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Reading Education Assistance Dogs®:
Our tenth year of unleashing the joys
of books and reading



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Journey & Joshua

Who are Intermountain Therapy Animals?

We are a human service organization, a Utah nonprofit that brings the gift of animal companionship and interaction to people in need. Our mission is to enhance quality of life through the human/animal bond. Our volunteers (people and their own pets) make regular visits to those who are physically or developmentally disabled, emotionally or psychologically impaired, lonely or suffering from depression. All services are free of charge to both client and facility.

ITA therapy animals and their handlers are screened, trained, licensed and insured to participate in animal-assisted interactions (AAI), which may be either animal-assisted activities (AAA) or animal-assisted therapy (AAT). Successful teams have completed both health and temperament screening and volunteer training.

Now nearing our 16th anniversary, we are one of the largest groups of our kind in the United States, with more than 300 volunteer teams doing animal-assisted therapy at more than 100 hospitals, counseling centers, nursing facilities, detention homes, extended care centers, and schools. Chapters of ITA now thrive in Montana, Idaho, Nevada, and Kentucky.

We are also the founders of Reading Education Assistance Dogs® (R.E.A.D.®), a literacy support program to foster in children the love of books and the reading environment. R.E.A.D. has spread throughout the United States and beyond since we launched it in 1999.

Our volunteers participate in therapy visits, training, community education, and important community service. ITA animals, having passed rigorous skills and aptitude tests, are certifiably good-tempered, healthy, safe, stable, predictable, obedient and well-groomed.

Demand for the services of ITA's well-trained animal/handler teams never slows down. In addition to the more than 100 institutions we are currently serving, many more facilities are on our waiting list. All our services are provided at no charge to facilities and patient/clients.

If you would like to schedule a visit from Intermountain Therapy Animals, or become involved with our organization as a volunteer (either with or without your own companion animal), or if you just want more information about us and our work, please contact Executive Director Kathy Klotz at 272-3439. We welcome all who want to lend a helping paw! ♥



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Joshua is seven years old, my middle child, one of four brothers and a little sister. At first glance, you would simply see a gangly, fair-haired, blue-eyed boy who is always asking questions and in constant motion. You would not see an autistic child who could not speak words until he was four years old, who prior to that could communicate by sign language alone.

You would not see an autistic boy who also has cerebral palsy, who would flap his arms and hands uncontrollably at the sight or mere thought of a ceiling fan. You would not see a little boy who lacked empathy or social skills. Instead, you see a smart, curious boy who learned his academics and speech from years of occupational, physical, speech and specialized autism therapies in his home, 25 hours per week, for years through the Early Autism Project.

Joshua could be taught many, many things, but he never learned about emotion or empathy. He never really loved or felt other people's emotions. He appeared "normal" but was missing a piece of the puzzle. He knew what both crying and laughing meant, but really did not care unless they were his own emotions. We did not really know if he would ever develop this part of his soul and, as he got older, we just dismissed the possibility. Until Sandy, one of his therapists, started taking him to read to a dog named Journey.

We knew Josh was not mean to animals as we had pets of our own. He was mostly indifferent, as though they were a piece of furniture or a stuffed animal. But we began to notice a change in Josh. A few weeks after he began reading to Journey, he started petting his own dog and cat. He started talking to them and interacting lovingly with them. He eventually bridged this new awareness even further, into relationships with his siblings and parents. He began caring and asking why the baby was crying or why mom was happy.

He began to care about others. He began to feel empathy.

Reading to Journey gave Josh the last piece of the puzzle to make him whole. It opened up a part of him, deep inside, that even years of therapy and encouragement and human love could not.

The quiet patience of a R.E.A.D.® dog opened a door that we thought was locked forever.

— Ginger Rasmussen, Joshua's mom



From ITA's Board Chair

Dear Friends,

I have been in the proverbial trenches with Intermountain Therapy Animals now for nine years, all that time as a volunteer team with Colonel, my Golden Retriever, and most recently as president of the ITA Board of Directors.

I have been privileged in my life to participate in many great and important causes, and I can say with great passion that none have made such a dramatic and valuable difference in the everyday, real world challenges that people face, as animal-assisted therapies can and do.

People of all ages and socio-economic circumstances receive devastating diagnoses and injuries every day. Future paths must veer sharply, dreams are dashed, and all these events reverberate through a patient's family as well.

Our animals come into these situations with great wisdom and intuition; they are catalysts, motivators, sources of fun and inspiration, and — they pass no judgments. They make healing connections.

Animals the world over inspire these reactions, so work like ours may seem almost mundane or insignificant in the larger scheme of things. But nothing could be less true, because each encounter, one by one, is also unique and of singular benefit. Our therapists tell us over and over, year after year, that the animals inspire cooperation, participation and progress that they cannot otherwise get from their patients.

ITA is struggling, like other charities big and small, to keep providing these crucial services during these challenging economic times. We need your help to survive, to continue helping our patient/clients in over 100 healthcare facilities to heal. Please do all you can to make room for ITA on your budget and your heart. Investing in animal-assisted therapy is a guaranteed Return on Investment—it succeeds every time!

With sincere thanks,

Susan Daynes
ITA Board President



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Roger Williams Performs for ITA at Daynes Music



[ABOVE:] Mr. Williams converses with Sterling Poulson in a live interview for KUTV Channel 2, while Skip Daynes & Colonel look on.

In a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity, ITA was treated to a benefit performance for just 80 guests by legendary pianist Roger Williams. Huge thanks to Skip Daynes, who sponsored, arranged and hosted this special evening in the Daynes Steinway Recital Studio.

Many thanks also to Lynn Jensen of Interwest Transportation for sponsoring the delicious food, and to Pam March of Every Blooming Thing for donating the flowers and decor. Many who were there raved enthusiastically that it was the best event they had ever attended!



Enjoying the party were U.S. Senator Orrin Hatch with [LEFT] Skip Daynes, [CENTER] and Susan Daynes; [RIGHT:] Pam March and Carol Browning.



Rugby Was There

by Catherine Swift

In the spring of 2008, I accepted a teaching position at the University of Central Arkansas, in Conway. My position as Resident Master requires that I live in the freshmen residence hall, where I also teach several classes. The university provided me with a very comfortable apartment and allowed my therapy dog Rugby to live with me and the 216 students. We moved from Texas into the resident apartment in late July and since that time the students in the dorm and around campus have come to know Rugby.

You may have heard about the very tragic event that happened on our campus in the fall of 2008, an experience that left me emotionally exhausted. It took several months before I could compose my thoughts and write about the incident, but in the end it has become a testament to the power of therapy animals.

On Sunday, October 26th, 2008, four non-college gunmen drove by our residence hall and fired six shots into a group of my students. Two were killed, and one visiting young man was injured. This happened about 20 feet from my apartment. I was one of the first to call the university police and assisted with containing the scene until additional police help arrived.

Some of my students were the first responders on the scene and administered CPR, however both students died.

My apartment became a haven for the remaining students throughout the night as police investigators secured the area and began their investigation. Within 24 hours, all four suspects were contained and capitol murder charges have been filed against them.

Our students were, and still are, understandably traumatized as we attempt to return to normal schedules. Counselors were onsite all through that night, and continued to be available for

the grieving students and faculty who knew the young men who lost their lives.

I'm telling this story because the first request of many students throughout the first 48 hours was to see, pet and walk with Rugby. Those who would not talk to counselors came by my office, where Rugby sleeps during the day, to sit with him and, in those intimate moments, would break down and release their grief. During our frequent daily walks, students from the adjoining residence hall, who were also affected, called him by name and told me their personal accounts of that night's tragedy.

Although classes are back on schedule we are being very lenient with the students as the grieving process is still raw and the healing has started. Rugby continues to console them as they attempt to go about their daily routines. Some make a point to stop in the office to scratch him and talk about how their day is going; others bring their classmates by to see the dog that lives in their dorm. Several students knock on the door at odd hours and ask if they can take him out for a walk in the evenings. Rugby patiently looks forward to these encounters with a thump of his tail and a spring in his step. All across campus you can hear shouts of "hey there, Rugby," as the students slowly get back to everyday life at a small southern college.

My first obligation is always to attend to the needs of my students, and so it is with Rugby. In extremely trying circum-



stances, pet-facilitated therapy has once again played a valuable role in attending to the emotional needs of humans. The human-animal bond includes great communicative power along with its other significant benefits.

[ED. NOTE: Catherine Swift is a Doctoral Candidate in Educational Leadership from Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi, who has recently completed her doctoral dissertation on the use of therapy animals in academic settings. She also owns and rides thoroughbred horses.

Rugby is a 95-pound, 7 year-old Australian Shepherd mix, who was a street rescue at 6 months old. He is registered as a Pet Partner® therapy dog with Delta Society, and as a R.E.A.D.® dog.]



The R.E.A.D.® Program

On Saturday afternoon, November 4, 1999, ITA therapy dogs strolled into the Salt Lake City Main Library to listen to children read for the first time anywhere in the United States. Our Reading Education Assistance Dogs® program has now spread worldwide, with more than 2,300 registered volunteer teams participating, and the pawisitive effects on kids who read with dogs have been accruing for almost ten years now.

Here's a classic example of the news we hear every day, in a report from R.E.A.D. associate Jo McGinnis of the Tails with Paws group in Florida:

"We initially had trouble getting local schools to allow R.E.A.D. dogs into the classroom, but we were permitted to do a pilot project this past summer with 12 struggling readers who were repeating kindergarten or first grade, some for the second time. These children read with R.E.A.D. teams for 8 weeks, after which reading scores were analyzed. Results revealed that 11 of the 12 children improved their reading from 1 to 4 grade levels!

"The school also asked both the participating children and their parents to fill out a short survey about their experience with R.E.A.D. Almost all of them mentioned the dogs by name and talked about how much they had helped—but no one mentioned

the handlers! (Hey, we're all used to that.)

"I mentioned to one little boy that my Cocker, Maggie, had brushed her teeth that morning, and I asked him if he had brushed his. He said, 'No, but if Maggie can do it, so can I.'

"The school district was so impressed with the outcome of this pilot that we are now scheduled to meet with them to launch an official program this next school year!"

Join us in celebrating the 10th anniversary of R.E.A.D. on November 14th, 2009!



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Lonnie Lear & Shep

Lonnie was a Vietnam vet and a general contractor with a thriving 20-year business career in California when he was severely injured in a four-car crash in 1997. Life as he had known it was gone forever; he spent nine months in the Brain Injury Recovery Institute in Palo Alto, with doctors continuing to remind him that he “may not walk again.” But he was determined, and proved his doctors wrong.

In 2001 he moved to Bozeman. Prone to seizures and severely depressed, Lonnie’s doctor prescribed a service dog for him, one who could help by predicting his seizures in advance, so Lonnie got Shep as a three-month-old pup in 2004. But curiously, Lonnie’s seizures simply stopped happening before he even began training with Shep for that purpose. He had trained lots of dogs previously, both for himself and others, so he taught Shep to herd horses on the ranch where they lived, and to otherwise blossom into a model doggy citizen.

Then they moved into town. Shep is very popular in the complex they now call home. Lonnie’s 85-year-old neighbor, Virgie, says, “Ask the other tenants who live here and they will tell you Shep is the most loving, well-behaved dog in the county.”

The seizures were gone, but the depression persisted.

And Lonnie felt that something was lacking for Shep, that he needed something more.

One day when he and Shep were leaving from groomer Lisa Pertzborn’s shop, he bent down to retrieve a muddy scrap of colored paper on the sidewalk so he could dispose of it properly. It turned out to be an ITA “Wanted” flyer, soliciting for team volunteers, and something resonated in Lonnie immediately. He called me to learn what it would take to qualify as an ITA therapy team, and registered for the next

workshop and screening.

Like many of our teams, Lonnie and Shep did not pass the team screening on their first try. Lonnie was extremely nervous and distraught, and Shep, finely attuned to Lonnie, picked up on that immediately. In worried confusion, Shep peed during the test. Urinating inappropriately is something Shep had never done before or since, but that



means automatic failure for the team when it happens during testing. (In fact, we regularly remind volunteers about how people’s emotions travel down the leash to their dogs, who then may react in atypical ways.)

Lonnie waited a year and a half to try again, and passed in July 2008 with an exemplary team screening. Thus began their wonderful journey together.

They tried a few facilities here and there, but what Lonnie wanted most was to visit at the Fort Harrison Veterans Administration hospital in Helena. On his own, he talked them into letting him bring Shep to see his fellow Vets. They must travel an hour and 45 minutes each way to get there each week, where they then

spend 2-3 hours with clients.

Lonnie says that after being observed on their first visit, staff and clients “have treated me like a king ever since.”

The vestiges of Lonnie’s traumatic brain injury have made it a challenge for him to communicate easily with others, so he is inclined to be shy and quiet in most situations. But something great happens

when he visits with Shep. He says, “I still have to talk, but everything is focused on Shep, and it’s easier to do with the pressure off me.”

Watching the adoration in Shep’s eyes makes it clear what a strong bond they have together. Shep will wait by Lonnie’s side until he says, “Go say hi,” and then go eagerly to put his head in a client’s lap, or put his paw on the bed, or give a gentle nudge to request petting.

Shep was honored with a volunteer service award on April 29, 2009 at the annual VA banquet — the first canine to be so honored.

Lonnie still has that muddy scrap of paper, considering it the key to turning his life around. He had lost everything—his business, his family, his self-esteem—but partnering with Shep has helped him know that he is “worth something” again, dissipating his deep depression. Lonnie talks about what a joy it is to be with a dog who loves his work and helps people. “Every time a client’s face lights up, it puts a smile on my face, as well.”

Lonnie and Shep are a remarkable team, and we are grateful for all they are doing for our Montana communities as part of ITA. They illustrate yet again how a therapy animal’s presence sends rays of healing and happiness out to everyone who is there.

by Nancy Rosen, ITA Montana Chapter Coordinator

Good News About Animals

Pet Airline Takes Off

Passengers are *not* free to move about the cabin on Pet Airways, a new company devoted to transporting Fido and Tabby around the country in twin-engine Beech 1900 turboprops.

But when it comes to airborne creature comforts, the Delray Beach, Florida-based company claims to have other airlines licked. Its aircraft fly at 25,000 feet without passenger seats, making room for up to 50 dog and cat carriers that are checked every 15 minutes by an attendant.

The plane's setup frees peripatetic pets from riding in cargo holds, something the Humane Society warns could expose animals to temperature extremes, poor ventilation and rough handling by cargo personnel.

Pet Airways operates out of Washington, New York, Denver, Chicago and Los Angeles and is looking to expand to 25 cities over the next two years, says spokeswoman Alyse Tognotti. One-way fares vary from \$149.99 to \$399.99, depending on an animal's size and destination.

For information, go to www.petairways.com.

Yesterday, Toshi and I had wonderful conversations and interactions in the Infusion Center at Huntsman Cancer Hospital. As we were leaving a scholarly, distinguished gentleman approached us (a doctor or maybe a man of the cloth?) and I expected the usual ("What kind of dog is she?" "What does she do?" etc.). Instead he said, "A DOG LIKE THIS SHOWS YOU THE DIVINITY IN THE WORLD" and walked off. I loved that statement and thought about it all day.

— ITA Member Kathy McNulty



Ben Stein on "The Divinity of Dogs"

[From CBS News Sunday Morning.]

Where can we turn for comfort and support in such times as these have been?

Ben Stein believes he has the answer.

My dear friend, the legendary editor, Jim Bellows, died a few weeks ago of Alzheimers at age 86. In addition to being a World War II hero, a brilliant journalist and TV producer, and a great friend, he was a totally devoted animal lover. His last words were, "Where is my dog?"

I think of this because people keep asking me how to get through the recession, how to get through aging, how to get through a divorce. My answer is always the same: Get a dog.

Dogs are our best friends. No matter what the problem in life, dogs are the answer. Did you lose your savings in the crash? Horrible, and join the club. But your dog will love you no matter what. Your dog does not care how much money you have or don't have.

Did you lose your job? Horrible, but that just means you have more time to spend at home with your dog, taking him or her for walks or throwing a ball or playing Frisbee.

Your dog doesn't care if you don't have a fancy title any longer. Your dog doesn't need a master of the big job. He needs a friend.

Divorced? Lonely? Ill? The best medicine is a dog's love.

I wish I could tell you how lonely I was when I moved to New York City many years ago to work at the Wall Street Journal. All I had was my dog, Mary, the Weimaraner. She was the best companion on the planet, and I'm sure I would have lost my mind without her.

I've had ten Weimaraners and German Shorthaired Pointers since then. They're heaven. Dogs are warm, fuzzy, unconditionally loving, devoted, intelligent, empathetic.

I cannot control or foresee the economic future, or any other kind of future. I can only tell you that all of life goes better with dogs. There are millions of them waiting at the pound or kennels near you needing a home. They don't need anything fancy, they just need your love. And you need them.

Take the first step to recovery right now: Get a dog.

[NOTE: To see Stein deliver this sage advice in person, go to:

www.youtube.com/watch?v=1ythp1PmYf8]

"No dog is a savage beast ... unless he happens to belong to a savage beast."

— Archdeacon Hudson Stuck

Parrot Saves Choking Baby

To those who think parrots are only capable of mindless mimicry, here is something that should convince you Willie is certainly no bird brain.

According to CBS-Ch. 4 in Denver, the parrot's owner, Meagan, was babysitting two-year-old Hannah Kuusk when she left the child unsupervised to go to the bathroom. It was then that Hannah started choking on a pop tart, unbeknownst to Meagan.

Recognizing that the child was in distress, Willie began flapping his wings hysterically, squawking, "Mama baby! Mama baby!" alerting Meagan to hurry out of the bathroom. She then performed the Heimlich maneuver on Hannah, who was already turning blue, and saved her life. Meagan says if Willie hadn't made that fuss, she wouldn't have come out of the bathroom in time, and Hannah would surely have suffocated.

"Her eyes met mine . . .

... as she walked down the corridor peering apprehensively into the kennels. I felt her need instantly and knew I had to help her. I wagged my tail, not too exuberantly, so she wouldn't be afraid. As she stopped at my kennel I blocked her view from a little accident I had in the back of my cage. I didn't want her to know that I hadn't been walked today. Sometimes the shelter keepers get too busy and I didn't want her to think poorly of them.

As she read my kennel card I hoped that she wouldn't feel sad about my past. I only have the future to look forward to and want to make a difference in someone's life. She got down on her knees and made little kissy sounds at me. I shoved my shoulder and side of my head up against the bars to comfort her. Gentle fingertips caressed my neck; she was desperate for companionship. A tear fell down her cheek and I raised my paw to assure her that all would be well.

Soon my kennel door opened and her smile was so bright that I instantly jumped into her arms. I would promise to keep her safe. I would promise to always be by her side. I would promise to do everything I could to see that radiant smile and sparkle in her eyes. I was so fortunate that she came down my corridor. So many more are out there who haven't walked the corridors. So many more to be saved. At least I could save one.

I rescued a human today."

— Author Unknown

Garrison Keillor, writing of his observations at the Iowa State Fair:

"... And then I wound up at an open-air brick pavilion for the llama judging. Llamas are gentle, dignified beasts, and here were four of them being shown by teenagers. The animals' military bearing, heads high, their stately gait, their dark soulful eyes— they looked as if they'd walked straight out of Dr. Dolittle, and it was sweet to see them being handled lovingly by teenagers.... According to a poster, they are raised for 'fiber, showing, carting, guardians, and companionship.' One girl stood by her llama and blew gently on its nose, and he looked lovingly into her eyes. A sort of conversation. If every teenager had his or her own llama, this would be a very different country."



*Therapy Dog:
He was hope
in a fur suit,
joy on four paws,
and a song that will
sing through my
heart—and the
hearts of those he
touched—forever.*

(Author unknown)



*If there are no
animals in heaven,
then when I die,
I want to go
where they went.*

(Will Rogers)

Goodbye & Godspeed

DECEASED:

Rosie

Golden Mix partner of
Jaimee O'Brien, SLC

Kegger

German Shepherd partner of
Sam Sampson of Sandy, UT

Grizz

German Shepherd partner of
Polly Reynolds, Park City

Charlie

Undefinable Mix, beloved pet
of Nancy Richards, SLC

Chato

Boston Terrier partner of
Catherine Chamberlain, SLC

Hannah

Samoyed partner of Jan Deal,
Bozeman

Tobie

Golden Retriever partner of
Julia Corbett, SLC

Lucy

German Shepherd partner of
Becky Roeder, Bozeman

Dave Kelso & Casper

Died together in a car crash in
Richland, WA

Meg

Springer Spaniel partner of
Carron Kopren, SLC

Sylvan

Collie partner of Pattie HICKO,
Bozeman

Sasha

Retired partner of Karen Laws,
West Jordan, UT

Kuma

Akita partner of John Douglas,
SLC

Kirby

Golden Retriever partner of
Mark Miller, Park City, UT

Jackson

Golden Retriever partner of
Beth Wolfgram, SLC

Snowball

Great Pyrenees partner of
Marjie Carpenter, SLC

Jon Campbell

Proprietor of DogMode and
great friend to ITA, SLC

McKenna

Golden Retriever partner of
Nancy Shaw, Wanship, UT

Gracie

Black Lab partner of Cathy
Baxter, SLC

Wylie

Bernese Mtn. Dog partner of
Vicky Hall, SLC

Fisher

Black Lab personal therapist to
Twinkle Chisholm, SLC

Gabe

Yellow Lab beloved family pet of
Penny & Sands Brooke, SLC

Annie

Black Lab partner of Stephanie
Magid, SLC

Talus

Whippet partner of Cora
Sullivan of Logan, UT

Ghost

Great Pyrenees partner of
Jaimee O'Brien, SLC

Niki

Border Collie partner of
Michelle Marshall, SLC

Waldo

Basset Hound partner of
Peggy Chudd, SLC

Moses

Great Dane partner of
Judy Freeman, Kaysville, UT

Trapper

Yellow Lab partner of
Jill Honer, Butte, MT

Clair

Netherlands Dwarf rabbit
partner of
Karen Burns, Sandy, UT

Bigger

Golden Retriever partner of
Sally Chambers, Idaho Falls

Kubra

Australian Shepherd partner of
Jackie Riker, Ogden, UT

Lloyd Hudman

ITA Volunteer and partner of
his Pug, Sapphire, Orem, UT

RETIRING:

- Sadie, Golden Retriever partner of
Connie Koenemann of Ogden, UT
- Roxie, Standard Poodle partner of
Brad Hill of Bountiful, UT
- Rita Baden & Natasha, Golden
Retriever, Park City, UT
- Boomer, Border Collie partner of
Darryl Armstrong, SLC
- Karen Everitt and Kensho, White
GSD, Manti, UT
- Sigrid Gentile-Chambers &
Mollie, Bozeman
- Kimberly Linck & Delaney, SLC
- Joan Reid, Hunter & Joy,
Bountiful, UT
- Curly & Pepper, and Barbara &
Jerry Wolfe, Bountiful, UT
- Bart, feline partner of Cindy &
Richard Starley, Boise, ID

Recognition & Memorials

DONATIONS

In MEMORY of . . .

ALL the therapy animals who have passed

Phyllis Reppucci
 Pat Anders
 Judy & Larry Freeman
 Annie, a "Bold Lady" therapy dog
 Stephanie Magid
 Sandy & Sherry
 Bailey, companion of Lynda Miner
 Joan Reid
 Deborah Baldwin Bates
 Susan Daynes
 Baxter, companion of Kathy Hook
 Susan Daynes
 Chato, partner of Catherine Chamberlain
 Karen Meredith
 Elman Ellsworth, Susan Daynes' father
 Kathy Klotz
 Figaro, R.E.A.D. partner of Rich Aronoff
 Sandi Martin
 Kathy Feulner's Jerry Lee & Sybil
 Bush Sales & Manufacturing
 Jackson, partner of Beth Wolfgram
 Beth & Adin Wolfgram
 Wolfgram Family
 Lady, companion of Cinda Gibbs
 Frankie Gibbs
 Debbie Martin
 Sandi Martin
 Elizabeth Shannon
 McKenna, my therapy dog
 Nancy Shaw
 Kyle Moon, son of Bill & Susan
 Phyllis Reppucci
 Niki, my partner
 Michelle Marshall
 Pebbles
 Keiko Jones
 Kathy Klotz
 Sneakers, kitty of the John Hatten Family
 Frankie Gibbs
 Talus
 Cora Sullivan
 Tobie, partner of Julia Corbett
 Camille Pierce
 Waldo
 Peggy & Andy Chudd & The Girls
 Kathy Klotz
 Sandi Martin
 Marge Thomas
 John R. Woods
 James Woods Foundation

Wylie, partner of Vicky Hall
 Erika Banning

In HONOR of . . .

Annie Mae (Nemcik)
 Kathy Sullivan
 Dallas Kirk Black (my great-grandchild) and Kirk
 Thomas May (my son)
 Shirley May May
 Ann Coleman & Buck
 Jane Nettleton
 Susan Daynes & Colonel
 Linda Mulkey
 Norma Disz & Sam
 Patricia & Eugene Campbell
 Tom Lueders
 Kathleen Lueders
 Lisa McBain
 Sara Wright
 Kim McFarland
 Susan & David McFarland
 Annette Migliaccio
 Rocky Mountain Power Foundation
 Jan Nemcik, Annie Mae & Daisy Duke
 Sue Nissen
 Karen & Chuck Petronella
 Donna Olsen & Lucky
 Jaime Hartzell
 KC Owens
 Sandra LeCheminant
 Lisa Towner
 Christine Peterson
 Kellie Peterson
 R.E.A.D. Teams on Whidbey Island, WA
 Paul & Karen Whelan of Kapaws Iskreme
 Becky Roeder
 Barbara Burnard
 Joe Vervaecke & Elliot
 Kevin Conde
 Tiffany White & Simba
 Optumhealth Bank
 Barbara Wolf & Pepper
 Jaime Hartzell

In TRIBUTE to . . .

Philip Benjamin Anderson
 Roberta Mercer
 Nancy Brooks
 Prudential Foundation
 Samantha
 Jackie & Roy Byrd

I WILL STAY IN YOUR HEART,
 AND WHENEVER YOU SPEAK MY NAME,
 I WILL LIVE AND LIVE AND LIVE.
 — the late Ken W. Brewer, former Poet Laureate of Utah

Donors

(cont. from page 8)

IN-KIND DONATIONS

Angela's Catering (wine at the Roger Williams evening)
 Pam March/Every Blooming Thing (flowers for gala centerpieces & Roger Williams evening)
 Sandi Martin (Lladro figurine for R.E.A.D. 10th)
 Christine Miller (linens for Roger Williams evening)
 Mills Publishing (donated ad space in programs, \$1,000+)
 Mountain Express Magazine in Park City (donated ad space, \$2,895)
 The Kids at Primary Children's RTC (office and workshop supplies)
 Steffon and his Blue Light Orchestra (music at the Roger Williams evening)
 Franci Williams (Floral arrangement)
 Williams & Sons Engraving (heart dog tags)
 Amelia Wright & Friends (50 new children's books for the R.E.A.D. program)
 X-Mission (website services)

PAWS IN THE ALLEY 2009

LANE SPONSORS (\$50):

Alexis Butler/The Dog's Meow
 Camp Bow Wow - Sharon Opfermann
 Peg & Andy Chudd
 Peg Chudd's Cleaning Service
 The Dog Lodge
 Karen Duncan (2)
 Pat Hemingway
 Kathy Klotz
 Sandi Martin
 Dan Shaffer/Lookin' Good
 Rockea Stockinger's Family
 Cora Sullivan
 Jose Woodhead

TEAM SPONSORS (\$250):

Alexis Butler/The Dog's Meow
 Coach Mike's Tennis Academy
 Marc Child (2)
 Daynes Music
 The Dog Lodge
 Karen Duncan
 Pat Hemingway
 Lone Peak Veterinary Hospital
 John McHugh
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 Nemelka Family
 Rockea Stockinger's Family
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PRIZE SPONSORS:

Blue Plate Diner
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 Caffè Espresso
 Camp Bow Wow (Sharon Opfermann)
 Cannella's Restaurant
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 Peggy Chudd
 The Dog Lodge
 The Dog's Meow
 Dirty Johnson's Dogwash
 Java Express
 Koyo Japanese Restaurant
 Lookin' Good Salon
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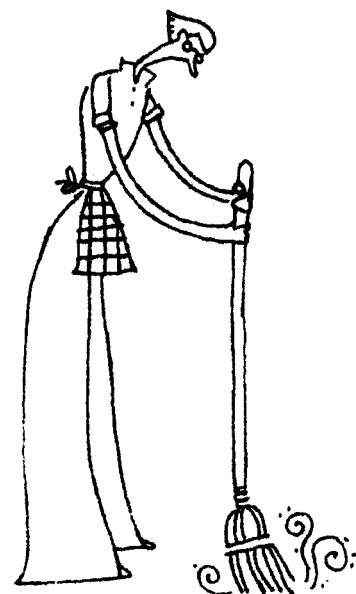
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Steinway
is good therapy, too."*

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The Facilities and Programs We Serve

Intermountain Therapy Animals' volunteers are currently participating in animal-assisted interactions (AAT or AAA), including R.E.A.D. programs, at the following facilities:

UTAH – SALT LAKE AREA

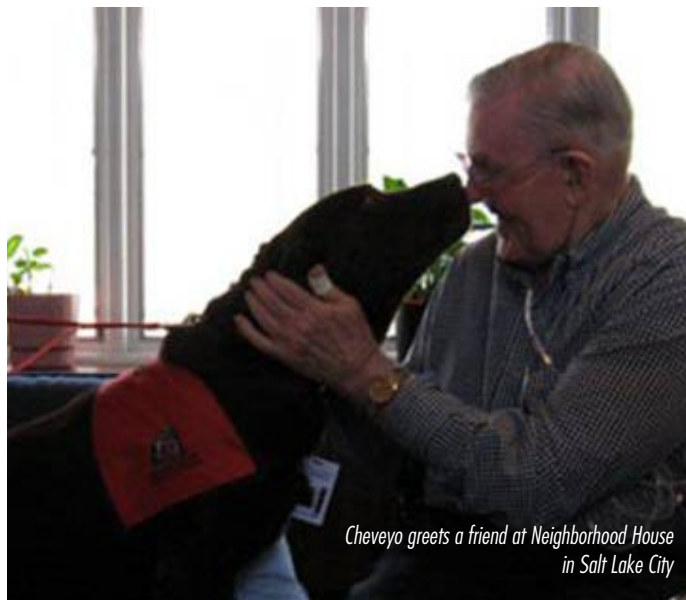
Alta Ridge of Holladay
Alta View Hospital / Sandy
Aspen Ridge Rehabilitation Center (Rehabilitation therapies)
Atria Crosslands / Sandy (Assisted Living)
Benchmark Hospital / Woods Cross (Adolescents in Residential Treatment Program for Drugs and Violence and R.E.A.D. program)
Boys & Girls Clubs of Midvale (R.E.A.D.)
Bluffdale Elementary (R.E.A.D.) / Bluffdale
Canyon Creek Assisted Living / Sandy
Canyon Rim Care Center (short- and long-term care)
Care Source Residence (Hospice care)
Chateau Brickyard / SLC
Christ-Centered School / SLC (R.E.A.D.)
Columbus Community Center / SLC
Garden Terrace / SLC
HealthSouth Rehabilitation Hospital / Sandy (Long-term Rehabilitation)
Heritage Place / Bountiful (Seniors)
Highland Care Center / SLC (Senior Care)
Highland Cove Retirement Community / SLC
Holladay Healthcare
Holy Cross Ministries (R.E.A.D.)
Intermountain Medical Center / Murray
Jackson Elementary / SLC (R.E.A.D.)
Jordan Valley Hospital / West Jordan (Med Surg)
Lakeview Hospital / Bountiful (Senior Psych Unit)
LDS Hospital (IHC) / Rehabilitation Services
Learning Services / Riverton (Adult Males with Longterm Disabilities)
LifePath Hospice
Lone Peak Elementary / Sandy (R.E.A.D.)
Longview Elementary / Murray (R.E.A.D.)
Neighborhood House / SLC (elder daycare)
Observation & Assessment, Boys' Unit / Salt Lake City (Adolescents in juvenile detention)
Observation & Assessment, Girls' Unit / Salt Lake City (Adolescents in juvenile detention)
Pioneer Valley Hospital / WVC
Primary Children's Hospital (IHC) / SLC (Inpatient Rehabilitation Services)
Primary Children's Residential Treatment Center (IHC) / SLC (Children With Emotional and Abuse Issues)
RHA Community Services / SLC
Ronald McDonald House / Salt Lake City
Salt Lake City Libraries / SLC (R.E.A.D.)
Salt Lake County Libraries (R.E.A.D.)
Salt Lake Regional Medical Center / SLC
Sandy Regional Medical Center
Sarah Daft Home / SLC
Shriner's Hospital for Children / Salt Lake City (Children Undergoing Orthopedic Procedures)
South Davis Community Hospital / Bountiful (Long- and Short-term Rehab)
South Valley Sanctuary / West Jordan (Woman & Child Center)
St. Mark's Hospital / Salt Lake City (Rehabilitation Services and Transitional Care)
TURN Community Services / SLC
TURN Community Summer Camps
University of Utah University Hospital (Rehab Services, Burn ICU, MedPsych Unit and Surgical Waiting Room)

University of Utah Neuropsychiatric Institute (Adult and Child Units)
Utah Cancer Specialists / SLC
Utah Guardian Ad Litem's Office / SLC
Utah School for the Deaf & Blind / Connor Street (Children With Multiple Disabilities)
Utah State Prison / Women's Inpatient Unit
Veterans Hospital / Salt Lake City (Rehabilitation/Hospice/Care Center)
Volunteers of America Women & Children's Center / SLC
The Wentworth at Millcreek
Work Activity Center / Midvale

Girls Independent Living / Ogden
Heritage Park Care Center / Roy (Alzheimer's Patients)
Highland Park Elementary / Clearfield (R.E.A.D.)
Holt Elementary School / Clearfield (R.E.A.D.)
Manor Care / Ogden
McKay-Dee Hospital (IHC) / Ogden (Transitional Care, Psychiatric, Oasis Program and Rehabilitation Units)
Mountain Ridge Assisted Living / Ogden
North Ogden Jr. High (R.E.A.D.)
North Park Elementary (R.E.A.D.) / Roy
Red Cross Adult Transition Program / Ogden (R.E.A.D.)
Rocky Mountain Care / Clearfield (Assisted Living)

MONTANA

911 Dispatch
Absarokee Elementary (R.E.A.D.)
Aspen Pointe / Bozeman
Bear Creek Respite / Bozeman
Big Sky Ski Patrol / Big Sky
Big Sky Youth Center / Bozeman
Birchwood Retirement / Bozeman
Bozeman Deaconess Hospital (cancer treatment center, dialysis unit and surgical waiting room)
Bozeman Public Library (R.E.A.D.) / Bozeman
Eagle Mount Camp / Bozeman
Emily Dickinson Elementary (R.E.A.D.) / Bozeman
Epicenter / Bozeman
Frontier Assisted Living / Bozeman
Gallatin City County Health Dept. / Bozeman (immunization clinics for kids)
Gallatin Retirement Home / Bozeman
Hawthorne Elementary School (R.E.A.D.)
High Country Care / Bozeman
Highgate / Bozeman (retirement home)
Morningstar Elementary (R.E.A.D.) / Bozeman
Mountain View Care Center / Bozeman
New Horizons / Livingston
Parkhaven Retirement / Bozeman
REACH Homes for Developmentally Disabled Adults / Bozeman
Springmeadows Assisted Living / Bozeman
Veterans Center Hospital / Helena
Whittier Elementary (R.E.A.D.) / Bozeman



Cheveyo greets a friend at Neighborhood House in Salt Lake City

UTAH – PARK CITY AREA

Jeremy Ranch Elementary (R.E.A.D.)
Parley's Park Elementary (R.E.A.D.)
McPolin Elementary / Park City (R.E.A.D.)
Park City Library (R.E.A.D.)
Rocky Mountain Care Center / Heber
Summit County Library (R.E.A.D.)
Wasatch High School / Heber (Special Education)

Utah Schools for the Deaf & Blind / Harrison Blvd., Ogden (Children with Multiple Disabilities)
Wasatch Care Center / Ogden
Washington Terrace Elementary / Ogden (R.E.A.D.)
Weber County Library / Ogden (R.E.A.D.)
Weber Valley Detention Center / Ogden
Willard Elementary / Willard (R.E.A.D.)

UTAH – OGDEN AREA

Archway Youth Service Center / Ogden
Aspen Behavioral Center / Syracuse
Aspen Care Center / Ogden (Assisted Living)
Behavioral Health Institute / Ogden (Acute Care and Day Treatment)
Canyon View School LIFE Program / Ogden
Christmas Box House (Children in care of state services) / Ogden
Clearfield Elementary (R.E.A.D.)
Coalville Library (R.E.A.D.)
Country Pines Retirement / Ogden
Crestwood Care Center / Ogden
H. Guy Child Elementary (R.E.A.D.) / Ogden
Emeritus Estates Assisted Living / Ogden
The Gardens / Ogden

UTAH – UTAH VALLEY AREA

American Fork Hospital
Center for Change / Orem (Eating disorders)
Courtyard at Jamestown / Provo
Utah Cancer Specialists / Provo
Utah Valley Regional Medical Center / Provo

IDAHO

Bridgeview Estates (long-term care center) / Twin Falls
Canyon View Psychiatric & Addiction Hospital / Twin Falls
Cassia Regional Medical Center / Burley
Eastern Idaho Medical Center (EIRMC)
EIRMC Behavioral Health Center
Hansen Public Library (R.E.A.D.)
Harwood Elementary (R.E.A.D.)
Jefferson Elementary (R.E.A.D.)
Rupert Long Term Care Center / Rupert
Southern Idaho Learning Center / Twin Falls
Twin Falls Public Library (R.E.A.D.)

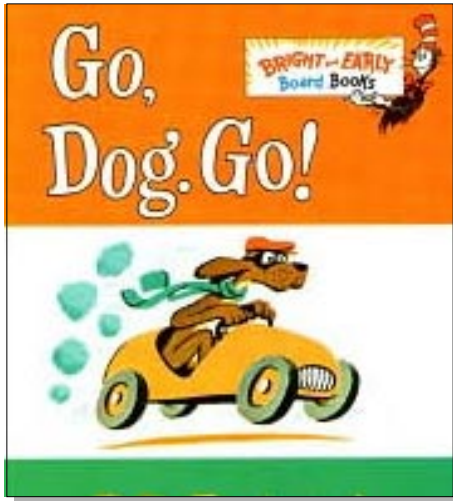
NEVADA/CALIFORNIA

Camp Care, Camp Lotsafun & MDA Camp / Reno
Incline Village Elementary (R.E.A.D.)
Marvin Piccolo School / Reno (R.E.A.D.)
Nevada State Dept. of Corrections / Carson City
Plains Regional Medical Center
Tahoe Forest Hospital / Truckee
Washoe County Public Library (R.E.A.D.) / Incline Village

KENTUCKY/OHIO

Hospice of Hope / Maysville
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