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## Hero Dog Edition



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### Upcoming events

Wednesday, October 24, 2018  
**American Humane Hero Dog Awards**  
The Hallmark Channel  
8:00 pm Eastern / 7:00 pm Central

Wednesday, December 19, 2018  
**Pre-Gala Reception**  
Hosted by Jan and Chip Malley  
at the Club Colette  
By Invitation

Friday, January 4, 2019  
**LIFE's 25th Silver Jubilee Lady in Red Gala**  
The Breakers, Palm Beach  
6:00 PM

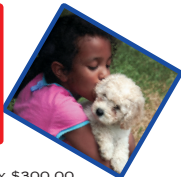


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Dear Friends,

When some people hear the name Chi Chi, they might remember the legendary golfer whose last name was Rodriguez and who was the first person of Puerto Rican heritage to be enshrined in the Golf Hall of Fame. Others may recall the longtime fast food restaurant chain known for its tacos and burritos. And still others may think of pretty dresses from the London company of that name.

But now and forevermore, I will always remember Chi Chi as the name of the American Humane 2018 Hero Dog of the Year. I recently had the pleasure of traveling to LA for the Annual American Humane Hero Dog Awards and meeting this truly miraculous canine in person. And when you read her story, you will never forget her either.

Chi Chi is a four-year-old Golden Retriever now living in Phoenix, Arizona. But she began her life in South Korea, where she was found left for dead in a garbage bag with her legs bound, worn to the bone, and already necrotized. The only way to save her life was to amputate portions of all four of her legs.

When Chi Chi first arrived at her new home in the U.S., she was afraid of people, but with time and a lot of love, she realized that she is now safe, and no one will ever hurt her again. She decided to trust people again. In fact, she quickly adapted to her first set of custom prosthetics and now loves spending her days as a certified therapy dog, sharing her joy and cheerful demeanor with people of all ages. Imagine that - a quadruple amputee who is inspiring people all over the world!

Recently, Chi Chi had surgery to remove cancerous tumors, so she is a “double survivor” - first of extreme abuse and now of cancer. And she continues to inspire people with her courage, perseverance, ability to overcome adversity and her never-give-up attitude. She exemplifies resilience and forgiveness, and openly shares her love and compassion in abundance. Her sweet-tempered and gentle spirit opens people’s hearts and her perceptive spirit senses where her love is needed.

When people hear Chi Chi’s story and experience her attitude of joy, they are often inspired to face their challenges with renewed courage and a fresh perspective. She brings joy everywhere she goes and her optimism and smile spreads quickly to others. She positively impacts thousands of people all over the world via her online therapy work through her social media account.

It is an honor and privilege for me to have met Chi Chi at the Hero Dog Awards, just as it is an honor and privilege for me to support this global effort to recognize the best of our “best friends,” which is why I have been the presenting sponsor of the Awards for eight years. From those who defend our country to those who help us heal, guide us, protect us, and help find the lost, every single contender exemplifies the courage and heroism we seek to spotlight.

Through this national forum we have helped educate America about the lifesaving, life-affirming work of our nation’s canine heroes. For the eighth year The Lois Pope LIFE Foundation, Inc. will host the national broadcast of the Hero Dog Awards on the Hallmark Channel October 24th at 8 pm Eastern Time / 7 pm Central Time. I hope you will tune in to see Chi Chi and all the other extraordinary hero dogs that were honored on this incredible evening.

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