

## The DogChannel Newswire (04-05-08)

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### Turner Apologizes for Cage Libel

US actor Nicolas Cage has accepted a public apology from Kathleen Turner over claims made in her autobiography. Cage took action against Turner after she alleged he was arrested twice for drunk-driving while they were making the 1986 film "Peggy Sue Got Married." Turner also alleged he was arrested for stealing a Chihuahua, BBC News reports.

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### Dogs Catch Flu Directly From Birds, Study Finds

Dogs can catch influenza directly from birds, Korean researchers said on Wednesday, saying their finding shows pets could play a role in future pandemics. Several pet dogs became ill and died from what turned out to be purely avian strains of seasonal flu virus, Reuters reports.

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### Deputies Warn of 'Puppy Patrol' Scammers

Crooks are using police dogs in a phone scam to rip off unsuspecting people in Osceola County, Fla. The Osceola County Sheriff's Office said someone is calling residents asking for donations for a fake organization called "Puppy Patrol". The callers say the money goes to the sheriff's K9 program, WFTV (Fla.) reports.

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### Dogs in Pain May Act Depressed

Can well-fed, comfortably housed dogs show signs of depression or anxiety? Could these signs actually be indicators of chronic pain, or even chronic boredom? An ABC News reporter details the ways in which she tries to occupy her dog's alone time.

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### Mya Shares Puppy Love

Pets have changed Mya's life, and now she's giving back as the spokesperson for North Shore Animal League America's Tour for Life. The goal is to adopt as many dogs and cats as possible during their 20-city trek taking place through April 27, OK! Magazine reports.

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