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A Furry Future is in Store

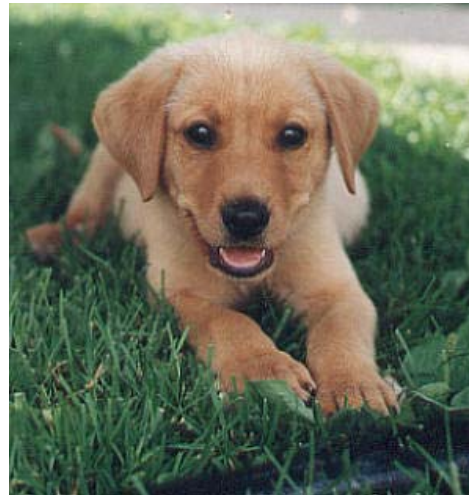
By LaTonya Jenkins

The cement has been poured, the bricks have been laid, the sign is fixed and the veterinarians are ready. The North Carolina Animal Control Division Spay & Neuter Clinic will soon be "all systems go."

"For years the NCACD has had this vision of establishing a free-standing clinic, enabling members of the Wake County community to spay or neuter their pets free of charge," stated the clinic's executive director, Simone McLeash. "We are elated that it has finally come to fruition. Now everyone can help us combat pet overpopulation."

To announce the grand opening, the clinic will hold a ribbon-cutting during Month 3 at 10 a.m. at the clinic, located at 476

Woofpack Drive in Raleigh. Among notables scheduled to



This adorable puppy named Sara-Jessica Barker is among the first pets on the list to be spayed or neutered. Lisa McClendon of Garner is her proud owner.

attend are Raleigh Mayor Charles Meeker and Ray Scratchter, long-time animal rights advocate.

Sign Me Up!

Many anxious pet owners have

already signed up their cats and dogs to be spayed or neutered in anticipation of the clinic's opening. Lisa McClendon of Garner is one of them.

"I'm so grateful for this opportunity," says McClendon. "Pet overpopulation is such a wide-spread issue in our nation, and it affects everyone. I'm glad the NCACD has opened this free clinic, so all of us that own pets can do our part."

The clinic will be the only free-standing spay and neuter clinic in Wake County.

For more information about the ribbon-cutting and other grand opening events, visit our Web site: www.ncacd.gov/clinic. 🐾

Kommunity Kids

Great kids doing great things in our community!

By Gordo Gato

While most kids spend Saturday mornings watching cartoons, 12-year-old María Muñoz de la Vega spends hers visiting animals in various local shelters.

"She is such a pleasure to have around, and she is so great with the animals," said Candice Lee, a staff member at one of the shelters.

María, a student at Millbrook Middle School, says she simply loves animals, and loves to help out.

"It's so fun helping out," she says. "I cant wait until the NCACD opens its clinic doors so I can volunteer there too."

If you would like to be considered for our Kommunity Kids section, e-mail us your story at newsletter@ncacd.gov. 🐾



María Muñoz de la Vega, 12, plays with Bruno, a dog awaiting adoption in a Raleigh animal shelter.