

VILLAGE OF
MERRICK PARK
CORAL GABLES

****** MEDIA ALERT ******

**VILLAGE OF MERRICK PARK CELEBRATES MAN'S BEST FRIEND WITH
THE DOGGY DAYS OF SUMMER EVENT SERIES**

The Bow Wow Begins Sunday, July 11th

WHAT: Village of Merrick Park knows it's a dogs world out there. What better way to kick off summer, than with ***The Doggy Days of Summer*** event series. The series kicks off on Sunday, July 11th with a Pooch-A-Palooza of doggy centric action including a dog parade in The Garden. Proud dog owners will be able to show off their beloved furry friends and three winners will be selected to receive various prizes. Every dog that signs up to participate in the parade will also receive a doggy bandana to wear. Dog owners will be charged a \$5 participation fee to enter the parade; all proceeds will be donated to the **Humane Society of Greater Miami**. The kick-off event will also feature an Adopt-a-Thon, where guests will be able to meet, greet and adopt dogs brought in by The Humane Society of Greater Miami. Representatives from The Humane Society will be on hand to help facilitate adoptions.

This event series will continue every Sunday in July as dog owners are invited to have their pooches strike a pose for a take-home framed photo with any \$25 purchase within the center. Additionally, guests will enjoy special treats and in-store promotions from participating restaurants and shops. Guests are encouraged to bring along their dogs and dine al fresco at one of Village of Merrick Park's many dog-friendly restaurants.

WHEN: Kickoff Event – Sunday, July 11, 2010
The event series will continue on Sunday Just 18th and 25th
2:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.
**** The parade will begin promptly at 3:00 p.m.**

WHERE: Village of Merrick Park
The Garden
358 San Lorenzo Avenue
Coral Gables, FL 33146

***** PHOTO OPPORTUNITY *****

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ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

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