

Southern Californians Tee it Up for Canine Companions

The 2011 Canine Companions Invitational Golf Classic and Celebration Dinner raised \$66,000 for Canine Companions! The event, held at the stun-



Former Los Angeles Dodgers pitcher and current Miami Marlins scout Joe Moeller (right) was instrumental in making the Canine Companions Invitational a success. He is pictured with Dan Sousa (left) and Staff Sergeant Reginald Laranang, US Army (center). Each Southwest Region golf tournament in 2011 paid homage to the US Armed Forces with an American flag pin flag at the 18th hole. Photo by Todd Young

ning Resort at Pelican Hill in Newport Beach, attracted 200 participants to golf, dine and bid in a fabulous silent auction. Even retired Major League Baseball players Rod Gaspar, Ken Landreaux, Joe Moeller, Maury Wills and Steve Yeager exchanged their bats for clubs to benefit Canine Companions. Special thanks to our Title Sponsor, Disney VoluntEARS. Thank you to all of the sponsors includ-

ing Plas-Tal Steel Construction; Canon U.S.A., Inc.; Mission Animal and Bird Hospital, Capo VW; ConAm; Michael and Gloria Sullivan; San Diego County Credit Union and CoLogiQ. Last but not least, thanks to our hard-working volunteer golf committee. It wouldn't be possible without you!



Southwest Regional board members Mike Hennessy and Tim Gackstetter perused the silent auction with Jason and Skilled Companion Dog Marisa.



Glen Connally, Gary Francis, Jim Slagle and Larry Vick from the Disneyland Resort take a moment from their game to snap a photo with puppy in program Sarafina and Ambassador Dogs Cal and Elaina.

Invest in Canine Companions

Canine Companions has unleashed the first ever puppy IPO—an Initial Puppy Offering—offering “shares” to the public for only \$50 each. You can help provide trained assistance dogs to children and adults with disabilities with this fun opportunity to get involved and make a difference. Read the Prospectus at cci.org/ipo to learn more and look for your official Initial Puppy Offering stock certificate in the mail!

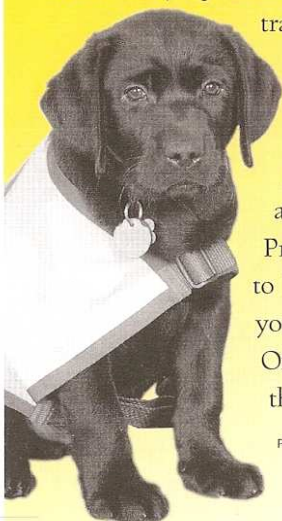
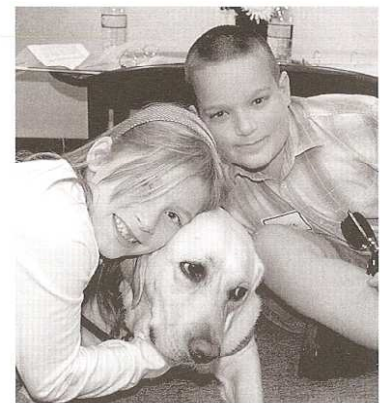


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Angelenos Pack Open House

On December 4, Canine Companions hosted an open house at the Los Angeles office. Nearly 100 people, many of them brand new to the organization, watched assistance dog demonstrations by local graduate teams, puppy raisers and Instructor Katie Kniest. The audience enjoyed learning about the Canine Companions program and the various ways they can get involved. Thanks to all who helped make the event such a success! Read about other Canine Companions happenings in Los Angeles at cci.org/laoffice.



Graduate Luke brought his sister and Skilled Companion Dog Wednesday to the Los Angeles open house. Photo by Kate Luhr