

CALENDAR LISTING

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“SNIP & CHIP” DAY AT THE SAN FRANCISCO SPCA Help Take a Slice Out of Pet Overpopulation on Tuesday, February 15, 2005

JOIN US TO CELEBRATE THE SF/SPCA ‘SPAY DAY 2005’

Free Microchipping Bonus!

WHAT: The **San Francisco SPCA Spay Day 2005**, is a consciousness-raising event encouraging people to spay or neuter their pets. The SF/SPCA is celebrating ‘Spay Day 2005’ with extended hours at the Spay/Neuter Clinic – early appointments will begin at 7:00 a.m. – and a special Spay Day package for spay/neuter clients: dogs and cats that are “snipped” will then be “chipped” free of charge, courtesy of Schering Plough. Other Spay Day goodies include free nail clipping, a free sheet of collectible Spay/Neuter postage stamps and a free Spay/Neuter lapel pin (both while supplies last), a Spay Day commemorative certificate and complimentary breakfast.

Spay/neuter surgery saves lives by curbing the numbers of homeless dogs and cats. It has both health and behavior benefits, including reducing the risk of reproductive organ cancer and unwanted territorial behaviors.

WHEN: **Tuesday, February 15, 2005**
Surgery from 7:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon

WHERE: **The San Francisco SPCA Spay/Neuter Clinic**
2500 16th Street (between Harrison and Bryant)

PUBLIC INFO: **Appointments are necessary. Cats and dogs are spayed or neutered in the morning and released to owners after 5:00 p.m. that same day. Please call 415-554-3084 for an appointment.**

MORE: The SF/SPCA Spay/Neuter Clinic was the first facility in the country to provide low-cost spay/neuter surgery. Since it began operating in 1976 the clinic has altered well over 100,000 cats and dogs. Thanks to the success of high-volume spay/neuter surgery, San Francisco’s shelter intake has dropped by more than half since 1985.

The San Francisco SPCA is a nonprofit animal welfare organization dedicated to saving homeless dogs and cats, to providing lifesaving care and treatment to dogs and cats in need, to helping pets stay in loving homes, and to cultivating respect and awareness for the rights and needs of animals. Founded in 1868, The SF/SPCA is a national leader in saving lives and raising the status of companion animals. The SF/SPCA is in the midst of a campaign to raise \$30 million to build a state-of-the-art multidisciplinary specialty veterinary medical center, with construction slated to begin in 2005. For more information, visit www.sfspca.org or call 415-554-3084.

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