



Elvis retires from Polk County Sheriff's Office

Polk County, Florida - After nearly six years of service, Elvis, a Polk Sheriff's bloodhound, has nosed his way to a well deserved retirement. Yet, his retirement won't create a shortage for the K-9 unit.

Though it will be tough for Elvis to begin to think of retiring, he seems pretty satisfied with the replacement. The new bloodhound, Ella, was born April 24, 2006 and is Elvis' niece.

Recently, it became clear that Elvis was beginning to slow down and in order to prevent any extended down-time in case Elvis was forced to leave due to declining health, the agency decided to begin looking for a replacement bloodhound.

In the search for a new bloodhound, an organization called Child Protection Education of America came forward and was willing to donate a bloodhound to the Sheriff's Office. CPEA's Executive Director, Hilary Sessions, coordinated with bloodhound breeder Pam Andrews to provide a puppy to the agency. Andrews is the same breeder who provided Elvis to the PCSO in 2000.

It will be several months before Ella is able to work actual cases on the street, but Elvis will do his best to show her the ropes.

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