In response to our story about Wall-E, the puppy who survived euthanasia and proceeded to get thousands of adoption applications (“Here for a Reason,” July/August 2011, p. 22), Facebooker Jolly DogHouse wrote, “My question always is: Where were those people before all the publicity? For instance, the dog who was supposedly euthanized, but ‘came back to life.’ Where were all the adopters before the little guy was euthanized; how come no one wanted to adopt him before that?”

Ann W. noted: “Agree this kind of publicity is a mixed blessing. Good for the animal in the story, but those people applying from all over the country are overlooking many adoptable animals in their own communities. Let’s support local shelters instead of looking for dramatic stories online.”

What do you think? Talk to us about our stories or what’s going on in your community at facebook.com/animalshelteringmagazine, or email asm@humanesociety.org.

CORRECTION: In the story “Spot-Cleaning Cat Cages,” (p. 39 of the July/August 2011 issue), a caption identified Roy Silguero as an employee of the Frederick County Humane Society. Silguero is in fact a staff member at Frederick County Animal Control in Maryland, and the pictures showing spot-cleaning done right were taken at that agency. We regret the error.