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“Ultimately, whether you’re an executive director or a volunteer, whether you foster five cats a year in your home or care for 5,000 in your municipal facility, you are still providing a safe haven for animals. You are a part of the philosophy of animal sheltering.” >>

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In the chaos and noise of the Fourth of July fireworks, dogs hightail it—some never to be seen again. But pet hunter Kat Albrecht thought she could help create happier endings for these spooked pooches and their owners.

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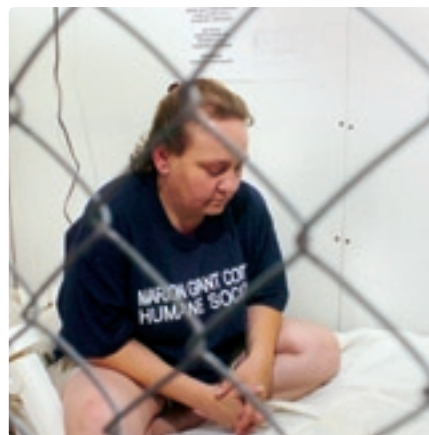
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