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Dognapping on the rise; former street dog travels the world; and other news.

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Joe Namath Sued Over Claims Dog Bit UPS Man

A former UPS driver has sued Joe Namath, alleging he was attacked by the Hall of Fame quarterback's dogs while making a delivery at his Florida home. Attorneys for David Gunter say he hasn't been able to work since the 2007 incident in Tequesta, about 90 miles north of Miami, The Associated Press reports.

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Dognapping On the Rise

A quick trip inside the post office to mail a package. A dash into the coffee shop for a latte. Pet owners often don't think twice about leaving their dogs outside while they run a quick errand, but experts say pet thefts are a rising trend and owners need to take more precautions, ABC News reports.

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Oscar the Dog Visits Most Famous Landmarks

His travels include five continents, 29 countries and stopping off everywhere from the Eiffel Tower to the Taj Mahal. Oscar was rescued from a South African kennel by owner Joanne Lefson five years ago. In May the pair began an epic journey hoping to inspire millions to help save his fellow canines living as strays on the streets, the Telegraph (U.K.) reports.

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Number of Seized California Puppies Close to 100

The number of sick or mistreated puppies seized in a pet store raid in Solano County, Calif., last week has risen to almost 100, and complaints are flooding in statewide from customers who purchased dogs from the store owners' online business, the San Jose Mercury News reports.

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