



Attitudes.....From the desk of Dr. Mark Fox
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Wow! We are into the last month of the year. I am sure most of us heard our parents tell us... "wait till you are older and see how fast time flies by"... Well that applies to me for sure.

I am writing this note at Thanksgiving time and pause to reflect on the blessings of 2015. Obviously, the dairy markets have fallen sharply since 2014's peak. However, we in the "thumb" milkshed were blessed with a bumper crop of nice forage and a wonderful fall season to harvest, spread manure and prepare fields for spring. Market volatility in most commodities has become the "norm" in the last couple decades. As someone who visits and works with farmers on a daily basis over quite a span of time, it has become obvious to me the power of our attitude. Some people just have the ability and desire to turn a negative into something good...in many walks of life. They seem to claim a "victory" each and every day.

As we finish out 2015, all of us at TVS would like to thank each and everyone of our clients and friends whom we are so fortunate to work with daily.

We have been excited with the interest in our classes over the last year and hope to provide excellent herd care and expand further to meet your needs in 2016. On a personal note, I was allowed the opportunity in September to obtain training in the Netherlands on CowSignals® and plan to start training in January 2016. It is a fantastic opportunity to learn in a small group setting what it really takes to enhance dairy cow performance and well-being. We will keep you updated on our January 2016 meeting schedule.

Looking forward.....Lord willing!

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Holiday Hours!

12/24/15 Christmas Eve 8am-1pm

12/25/15 Christmas Day closed

12/26/15 8am-5pm

12/31/15 8am-5pm

1/1/16 New Years Day closed

As always emergency care 24 hours a day.

Beginning in January we will be open until 7pm on Tuesdays for companion animal services.



Holiday gift ideas!!

Remember that the drop ship program has many items for more than your cows. For instance boots, rain (wet) gear, aprons, and even supplies for the office or lawn and garden.

We also have two online stores.....One has supplies for cats, dogs and small pets and the other is for equine. Our online pharmacies have a broader selection of products than we are able to keep in stock at our clinic pharmacy, including a wide selection of pet foods and prescription diets. The pricing structure of our online pharmacy is designed to be at our best value pricing. Much like the drop ship program the online stores contain not only prescription and over the counter meds but also supplies for your companions. Flexible shipping options are available on both stores. Check them out through

our website

www.thumbvets.com.



Herdsmen and Calf Personnel Meetings will resume in January, 2016!

Drop Ship orders and the Holidays—We will only be taking and placing orders on December 21st and December 28th during the last two weeks of the month.

Remember to check your orders closely for weather damaged product. Cold items should be cold, but not frozen. Some products can be used once thawed. Contact the clinic asap with shipping issues.

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