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WHAT: Placer SPCA's Funny Bones
A Night of Comedy and Hero Awards Presentations

WHEN: Friday, April 30, 2010
5:30 pm – 9:30 pm

WHERE: Timber Creek Ballroom, Sun City Roseville
7050 Del Webb Blvd., Roseville, CA

Funny Bones

Roseville, CA –Placer SPCA is proud to announce the recipients of the **2010 Hero Awards**, to be presented at the **Ninth Annual Funny Bones** event on Friday, April 30. Each year, Placer SPCA recognizes individuals, organizations, and animals who make an extraordinary contribution to strengthening the human-animal bond.

This year's recipients include:

- Search Dog Foundation, a national nonprofit working with trained rescue dogs and local fire departments to form canine teams to assist in disasters. Search Dog Foundation canine teams recently helped in the search for survivors in Haiti.
- Wella, a yellow lab who acts as a service and companion dog for a young woman with autism.
- Kimberly Karver, a local teacher who gets high school students enthusiastic about working for the benefit of animals.
- Four Paws For Vets, an organization that pairs specially trained dogs with veterans with post-traumatic stress disorder.

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- Horses for Healing, a nonprofit based in Auburn that works with horses to provide therapy for disabled youth and adults.
- Rae McAtee, a local teen who has spent as many as 100 hours in one month caring for orphaned kittens in her home as a foster volunteer for Placer SPCA.
- One other special award recipient to be announced.

Funny Bones is a sold out show this year. Attendees paid \$75 to \$100 to attend. Local companion animal welfare experts, the proceeds from Funny Bones will help the Placer SPCA continue its work in enhancing the lives of companion animals and people through our programs and services, such as our spay/neuter assistance, humane education and behavior programs. The Placer SPCA is a local, independent nonprofit organization.

Attendees will enjoy the comedy of Dan St. Paul, recognizable from appearances on MTV, VH-1, and Comedy Central. The event MC will be Big Jim Hall from 92.1 FM KHITS. St. Paul's performance is courtesy of The Erich Lyss Family Trust, Sidesplitting Sponsor. Presenting sponsors of the Funny Bones Hero Awards are SureWest Foundation; Al Johnson Consulting, LLC; Ayrshire Farm, Mann, Urrutia & Nelson CPAs; The Buzz Oates Group of Companies; Renesas Electronics America, and Westlake, Grahl & Glover.

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