the Village Veterinarian, also known as the Village Vet, on South Third Street.

Dr. Wendy O'Desky-Reichel has been a practicing veterinarian for 15 years and opened her office in Waterville 11 years ago. O'Desky-Reichel earned her Doctor of Veterinary Medicine degree from The Ohio State University.

She grew up in the Toledo area in a family of medical doctors, so her interest in medicine came naturally. She said her father, Colonel Dr. Louis T. O'Desky, was a great influence on her life.

"I always loved animals and I was brought up in a medical background, so it

was what I knew," she said. "I was one of the first female doctors in Northwest Ohio to open her own clinic."

O'Desky-Reichel also showed dogs and horses for years and won several awards along the way. She had over 11 champion Afghans in coursing, or racing, in her 20-plus years of showing dogs.

O'Desky-Reichel said her years in showing and grooming dogs and horses gave her excellent experience in animal care and looking for "boo-boos."

She said she did some research when she decided to open her own clinic and found there was a need for a veterinarian in Waterville.

"The community is wonderful. It is delightful and historic and the people here

care about the community," she said. "I have enjoyed my years here."

The Village Veterinarian participated in the annual Roche de Boeuf Festival this year by providing pets for people to see and learn about.

O'Desky-Reichel lives on a farm in the Anthony Wayne area with her 12-year-old son as well as their three horses and three cats.

The Village Veterinarian specializes in care for companion animals such as dogs, cats, horses and small pets. The services available include radiology, ultrasound endoscopy, surgeries, blood diagnostics, preventative medicine, grooming and a moderate amount of behavioral work.

Customers can also purchase prescription health

and nutrition products in the office.

O'Desky-Reichel said some clients bring their horses to the clinic in trailers and she gives them curbside service.

She has worked with the Toledo Humane Society judging dog and horse shows and teaching classes and offers discounts to clients at The Village Veterinarian who have adopted pets.

She has also worked with Raceway Park in the past.

Dr. Steve Huff is a veterinarian who works part time at the Village Veterinarian. The staff also includes Judy Pittman, who has worked in the office for eight years, and a veterinary technician who will be graduating from college soon.

O'Desky-Reichel traveled

to Greece in April and spoke to people there about setting up programs to control the cat population. The area currently has no system in place to deal with the issue.

In 2004, she also visited Italy, where the situation is similar. She said a large number of cats live in the streets in both countries.

In Waterville, people can usually find a kitten or two at the Village Veterinarian that need homes, though the

office does not, and would not want to, take in large numbers of cats for adoption.

The slogan at the Village Veterinarian is: "We take care of the rest of the family," which O'Desky-Reichel and her staff plan to continue for many years to come.

The Village Veterinarian is located at 16 South Third St. in Waterville. For more information or an appointment, contact the office at (419) 878-4900.

WHITEHOUSE LIBRARY NEWS

Works By Area Photographers On View

An exhibition of photographs by local residents will be on display in the Whitehouse Library's art gallery through the month of October. The exhibition includes works by Howard Burkert, John Walz, Melissa Garrett, Dick Larabee, Rosanne Roche McCraney, Kitty Stone, Nic Thakur, Melanie Heinlein, Abby Curtis, David Gasser, Katrina Kuhn, Jayn Zimmerman, Laura Zimmerman and Sarah Zimmerman.

The gallery is open during regular library hours: Tuesdays and Thursdays from noon to 8:00 p.m. and Saturdays from noon to 2:00 p.m.

Overdue Fines Forgiven November 1-5

The Whitehouse Library has set "Fine Forgiveness Week" for Tuesday, November 1 through Saturday, November 5. Fines for overdue books will be written off by the library provided the books are not damaged or lost. Patrons may return books during regular library hours during the week.

Encore Program Set On Tuesdays

Area children are invited to participate in the Whitehouse Library's Encore reading program, an extension of the summer reading program. Encore reading will start at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesdays. Volunteers will be on hand to guide participants.

Library Presents Kids' Story Times

The Whitehouse Community Library will offer story time for children on Tuesdays from 7:00 to 7:30 p.m. Story time for preschoolers is scheduled from Thursdays from 12:30 to 1:00 p.m.

The Whitehouse Library is located at 10651 Waterville St. near the France Stone quarry. The library is open from noon to 8:00 p.m. on Tuesday and Thursday and from noon to 4:00 p.m. on Saturday.

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October 24 through October 28

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Red Baron Cheese Pizza Garden Salad Orange Wedges	Turkey Gravy over Potatoes Roll Mixed Fruit	Taco Salad w/Meat/Cheese/ Salsa & Sour Cream Warm Apple Slices	Sloppy Joes on Buns Mixed Vegetables Pears	Max Stix with Pizza Sauce Broccoli & Cheese Strawberries & Vanilla Ice Cream

Menu is subject to change without notice! 2% milk and chocolate milk are offered as a daily choice.
Contact person: Jeri Mier (A.W. Food Service Director) 419-877-0789

ELEMENTARY & MIDDLE SCHOOL MENU

October 24 through October 28

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Red Baron Cheese Pizza OR Turkey/Cheese Sandwich Garden Salad Orange Wedges	Turkey Gravy over Potatoes Roll OR Grilled Chicken on a Bun with Potatoes Mixed Fruit	Taco Salad w/Meat/Cheese/ Salsa/Sour Cream OR Cheeseburger on a Bun with Salad Warm Apple Slices	Sloppy Joe on a Bun OR Chicken Hip Dipper & Roll Mixed Vegetables Flavored Applesauce	Max Stix with Pizza Sauce OR Fish on a Bun Broccoli & Cheese Strawberries & Vanilla Ice Cream

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