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### Inmates and Canines graduate from the COLLAR Program

**WHAT:** The COLLAR (Canines Offering Life Lessons And Reward) Program pairs dogs from the Orange County Shelter classified as "last chance" due to behavioral issues with inmates from James A Musick Jail Facility. This class of graduates includes nine male inmates and three canines. After six weeks of classroom instruction, the inmates brought the dogs into their dorm-style cells for an additional six weeks of training. At this graduation, the inmates will demonstrate the new tricks and commands the canines now follow such as sit, go-around, roll over and high-five. Dusty, a poodle/terrier, will continue to an advanced training program for possible placement with an autistic child; Mattie, a chocolate lab mix, will be transferred to her new adopter; and Peanut, a miniature poodle is still in need of adoption.

**Media is invited to the graduation ceremony.**

**WHEN:** Friday, September 20, 2013  
10:00 – 10:30 a.m.

**WHERE:** James A Musick Jail Facility  
13502 Musick Honor Farm Road  
Irvine, CA

**WHO:** *Scheduled to be in attendance:*

- Greg Boston, Director of Inmate Services
- Janette Thomas, Pathways to Hope
- Inmate graduates
- Canine graduates:
  - Mattie, a chocolate lab mix
  - Dusty, a poodle/terrier
  - Peanut, a miniature poodle

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