

The Pulse

Stage Stars Among Us



Debbie Lipely and her dog, Cooper participated in the Yavapai College musical “Hello Dolly” starring Toni Tennille. Toni and her dog, Smoky were former PAWS volunteers. Cooper had a short part walking across the stage to the bench where “Dolly” (Toni) was sitting watching dancers on the stage. His favorite part was behind the stage with the cast and crew of over 100 people. Cooper was asked to walk alongside moving curtains, dropping back drops, moving stage props, dancers and list goes on. With patience and practice he accomplished these obstacles with ease. Cooper did what he enjoys, giving love and therapy to everyone he met. That included, Ms. Money, the mannikin who he kept insisting that she pet him and even knocked her arm off - very comical!

Debbie shared that they were complimented often; cast and crew saying that having him around brought a nice level of calm and relaxation to a very busy and stressed cast. Debbie said that this was a “once in a lifetime experience for sure!”

Every PAWS team brings more than smiles and do so much for everyone they meet whether it is at the hospital, on the street, at the Christmas parade, a play, or just walking around!

We are glad that Debbie and Cooper will continue their visits despite their new stardom!!!



Chaplains Enjoy Annual Christmas Breakfast After a Three-year Hiatus

The chaplains enjoyed fellowship, breakfast, and entertainment in early December after a three-year break due to the pandemic. The Prescott High School Chamber choir performed, and we were delighted they could fit us into their busy holiday schedule once again.

Our chaplains provide the spiritual component for our patients, their families, visitors, and staff when called upon, which often is in the middle of the night. Their time and service are greatly appreciated.



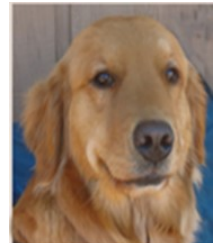
While we already know this...

Just had a conversation with a new volunteer and the reason she pursued involvement was to give back after her Dad received care here and subsequently passed away. In addition to the excellent clinical care he received she shared that both her Mom and her were very impressed with all the volunteers that they had contact with during his several weeks stay. We owe you all a big THANKS for this great referral!



Comments from a patient ...

My husband and I were visited by one of the sweetest dogs I have ever met. Karat was her name. Karat walked over to me and buried her head in my lap. I have witnessed this many times before when we would take Dax, our Collie, to hospitals and nursing homes. At the time I never realized the huge positive impact it had on the families and patients. I neglected to take photos because I had my face buried in her fur crying with a much needed emotional release. I will never again underestimate the power animals have to comfort and to know who needs comfort the most. Thank you, Karat, and thank you to the gentleman on the other end of the leash, Jim.



Your impact with each encounter, each day, does not go unnoticed!



The long awaited new bigger mailcart at the West Campus.

Here is Phyllis Sylvester proudly showing off the new cart.

**Submit Your Nominations
for the 2022
Volunteer of the Year!**

Please see insert
in this newsletter

Additional forms
are available at volunteer
kiosk sign-in locations



Volunteer Uniforms

**Next Quarter's *Exceptions* to our
Uniform Policy**

Thanks to everyone who wore festive apparel
during the month of December!
Do you feel the need for a break
from your new purple uniform?

Here is a list of special occasions for you to
choose something else from your closet while
volunteering:

Super Bowl - February 6 - February 12th



Wear your favorite team's jersey even *if they don't*
make the super bowl

Valentine's Day - February 8 - 14th

Wear pink or red



St. Patrick's Day March 13 - 17th

Wear green



- Save the Date -

**Annual Volunteer
Recognition Celebration**

Friday, April 21st
11:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

The Adult Center
Of Prescott

*Look for Invitations
in March*

****YES, you read that right!***

*We are planning on
celebrating you and all you
have done throughout the
year. For those who have
attended in the past, this is
a new venue, and a
new format.*



AWARDS LIST

Volunteers Awarded During

October, November, December 2022

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| <p><u>100 Hour Pin</u> Rob Adriaanz Joan Bunney Lori Dodson Laura George Kim Greene Bill Johnson Irene Thompson Debbie Lipely Renee Mitchell Michael Mitchell Jim Pessin Sofia Reese Beverlee Stuart-Borok</p> | <p><u>500 Hour Bar</u> Ron Bratton Jim McKie Lorraine Owensby Jo Poulsen Debbie Savoini Karen Schlegel</p> <p><u>850 Hour Bar</u> Per Bjune Alan Jensen Chris McKie</p> <p><u>1000 Hour Bar</u> Mike Andreas Debbie Behrends Gary Jenkins Deirdre Rogers Maria Sancho C'Ann Simpson Michael Willahan</p> <p><u>1500 Hour Bar</u> Jim Van Steelandt</p> <p><u>2000 Hour Bar</u> Tom Bettcher Micki Freshour</p> | <p><u>2500 Hour Bar</u> Susie Case</p> <p><u>3500 Hour Bar</u> Judith Greenwald</p> <p><u>4500 Hour Bar</u> Rob Petrocci Peg Rhodes</p> <p><u>5 Year Pin</u> Debbie Putman Michael Willahan</p> <p><u>10 Year Pin</u> Cathy Conklin Sandy Kukol Bev Turner</p> <p><u>15 Year Pin</u> Maggie Goltra Chuck Matthews</p> <p><u>20 Year Pin</u> Norma Bauer Patti Blackwood</p> <p>Congratulations and Thank You!</p> |
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