



# Arroyo Grande Police Department

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## **MEDIA RELEASE**

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### **FARM SUPPLY "PET DAY" AND POLICE K9 FUNDRAISING EVENT**

On Saturday, May 15, 2010, from 10:00 AM until 2:00 PM, Farm Supply at 1079 El Camino Real in Arroyo Grande, the Arroyo Grande Police Department and several pet product vendors will be sponsoring a "Pet Day" event that will offer a wide variety of activities and educational information for pet owners of all ages. Among the vendors participating in the event will be Canidae Dog Food, the official dog food for the Arroyo Grande Police Department police K9s; Cloud Star Corporation, a pet treat company; Well Pet, a wound spray for large and smaller animals including horses; and Doggie Do Good, a pet trainer. Hot dogs and sodas will be sold by the Huasna Valley 4H dog training group to raise funds for their activities.

Robin Ventura, a Central Coast resident and former major league baseball player for four major league teams including the Chicago White Sox, the New York Mets, the New York Yankees and the Los Angeles Dodgers, will be at the event from 11:00 AM until 12:00 PM. Ventura is the honorary chairperson of the Arroyo Grande Police Department K9 Fundraising Committee. Tax deductible contributions in support of the Arroyo Grande Police Department K9 program can be made at any time to the San Luis Obispo Law Enforcement Assistance Foundation/AGPD K-9 Fund.

In addition, raffle tickets will be sold at "Pet Day" to raise funds for the K9 program. The drawing for three winning packages will be on June 20, 2010. The Pampered Pet Package includes a holiday in the country for your pet at Creekside Kennel and Boarding, a "ride-along" with an Arroyo Grande Police Department K9 team, and gifts from Farm Supply, Lemos Pet Supply and CD's Pet Emporium. The Fisherman's Dream Package includes a full-day fishing excursion with world-renowned professional bass fisherman Jared Lintner and a gift certificate for lunch on Lopez Lake compliments of Branch Street Deli. The Central Coast Holiday Package includes a two-night stay at the oceanfront Sea Crest Resort Hotel in Pismo Beach, a gift certificate for McLintock's restaurant, one ice cream sundae every month for one year from Doc Burnstein's Ice Cream Lab in Arroyo Grande, a gift certificate for Chili's Restaurant in Arroyo Grande and a gift certificate for Klondike's Pizza in Arroyo Grande.

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The two Arroyo Grande Police Department K9 teams, along with police K9 teams from the California State Parks Department, will provide demonstrations of the skills of the police service dogs from 12:00 PM until 1:00 PM. The Arroyo Grande Police Department will be displaying the Mobile Emergency Response Vehicle, or the MERV, during the event. A guest appearance by McGruff, the crime prevention dog, will be one of the highlights of the event for children.

If you are interested in learning more about the "Pet Day" event, contact Ms. Debbie Lee at Farm Supply at 805/489-5514.