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Mystery Man in Missing Hiker, Dog Case Identified

It began as a search for 24-year-old Meredith Emerson and her dog, who were last seen taking a New Year's hike in Georgia's Blood Mountain wilderness. Now authorities are also looking for a 61-year-old hiker named Gary Michael Hilton, who may have met Emerson the day she disappeared and who has not been seen since, ABC News reports.

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Woman Gets Letter Saying Dog Was Stolen, Given as Christmas Gift

Rob Velevis says on Christmas Eve, his 1-year-old Pug named Scooter slipped out from under the back fence and disappeared. Now, the family has received an anonymous letter from a woman who says she stole the dog and gave it to her daughter for Christmas. A \$20 payment was included in the letter, MyFox Dallas reports.

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Mirror Image of Dog May Be Distracting

If dogs see themselves in a mirror, they may act strangely to the reflected image, the Houston Chronicle reports.

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Infant Killed by Family Dog

An 8-month-old Brooklyn, N.Y., boy was mauled to death by his family's Doberman Pinscher on Thursday as the boy played on the floor of his apartment, The New York Times reports.

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Man Still Missing, But Dog Is Found

A dog belonging to a missing man whose sailboat washed up on Mercer Island, Wash., last week has been returned to the man's roommate. There is still no sign of the 40-year-old man, who on Dec. 27 told his roommate he was going sailing with the dog and would be spending the night on the boat, The Seattle Times reports.

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