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First Specialty Referral Practice on the West Coast Announces Extended Appointment Hours

Santa Cruz, California, August 4, 2008 - Santa Cruz Veterinary Hospital has announced that beginning Monday August 11, 2008 wellness appointment hours will be extended to 8:00 pm on Monday, Friday and Saturday, and will include 10 am- 6:00 pm on Sundays.

Established in 1961, Santa Cruz Veterinary Hospital has a long history in the Santa Cruz community as a referral and emergency practice, and has also seen wellness/ general practice patients for many years. The general practice focuses on preventive health care for pets and client education. Patients are seen for annual comprehensive physical exams, early detection blood analyses and other diagnostics, dentistry, spays and neuters, and vaccines and microchips. General Practice veterinary medicine at Santa Cruz Veterinary

Hospital will provide a complete individual health care plan for each pet, with targeted education and resources for each client. “It’s very rewarding to see our patients grow from puppy or kitten hood into healthy, happy adults, and to continue to care for them from adulthood into their geriatric years,” says Dr. Shelley Dornan, general practitioner.

The practice also provides a wide variety of specialty veterinary care for patients referred from their primary veterinarian. These are usually complex cases; the specialists continue to work with the primary veterinarian throughout the duration of treatment or illness, at which time the patient will return to them for ongoing wellness care. Specialties include internal medicine, surgery, and oncology; services provided include ultrasound, CT scan, orthopedic, soft tissue and neurosurgery, radiation therapy, chemotherapy and radioactive iodine treatment for hyperthyroidism.

Extended hours for appointments will increase convenience for wellness patients; in addition, the emergency service at Santa Cruz Veterinary Hospital- which is open 24/7 - will continue to provide care for critical and emergent cases as it has for more than 45 years.

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