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KIDS

Weezie gets an overdose of Aunt Lola's secret flea remedy, and the result is, well, hair-raising. But at least she doesn't have fleas anymore and she can come inside the house. Aunt Lola even crochets her some night suits. E8



Kids Reading Room

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Dear Editor / Social Living and writer + Michele Serros:

As an ardent animal advocate and individual concerned with the human-animal bond, I must say that the 'PROBLEM with WEEZIE' made me very nervous, especially since its audience was impressionable children.

I was, on first and subsequent week day readings, horrified at the insensitivity of FATHER and ignorance of MOTHER who did not have the wisdom to take this fictional puppy for a flea-bath at the OUTSET! How dumb can you be!! To put a puppy (a social creature) outside, alone, pestered by fleas would be abusive to my mind. Thank God for some sense in the form of Aunt LOLA, though to leave a child to administer a flea-bath is also mindless. But I suppose the general population is as thoughtless and insensitive as Ms. Serros indicated, otherwise society wouldn't have the problems vis-a-vis domestic animals (ie. strays/overpopulation) that it does.

At least, we had as happy an ending as possible under the circumstances, with dear little 'WEEZIE' warm, cozy, sleeping inside, and most important loved and treated as 'PART of the FAMILY'! Any updates?

Sincerely, Elaine Livesey-Fassel