

## The DogChannel Newswire (04-13-09)

**\$1 million shelter makeover yet to happen; art show to benefit dog programs; and other news.**

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### \$1 Million Missouri Animal Shelter Makeover Never Happened

Nearly a year after Stray Rescue of St. Louis learned that it had won a \$1 million shelter makeover, the nonprofit said it has gotten headaches, but no money, from sponsor Zootoo.com, the pet lovers' social networking site founded by multimillionaire Richard Thompson, who disputes Stray Rescue's account of what happened, The Associated Press reports.  
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### East Bay SPCA Celebrates 135 Years of Helping Animals

Back in 1874, nobody knew about puppy preschool or basic obedience class for wallflower dogs. But a group of 15 residents concerned about the treatment of draft animals, such as horses and oxen, did know one thing: Humane treatment of all animals was a top priority, the Oakland (Calif.) Tribune reports.  
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### Blitz the Pit Bull Stops Abduction Attempt

A 2-year-old pit bull named Blitz is getting the hero treatment after he frightened a man dragging his estranged wife across a street in a possible abduction attempt, the Grand Rapids (Mich.) Press reports.  
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### Art Show to Size Up Pet Population

Artists donated the items, with proceeds going to Atlanta Animal Rescue Friends' dog programs, the Atlanta Journal-Constitution reports.  
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### Revenue, Attendance Drops at Dog Track

Revenue and attendance continue to decline at the only remaining dog track in Wisconsin, The Associated Press reports.  
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