

## The DogChannel Newswire (10-27-09)

**California city cracks down on biking with dogs; oldest dog still jumps on sofa; and other news.**

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### Woman Scares Off Burglar by Acting Like Dog

Police are investigating after an Athens, Ga., woman scared off a would-be burglar by acting like a dog. According to police, the woman got on the floor and began scratching at the door and acting like a large dog when the suspicious man tried turning the woman's door knob, The Associated Press reports.

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### San Jose to Tackle Issue of Bicycling With Dogs

On the heels of a deadly freak accident, San Jose is exploring a law to make the city the first in California — and possibly the country — to address the issue of bicyclists riding with leashed dogs, the San Jose Mercury News reports.

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### Oldest Dog Otto, Nearly 21, Still Jumps on Sofa

Otto gets to sleep with his head on the pillow and under a blanket next to his owner. The Guinness World Records made it official: Otto is currently the oldest living dog. The former oldest was Chanel, who passed away in August, The Associated Press reports.

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### Assistance Dogs Give Help to Hearing Impaired

Ray Dobson and the dog he now calls Goblin both had a problem. The little mixed breed who was rescued from the streets of Puerto Rico needed a home. Dobson, of Orleans, Mass., was losing his hearing. Both problems were solved when man and dog were brought together by the National Education for Assistance Dog Service, which trains dogs from shelters to assist the hearing impaired, The Associated Press reports.

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