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Meow Luau

Kitten and Cat Adoption Event

**Santa Cruz County Animal Shelter
Partners with Local Animal Welfare Organizations to
Find Homes for the Kittens and Cats in Our Community**

On Saturday, June 7, 2014, Santa Cruz County Animal Shelter (SCCAS) will host its 4th Annual “Meow Luau” Kitten and Cat Adoption event at SCCAS’ Santa Cruz shelter, 2200 7th Avenue, from noon to 400 p.m. The goal of the event is to adopt cats and kittens into new homes during the busy summer season when there are many homeless animals entering shelters.

This event is a joint partnership between SCCAS and local animal welfare organizations Animal Shelter Relief animalshelterrelief.org, Four Paws to Love fourpawstolove.org, Heading Home Animal Rescue headinghomerescue.org and Santa Cruz SCPA spcasc.org. All organizations will have kittens and cats on site available for adoption.

Participants are invited to come to Santa Cruz County’s largest animal shelter to meet beautiful cats and kittens available for adoption. During this event, all kitten and cat adoption fees are only **\$50!** All adoptions include spay/neuter, microchip (including registration), age appropriate vaccinations and Felv/FIV testing, routine treatment for fleas/worms, and a free pet wellness exam with local participating veterinarians.

Also, there will be a featured performance by **Michelle Kiba’s Ukulele Academy & the Fab Five Hula Sisters**. Show times are at noon and 1:00 pm. Additionally, Hawaiian themed refreshments, raffle prizes, and an “Ask-the-Vet” booth by **Dr. Evelyn Sharp of My Personal Vet** www.mypersonalvet.com will be available at the event. SCCAS will also be unveiling the new “Catio” outdoor cat enclosure built and donated to SCCAS by Scott Buechel.

“During the spring and summer months, as the weather gets warmer, cats begin new breeding cycles and many cats and kittens enter the shelter,” said Melanie Sobel, general manager, SCCAS. “Cats can have multiple litters a year, so it is very important that cat owners make sure that their cats have been spayed or neutered to prevent unwanted litters with hundreds of kittens that end up at area shelters.”

SCCAS currently has a program entitled, “**Dude, Where’s My Cat?**” which offers Santa Cruz County resident cats: microchip (including registration), rabies and FVRCP vaccinations, all for a **total of only \$5** and **FREE** spay or neuter surgeries.

For more information, please visit scanimalshelter.org.

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About Santa Cruz County Animal Shelter (SCCAS)

The Santa Cruz County Animal Shelter is an open admission shelter which welcomes EVERY animal in need. Our goal is to be a humane resource for the community by providing a safety net and second chance for local animals. There are two locations where owners can find and recover lost pets, adopt new animal companions, or sign up for PLANNED PetHood, our low cost spay/neuter program available for all resident pets. Our success is achieved through a variety of life-saving services and programs which are described in detail on our website, www.scanimalshelter.org. The support of our community is crucial to sustaining and expanding these services.



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