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K9 Officers Receive New Collars and Badges ***Items Donated by Citizens' Police Academy Alumni Association***

SEGUIN, Texas – The Seguin Police Department's three K9 officers are sporting new collars and badges thanks to the Seguin Citizens' Police Academy Alumni Association.

"Steve Koelle of the Seguin Citizens Police Academy Alumni Association noticed, while at the Cops and Kids event, that there was no way for the public to recognize the dogs as police K9 officers, SCPAAA President Joanne Barker said. "The SCPAAA voted to fund the collars and badges because we believe it is important that the dogs can be identifiable as police K9 officers while in public."

The K-9 offers competed earlier this year at the National Narcotic Detection Dog Association's national competition in Amarillo. Seguin Police K9 Officer Clayton Deagen and his partner Zoey were awarded Top Gun, the first competition's highest honor. The department's other two K9 officers, Zoey and Simon, also performed well at the competition.

The collars and badges were presented at the October 13 Citizens' Police Academy meeting. The items cost the association approximately \$400.

About the City of Seguin

Seguin, Texas is located off Interstate 10, about 35 miles east of San Antonio. Seguin is big enough to boast a top-rated university and a state-of-the-art hospital. More than 25,000 residents enjoy a range of cultural, recreational and employment opportunities. Seguin's robust diversified economy features a steelmaker, a manufacturer of automotive parts and plants making roadside mowing equipment and building materials. In 2009, Seguin was proud to be selected by Caterpillar as the site of a major new engine manufacturing facility.

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