

## The DogChannel Newswire (11-06-09)

**When it comes to H1N1, your pet is safe; man rescues dog, ends up with 10; other news.**

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### When It Comes to H1N1, Your Pet Is Safe

When the news broke on Wednesday that a domestic cat had come down with H1N1 virus, probably transmitted to the feline by sick owners, many people no doubt wondered how vulnerable their own pets were to the illness, U.S. News & World Report reports.

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### Man Rescues Dog, Ends Up With 10

An Atlanta man who rescued one stray dog from traffic now has his hands full with 10 pooches. Gary DeNicola rescued the dog in late September with plans to take it to a shelter the next day. But it turns out the dog was pregnant and gave birth to nine puppies that night, The Associated Press reports.

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### Dog Saves Family From Fire After Detector Fails

An eastern Indiana woman says her family's dog deserves a special treat after his barking saved her family from an early morning house fire. Laura Sizemore said Dash, a 2-year-old Border Collie mix, began growling and barking about 3 a.m. Wednesday, awakening her and her husband, The Associated Press reports.

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### Suits Over Dog Scent Allegations Grow by Three

Three Houston men have filed a federal lawsuit against Fort Bend County Sheriff's Deputy Keith Pikett, alleging that dogs he handles falsely linked their scent to crime scenes and led to their arrests and incarceration, the Houston Chronicle reports.

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