

**YOLO COUNTY
SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT
PRESS RELEASE**

Re:	National Animal Control Appreciation Week
Date:	April 7, 2008

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Next week will be National Animal Control Appreciation Week, April 13-19, 2008. Animal Control personnel across the country will be recognized for their dedication to the health, safety, and protection of pets. Yolo County Animal Services is honored to be a part of this first annual week long effort in showing appreciation for the services provided by the approximately twenty employees at the Yolo County Sheriff's Department, Animal Services Section.

Each year our county's Animal Shelter takes in close to 6,000 animals, reptiles, and other type critters. Some of these animals have been found or reported abandoned and hurt throughout the county; some have been brought to the shelter and deposited in the night deposit by people who no longer can care for their pets; other animals have been victims at law enforcement crime scenes. The shelter provides food, shelter, and medical assistance as necessary.

Sheriff Prieto stated, "I am very proud of the efforts and dedication of our Animal Service personnel. They each take special pride in serving the community and caring for the animals. For those of you looking for a pet, I hope you will consider adopting one from the Animal Shelter."

The Yolo County Animal Shelter is open Monday through Friday, from 10 am. – 1 p.m; then after lunch from 2 p.m. – 6 p.m; and on Saturday between 10 a.m. – 1 p.m. and 2 p.m. – 4 p.m. Take a walk through the area to find an appropriate pet for yourself and family. The staff will be happy to provide you with the guidelines for adoption and fee information.

If you would like to offer support for their services, you can adopt a brick or send a monetary donation to: Yolo County Animal Services, 2640 East Gibson Road, Woodland, CA, 95776. For more information on donations or adoptions contact Animal Services at 530-668-5287.