

# Campus Times

## How to make the most of your EXAM

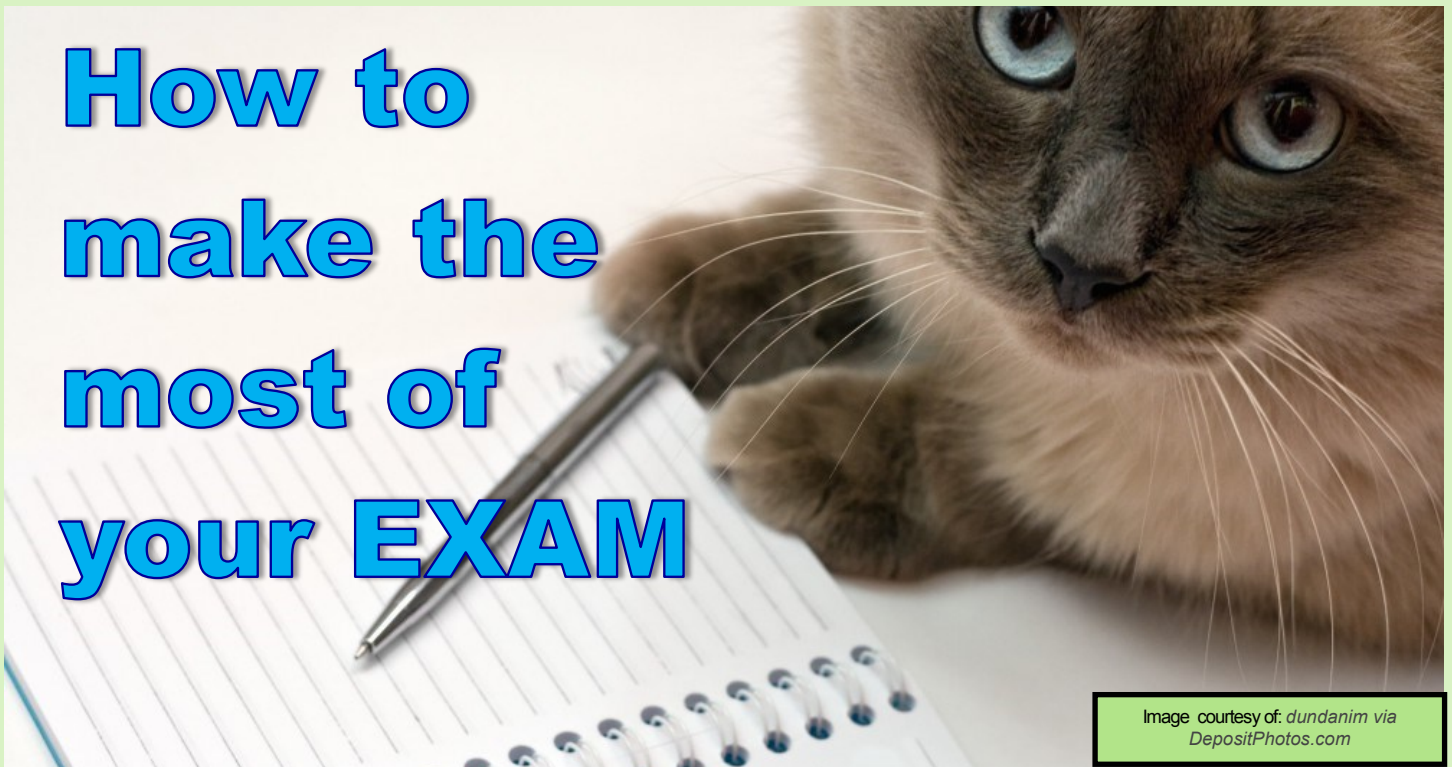


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Many of us find a visit to the doctor a little stressful, especially when the patient is your beloved furry friend. Sometimes as pet parents we can find it difficult to convey all of our animal's symptoms as well as our concerns clearly to the veterinarian. Here are a few tips to help ensure that you both get the most out of your companion's next check-up.

Do you ever get into the exam room and just to forget what it was you wanted to ask? Do you go home just to remember that you forgot to refill that flea medication? Or what the doctor said? We recommend a few ideas:

**-Keep a pen and paper handy to jot down questions during the days before your appointment. And bring that pen and paper with you to write down what the doctor recommends.**

**-Know what kind of food your pet has been eating.**

**-Know exactly what medications and how frequently you have been administering them.**

**-Bring in a stool sample - This is especially important for tummy troubles. We may toss it but it is easier to have it at hand if needed.**

**-Don't forget to arrive 5 minutes ahead of your appointment for check-in!**

**-During your appointment be focused on the issues at hand.**

**-Have a decision maker in the appointment. It is vital that decisions can be made while our doctor is available.**

**-Please do not talk on your cellphone while in the exam room or the waiting room.**

Each pet has 30 minutes of the doctor's and technician's time devoted to just them. Come five minutes early for check-in so that the entire appointment time is concentrated on your pet. At each and every appointment we will weigh them, take their temperature, listen to their heart and lungs, look into their ears, nose, and - if they are cooperating - their mouth as well.

After these basics, it is time to ask the doctor about those questions you have had. Don't forget that pen and paper!

As you leave the appointment, we set you up for success. Do you know that your (pet)'s weight history is printed out on your invoice? Your invoice also lists reminders for vaccines and next examinations. Our receptionists are happy to book future appointments before you leave.

# Campus Critters of March & April

Meet Koshi!

A note from his family:

Koshi is a large Russian Blue, and doesn't feel his age (somewhere between 17 and 20) is relevant. After many years defending his Berkeley territory and befriending his generous neighbors, Koshi retired to an indoor life of leisure with his humans, Rhyen and Chris.

Enjoys: Lounging by the fire, claiming the sunniest spot on the sofa, demanding fine cuisine (both in his bowl and from yours), contributing to business calls, head scratches, and visits to/from his doting fans.

Begrudgingly tolerates: Daily subcutaneous fluids and steroid pills, as they allow him to continue said life of leisure.



Koshi  
17-20 years old



Meet Odin!

A note from Odin's family:

I adopted Odin (AKA the Buddiest Buddy that ever Buddied) as a kitten from the Persian and Himalayan Cat Rescue in Mill Valley. Odin stole my heart when he was the only one, among his brothers and sisters, that kept coming back to play and cuddle up with me. We had a special connection from that very first meeting and I've grown more and more in love with him with each passing year. Odin is very communicative, curious, courageous, cuddly, and incredibly loving. He is my furry four-legged soul mate, my heart, and my inspiration.



Odin  
8 years old

Odin can't get enough of: napping on pillows and soft blankets, communicating his wants and needs, flopping on his back for pets, sneaking under the blankets in the middle of the night, devouring tuna and any kind of jerky, crunching on hard food, drinking from faucets, gnawing on pens, chewing on plants, warming himself up near any kind of heat source, chasing his sister Loki, attacking plastic bags, playing with his tail, doing his water dance before drinking water, doing his wee wee dance of kneading and kicking, jumping in and out of boxes, soaking up hot shower steam, digging and hanging out in drawers, cuddling in warm laps, giving kisses, and being cared for by all his new friends at Campus Vet!

Odin could do without: intrusions on his nap time, noisy garbage trucks, disorienting windy days and nights, scary vacuum cleaners, and having to eat his bland kidney wet food.



# Campus Staff Spotlight

**When did you start working here?**  
-2007

**Tell us about your pets?**

-Miss Margarita Jean!! She's a sassy Chihuahua about 11 years old. She loves to come to work and help take care of our patients. Her favorite part of the day is when we do dental procedures. Her favorite animal is a cat and she loves helping at the front desk answering phones.

**Favorite CVC task?**

I love working with the doctors during appointments; I am able to learn a lot from what the doctor recommends. I enjoy interacting with the owners and meeting their special friends. Overall, I love helping and working with animals.

**Most memorable CVC moment?**

-When I got to transition from front desk receptionist to full-time technician.

**What song best describes your work ethic?**

-I often am found singing my own songs while I work to stay positive and keep the momentum going!

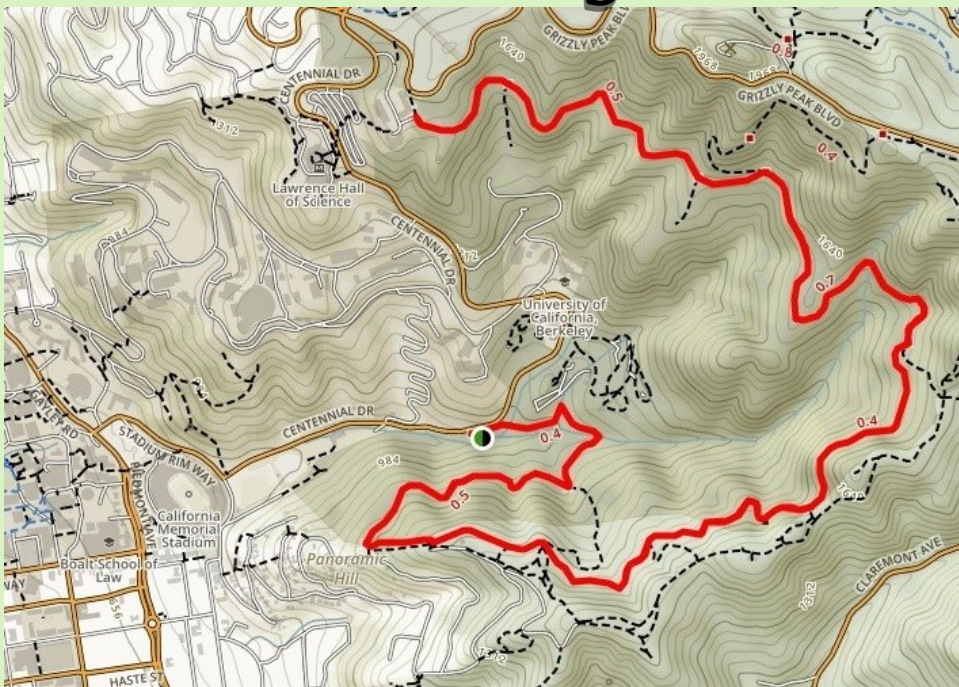
**What do you think of garden gnomes?**

-I adore garden gnomes. They are my people: small, hard working, and strong!



**Vet Tech: SJ**

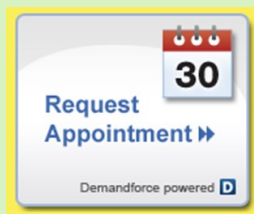
**SJ & Rita say... Go for a hike!**



**The Strawberry Canyon Fire Trail is a 7.4 mile hike. It offers a number of activity options and is accessible year-round.**

**Remember to bring water, poop bags, and sun block!**

**Did You know...**  
**You can now request appointments online!**  
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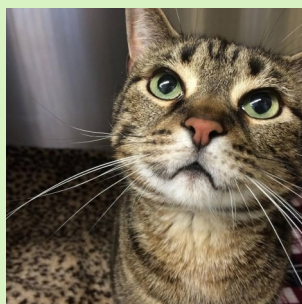


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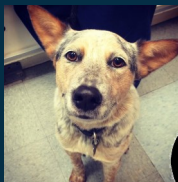
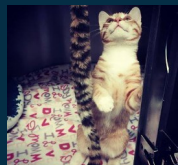
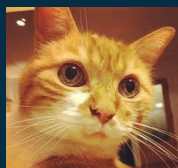
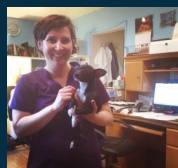
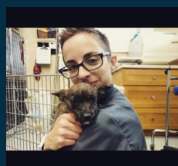


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