

The DogChannel Newswire (06-27-08)

Chicago searches for top dog; Canadian dogs poisoned by tainted bread; and other news.

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Puppy Stolen, Cats Escape From Humane Society

Someone broke into the humane society overnight and took Cameron, a puppy that needs medical attention, humane society officials said. During the break-in at the humane society, 60 cats escaped, NBC 30 (Connecticut) reports.

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Dogs Believed Poisoned by Bread Alone

A solitary loaf of bread doused with antifreeze may be the single source of poison that killed two dogs and left four others very ill, Toronto police say. The soggy blob of whole-wheat bread, leaving a metre-wide radius of dead plants indicating its harmful chemical components, was planted off a walkway near where all six of the stricken dogs passed at some point last weekend, Globe and Mail (Canada) reports.

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Who Has Chicago's Top Dog?

On July 10, CBS will debut "Greatest American Dog," where 12 teams of dogs and owners will compete for \$250,000. Contestants include a skateboarding dog, a "genius" dog, and a dog named "Kittie." Surely Chicago can do better than that. So the Sun-Times is conducting its own search for Chicago's Top Dog.

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On the Set of 'Hotel for Dogs'

Photographer David Strick spent literally a few dog-day afternoons capturing the canine action on the set of the family film "Hotel for Dogs," which is slated to open Jan. 16. Nearly 90 dogs appear in the movie, in which Emma Roberts and Jake T. Austin star, with seven pooches playing the leads, the Los Angeles Times reports.

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Daycare Is Going to the Dogs

These days, people are getting increasingly picky about choosing daycare — for their dog. As demand for pet-care services grows, formerly bare-bones kennels have added posher daycare services. The facilities now offer everything from Webcams that allow owners to keep tabs on their pets to doggie massage, The Wall Street Journal reports.

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