

Debra Farrington, Owner of Debra Farrington's Petsitting Etc. of Hershey, PA has been named the 2011 Business of the Year Award winner



Debra Farrington began her pet sitting business in 2007 while working for a local veterinary practice. After only a few months the demand of the business forced her to choose between the two, and she decided to become a fulltime pet sitter.

She joined NAPPS only a month after starting her business, and has found the information sharing and contacts absolutely invaluable. “Without all the resources on the website, the information sharing in NAPPSChat, and the personal mentoring of others who had been in the business for many years, my business wouldn’t have taken off as it did,” Debra says. She received the NAPPS Certification in 2008, chaired the Presents 4 Pets committee that same year, and continues to assist with various committee assignments.

Debra came to pet sitting after managing bookstores and a publishing house for 25 years, so she brings a strong business background, along with her love of animals. She is the author of eight books, and has written for many magazines and journals, including Professional Pet Sitting. Debra lives in Hershey, PA with her husband, who joined her in the business full time in 2009, and their seven cats and two dogs.