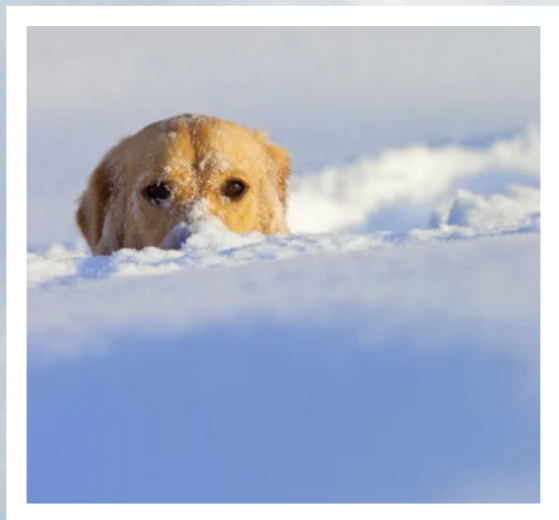


# THE HYDRANT

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# Are you current with ITA?

## Membership Dues:

Individual \$99  
Family \$150

## How to Pay:

Pay online at [therapyanimals.org/ita-members-only/](http://therapyanimals.org/ita-members-only/)  
OR call the office with a credit card (801-272-3439),  
request a PayPal invoice, or send a check to  
PO Box 17201, SLC, UT 84117

## Update your Contact Information:

If your contact info remains the same, you can simply make your payment. If any of your contact info has changed, please let us know by responding to this email or you can use the membership renewal application on our website (using the link above).

*If you are not planning on renewing your membership, please let us know so that we don't send more notices.*

## ITA Normal Office Hours:

Monday ~ Thursday, 9 am to 5 pm

(Fridays - CLOSED)

# Service Opportunities ~ ITAVOLUNTEERS.COM

Stop by the office anytime to claim your very own refrigerator magnet to remind you where to search for ITA service opportunities!



# OUR APPRECIATION for YOU

On behalf of the ITA staff and board of directors, once more I want to tell you how much we appreciate not only the magnificent work you do as our therapy team volunteers, but also for your significant “extra”—your financial contributions to the organization. In 2025 you gave more than \$60,000 (beyond your membership dues) to our coffers. We literally, absolutely, could not keep going without your help.

You’ve probably heard me say that it’s understandable why our members are so generous to our organization, because you are the ones who get to live the experience of the power of the human-animal bond and the miraculous things that our animals inspire every time you go out with them. We act in an endeavor in which the benefits are not always obvious to those who haven’t had an experience themselves. But that fact just makes your generosity more precious to us.

Here is a quintessential example of the kinds of things you say to us, from Linda Overstreet, in Billings, Montana:

*Enclosed is a donation for Giving Tuesday.*

*I get so much enjoyment with my dog when I go on visits. ITA is a great organization and I’m proud to be a member and a Team Evaluator. Thank you for all you do.*

*Sincerely, Linda*

Endless thanks to YOU, for all you do, and for all you give. On to ITA’s 33rd year!

~ Kathy Klotz





# NEW TEAMS

We are delighted to welcome 19 new teams to ITA as we begin our 33rd year! Happy New Year to all of us in ITA!



**Dan Baker & Sloan**  
(Kaysville, UT)

**Alison Engleson  
& Reggie**  
(Park City, UT)



**Kimber Barrus  
& AnaKat**  
(Holladay UT)

**Spencer Engleson  
& Reggie**  
(Park City, UT)



**Missy Berkel  
& Winston**  
(SLC, UT)



**Genevieve Davy  
& Izzy**  
(Kamas, UT)

**Kevin Geoghegan  
& Homer**  
(Murray, UT)



**Helen Hebbeler  
& Augur**  
(Whitefish, MT)

