

Campus Times

ADOPTING A NEW FAMILY MEMBER

- Do you like to hike?
- Are you more of a couch potato?
- Do you go out of town frequently?

Fall in love with a pet that will best fit your lifestyle



- Are all members of the family ready to take on a new pet?
- Have you done your research?
- Vet care (including flea/tick prevention) can run \$400-\$500 per year and that doesn't include food/toys/training/etc.
- Senior pets can require more veterinary visits.
- Puppies and kittens require multiple vaccines to be considered fully vaccinated.

- Large breed dogs have shorter lifespans than a small breed dog. For example: Great Danes are expected to live 6-8 years while Chihuahuas can live up to 15 years!
- Cats live between 14 to 20+ years!

AND DON'T FORGET!

- Flea and Tick management
- Dental health
- Research pet insurance
- Visiting your veterinarian!

Ready for a lifetime commitment?



Choosing the Perfect Companion

- Larger dogs require larger doses of medications and anesthesia that have higher costs.
- Small dogs and cats are able to travel in the cabin with you so they are wonderful companions if you travel frequently.

Size matters



- Long-eared dogs typically need routine ear cleaning to prevent infections.
- Long bodied dogs like Dachshunds and Corgis are prone to back problems.
- Boxers are prone to getting lumps and bumps that can be cancerous.
- Chihuahuas and small Terriers have small mouths that lead to periodontal disease.

Potential Health Concerns



- Large breed dogs are prone to hip dysplasia, arthritis, and torn ligaments.
- Smooshy face breeds like King Charles Spaniels, Pugs, Bulldogs, and Boston Terriers, tend to have more eye issues as well as respiratory problems. Their squished faces can also lead to skin fold infections.
- Smooshy-face cats are prone to the same type of issues as their dog counterparts.

Potential Health Concerns



- Accidents and illnesses happen - pet insurance can be a fantastic way to ensure you can afford to care for your pet if they need it.

- Make sure to allow enough time out of your day to exercise and play with your pet.

- Keep your pet at a good weight to avoid health problems like diabetes and arthritis.

Providing the best care



- **Is this the right time in your life to take on a major responsibility?** They need both love and financial stability to be happy, healthy members of the family.
- **Is your home environment suited to your pet?** Dogs will appreciate a fenced in yard. Cats will love enough indoor space for a play tower.
- **Do you rent?** Some landlords do not approve of pets in the home.

Campus Staff Spotlight

When did you start working at CVC?

April 2011 - Just celebrated my 5th anniversary and still love coming to work everyday.

Tells us about your pets:

Brad (12) and Zipper (13) are formerly feral kittens from Hawaii who have become quite accustomed to the housecat lifestyle. Big Puffy (8) was returned, twice, to my clinic in Pennsylvania...but their loss was our gain because he is THE BEST.

What cheers you up?

My 4 boys. When Big Puffy lays on his back in the middle of the floor, when Brad (aka Grandpa baby) nuzzles my neck at bedtime, when I look at Zipper and he immediately starts purring, or when my husband does the dishes.

Would you rather be a giant hamster or tiny rhino?

Tiny rhino, no one ever suspects the tiny rhino.

What is your spirit animal?

Well, now that I know it's an option: A tiny rhino!



Vet Tech: Kim

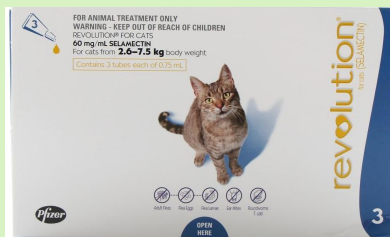
Don't let Summer be a Bummer, Get your pets on flea control!

Summertime is approaching and the fleas are ready to invade your pets (if they haven't already). The Bay Area has a particularly bad flea problem due to our wonderful weather—it never gets cold enough for fleas to die! In many cases, even indoor-only kitties need to be kept on flea control year round.

Once on flea control:
Adult fleas can still bite
but will die before laying
eggs.

Flea Control Recommendations **Dogs Only**

Cats & Dogs



How To Keep Your Home Flea Free



Get all pets in the home started on effective flea control.



Vacuum all carpets, rugs, even hardwood floors. Dispose of the bag outside immediately. If using a canister, take it outside and rinse it out.



Wash all sheets, blankets, bedding, toys, etc. in HOT water.

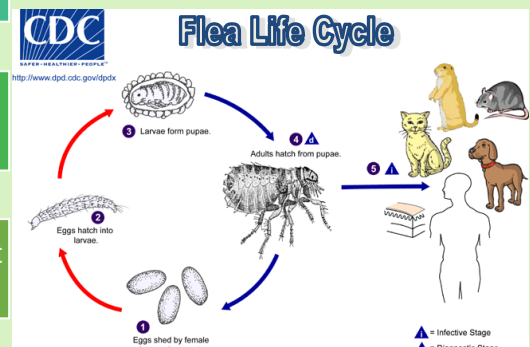


Try using an Insect Growth Regulator (IGR)- it is a pet-friendly environmental spray to help clean up the home. Not for use on pets.



Continue this process daily for 5-7 days at the time of treatment with effective flea control to keep your pets flea-free!

If your pet and home are battling a flea infestation they must be on flea preventatives for a minimum of 3 months. Eggs that have been laid by adult fleas are still in the environment and will hatch over this 3 month period. Adult fleas are the ones that bite!



Campus Critters of May & June

Meet Rusty!

A note from his family:

I met Rusty at a small pet store near my house while I was buying food for our animals; at the time I also had a hamster and my mum had a rabbit. I spotted him in a cage with some of his siblings. The main thing I remember is he was the smallest and seemed to be the one that was left out. I asked to hold him and once I did I knew he was coming home with me. I met him on Wednesday and he came home on Friday. My favorite thing about my little guy is how much he loves to run. He is my buddy and I love him a lot. I might have "mom goggles" on with him but it doesn't matter he's perfect in my eyes.



Rusty
10 months old



Curtis
1 year old

Meet Curtis!

A note from his family:

After a rough start, Curtis was scooped up by NorCal Boxer Rescue, and his new people (Bill and Lauren) met him one gray day in Roseville. One look at that face, and we were in love. Although Curtis was initially a little nervous around other dogs, he now loves going to Point Isabel and getting chased through the grass. (It's even better when it's been raining and he can get that white fur nice and muddy.) He even has a best friend and doggie mentor: Lucca, a lanky Vizsla who has taught him the joys of counter surfing.

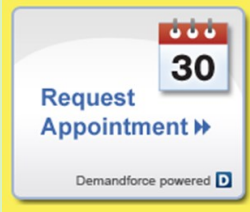
Curtis enjoys popping into all of Berkeley's dog-friendly shops and getting treats, belly rubs, and napping on any soft surface he can find. His favorite person in the whole wide world is Sphero which isn't so much a person as a glowing robotic ball. Mom and Dad are a close second.



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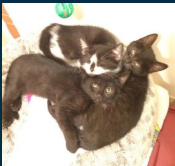
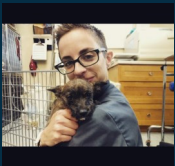
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