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**Butterfly Luncheon fills hearts with laughter, resilience
Houston Hospice's 20th annual event shines light on compassionate care in the community**

HOUSTON, TX - Over 120 guests gathered at the Junior League of Houston on Monday, April 19, in support of Houston Hospice and its Butterfly Program for pediatric hospice patients. The hybrid event was held in-person and virtually, as several other supporters tuned in to watch the live-streaming event. Butterfly Luncheon Chairmen **Terrell and Abbott Sprague** were thrilled with the over \$180,000 raised.

Lisa Malosky emceed the day commenting that the funds raised from the event are important to those seeking hospice care in the community. The featured speaker was local best-selling author **Katherine Center**, with her new novel *What You Wish For*. She emphasized the importance of finding the glimmer of hope to move forward, even in the midst of adversity, to which guests gave her a heartfelt round of applause.

Houston Hospice provides uncompromising, compassionate end-of-life care for patients and their families. The Butterfly Program, which was developed in 1996, is recognized as a national leader for the advancement of pediatric hospice care.

Seen in the crowd: **President & CEO Rana McClelland, Rich Walton, Dr. Michele Sabino, Dr. Paul Mansfield, Vice President of Development Aida Matic, Sue White, Board of Directors Chairman Joyce Salhoot, Isabel Lummis and OTHER NAMES**



Pictured from left: Houston Hospice Butterfly Luncheon Emcee Lisa Malosky and Chairmen Abbott and Terrell Sprague during the 20th Annual Butterfly Luncheon benefiting Houston Hospice and its Butterfly Program for pediatric hospice patients.

Founded in 1980, Houston Hospice is celebrating 41 years of providing uncompromising, compassionate, end-of-life care to patients and families in the community. We are the oldest, largest, independent, nonprofit hospice in Greater Houston and a member of the Texas Medical Center. Thanks to the generous, unwavering support of corporate and private sponsors, Houston Hospice continues to serve Texans from all socio-economic groups irrespective of a person's ethnicity, beliefs, or insurance status.

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