



*While riding his all-terrain vehicle, Richard felt the surge of adrenaline. He felt the wind in his hair. He felt alive. But that was before a freakish skid caused him to lose control and break his neck. Within months, the vigor left his mind and body. He lost interest in sports, friends and intellectual pursuits. Then he met Oz, a Canine Companion for Independence. In a matter of days, Oz was opening doors to San Jose State University and pulling Richard through them. He was turning on the lights with his nose. He was paying the cashier for Richard's textbooks. He was helping him make friends. Now every time Richard mentions Oz, his heart doesn't*

*just skip a beat, it races. At Canine Companions for Independence, we've been helping people like Richard get back on their feet since 1975. And with your support, the future will be just as bright for many others. Call 1-800-572-BARK.*



After he was paralyzed,  
Richard thought  
the future was dark.  
Then Oz came in  
and turned on the lights.

