

Global Pet Foods reopened in Bolton



Anette McAleer, President of Tollden Farms attends the store with Global Pet

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Global Pet Foods is celebrating its redesign and reopening with a month-long series of visitors and speakers from the pet care industry.

Veterinarians, food companies, groomers and health therapists will be coming in to greet customers and talk about what their products and services can do to enhance the health of the community's animal companions.

Representatives of Tollden Farms Natural Pet Nutrition came in to talk about their brand of all natural kibble and promote the use of raw diets.

"It's a healthy way to feed your pets," said founder and President Annette McAleer, "because there's no preservatives or growth hormones that can be detrimental to your dog's health."

Like many smaller pet care company operators, McAleer drew on her experiences and love for her pets to help her start her business.

"My Nova Scotia Duck Tolling Retriever was on high-end kibble and one day she got very, very, very sick, and it was then that I inspected what it was that goes into the kibble and I realized it may not be appropriate for her diet."

After consulting her grandfather about moving toward a raw diet, he told her to include the meat and bones, and also to take left-over vegetables. This dog diet became a packaged and marketed product with the release of Tollden Farms food in 2002.

Many other companies are coming in this month to show off their products and services, such as Canine Chiro, a company specializing in chiropractic training to restore the quality of life for dogs with back problems, a scent demo by K-9 Kennel Inn, as well as trainers, groomers and pet massage therapists.

This weekend will see visits by Blue Buffalo all-natural cat food and First Mate Pet Foods.

Global Pet Foods will be hosting pet health oriented companies all throughout the month, so there are many chances to see what they have to offer.