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Placer SPCA Opens its Doors to Kids **Youth Attend Humane Kids Camp at the Placer SPCA Companion Animal Center**

Roseville, CA – This summer, the sounds coming from the Placer SPCA include children's laughter. All summer long, groups of kids will be attending five sessions of the Placer SPCA Humane Kids Camp. Children age 10-12 spend five days and children age 8-9 spend four days immersed in the world of animal welfare.

According to camp parent Debbie Richardson Caldwell, who now volunteers at Placer SPCA with her daughter, Humane Kids Camp and other youth programs at Placer SPCA have helped her child "develop self-confidence and learn many lifelong lessons for working with animals."

The young participants enjoy meeting a variety of different animals and learning about ways they can help animals. Activities include guest speakers, hands-on experience with animals, behavior and training information, lessons about animal care, craft projects, and animal-themed games.

"Some of the kids are planning a career working with animals," said Placer SPCA CEO Leilani Vierra, "while most just care about animals and want to have fun while they learn all they can."

One of the organization's most popular programs, Humane Kids Camp has been completely full each year since its inception in 2004. To be notified when application materials are available for summer 2011 camp sessions, send an email to humaneedu@placerspca.org. For more information, please visit www.placerspca.org and check out Humane Kids Camp under the Education menu.

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Excellent photo opportunities available:

Campers will be working on the Agility Course with dogs on:
Friday, July 16 and Friday, August 13 at 9:30 am and Friday, July 30 at 9:45 am

Campers will be visited by a guest speaker with horses on:
Wednesday, July 14, 8:40 am; Tuesday, July 27, 9:10 am; Wednesday, August 11, 8:40 am



2010 Humane Kids Camp attendees with Humane Education Ambassador Dodger.



A Humane Kids Camp participant runs the Placer SPCA Agility Course with Bella.