

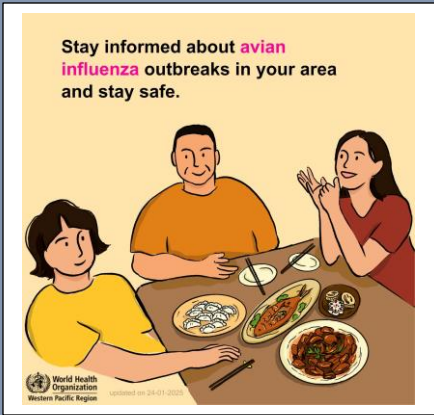


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South Carolina has had its first verified case of HPAI, and we want to help you understand what it is and how to keep your pets and the rest of your family safe. Our latest blog gives you the 411 on H5N1 so you can be prepared, not scared:

<https://birdsandexotics.com/blog/hpai-aka-avian-influenza-aka-bird-flu-whats-that/>

If your pet shows any unusual behaviors or symptoms, schedule an appointment right away.

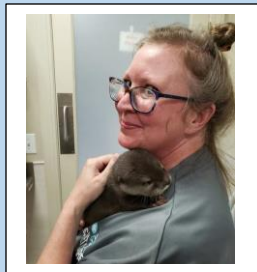
At Exotic Vet Care, educating clients on proper diet, care, and environment for your special pets is a huge part of what we do. Prevention is always the best medicine, and we believe knowledge is power. As the Center for Disease Control is currently unable to provide up-to-date information on disease spread and prevention including HPAI (Avian Influenza) outbreaks, we recommend subscribing to the American Medical Association Update Series, which provides accurate and up-to-date information on public health concerns including those which can be transmitted from animals to humans and vice-versa. We feel it is vitally important that the public be aware of the risks and prevention measures. The series includes both videos and their transcripts to ensure accessibility to all. Click [HERE](#) to visit the site and subscribe to stay informed.

Are you our Valentine? We received a box of Girl Scout cookies and are thrilled to pieces, but there was no indication of who sent them. We have already begun enjoying them and wanted to say a great big THANK YOU to our sweet benefactor. Your kindness is appreciated, and we feel very special. Have a happy Valentine's Day, whoever you are!



We know you appreciate the hard work and dedication of our staff, but you may wonder who they are outside of our clinic. This issue, we shine the SPOTLIGHT ON: Practice Manager Kerry Bateman

Favorite Celebrity: Dolly Parton
 Favorite Food: Cheese
 Favorite Author: Stephen King
 Favorite Leisure Activity: Crosswords
 Favorite Animal: Otter



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