

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 26



SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 26, 2026

2026 Walk Champion

ROB DUVAL & SYBIL

Sybil joined our family in December 2023 when she was four years old. Her calm, gentle nature quickly stood out, and our trainer encouraged us to explore therapy animal volunteering with Pet Partners.

After eight months of training and completing our team evaluation, Sybil and I became a registered Pet Partners therapy animal team. Since then, volunteering together has become an important part of our lives.

Every Friday, Sybil and I visit patients at a psychiatric hospital, where many people are separated from their loved ones for extended periods. In just two years, we have volunteered nearly 200 hours and connected with hundreds of patients, families, and staff.

Sybil has become something of a canine celebrity during our visits. Her favorite way to connect is simple: curling up in someone's lap and settling in for plenty of pets.

Our volunteer work has also taken us to Pride festivals, school events for children with special needs, and dog adoption events. We are grateful to be part of Pet Partners of Fairfield County, where dedicated volunteers help recruit, register, and support therapy animal teams throughout our community.

On September 26, Sybil and I will join thousands of people around the world for the World's Largest Pet Walk. This year, we are especially honored to serve as Pet Partners' 2026 Walk Champions.

We are proud to walk in support of Pet Partners and help raise awareness of the comfort and connection that therapy animal teams bring to communities across the country. Every person who walks, shares their story, or supports the event helps Pet Partners reach more people through meaningful therapy animal visits.

Sybil and I hope you'll join us for the World's Largest Pet Walk, wherever you are. We can't wait to walk alongside this incredible community.



SIGN UP AT [PETPARTNERS.ORG/WLPW](https://petpartners.org/WLPW)