Therapy Pet Pals of Texas is celebrating 35 years of providing love and laughter to the thousands of patients we serve in more than 75 healthcare facilities in the Central Austin area! We are certainly one of the first (and probably THE first) pet therapy group in the state of Texas! We attribute this incredible longevity to the hundreds of dedicated volunteers and their amazing dogs and cats that happily share their lives and love with the ill and elderly members of our community. We also give an abundance of credit to the caring charitable foundations that have provided the funding to TPPT over the years.

Thank You Volunteers and Donors!

The Woodlands/Northwest Houston Chapter is celebrating 28 years of Pet Pal service to their communities in 2019!

2018 Year in Review
Volume XXX, Spring, 2019
VOLUNTEER SPECIAL EVENTS

Austin Picnic, Dripping Springs, Texas

Northwest Houston Medical Center

Lone Star College, Houston

Austin Luncheon

UT School of Nursing
TPPT takes tremendous pride in presenting the Outstanding Volunteer awards each year! In 2018, as in past years, there were many volunteers who were so very worthy of receiving this award, which is what makes the proud recipients so truly outstanding!

The four honorees shown here have all been truly amazing in their dedication to pet therapy. Each honoree has gone the “extra mile” in service to their cherished friends in many nursing homes and hospitals.

We CONGRATULATE, Suzanne Baldwin, Rachel Briones, Rolinda Carrington & Nancy Desher on this award. Thank you for your faithful service to TPPT!

THANK YOU, JUDY & STEVE RUNYAN! The beautiful awards, which are proudly displayed by TPPT’s Outstanding Volunteers, were designed and donated by Judy & Steve Runyan.
Congratulations to **Tish Crahen** for 25 years of Pet Pal volunteer service! To honor her incredible dedication, she was presented with a beautiful heart embossed “paw print” pendant engraved with the words “**PET PAL 25 YEARS.**” Tish serves as the training coordinator for the Houston Chapter and has been truly amazing in her dedication to TPPT.

*We sincerely THANK YOU!*

**20 Year Honorees**

These Pet Pal volunteers have been vital to TPPT's growth and success.

Thank you **Ann** and **Cunera** for your 20 years of dedication.

**Ann Olsen - Austin**

**Cunera Visser - Houston**
CONGRATULATIONS
15 Year Honorees
Austin & Houston

All of these Pet Pal Volunteers have demonstrated their dedication to Therapy Pet Pals of Texas by their amazing service records!

They have each been vital to TPPT’s growth and success, and their devoted commitment to pet therapy is more than obvious!

Susan Hays

Nancy Holchak

Mike Lucas

15 Year Austin Honoree, Becky Perkins, not pictured.

Mary Horner serves as Chapter Director for The Woodlands/NW Houston Chapter of TPPT.
Ken Neavel

10 Year Austin Honoree, Karen Puckett, not pictured.

They are always willing and eager to take on many extra responsibilities and other special assignments to further the cause of Therapy Pet Pals of Texas and pet therapy.

Ronnie Lee, Brenda Warner, David Ashley

5 Year Houston Honorees Mary Ann Hanson, James Haws, Catherine McCoy, Melba Sanchez, not pictured.

These superb honorees serve Therapy Pet Pals of Texas in many ways. They are enthusiastic Trainers, Q/T Class Evaluators, and Event members.
Memorials
Donations made in Loving Memory of:

Carlton Mellick
Beloved brother of Guy Mellick
By: David & Norma Little

Dorothy Swenson
By: Larry Anderson

Susan Edgar
Beloved wife of Rox Edgar
By: Rox Edgar

Lianne Nagle
Wonderful sister of Sheryl Ann Poore
By: Sheryl Ann Poore

Tony Zuniga
Dear friend of Tish Crahen
By: Tish Crahen

Dace Robert Smith
Loving husband of Carol M. Smith
By: Carla & John Woolley

Barbara Jean Larson
Loving mother of Brenda Sveska & Family
and Debbie Moody & Family
By: Carla Woolley

Bill Dumond
By: Don W. and Eileen F. Steinle, H. Wilson
McCoy and Sandra Parker

Tom Warner
Loving husband of TPPT Volunteer, Brenda Warner
By: Andrea Bortner, Ann Olsen, Dixie Tischler,
Elizabeth S. & Caitlin C. Murray, Jeanne
Range, Paul & Kathy Grosch, Kimberly Lang,
Paddy Ramsay, R. Lee Johnson, Richard M. &
Cinde W. Gerth, Rita J. Harris, Staebel’s
Antiques and Virginia Mullen, Nancy
Kutschke, Gary & Susan Gray

Kimmy Walker
Beloved family companion of the Walker Family
By: Joy Parker

Chooch
Beloved Pet Pal of Toni Sabados
By: TPPT Office Staff

Buff
Beloved dog of Fern & Albert Ross
By: Robert, Lisa & Carter Reed

Lucy
Beloved dog of Byron Simile
By: Robert, Lisa & Carter Reed

Bean
Sweet and loving Pet Pal of Pat Freytag
By: TPPT Office Staff

Steel
Beloved dog of Lauren Hays
By: Susan Hays

Figaro
Beloved dog of Karole Rocke
By: Susan Hays

Lexi
Previous Pet Pal of Mindy Garwood
By: Mindy & Douglas Garwood

Rhett
Beloved dog of Tiffany Shipp
By: Gerald & Peggy Lively

Augie
Precious Pet Pal of Mike & Tina Lucas
By: TPPT Office Staff

Dusty
Beloved Pet Pal of Ann Paclik
By: TPPT Office Staff

Toby
Precious Pet Pal of Rolinda Carrington
By: TPPT Office Staff

A.J.
Beloved corgi of Dwayne & Doris Ogden
By: Mr. and Mrs. David R. Harlow

Chewey
Beloved dog with a golden smile of Ken Neavel & Family
By: David, Ann and Blue McFarland
Memorials
Donations made in Loving Memory of:

Johnny B. Goode
Beloved Pet Pal of Sue Butler
By: Sue Butler, Mary Horner, Deb Stein and the TPPT Office Staff

Fonz
Beloved Pet Pal of Sue Butler
By: Mary Horner & Sue Butler

Venus
Precious Pet Pal of Brenda & Steve Hampton
By: TPPT Office Staff

Sadie
Beloved Pet Pal of Gail Penny-Chapmon
By: Gail Penny-Chapmon, Bonnie & Len Richard and The TPPT Staff

Millie
Beloved cat of Johnny & Carol Bailey
By: David and JoNell Harlow

Kehlar
Loving companion and ultimate agility dog of Robin & David Visniski
By: Joy Parker

Tyson
Devoted, little companion doggie with A huge heart of Patty Joy Monical
By: Joy Parker

Clancy and Quincy
Precious Pet Pals of Gene Hahn
By: Mary Horner and the TPPT Office Staff

Sophie
Devoted companion of Sandy Hocking
By: Joy Parker

Cinnamon
Beloved Pet Pal of Nancy Dytrich
By: Kristy Schisler

Dexter Jean
Sweet Pet Pal (The Cat!)
By: Harriet Hoffman

Kasey
Sweet Pet Pal of Melba Sanchez
By: The TPPT Office Staff

Donations made in Honor of:

Jennifer Newbill by Alykhan Rehmatullah
Lisa & Robert Reed by Gerald & Peggy Lively
Stephanie Schuster by Susan Scace
Elizabeth Metting by Terry B. Metting
**Therapy Pet Pals of Texas** is blessed by the amazing foundations that have been so generous in their support of our mission and goals! We take pride in listing those who have donated in 2018.

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<td><strong>The ExxonMobil Foundation</strong></td>
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The Shomos Family Foundation has been a special friend of TPPT since 2010. We are thankful for their donation of $2,000. THANK YOU!!

The Terry Family Foundation is a longtime friend to TPPT. We are blessed for their donation of $1,000. THANK YOU!

The Tecumseh Foundation is a dedicated friend to TPPT. We are sincerely grateful for their donation of $1,000. THANK YOU!

The Wynne Foundation has been a loyal friend to TPPT. We are so very thankful for their donation of $1,000. THANK YOU!!

The Robert H. and Anita Q. Lawe Foundation has been a loyal friend to TPPT. We are grateful for their donation of $1,000. THANK YOU!!

The Abbott Foundation of Austin has been a dedicated friend to TPPT. We are grateful for their donation of $500. THANK YOU!

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Office Updates

Welcome Office Volunteers!!

Alyssa Korn

Jane Adams

Kathy Grosch has retired from the TPPT office after many years of devoted service. Kathy will continue to serve on the Board of Directors for TPPT and volunteer with her precious pup, Rosie.

Thank you, Kathy for the support, love and dedication that you provided us for all these years. You will be greatly missed!!

Please welcome Julie Hodges to the TPPT office staff. Julie brings many years of non-profit experience to TPPT. Please drop by the office to meet Julie and her French bulldog, Elvis.

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- For dementia patients, animals can be soothing to those who have difficulty using language.
- Dogs/cats listen without judgment and give unbiased affection.
- Within minutes of petting a dog/cat the brain of the senior begins to produce serotonin ("feel-good" hormone).
- Petting a dog/cat and help reduce depression in our seniors.
- A dog/cat can help with loneliness or isolation of our seniors.

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