

## The CatChannel Newswire

**Top stories: Mountain lion 'victim': Maybe it was a dog; rescued animals now are mascots.**

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### Mountain Lion 'Victim': Maybe it was a Dog

A man who claimed he was attacked by a mountain lion in Palo Alto's Foothills Park won't face charges, authorities said Thursday. Interviewed by police to see whether he might have fabricated his account, the unidentified 50-year-old Portola Valley, Calif., man "stuck with his story," said Palo Alto police Agent Dan Ryan, suggesting that "if it wasn't a mountain lion it was perhaps a dog," the Santa Cruz (Calif.) Sentinel reports.

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### Rescued Animals Now Are Mascots

These staffers are real animals. They may leave little presents for their colleagues such as a hairball, shredded tissues or a trail of slobber. They can disrupt paperwork with a head butt or meow. They sleep through meetings, and the boss doesn't care. In fact, their co-workers love them, the Houston Chronicle reports.

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### Cats Seized From Hoarder Causing Problems

Taking care of 28 cats seized from a woman charged with animal hoarding in May has been costing St. Clair County Animal Services in Belleville, Ill., more than \$5,400 a month, The Associated Press reports.

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