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Rita's Participates in the Walk to Make Alzheimer's a Memory

By Jason Shrum, Community Relations Director

On Saturday, April 18, staff from Rita's Care at Home walked to raise money for Alzheimer's Tennessee at The Park at Harlinsdale Farm in Franklin, TN.

The day kicked off with line dancing and music from Billy Tarkington & Bonafide Outlaw and was packed full of activities throughout the event. There was a highly successful Cake Walk that helped earn more money for the cause and literally let people have their cake and eat it too.

Rita's Care At Home sponsored Bonnie the Mini Horse who roamed the grounds, much to the delight of all who attended. Our very own Miss Stevie Licks was also present to lead the way as the official Pet Mascot of Alzheimer's Tennessee. Stevie was surrounded by many of her furry dog friends, as well as a few sheep. A fantastic array of food trucks were also on site to provide delicious bites to keep the energy high despite some bad weather.

Alzheimer's Tennessee Regional Director Cheryl Blanchard said of the event: "The weather is an apt metaphor for dealing with this disease – sometimes it's clear and fair going, other times stormy, but when we come together we can enjoy the good and help each other through the challenges."

There is still time to surpass last year's total of over $80,000 so go to the website at **www.alztennessee.org** and GIVE NOW. The goal this year is to collect $90,000 in funds for families in need.



Team Stevie Licks, sponsored by Rita's Care at Home.



Employee Spotlight: Allie Pickard

Allie loves to read and play video games with her husband. She also loves to spend time with her animals: two dogs, two cats and a bearded dragon.

"I love working for Rita's Care at Home," says Allie. "Since I have worked with Rita's I have met some new and amazing people."

Allie is great with our clients and always shows up, going above and beyond.

Thank you, Allie, for the care and compassion you bring to our clients – we are so glad you are with us!