

## The DogChannel Newswire (01-20-09)

**Dogs not invited to inaugural events; soldier reunited with dog saved in Iraq; and other news.**

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### Fido Not Invited to Inauguration Ceremonies

Leave your dogs at home. That is the message from the Humane Society, which is reminding inauguration visitors that all pets, excluding service dogs, will be prohibited from entering inaugural event sites, MSNBC.com reports.

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### Minnesota Soldier Reunites With Dog She Saved in Iraq

A Minnesota soldier has been reunited with the Border Collie she fought to save in Iraq, The Associated Press reports.

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### Holiday Windows 2008 Finds Homes for 307 Pets

The San Francisco SPCA 2008 Holiday Windows placed 307 kittens and cats, puppies and dogs in new homes around the Bay Area and raised more than \$55,000 in donations to aid the SF/SPCA in its future outreach efforts, the San Francisco Chronicle reports.

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### Dog's Life May Be Looking Up in Illinois

A proposed statewide crackdown on the purveyors of "puppy mills" takes aim at unscrupulous breeders who keep dogs in overcrowded, filthy, and inhumane conditions, the Chicago Sun-Times reports.

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### Postal Carrier Helps Cats, Dogs Seen During Routes

Kim Pinkham's job as a U.S. Postal Service carrier in Prairie du Chien, Wis., may expose her to animals in jeopardy, but the devoted animal lover said she sees each encounter as an opportunity to help, the La Crosse Tribune reports.

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