



COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO

Probation Department

3201 FLORIN-PERKINS ROAD, SACRAMENTO, CALIFORNIA 95826
TELEPHONE (916) 875-0273
FAX (916) 875-0347



DON L. MEYER
CHIEF PROBATION OFFICER
COUNTY PAROLE OFFICER

SUZANNE M. COLLINS
ASST. CHIEF PROBATION OFFICER
ASST. PAROLE OFFICER

NEWS RELEASE

For Immediate Release

Contact: Erin Treadwell
(916) 875-0354
(916) 214-6947

September 4, 2009

Two Young Males Sentenced to Probation for Life – Both Are Ecstatic *Sacramento County Boys Ranch Adopts Two Dogs*

(Sacramento, CA) – The Sacramento County Boys Ranch will soon have two new permanent residents, a young blond Shepard mix and a black Labrador mix. The dogs are being adopted from the Sacramento County Animal Shelter and will be settled in their new home on September 5, 2009.

The dogs are the latest in a long line of loyal canines that have called the Ranch their home. Peanut, a Shepard mix passed away earlier this year at 13.

Both animals have been neutered and have had full medical and temperament checks as well as all current shots. Staff will get the animals acclimated, and once they settle in, residents committed to the Boys Ranch will have the opportunity to take turns to care, feed and bathe the dogs.

“Staff and residents respond very positively to having dogs here,” says Dave Semon, Assistant Chief Deputy of the Boys Ranch. “They boost morale, teach responsibility, and provide unconditional affection.”

The staff held a naming contest and the winners were Bo and Luke. The names are from the two main characters on the late 1970’s CBS series the Dukes of Hazzard.

The cost for the care and feeding of Bo and Luke comes from proceeds from pay-phones used at the Ranch.

The Boys Ranch is a 24-hour secured commitment facility designed for older, more sophisticated juvenile male wards that have a history of serious or extensive delinquent behavior. Goals of a commitment to Boys Ranch include accountability, counseling, pro-social behavior and eventual reunification with family. The living quarters are dormitory style with one 100 bed unit and one 25 bed honor unit.

###