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Top stories: Santa Monica clinic provides physical therapy for pets; Florida's panther population may be increasing.

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Santa Monica Clinic Provides Physical Therapy for Pets

They come in with arthritis, back pain, sore elbows. Some are recuperating from car accidents or surgery or just bad judgment (a leap off a balcony). Others are coping with the ravages of old age. The most common problem: a tear of that pesky knee ligament, the ACL. They work out on treadmills, strengthen their core muscles, get their joints manipulated and undergo acupuncture. They are patients of California Animal Rehabilitation, seeking physical therapy for pain relief and better mobility. They are mostly dogs, but the current clientele includes a few cats and a rabbit that lost its hop, the Los Angeles Times reports.

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Florida's Panther Population May Be Increasing

According to a report by Florida's Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission, the state's panther population is on the rise. The tawny-fur felines now number around 100, compared to about 35 in the early 1990s, the Associated Press reports.

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Cats Rescued From Wall Doing Fine at Journalist's Home

Greg Bailey, news editor at The Gadsden (Ala.) Times, rescued two kittens from inside his home's kitchen wall in May. Those two kittens, Boo and Waldo, are now members of the family. But they still don't know how the cats got into the kitchen wall.

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