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Iraqi rescue puppy to become therapy dog; hard times need happy tails; and other news.

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Vick Will Finish Prison Sentence in Home Confinement

Imprisoned NFL star Michael Vick will be allowed to serve the final two months of his sentence under home confinement because there is no room at a halfway house for him, a government official told The Associated Press, USA Today reports. [Read now >>](#)

Ratchet to Return Favor, to Become Therapy Dog

Ratchet, the Border Collie rescued from a burning trash pile in Iraq on Mother's Day, will train to become a therapy dog, the Coon Rapids (Minn.) Herald reports. [Read now >>](#)

Akron Dog Owner Countersues Condo Group

The Akron man sued by his condominium association for having a dog who exceeds a 12-pound weight limit is fighting back, the Akron (Ohio) Beacon Journal reports. [Read now >>](#)

University of Michigan Stops Operating on Dogs

The University of Michigan has announced it no longer will operate on live dogs from animal shelters to teach surgeons lifesaving techniques, The Associated Press reports. [Read now >>](#)

Tails of the City: Hard Times Need Happy Tails

Pets are good investments — even when the economy is bad, the San Francisco Chronicle reports. [Read now >>](#)