

## The DogChannel Newswire (03-17-09)

**Mediators help in neighborly dog disputes; the Obama family dog saga; and other news.**

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### Rescued Dog Dogma

Why has it taken so long? Because the type of dog the Obama family wants doesn't often turn up at the local shelter, the Los Angeles Times reports.

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### South Lake Tahoe Considers Ban on Dog, Cat Sales

South Lake Tahoe, Calif., moved one step closer to becoming the latest city to ban the retail sale of dogs and cats by pet stores, The Associated Press reports.

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### Los Angeles Ends Free Spay, Neutering Program for Pets

Budget problems has forced Los Angeles to stop offering free or discounted spay and neutering surgeries for dogs and cats, months after city officials passed one of the nation's toughest laws on pet sterilizations, The Associated Press reports.

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### Mediators Help in Neighborly Dog Disputes

After waking up every weekday at 6:30 a.m. to the sound of her neighbor's Border Collie barking through the fence, Karen Cliffe, 66, says she had almost given up, USA Today reports.

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### Three-Legged Dog Keeps Up Care for Disabled Teen

The timeless act of the faithful dog resting his wet nose on his loving boy's lap is a bit more complicated with Comet and his master, Veren Betzen, the Denver Post reports.

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