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## **Puppy Love Edition**



Dear Friends,

Great news! World-famous singersongwriter Paul Anka, and America's Queen of Comedy, Rita Rudner, will light up the stage at LIFE'S 29th Lady in Red, on March 26, 2023.

Mr. Anka is famous for penning such top hits as "My Way," "Put Your Head on My Shoulder," Lonely Boy," You're Having My Baby," and Puppy Love." He has performed with music legends Frank Sinatra, Buddy Holly, Connie Francis, Michael Jackson, Celine Dion, Tom Jones, and Elvis, among many other global superstars. Having Paul Anka headline our Lady in Red Gala will be like watching a concert with some of the world's greatest entertainers on one stage!

Also, back by popular demand, will be the always side-splitting, hilarious Rita Rudner. I think we may all still be laughing from her one-liners about fashion, marriage, and even the pandemic at this year's gala!



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Save the Date

Sunday, March 26, 2023
The Breakers Palm Beach

Now while Paul Anka was crooning about a teenager's first romantic crush, "Puppy Love," has a very different meaning to all of us at LIFE – our Board members, donors, partners, and supporters. Indeed, through our long and fruitful relationship with American Humane, we have time and time again demonstrated our own kind of "Puppy Love." The American Hero Dog Awards, the Red Star Emergency Services, and the Lois Pope Center for Military Affairs are just three sterling examples of our passion and compassion for our four-legged friends.

Of course, most recently, our commitment to our beloved canines has been magnificently actualized through Pups4Patriots, the highly successful and urgently necessary endeavor run by American Humane that takes dogs primarily from shelters, some of whom may otherwise have been euthanized, and provides them with months of special training to become certified service and therapy dogs. Then they are given free of charge to military veterans suffering from Post-Traumatic Stress, Traumatic Brain Injury, and other disabling invisible wounds of war.

I am personally sponsoring one such dog, a beautiful Black Labrador named Liberty Belle, which is very appropriate for me as a native of Philadelphia, home to the historic Liberty Bell. Pups4Patriots has been one of the two main beneficiaries of our annual Lady in Red Gala the past few years. The other, as you know, is the Lois' Food4Kids program at the Palm Beach County Food Bank, which provides healthy and nutritious meals to foodinsecure children throughout the county when they are not in school—on weekends, holidays, and during the summer. Through our efforts, nearly 450,000 meals have already been distributed.

I'm pleased to announce that both these essential programs will be supported once again at next year's 29th Annual Lady in Red on Sunday, March 26, 2023, at The Breakers. It's never too early to reserve a table or sign as a sponsor. After all, this past year's affair sold out very quickly! Just call the office at 561-582-8083 or email me at life@life-edu.org to make your reservations.

Wishing all of you a sensational summer filled with peace, love, laughter, and good health.





**Liberty Belle-Service Dog in Training**