

# News From OurDogHouse

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## Featured Product



[A Woman and Her Bulldog... Cap](#)  
**\$17.99**

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### 1. New Section for Bulldog Owners!

## Bulldogs Move into OurDogHouse!

Hey Bulldog owners, we now have a new section just for you! Check out our brand new Bulldog section for a great selection of products and sayings to show off your love of Bulldogs!

Also new at OurDogHouse: our clocks are getting a facelift and more clocks are being added. Take some time to check them out and watch for your breed.

There's still time to order great gifts for Mother's Day! Take advantage of FREE shipping on orders of \$50 or more now through May 5th. Use coupon code MOMSHIP at checkout.\*

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### 2. Fifi and Fido Can Give the Gift of Life

## The Gift of Life

When many of us think about blood drives and donating blood, we think about the human hero that gives blood to save another human being. However, did you know there are an increasing number of dogs and cats that are everyday heroes by giving blood?

Until not too long ago, local veterinarians would use their own dogs or dogs owned by staff members as donors when faced with a situation where a dog was in need of blood. Today there is an increasing need for donors and an ongoing supply of blood. The University of Pennsylvania School of Veterinary Medicine pioneered the very first volunteer blood donor program for dogs. While the original benchmark for the program was to supply blood for their veterinary hospital, they now provide a source of blood and expertise to private veterinarians across the country. In fact, in 1991 they brought the first bloodmobile for animals into service.

Many veterinarians and blood banks reward our four-legged heroes for donations with anything from a package of goodies to dog food to free exams. For more information on becoming a blood donor we listed a few blood banks below; however, the list is not limited to these locations.

[Penn Veterinary Medicine](#)  
[Eastern Veterinary Blood Bank](#)

[Pet Blood Bank](#)  
[Hemopet](#)  
[Midwest Animal Blood Bank](#)  
[Sun States Animal Blood Bank](#)  
[Murphy's Blood Bank Arizona](#)  
[Angell-Boston Blood Donor](#)  
[Red River College Canada](#)

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### 3. Hidden Meaning In Your Pet's Bark

## Can You Hear Me Now?

When you pet barks could there be more to the bark than you think? Animal behaviorists think so. Let's take a look at their findings and see what your pet is trying to say.

- A slow continuous bark at a lower pitch means your pet is attempting to warn you that an intruder or some type of threat is near by.
- Barking at a fast pace with several short pauses is their way of warning you. Your pet is requesting you to come see something they feel needs your attention.
- Fast bark with continuous rhythm, medium pitch is an alert when they feel someone has encroached upon their territory.
- Prolonged barking in a higher pitch than usual means they are alone or lonely.
- One or two barks in a high pitch is a greeting.
- A very quick bark, medium pitch, simply means I am a happy puppy!

So what has your dog been trying to tell you?

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