Lots Of Pets Are In Need Of A Home

By Audrey C. Lodato Post Staff Writer If "Be Kind to Animals Week" has started you thinking about taking in an animal, two good places to ex-plore are the Charlotte-Mecklenburg Animal Control Shelter and the Humane Society of Charlotte. Animal Control, located at 2700 Toomey Avenue, took in 5,337 stray and donated cats last year, and 10,616 stray and donated dogs. Only about 15-20 percent of these were either reclaimed by their owners or adopted. The remainder had to be euthanized.

Superintendent Diane Quisen-berry explained that the holding time varies for each animal. When strays are picked up and the owner is unknown, the animals are kept for three days before Animal Control personnel decide whether to euthan-ize or put up for adoption. Fac-tors considered include the ani-mal's health temperament tors considered include the ani-mal's health, temperament, and the adoption record for that type of animal in the past. When an animal is donated, that decision is made up for adoption, there is no set length of time it is kept. Although such a large percen-tage of animals brought to the shelter are euthanized, Quisenberry noted that there are worse fates for an animal, such as being drowned or dropped off in the country to fend for itself, only to starve or be hit by a car.

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Linda Clark, volunteer coordinator for the Humane Society of Charlotte, holds one of the cats presently in "foster care" at the Humane Society's shelter on Rountree Rd. The shelter has lots of cats waiting to adopt new owners, as well as plenty of dogs anxious to be taken into loving homes. (Photo By Audrey Lodato)

(Photo By Audrey Lodato) rage, though, is about two adop-tions per day. In addition, for the past three months, with the help of a past three months, whell a nature of these placements in April, as compared to only 13 in January, thanks to ecomputer. Matti Lewis, director, pointed out adoptions but donations of at least to are asked and gratefully ac-cepted. All animals leaving the shelter are spayed or neutered. At the same time, the pet is tattoed to provide easy identification in the event it is lost or stolen. Matting the adoption of older pets rather than kittens or puppies. "A

lot of people seem to think an animal won't love them if they haven't had it since it was young, but that's not true," she declared. "The capacity to love is as great for an older inmal as it is for a kitten or puppy." Besides knowing that "what you besides knowing that "what you so have been and the set of the dwantages of adopting a grown animal are that cats are already itter-trained and less likely to scratch furniture; adult dogs are usually housebroken and don't chew everything as a teething puppy with would.

The Humane Society of Charlotte The Humane society of Charlotte receives no government funding. Much of its income is derived from a thrift shop on the premises and donations. Some pet-related items are also sold, one of them being a T-shirt with the saying, "Animals are little people in fur coats." For more information, dial \$23-PETS.

Sugar Creek Road School Sets Graduation

The Sugar Creek Road School of Religion began classes in Religious Education and Theology in the se-cond semester of the 1982-83 school year. With approximately 30 stu-dents enrolled, the school began operations on Tuesday and Thurs-day evenings and Saturday morn-ings. The following semester, the days of meeting were changed to Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday evenings. The school year 1964-1985 found the school operating on Tuesday and Thursday evenings. On Tuesday, May 14, at 7:30 p.m., three persons who have matriculat-e and completed 60 hours of class-

ed and completed 60 hours of class-work and written a thesis will receive an Associate in Arts De-gree in Religious Education. Per-sons who are to graduate are Mrs. Carol Odessa Bridges, Mrs. Nellie Elizabeth Hayes, and Warren Clifton Clifton. Clifton. Commencement speaker for the planned exercises will be Rev. Dr. William P. Diggs of Florence, . S.C. Dr. Diggs is a graduate of Morehouse College of Atlanta, Ga., where he received a B.A. degree in history. He received the M.A. degree in sociology from Atlanta Univer-sity (Atlanta). Enrolling in Colgate-Rochester Divinity School of Ro-chester, N.Y., Dr. Diggs received the B.D. and M.Div, degrees.

Further study at McCormack The-ological Seminary yielded Dr. Diggs the Doctor of Ministry degree. Dr. Diggs received the Doctor of Di-vinity degree (D.D.) from Friend-ship College of Rock Hill, S.C., and the Doctor of Humane Letters (L.H.D.) from Morris College of Sumter, S.C. Dr. Diggs taught at Friendship College of Rock Hill, S.C., where he served as instructor of Bible, Sociology, and as College Minister. After a period of time, he became Professor Homiletics and Church History at J.J. Starks School of Theology at Benedict College in Columbia, S.C. At the elector of Starks School of Theology at Benedict Further study at McCormack The-

Sugar Creek Road School of Rei ion is housed at 700 Sugar Cree oad West in the Educational f cility of the Mayfield Memorial Baptist Church The graduation ex-ercises will be held at the same

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College in Columbia, S.C. At the closing of Starks School of Theo-logy, Dr. Diggs taught Sociology at Benedict College. After 13 years at Benedict College. After 13 years at Benedict, he accepted a position as Associate Professor at Morris College. Dr. Diggs has also served as Visiting Professor at Francis Marion College of Florence, S.C. At present, and for the past 24 years, Dr. Diggs has successfully served as pastor of Trinity Baptist Church of Florence, S.C. Dr. Diggs is Modepastor of Trinity Baptist Church of Florence, S.C. Dr. Diggs is Mode-rator of the Pee Dee Association of S.C., Instructor in S.C. State Con-gress of Christian Education, and Vice President of the Congress of Christian Education of the Pro-gressive National Baptist Congressive National Baptist Convention of America, Inc.

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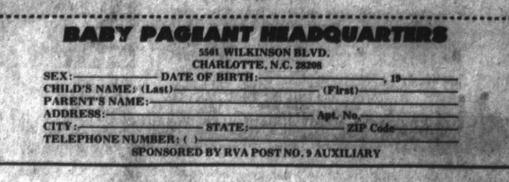


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