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The Editor Barks Out



Right Around the Corner

MARLBORO CAMP

The dog camp days of summer begin in three days (as of 5/31/07). We welcome a new Camp Gone to the Dogs' year with our summer camp 2007 opening on Sunday. As usual, scheduled activities abound. Plan ahead. Things go more smoothly if you get a feel for which activities you and your dog may wish to undertake. If you haven't found it already, the summer camp schedule is at <http://campgonetothedogs.com>.

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Once again during summer camp, the Happy Valley dormitory will host a percussion circle on Thursday night. Please bring your instruments and/or

noise makers. Although percussion instruments hog the limelight, we turn no instruments away. We just want to make music – rhythmically or melodically – we're not picky. Our musical group continues to grow – it's a night of lots of fun.

NEWSWIRE CONTENT

As my third year as editor of the *NewsWire* comes to a close, I'd like to ask you to keep those emails coming. Your inputs make the NewsWire what it is. If you've read something you would like to see included, please send it to us.

And, as usual,

KEEP THOSE TAILS WAGGING

— Valerie Steinman
NewsWire Editor
CGTTD Camper

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HONEY'S CORNER

HONEY LORING, CGTTD FOUNDER



Stowe is Top Dog

Jack Patten, a trustee of NCAL, recently sent...a blurb from Fox News on the Internet. The article was about *Dog Fancy* magazine's top-ten list of dog-friendly ski towns in the United States. Apparently, Aspen's city trails

make great places to walk dogs and the local hotels and restaurants welcome pets. It ranked number two on the list. So who was top dog? Stowe, Vermont. How about that!



No Pet Left Behind

By Janet Kinosian

When Nathan Winograd announced that he was leaving his posh job as a corporate lawyer in Marin County, California, to run an animal shelter in Tompkins County, New York, his father looked at him for a long minute. Then he said, "What the heck do dogs and cats need a lawyer for?"

He shouldn't have been so surprised. Nathan Winograd has been rescuing injured and homeless animals since he was a

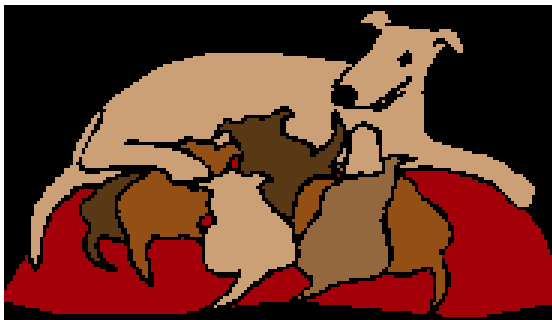
boy. Walking home from school when he was 12, he found a stray cat. He named it Guido, and some 20 years later, when Winograd packed up his family to head east, the cat came along.

The move meant giving up eight weeks' vacation, an office with a view of the San Francisco-Oakland Bay bridge and a big house among the redwoods, and moving to a rural area known for its harsh winters. But Winograd's wife, Jennifer, also

an animal lover, was all for it. So they packed everything they owned into a rented RV, and with two young children—daughter Riley was five, son Will was one—plus two dogs, Guido, and a bunch of other cats Winograd had rescued, drove cross-country.

On Winograd's second day on the job, he was confronted with a dilemma: "The cages are full," an employee announced. "We just received another litter of puppies. Who do we kill to make room?"

"I asked them simply, 'What's plan B?'" says Winograd. "I said, 'I didn't drive 3,000 miles listening to 'Daddy, are we there yet?' every five minutes so I could start killing animals.'"



So the staffers found an old horse trough, filled it with hay and nestled the pups inside. They placed it next to the front desk, and within a day or two, all six had homes, adopted by people who walked into the shelter and couldn't resist.

"When you take killing animals off the table as an option," Winograd explains, "you'd be surprised at the creative solutions you come up with."

His methods "aren't exactly rocket science," he admits. But they work—mostly, he believes, because they center around one basic rule: Get the animals seen. Upbeat ads in local newspapers

and on TV and the Internet feature photos of potential pets. Adoption centers are open seven days a week, including evenings, so people who work have time to get there. Inside, they employ what Winograd calls a supermarket strategy, placing the kittens and puppies in the back and putting the older, less desirable animals up front. "And guess what?" he says. "People often fall in love with the ones they see first and adopt them."

Blind dogs, strays with missing limbs—all find homes. "There is no dog or cat too old, too ugly or too undesirable not to be adopted by someone," says Winograd.



Today, Tompkins County, which comprises the city of Ithaca and surrounding communities, is considered the only no-kill county in the United States. Nine out of ten dogs and cats that come through the shelter doors are saved. Only animals with incurable injuries or illnesses and the truly vicious, are put down. The national average is half of all dogs and 70 percent of cats, totaling more than four million animals last year alone.



And Winograd is taking his non-traditional methods to facilities around the country, representing his No Kill Advocacy Center (www.nokillsolutions.com), a nonprofit organization dedicated to achieving what he calls a no-kill nation. Cities that once had high euthanasia rates, like Philadelphia and Charlottesville, have seen pet adoptions jump 300 percent. Requests for assistance come from as far away as Ireland and Australia.

Even though he drives a 1998 Honda Civic that leaks when it rains, and his family lives on a tight budget while his classmates from Stanford Law earn six-figure salaries, Winograd says he's doing what he'd always wanted to do when he grew up: run an animal shelter and save all the animals. "Just like a five-year-old," he acknowledges. "And like a five-year-old, I believe I can do it." Even as a young district attorney, he kept his goal in mind, starting when he

prosecuted his first animal cruelty case. "It was my baptism by fire, literally," he says. A man was accused of intentionally setting his brown tabby cat on fire. Winograd made his case, and the abusive owner was sentenced to prison.

It was the first of many such cases, and he prosecuted each with vigor. But the senseless violence, neglect and ignorance never failed to shock him. He decided simply, "I need to get to the other side and start saving these animals."



Now, Winograd is helping to save thousands, even millions. He's convinced that a no-kill nation is

possible. "I'm just here trying to shorten the time until it arrives.

[From *EVERYDAY HEROES*
NOVEMBER 2006]



Holistic Veterinary Advice
Talking with Dr. Martin Goldstein
From *Animal Wellness*

QUESTION:

I have a five-year-old black Lab who has a chronic yeast infection in his right ear.... I am treating him with medication from the vet...but I know I must treat him from the inside as well.

ANSWER:

There are a few things you can try, starting with a simple apple cider vinegar solution to flush out the ear (begin with 1 tsp. Vinegar in ½ cup of warm water but you can strengthen the dilution if need be). Seven Forests Chinese herbal formula Forsythia can work well with chronic ear problems (you can order this through your vet only).

Although not a natural product, Malaseb, an ear flush, works very well on yeast in the ear and on the skin, and I've had no problems with side effects

using this product. There are a few herbal veterinary ear washes on the market you could try as well.



You should note that carbohydrates in the diet can lead to yeast problems in dogs. Putting these animals on a raw meat and veggies diet may clear things right up. If it seems as though allergies may be the culprit for the yeast infections,

we'll do blood testing to determine the source of the

allergy and eliminate the allergen from the diet.



HOPE YOU ARE ENJOYING YOUR DOGS AS MUCH AS I'VE BEEN ENJOYING MINE.

*ALL FOR NOW,
HONEY*



Mary's TIPS

MARY THOMPSON
CGTTD INSTRUCTOR/STAFF



Beware the Heat!

Normal Body Temperature for Dogs Is 100 To 102

(reprint from Volume 3 Issue 1)

A lady came into my husband's vet office last week. She brought in one dog and left the other in her SUV with the windows half rolled down. It was 85 outside, and the dog was getting too warm. I had just pulled up and noticed this. When I went in, I found her in an exam room with her other dog. I told her that her dog in the car was getting too warm and asked if she would

please go out and bring him into the air-conditioned building where someone would watch him for her. She snapped at me and said she would be out in a few minutes. I then replied that I was going out to get the dog and if the car was locked, I would be breaking a window. She moved and brought the other dog in.

I know she loves her animals, but it was too hot that day to take them while she did errands. Hopefully they will make it through the summer!

<p><u>Heat Prostration</u> The early warning signs:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> --Heavy panting, bright red (brick red/purplish) tongue and mucous membranes --Anxiety and agitation --Eyes starting to glaze; unable to focus --Stumbling/staggering

Anyone owning an animal should know how to take a temperature and what a

normal temperature is! Only a rectal temperature is accurate. Digital thermometers for humans work as well on animals, but the ear ones are NOT as accurate – they usually give a lower body temperature than what the animal actually is. Normal temperature for dogs is 100 to 102. Anything higher than 104 should have you watching your dog!



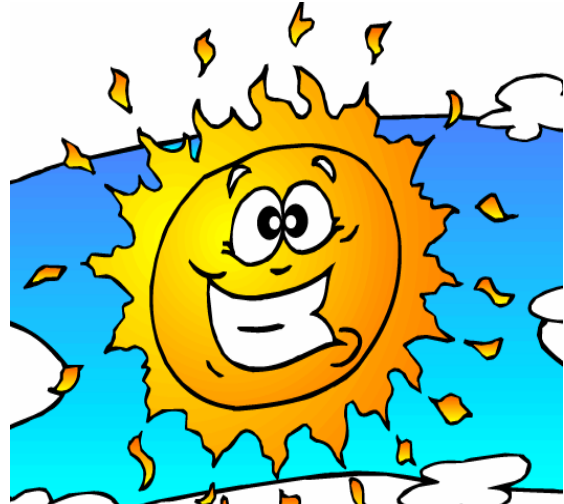
If he has been exercising, then you may want to start cooling him off. Do NOT use ice-cold water! If you lower the temperature too fast, you could cause the dog to go into shock. Also, if the temperature is lowered too quickly, the body temperature will spike itself too high and too low several times during a day, and it may take the dog over a week before he is truly safe from having any recurring problems from heat prostration.

If you have access to a garden hose, shower, tub, etc., use it! With a tub, fill it up with a few inches of water that is **cool** but not **cold**. Put the dog in the tub, and with a plastic or glass seconds at a time. Let the dog out of the stream, check the temperature, wait about 30-40 seconds and put the dog back into the stream again for 20 seconds. Keep doing this until

container, pour water over the dog's head, chest and abdomen. These are the areas that get the hottest and need to be cooled down the quickest. The base of the brain is where the dog's thermostat is located. Cooling down the chest and the abdomen and not cooling down the brain will only have the dog stay hotter for a longer time. Focusing just on the brain will not help the blood circulating to be cooler (cooling off the chest) or the organs to start cooling off, therefore, cooling off the internal dog (abdomen). If you only have access to cold water (like a stream), then use it sparingly, and don't keep the dog's body in the water for more than 20 the dog can keep his body temperature at 102-103.

On a 75-degree day with high humidity, it only takes five minutes of playing fetch for a dog to have a temperature over 104!

Even playing fetch with you by having him swim in a pool that is 70 degrees on a day that is warmer than 85 degrees will have the dog's temperature go over 104 in under 10 minutes!



Walking an excited dog on asphalt when you can see heat waves coming off of the asphalt is NOT good! IF your dog is walking on asphalt that warm, his feet are getting too hot too quickly. Wait until it becomes cooler out. Early, early morning or late evening is best.

IF your dog is short enough to be breathing in the pollution from that heat wave, not good! On a warm/hot day, the shorter the dog's nose, the warmer the air is when it gets to his lungs (The reverse would be true for winter.).

ANY dog can get heat prostration. On days with high humidity, no dog should be left outside, even if he has shelter and water; it is too warm for him. I know young dogs need exercise and will drive you crazy if they don't get it, but you need to watch them! ONE minute of playing fetch and then a rest for at least 10 minutes. Do

not play for 5 minutes and then rest; the dog will become too hot.



Please, if you really love your dogs (and I know you do!), leave them home while you do your errands! Leaving them in a car with the air conditioning on with the doors locked could still be dangerous. The car's engine could develop a problem and stall out, shutting off the air conditioning. A car that is standing still does not generate the cooling power of a moving car.



NO MATTER HOW UPSET YOU MAY BE WITH YOUR DOG, GIVE HIM A HUG .
DOGS JUST DON'T LIVE LONG ENOUGH, AND THEY ADD SO MUCH TO OUR LIVES!

Mary T.



TRUE TAILS

Storm Stories

Tales of ASPCA actions in the wake of the storm

Molly's Happy Reunion



Denise Okojo, blind and in need of medical attention, was airlifted to safety from the roof of her apartment house after Katrina's floodwaters inundated her East New Orleans neighborhood. But her seeing-eye dog, six-year-old Molly, was left behind. ASPCA outreach manager Laura Lanza learned of Molly's plight

and set the rescue gears in motion. A water rescue team led by Carolyn Page of the Louisiana SPCA found their way to Okojo's flooded home. There, in the dark, the rescuers found the petrified black Lab cowering in a second-floor bedroom, where she'd been for ten days, unfed and alone.

Molly was coaxed into the boat and cared for by volunteers until, three days later, a surprise reunion could be arranged. “It was very touching,” said nurse Penny Choates of Lake Charles Memorial Hospital, who cared for

Okojo. “We put her hand over the arm of the wheelchair, and right on cue, Molly lifted her head. Okojo’s first words were, ‘Oh, there’s my baby!’ Then we all cried. We couldn’t have done it without the ASPCA.”



ASPCA Hails Humane Heroes ASPCA Presidential Service Award (2005)

Laura Maloney, executive director of the Louisiana SPCA in New Orleans, sprang into action even before Hurricane Katrina stormed ashore in late August, making sure every one of the shelter’s more than 500 animals was transported to safety before devastating floodwaters leveled the facility. Maloney continued to work 18-hour days in the weeks and months after, helping to save countless pets from harm. At the awards luncheon, Maloney also learned the ASPCA will be awarding her group a check for \$2 million, funds that

will be critical to rebuild the shelter and restore animal services in the area.



(Both stories from *ASPCA Action*, Winter 2005)

CREATIVE TAILS

Down

By Jason, dog of George Minot
Unleashed, Poems By Writers' Dogs

Tell me don't ask me
and let's get going.
No I'm not grinning
but grimace yes I guess
showing against my lifted black
 rubber lip
my pink gum and cracked old
 tooth,
but there's no snarl behind it
like my gravelly growl,
only me
and I am the fieldy world
full of its sensualities
to nose through
gliding in my handsome coat my
 loyal law,
roots and carcasses to dig.
A replacement rock to carry
 home
is better than no bone
and heavy it hangs my head I
 bite it.
I hear you.
I answer you, I move.
I smell all mixed meaningful
 messages.
Except in sexy sleep there's no
 division.
We don't think,
we know and go.
The answer's in our eyes,
pond-dark pools with white day
 whites:
Of course we dream:
in all we do.
And you think we love you,
and we do.



"DINNER" TAILS

All Dogs... PUREBRED OR MONGREL Are a Blessing



Just because a dog can't win high honors and awards at a dog show is no sign its heart isn't in the right place. Many a crossbreed is doing a wonderful job as a loving pet, faithful companion or guardian of the home—as well as his purebred counterpart. These animals of mixed or unknown parentage are just as dependable, just as courageous, just as intelligent as the dog of high pedigree. Yes, all dogs are a blessing to mankind—either purebred or mongrel. So, no matter which you own, care for your dog. He is your faithful friend to the death, regardless of his price tag at the time you acquired him. Care for your dog

in the same way your faithful dog would care for you in your hour of need—if your pet was able to contribute to your health, comfort and welfare.



DOGS Can Be Wonderful
By Russell K. Lowry
Chicago: Armour and Company, **1959**

TALL TALKS

Three Suitors



Three handsome male dogs are walking down the street when they see a beautiful, enticing female Poodle. The dogs fall all over themselves in an effort to be the one to reach her first, but they end up arriving in front of her at the same time. The males are speechless before her beauty, slobbering on themselves, and hoping for just a glance from her in return. Aware of her charms and her obvious effect on the three suitors, she says to them, “The first one who can use the words ‘liver’ and ‘cheese’ together in an imaginative, intelligent sentence can go out with me.”

The sturdy, muscular black Lab speaks up quickly, “I love liver and cheese.”

“Oh, how childish,” said the Poodle. “That shows no imagination or intelligence whatsoever.” She turns to the

tall, shiny Golden Retriever and says, “How well can you do?”

“Um. I HATE liver and cheese,” blurts the Golden.

“My, my,” says the Poodle, “I guess it’s hopeless. That’s just as dumb as the Lab’s sentence.” She then turns to the last of the three dogs and says, “How about you, little guy?”

The last of the three, tiny in stature but big in fame and finesse, is the Taco Bell Chihuahua. He gives her a smile, a sly wink, and says, “Liver alone. Cheese mine.”



From the Internet

BOW WOW

Things You Can Do To Protect Your Pet (from the Humane Society of the United States regarding the recent food recall)

The recall involves foods containing wheat-gluten imported from China. If you have any questions regarding your pet's food, call the manufacturer or store you purchased the food from.

Check www.hsus.org/petfoodsafety regularly for the newest, most up-to-date information on the recall. The FDA Website www.fda.gov is also a helpful tool that provides an updated list of all pet food companies involved in the recall.

If you choose to make your pet's food and treats from scratch as a temporary alternative, please consult your veterinarian to

ensure your homemade recipe contains proper pet nutrition.

Before purchasing new pet foods or treats, check the FDA Website or the manufacturer's Website to confirm the brand you're buying has not been recalled.

If your pet has become ill or has died because he or she ate foods that were recalled, please report it to the Food and Drug Administration Center for Veterinary Medicine.

Please contact the FDA and ask them to provide more leadership and information to ensure a safe pet food supply, both now and in the future.

SIGNS TO LOOK FOR IF YOU SUSPECT YOUR PET MAY HAVE EATEN RECALLED FOOD

Please contact your veterinarian immediately if you suspect your pet has eaten recalled food and is now displaying any of the following symptoms:

- Loss of appetite
- Vomiting
- Depression
- Change in frequency or amount of urination
- Lethargy
- Diarrhea
- Change in water consumption

For questions regarding the Urgent Pet Food Recall, call our Toll-free Hotline (1-800-Humane1) or visit www.hsus.org/petfoodsafety.

UNTIL TAILS UP
(AS OF MAY 31, 2007)



CAMP

TIME TO WAIT

SUMMER

JUNE 3-9, 2007

3 DAYS

FALL

SEPTEMBER 2-8, 2007
SEPTEMBER 9-15, 2007

3 MONTHS



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