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Like Owner, Like Dog: One Third of U.S. Dogs Are Obese, Cats Also Suffer

Obesity in pets mirrors that of humans, as do the reasons – decreased physical activity, age, and an increased caloric intake, even genetic predisposition, ScienceDaily reports.

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Suspected Fighting Dogs Seized in Arizona

Sheriff's deputies arrested a half-dozen people and seized about 150 dogs Tuesday in capping a yearlong investigation into a major breeding operation for dogfighting, the Associated Press reports.

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It's Manners First for Guide Dogs in Training

Guide dogs can transform the lives of the visually impaired, and the Pineville, N.C., chapter of the group charged with raising them met recently to prepare a new group of dogs for their final training, the Charlotte (North Carolina) Observer reports.

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Family Gets Their Dogs Back

Four days after her family's two dogs disappeared, Debbie Manfredi was on the phone and looking out the window about 3 p.m. Wednesday when she saw Bella, a yellow Labrador Retriever, and Linda, a brindle Boxer-Lab mix, running toward her house in Burton, Ohio, The News-Herald reports.

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Military Families Welcome Dogs From Iraq at JFK

Two dogs, born in Iraq and adopted by U.S. servicemen, received a hero's welcome when they arrived at New York's John F. Kennedy International Airport from Baghdad Wednesday. The dogs, named Liberty and K-Pot, were in Iraq with the unit that adopted them but the unit is moving and can't bring the dogs, Newsday reports.

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