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Activists Hope for Better Protection for Dogs

Animal advocates around the nation hope that public outrage over dogfighting and inhumane breeding practices will force state and federal lawmakers to pass tougher animal abuse laws, USA Today reports. [Read the article >>](#)

Wealthy Dogs Love Spaghetti Dinners

They are not as loaded as Leona Helmsley's dog, but three Maryland canines are plenty rich enough to live the good life. The dogs inherited \$400,000 and a house with the death last year of their owner. Altogether, their estate is worth about \$800,000, CNN reports. [Read the article >>](#)

Alaska Highway Goes To Dog Mushers in Winter

In the winter, Alaska's Denali Highway goes to the dogs. Unmaintained by the state Department of Transportation from October to May, the snow-covered 135-mile highway offers prime training terrain for mushers, USA Today reports. [Read the article >>](#)

Dog Collides With Another At Off-Leash Park, Dies

A family placed a memorial at the Sequim, Wash., a dog park after their dog collided with another at the park and died earlier in the week. Moon, a 3½-year-old Greyhound, was running in the 1.7-acre park when she and a Golden Retriever chasing a ball ran into each other, the Peninsula Daily News (Washington) reports. [Read the article >>](#)

Texas Dog Track Closes

After 15 years, the Corpus Christi, Texas, Greyhound track will close for at least a year due to financial difficulties. Track officials said they hope to reopen in 2009, the Corpus Christi Caller Times reports. [Read the article >>](#)