

Rewards increase in dog maiming

VICTORIA - The rewards posted for information leading to the arrest and conviction of the person responsible for abducting and removing the tongue of a dog in Victoria rose to \$2,500 Wednesday.

The **Humane Society of the United States** offered a \$2,000 reward for information on the maiming of the 2-year-old boxer, Reno, who was abducted from his home March 24.

Last week, **People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals (PETA)** offered a \$500 reward for tips leading to an arrest.

The dog, who was returned to its owner two weeks later after reward offers were posted, was taken to the Southern Animal Rescue Association near Seguin after his owners determined they could not meet the dog's special needs.

An Illinois family who read about Reno on the Internet adopted the dog two weeks ago.

To offer information, call Victoria police Detective Roy Boyd at (361) 572-2744.

PETA offers reward in dog abuse case

VICTORIA - People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals (PETA) is offering a \$500 reward for tips leading to an arrest in an animal abuse case in Victoria.

The reward was posted in response to reports of a dog named Reno, a 2-year-old boxer, whose tongue was severed, possibly by someone who stole the animal for dog fighting.

The dog disappeared March 24, then was returned to its owner two weeks later without its tongue.

Since the owner could not care for the dog, it was taken to the Southern Animal Rescue Association near Seguin.

A family from Chicago that read about the case on the Internet adopted the dog last weekend.

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