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**DOG RAPES BOY? TAKE ACTION!**

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**#1**

07-11-2007, 01:54 AM

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**DOG RAPES BOY? TAKE ACTION!**

I personally find this story totally ridiculous - never ever before I heard from a male dog sodomizing a child!!! This dog must have been trained to do so. They should investigate the family.

Bizarre and Disturbing Dog Attack

July 11, 2007 01:49 AM



(Lockport, NY, July 10, 2007) - - We want to warn you that our top story is both bizarre and deeply disturbing. Police are investigating an apparent sexual attack by a family **pit bull** on a two-year-old boy in Lockport. The boy is at Women and Children's Hospital. News 4's Lorey Schultz reports.

This two-year-old **pit bull** shows no signs of aggression, but it did on Sunday when it apparently sodomized a Lockport toddler.

Residents who live in the neighborhood where it happened are still talking about it.

One neighbor said, "You hear about dogs attacking children in horror films, but as far as in this community, it's never happened."

Police say the boy was sexually assaulted in his Washburn Street home by his family's two-year-old **pit bull**, who had been with them since it was a puppy.

Lockport Police Detective Captain Larry Eggert said, "A little boy was home with his family, and the family **pit bull** actually sodomized the boy."

Eggert told us the boy's family members and neighbors had to beat the dog to get it off the child.

Schultz: How serious are the child's injuries?

Eggert: He's had some surgeries to repair some pretty significant damage.

Animal advocates agree that this case is an unusual one. While **pit** bulls are notorious for being aggressive, they say it's not always true.

Al Chille is executive director of the SPCA in Niagara County.

Chille said, "I, personally, am against this idea of outlawing any specific breed of animal."

Schultz: What would trigger a family pet dog to attack like this?

Chille: One doesn't know, really. ... There could be some quirk in the brain of the dog. ... It could be the smell of the diaper or something. I don't know.

Police are bringing in a behavioral expert to help determine what triggered the sexual assault.

The boy's family wants the dog destroyed, but nothing will be done until the investigation is completed.

Chille said, "The intent, apparently, wasn't to hurt the child. ... My understanding is the child had no bites on him at all. ... I guess the message is be respectful of a dog, until you absolutely know the animal."

News Videos: <http://www.wivb.com/global/story.asp?s=6768851>

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## WHAT YOU CAN DO

### Comments

Christine K (16) Tuesday July 10, 2007, 5:43 pm

Many calls to the Niagara County SPCA are instructing them to INVESTIGATE THE FAMILY. They are currently concentrating on the actions of the dog. How would the dog know to do this? Not unless someone TRAINED HIM.

**Please contact the SPCA** to make sure a thorough Investigation is planned on the FAMILY of the dog and how they trained the dog:

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[http://www.elockport.com/city\\_police.html](http://www.elockport.com/city_police.html)

This is what I sent to [info@Niagaraspca.org](mailto:info@Niagaraspca.org) -- unfortunately short:

----- Original Message -----

Subject: A thorough investigation should be done on the family

Date: Tue, 10 Jul 2007 21:02:06 -0400

To: [info@Niagaraspca.org](mailto:info@Niagaraspca.org)

Unfortunately I find it hard to believe that a dog would know what to do with a child in a sexual manner.

It appears like some excellent training from the owners of the animal. A dog may latch onto your leg and hump it, but sodomizing a baby? LUDICROUS.

This sounds like a sexual fantasy by the parents went awry.

Questions to ask the owners:

Did the **Pit Bull** turn the child over to abuse it?

Did the **Pit Bull** take out any sexual behavior on any other female dog?

Any pictures or videos found in the home that are questionable?

Any internet usage or questionable charges on credit cards to show the parents have sick sexual fantasies?

This is NOT the first time parents sexually abuse a child -- see this article:

[http://www.registercitizen.com/site...\\_id=12530&rfi=6](http://www.registercitizen.com/site..._id=12530&rfi=6)

BANTAM - More arrests are expected for the sexual assault of an 11-year-old girl by a grandfather, uncle, father and apparently a brother in what police said was a familial relationship of chronic abuse that included three generations and may have also included two more victims.

If the parents are not investigated, the justice system has failed the children of Western New York and the United States.

Thank you.  
Sincerely,  
Christine K  
Buffalo NY

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More comments on Care2 in the submitted news section  
(Users aboutd who are Care2 members can note it here:  
<http://www.care2.com/news/member/331739050/420925> )

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In some of the news clips from different stations shows the dogs is scared in the cage and shaking. Not acting like an "aggressive" **Pit Bull** as they are stating he is.

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Susan B. Tuesday July 10, 2007, 5:48 pm

I find this the most ridiculous story I have ever heard. I look forward to hearing the results of the investigation. I agree that the family should be investigated!

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Christine K., Tuesday July 10, 2007, 5:52 pm

Here is another clip and article:

<http://www.wkbw.com/news/local/8419972.html>

All they keep saying is they want to destroy the dog.

One can only imagine the market on the internet for this type of behavior.

"Det. Capt. Larry Eggert says the mother was changing the baby's diaper and briefly left the room. "

What mother leaves her baby alone in a room while changing a diaper? Was the child on the floor with the dog when this happened? Who else was in the house? No changing table?

Too many questions that are unanswered IMHO.

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Rooibos Bird, Tuesday July 10, 2007, 7:22 pm

There exists no documentation substantiating **rape** for a non-human on a human. There does exist, however, **rape** of non-humans by humans.

While animals such as dogs, horses, and hippos will mount one another to show dominance, there has never been evidence to show that the mounting animal penetrated the mounted animal.

I find the accusation that a dog committed a **rape** against a human absolutely ridiculous, and a sad attempt to divert attention away from the real aggressors, namely other humans. In all likelihood, the child's rapist is a member of his family, or is a known acquaintance of the family.

But who will likely be made to suffer for this? An animal. An animal who cannot speak in human language in order to defend himself from the most wildly insane of accusations. I have heard much nonsense during the time when I served as a probation officer, but this is the wildest lie I've yet heard.

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Pam P., Tuesday July 10, 2007, 9:25 pm

I can't believe anyone would even begin to believe that story ! I sure don't ! Someone is trying to cover up their deviate behavior! Sheesh

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07-11-2007, 08:50 AM



wagfan1

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Sure, the dog raped the boy--after the dog took off the boys diaper! How stupid. Guess the dog had a cigarette afterward, too. I hope they did a semen check--I bet you it wasn't the dog. Linda 😊



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### Update

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Toddler Recovering from Brutal Attack by Family Pet  
July 11, 2007 01:47 PM

July 11, 2007) - - A two year old boy is recovering from a brutal attack by a family pet, and we want to warn you the details of this story are deeply disturbing.

Police say a two year old **pit bull** allegedly sodomized the toddler in his Lockport home on Sunday.

Lockport Police Det. Capt. Larry Eggert said, "The initial assault was discovered because the boy screamed and the mother ran to him and apparently the dog was frightened by the mother's actions, and rightly so, and dog ran outside with boy still attached to the dog and one of the outside neighbors held the dog and beat it off the child."

The dog has been impounded at the Niagara County SPCA.

The boy is recovering from surgery at Women and Children's Hospital.

The Niagara County District Attorney's Office is still investigating.

<http://www.wivb.com/global/story.asp?s=6773062>

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REALITY CHECK



Quote:

Originally Posted by **wagfan1**

*Sure, the dog raped the boy--after the dog took off the boys diaper! How stupid. Guess the dog had a cigarette afterward, too. I hope they did a semen check--I bet you it wasn't the dog. Linda* 🤪

My thoughts EXACTLY! People will do many things to defend and cover up the crime of another family member. Blaming the dog is a new one to me. Animals are not sexually attracted to humans. They probably had to kick off the human that was assaulting the child. Anyone that believes this story should be ashamed of themselves. This child is going to be assaulted again, by the family member that did it.



There is an Indian legend which says when a human dies, there is a bridge they must cross to enter into heaven. At the head of that bridge waits every animal that human encountered during their lifetime. The animals, based upon what they know of this person, decide which humans may cross the bridge.... and which are turned away....



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Crosspost Pets in Need

<http://www.care2.com/c2c/groups/dis...p=68&pst=760876>

Nothing on the investigation of the family has been stated -- only this. Is everyone else missing something?

<http://www.wivb.com/global/story.asp?s=6774546>

Warning Signs May Have Been Missed

July 11, 2007 12:36 PM EDT

(July 11, 2007) - - A two year old Lockport boy is hospitalized after he was allegedly sodomized by the family **pit bull** in his home on Sunday.

The president of the Niagara Frontier Veterinary Society says the dog's owners may have missed some warning signs.

She says at two years old, the dog is reaching sexual maturity and should be watched closely and never left alone with a child.

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<http://www.nfvsonline.org/>

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<http://www.nfvsonline.org/board.html>

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Another comments on Pets in Need:

TooncesThe D., Wednesday, 1:43 PM

I dont even have to read any of this to say BULLCRAP!..WOULD NOT HAPPEN...some human in the family did this to the child and IF there were to have been ANY so called DNA or semen from the dog it was put there.....SICK PEOPLE!....and for the spca and law to be so grossly neglegent and STUPID, to actully think a dog would have done this and NOT check the people around the child.....

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Loralii L. , Wednesday, 3:58 PM

Are they for Real???

I can't believe it's even being "Investigated" !! There are no bite marks on the child !! How were the clothes and diaper removed??? Also, dogs tend to nip when excited!! DNA testing?? A dog wouldn't do this to a human on their own!! Sounds like someone in the family is REALLY SICK!!!!!! That poor baby and puppy !! This is just insane!!!

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Brian B., Wednesday, 6:01 PM

excuse my language, but this is bullshit.  
I've been around animals, and especially dogs for all of my 41 years and have NEVER heard of anything like this happening.

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Amy H., 1:08 AM

What?

What kind of moron believes that story? Are the police pals with this family or just lazy and incompetent and completely unfamiliar with dogs? Wheres the petition to have these people spayed and lobotomized for the good of society?



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Wednesday July 11, 2007, 6:15 pm

Update on this plus interview with a so-called witness:

<http://www.wkbw.com/news/local/8441602.html>

A Lockport toddler continues to recover from injuries suffered in an unusual sexual attack by the family's dog. The man who rescued the boy tells an incredible story of what he saw. The details of what he says happened are troubling.

What happened in this apartment house on Washburn Street in Lockport on Sunday is something Anastasio Castillo will never forget. "It's hard to believe.. Hard.. You had to be there to see. because it was nasty and ugly." He was walking home from the store when he heard a woman inside screaming for help. He says he ran inside and saw this **pit bull** sodomizing a two year old boy. "The dog had the baby by the front leg. And the baby's stomach....then I had to beat up on the dog to take him away from the baby."

He says the dog ran outside...and as Castillo picked up the boy, he was bleeding

from the rectum and then vomited. Castillo is having trouble sleeping now. He can't understand how it could've happened. It is extremely rare for something like this to happen. Most cases involve owners forcing the behavior on animals.

Police say witnesses are cooperating with the investigation. "There's still interviews taking place and there's consultations with some experts," said Police Chief Neil Merritt. One of the experts that police have turned to is an animal behaviorist. Because investigators have never dealt with a case like this before they need some help in trying to figure out why the dog would've done this. "Just to see if there's any instances that have been reported similar instances of this."

The **pit bull** remains at the Niagara County SPCA. The family apparently wants it euthanized but that won't happen until the investigation is finished. The family does not want any information released on the boy's condition. At last word, he underwent surgery at Women and Children's hospital and may have need more surgery to repair the damage.



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07-12-2007, 10:30 AM

echeverm



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I don't believe it. Is there any DNA evidence of this? Are we sure that it wasn't someone in the home and they blamed the dog instead?



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echeverm



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I emailed the police dept. See below

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I just read the article of an attack on a little boy from a **pit bull**. I hope that you are checking that family. It's impossible for an animals to have the instinct to attack a child. Did you check DNA? I believe that someone in that household sodomized the child and they're covering it up by involving the dog. Where were the parents??? They've had this dog since it was a puppy and all of a sudden it's raping a child. Anyone reading this article is scratching their head and not buying the story. I hope that you will do a thorough investigation. Thank you.



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The dog is probably the hero in this....the dog probably had the child by the leg because he was trying to protect the child and get him away from the real molester. This whole thing seems like a joke....how could anyone in their right mind believe this is true??!! Sure dogs reach sexual maturity, but there are no signs to watch for....dogs do not look at humans as sexual conquests....dogs are not attracted to humans. What is wrong with these people???! Are there scratches on the child? Are there bite marks? Does this dog have human hands instead of paws?



There is an Indian legend which says when a human dies, there is a bridge they must cross to enter into heaven. At the head of that bridge waits every animal that human encountered during their lifetime. The animals, based upon what they know of this person, decide which humans may cross the bridge.... and which are turned away....



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## UPDATE

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Christine K., Thursday July 12, 2007, 6:45 pm

[Another conflicting story:](#)

[http://www.tonawanda-news.com/local...\\_192134718.html](http://www.tonawanda-news.com/local..._192134718.html)

The investigation continues into Sunday's bizarre dog attack involving a **pit bull** and a 2-year-old boy.

Lockport Police Detective Capt. Larry Eggert said they are interviewing more witnesses in the case and meeting with dog behavioral experts to try and figure out what motivated the dog to sexually assault a young boy (...)

A DNA sample was taken from the dog to compare with DNA taken from the boy to ensure the attack actually did take place, he said.

Eggert said investigators plan to sit down with the Niagara County District Attorney's office to determine if any charges will be filed.

"It's not a pleasant case to have to work with," Eggert said. "It's almost unbelievable."

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Christine K, Thursday, 6:51 PM

[Now the child was MAULED:](#)

The head of the Niagara County SPCA is not really intelligent. That was shown in local interviews.

He should retire.

An update on the story. Now the buffalo news states he was MAULED. Geesh. They need to get their words correct. That is a lie.

<http://www.buffalonews.com/cityregi...7269.html?imw=Y>

Lockport boy improving after **pit bull** attack

Updated: 07/11/07 7:06 AM

LOCKPORT — A 2-year-old Washburn Street boy mauled by a family **pit bull** Sunday afternoon remained in serious “but improving” condition Tuesday in Women and Children’s Hospital, Buffalo, city police said.

The mother told police that, as she was changing her son’s diaper, she sent him to the living room to get a new one. The child was alone for “only a minute,” she said, when the attack occurred. She ran to get him when she heard him scream, said Capt. Lawrence Eggert, Lockport chief of detectives.

Eggert said family members told him the 2-year-old **pit bull** had been a family pet since it was a puppy, and they had no previous problems with aggressiveness.

The dog was taken to the Niagara County Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, where it was expected to be euthanized

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Thursday July 12, 2007, 2:22 pm

[A comment from someone today who watched the Five O'Clock news:](#)

"the 5 o clock news says the child is going to be in the hospital for weeks. The dog is still alive. The owners want him put down but, untill the investagation is over they will not do that. Also many people calling the spca in hopes of saving and adopting the dog. The dog is showing no signs of agression and really does not bark."

Thank you to everyone who has wrote, emailed and called the various divisions in Western NY about this case!

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[A discussion is happening here as well:](#)

<http://www.topix.net/forum/source/w...IB/p36#lastPost>



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Comment on blog mentioned above by Concerned Buffalo NY, Portland, ME

You dont live here and you have no idea what is going on!! And apparently law enforcement does not believe this is even a possibility with out human help!! Read all the blogs before you start talking about something or go away. Think about it if this dog really did this they would have shot it on the spot or one of the neighbors would have bludgened it to death!



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Christine K., [Friday July 13, 2007](#), 6:15 pm

THE MOTHER RELOCATED!!!!!!!

<http://www.stinkyjournalism.org/newsdetail.php?id=0>

**Pit Bull** "Molested And Attacked" Toddler?

by Adam Klasfeld 07/13/2007

Press reported the "bizarre and disturbing" story of a **pit bull** raping a two-year-old. StinkyJournalism.org finds two misquoted experts crying foul, hospital saying child protection agency is involved, SPCA President revealing that mother has "relocated" and giving StinkyJournalism advance notice of results of dog's official behavioral analysis.

The voice on Buffalo, New York's WBEN news radio broadcast promised "bizarre and disturbing" news about "an attack on a small boy by a **pit bull**." That wasn't the unusual part. Scare stories about canine attacks populate news coverage almost as regularly as weather forecasts. What made this one so strange was the mother's claim that the dog allegedly anally raped her two-year-old son. The toddler has had reconstructive surgery, and is in Buffalo's Women's & Children's Hospital. The dog is locked up in the Niagara County SPCA, and the mother's demanding that it be euthanized as soon as possible.

In an interview with Detective Larry Eggert of the Lockport Police Department, the WBEN news anchors strained to treat the matter with a sense of propriety. "This is a very delicate question," the anchorman said. "I'll try to approach it as sensitively as I can, but did you check with a veterinarian? Are animals ever sexually attracted to human beings?" The detective answered that the department had to search outside New York State to find an animal behaviorist who apparently investigated "five" such cases.

Strangely, the anchors did not reveal what that expert discovered, or ask about the credentials of the person.

Even if all five of those cases turned out to be actual rapes of small children by dogs, and there's no evidence that is the case, the outlets presented the story as true without any skepticism.

Only one local paper vowed to dig deeper. The expert evaluation of the dog's behavior was going to be released on Saturday, June 14 in the The Lockport Union-Sun & Journal, but StinkyJournalism already discovered the results during a conversation with Niagara County SPCA's executive director. "They can't

believe that it actually occurred," says Al Chille.

"This Story Does Not Add Up."

A WIVB news report claimed that the President of the Niagara Frontier Veterinary Society corroborated the story. According to this article, the unnamed expert stated that the parents may have missed warning signs, and that a two-year-old dog reaching "sexual maturity" should not be left alone with a small child.

Her words, however, were taken completely out of context. She explained that a two-year-old dog can display aggression when reach sexual maturity. "Aggression," she said, means "biting, not raping." She never intended to suggest that parents need to fear potential **rape** by their family pet.

"Just coming from the standpoint of having worked with dogs that are breeding, [getting young dogs to mate] is not an easy thing," said a frustrated Stephanie Wolf, the misrepresented leader of NFVS. "For a dog to have done this in a fraction of a moment, sounds to me a little strange. This story does not add up."

There goes one expert. WIVB also made it appear that Al Chille, the executive director of the Niagara County SPCA, verified the credibility of the story, when in fact he contradicted it. In a news story titled "Bizarre and Disturbing Dog Attack," they quoted him as saying, "My understanding is the child had no bites on him at all. ... I guess the message is be respectful of a dog, until you absolutely know the animal" (ellipsis in original).

One wonders what part of the interview was stricken out in place of the ellipsis. When I contacted Chille for further comment, he noted that the lack of bite marks on the boy was a reason to disbelieve the mother's story. "Not to get crude about it," he says by way of disclaimer before explaining to me a male dog attaches his claws to the sides of the female dog while mating. "It just seems to me that there would be something on the child."

StinkyJournalism.org called WIVB for comment, but the news director has not yet replied.

"Now She Has Relocated"

Had the anchor been a little more inquisitive, he could have found out other information indicating that it was not a dog endangering the child. While Chille mentioned that it was not his role to speculate to the press, he had plenty to say about to say to us about his skepticism.

For example, Chille said that he has never heard of a dog raping a child in 27 years of his working with the SPCA, and neither did any of his colleagues. In

addition, he sounded disturbed by how adamant the mother was about wanting the dog (“Bear”) put down before the investigation was over.

He assured me he would not let that happen so long as he’s guarding the pooch. Last night, he received 30 emails, “most of them saying they want to adopt it, none of whom blamed the dog and felt sorry for the boy. ... I am toying with the idea of going to a rescue group with it.”

Moreover, he revealed, “Now, [the mother] has relocated. One of the agents went to her house, and the door was shut. The neighbors said she will not be coming back.” Her flight is not proof of culpability or even accessory, but it did raise Chille’s eyebrows.

Niagara County’s District Attorney Matthew J. Murphy III refused to confirm this information, as it was “an ongoing investigation.” When we asked if child protective services were involved, he repeated the answer and hung up the phone.

#### An Alternative Hypothesis

The dog seems to be in safe hands now. What about the boy?

The Women’s & Children’s Hospital has been told by the mother not to release information about the medical condition of the child. However, we asked the public information spokesman John Moscato if the hospital was shielding him, and if they reported suspected abuse to child protective services.

“Child protective services and all of the appropriate authorities have been notified in this case,” he stated. It’s difficult to believe that they would be taking such measures if they were certain that the jailed dog was the culprit.

Surprisingly, no press reports that we can find have investigated alternative scenarios with human perpetrators. Were “bizarre and disturbing” headlines more appealing?

Assuming the mother’s story is wrong, and it’s less credible by the moment, there is a more obvious hypothesis. This was a human crime.

Out of a misplaced sense of propriety, or a cynical sense of lurid sensationalism, evidence indicates the press has lent credibility to the preposterous alibi of a child rapist, leaving a two-year-old in continued danger of molestation while sending an innocent **pit bull** to be put to sleep.

Fortunately, the director of the Niagara County SPCA and the Women & Children’s Hospital are not just going with the assumption that the dog did it.

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Not much of an update

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DOG ATTACK: SPCA gets adoption requests for pit bull

By April Amadon/amadona@gnnewspaper.com

Lockport Union-Sun & Journal

The pit bull involved in last week's attack on a Washburn Street toddler remains at the Niagara County SPCA, and several people have expressed interest in adopting the dog.

Al Chille, executive director of the Niagara County SPCA, said he's received calls from all over the country about the dog, a 2-year-old pit bull named Bear.

"We've got so many requests," Chille said. "People wanting to adopt, lots of those. People rendering their opinion with regard to the case."

He said he believes the dog, which has been quiet and well-behaved since arriving at the SPCA, could be successfully adopted.

“We’re going to do everything we can to adopt out the animal into a good home with no children,” he said. “I’m not speculating on what occurred, but there are lots of homes with people who would like (to adopt it). ...It’s a sad situation all around.”

Meanwhile police are still investigating the July 8 attack. The dog allegedly pinned the 2-year-old boy down and sodomized him, causing serious injuries.

Lockport Police Detective Capt. Larry Eggert said the toddler had just removed his own dirty diaper and asked his mother for a new one. She sent him into the living room to get a new diaper and heard him scream a short time later, Eggert said.

The mother went into the living room and reportedly saw the dog had mounted the boy. The woman yelled, which spooked the dog, sending it running out the door and onto the porch, still attached to the boy, Eggert said.

Neighbors reportedly saw what was happening and helped the mother beat the dog to get it away from the boy.

Since the attack, the boy has been at Women’s and Children’s Hospital in Buffalo, where he underwent surgery and is still recovering. Eggert said he may need reconstructive surgery in the future.

The pit bull was impounded at the Niagara County SPCA, where Chille said it will remain until the police investigation is finished.

DNA samples were taken from the dog to compare with DNA samples found on the boy. Eggert said the DNA will verify that the attack in fact took place.

Police are working with the Niagara County District Attorney’s office to determine if any charges will be filed against anyone in the child’s home, but nothing has been determined.

On Thursday night, the dog was transported to the Erie County SPCA, where it was evaluated by behavioral experts in an effort to find out what triggered the attack. The dog stayed there overnight and was transported back to Niagara County SPCA on Friday.

The fate of the dog is unclear. The child’s family has expressed a wish to have it put down, Chille said

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I think the child's family needs to be put down...what kind of people are they and how many times is the woman going to change her story now it's the child who removed his own dirty diapers, she does not even keep the child clean and then is so lazy she tells the child to go get his own diaper.....again I say,,NO WAY.....if that child was molested, sodomized, which apparently something happened to the baby, THE PARENTS OR SOME PERSON, should be in trouble!..

not a dog as innocent as the child...but since he can't talk they figure he is a good excuse....full of crap I say they are and I hope the dog gets adopted by someone soon who does and will care for him.

Also the child could use a better home as well I suspect



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Well, at least the authorities are doing an investigation. Apparently the public and media are not buying this story. I pray the dog gets adopted and this child gets taken away from that mother. She is not being truthful of the whole story.



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