



January 2018

Dear Friend of the Foundation,

Forty years ago, the Foundation was founded by a group of veterinarians who had a vision to care for animals, provide free education programming for the pet-owning public and lend support the veterinary profession for both current professionals and aspiring students. Since its establishment as the 501(c)3 charitable and philanthropic non-profit organizational arm of the Texas Veterinary Medical Association in 1978, TVMF has worked tirelessly to develop robust program offerings that give life to our mission to care for animals, serve the pet owning community of Texas, and advance the veterinary profession.

40 years of commitment. 40 years of service. 40 years of impact.

This milestone is thanks to generous supporters like you. Thank you for believing in our mission and lending your talents, time and treasures to ensure a vision that was seeded nearly four decades ago continues to flourish, grow and impact animals and people alike.

On behalf of the Board of Trustees and the people and animals served through one or more of our programs, please consider donating an in-kind donation to the Texas Veterinary Medical Foundation (TVMF) Annual Auction. Veterinarians and members of the animal-loving public are an integral part of TVMF's three-pronged mission, which is directly supported through proceeds of the Foundation's annual auction at the Texas Veterinary Medical Association Annual Conference. These donations help provide valuable resources to advance the science and practice of veterinary medicine to improve animal and human health. With your help, animals, pet owners and veterinary students and professionals will continue to benefit from programs like the Pets Assisting the Lives of Seniors (PALS) Program, Rusk Veterinary Assistance Grants, and scholarships and emergency financial assistance for veterinary students.

Once again, the Texas Veterinary Medical Association Annual Conference will host hundreds of veterinarians from across the state Friday, March 2, 2018 through Sunday, March 4, 2018 in The Woodlands, TX at the Woodlands Waterway Marriott Hotel & Convention Center. Proceeds from TVMF's 40th Anniversary on-line silent auction directly impact the Foundation's mission and programs. Your contribution of a tax-deductible donation of a product or service for the "Rainer Crüe 80s Celebration" Silent Auction on Saturday, March 3, 2018 is greatly appreciated. Thank you for your support!

If you have any questions, please contact the Foundation office at 512-452-4224.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Chad Harris, DVM".

Chad Harris, DVM
Board President

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Leah Ann Tibbitts".

Leah Ann Tibbitts
Director

Annual TVMF Silent Auction
Saturday, March 3, 2018 · 6:30 to 10:00 p.m.
Woodlands Waterway Marriott Hotel & Convention Center – The Woodlands, TX
Please return via email or fax to Leah Ann Tibbitts (ltibbitts@tvma.org) or fax to 512-452-6633

Donor Name: _____

Company Name: _____

Address: _____

Telephone: _____ **Fax:** _____

Email Address: _____

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Silent Auction Donation(s)

Description:

Auction Donation Monetary Value: _____

- Auction items should be sent to Leah Ann Tibbitts at the Texas Veterinary Medical Foundation, 8104 Exchange Dr., Austin, TX 78754. For items too large to mail, please call Leah Ann at 512-452-4224 to make other arrangements. In order for your organization to receive proper recognition in promotional materials, this information must be received **on or before Friday, February 23, 2018**. In addition, a formal thank you, listing all auction donors will be displayed on the TVMF silent auction website as well as TVMF website and published in the June issue of the *Texas Veterinarian*, the official publication of the Texas Veterinary Medical Association.
- **SOME AUCTION ITEM IDEAS:** Famous theme baskets, artwork, sports equipment, toys, jewelry, trips with airfare, restaurant gift certificates, overnight accommodations, rounds of golf, antiques, autographed “anything”, company logo items, children’s paraphernalia, hot air balloon ride, fantasy weekend, palm pilot, golf packages, parachute jump, gym membership, teddy bears, creative association baskets, limo service, season passes, wine, Sporting Event tickets, discount certificates for car rentals or shuttle service,

_____ **(Please Initial)** TVMF reserves the right to merchandise or pair individual donations in order to offer “packaged” items and attract competitive bidding.

AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE: _____ **DATE:** _____