



WHATCOM ROAD VETERINARY HOSPITAL

Issue Date

Dec. 2008

Hospital Hours:

Mon. to Fri. 8am—6pm
Sat. 9am-2pm

Holiday Hours:

Closing Early - 2:00pm Dec. 24 & 31
Dec. 25 & 26 CLOSED
Jan. 1 CLOSED

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DECEMBER IS... SENIOR WELLNESS MONTH!

This month we are focusing on ensuring our pets can maximize their quality of life and health as they age. Our pets begin to age much more quickly than we would like to admit. They are such an important part of our lives and time slips quickly past. What happens as pets age and what can we do to slow it down?

What types of changes might we begin to see in our pets? Arthritis may start to develop. Kidneys may not work as well. The liver might experience some challenges. The heart may not work as effectively. Sound familiar? With health exams and laboratory testing we can slow the process of many diseases associated with aging. And most importantly, we can help them have a better and more comfortable quality of life.

Similarly to people, middle age (about 6 or 7 pet years) is when routine laboratory tests, or wellness screens, come into play. They allow us to detect problems early and intervene sooner. Normal lab work results can also provide peace of mind and a solid basis for future monitoring. And of course, don't forget the basics: good nutrition, exercise, weight control and mental stimulation.

Together, we can make sure your beloved pet enjoys their life with you for as long as possible. They deserve it!

Pet Photos with Santa

During the month of December, we will be offering pet photos with Santa!

**Dec. 6, 13 & 20th
from 11am - 2pm**

Photos are \$12/set and include taxes.

*Photos will be available
Immediately*

Net proceeds to the SPCA

ENTER TO WIN...

**A Cat or Dog
Gift Basket!**

Each entry is by donation to the local food bank. To enter, simply bring 1 non-perishable food item for people and 1 for pets to us and you will be entered in the draw.

Draw Date: Dec. 22, 2008

Christmas Hazards & Your Pet

Check out our website, www.whatcomvet.com for more info on Christmas hazards and what you can do to prevent them!

Keep an eye out for **Dental Health Month!** Coming February 2009