Give the greatest gift of all

With record numbers of kittens dropped off, fostering and adopting is the best gift you can give this season.

Cover kittens: Rocket and Hope
State of the Shelter by Diane Less

If there was one phrase to describe our current state it would probably be “experiencing growing pains!” Angels just keeps doing more and more. I don’t think that the public realizes the amazing resource it has in its midst.

This year we will probably “lay hands” on over 20,000 animals! We have more than doubled our vet services. We have two full-time spay/neuter surgeons; Dr. Lewis and Dr. Tracht. We have two doctors six days a week for well pets, sick and euthanasia appointments. Dr. Nokes works five days a week – Tuesday through Saturday. Dr. Mike Sabozi covers Monday appointments and is the Dean of the RVT program with Eastern Gateway College. Dr. Kotouch sees patients on Monday, Tuesday and Thursday. She will be full-time when we move our medical services to the new “Wing.” Dr. Parker DeWitt (who was our first veterinarian from 2002-2004) has rejoined us to cover appointments on Wednesday, Friday and Saturday. Dr. Jaegersen is usually there on Thursday and Friday to do dentals and ultrasounds. That’s a staff of seven vets!

It is a real balancing act to retain these wonderful doctors, keep them busy, serve our clients and squeeze this all into a building we outgrew over ten years ago! Even though it will be a permanent home. “Service” for all the owned pets to achieve a better life for them. “Saving” the helpless, unowned pets so that they can be loved and cherished in our community!

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A TASTEFUL EVENT

Every November, Angels for Animals puts on our Wine Taste. It’s a wonderful yearly event and this year was no exception. We had an Italian themed party with great food by Dr. Mark McMurray and great music by Stan Miller Jazz, who both generously donated their time and energy for this event. We had ornate candle sticks, candelabras and fantasy hand painted pumpkins as part of the decorations. We also had a 50/50 raffle, a wonderful basket raffle and a wine pull to add to the enjoyment of the evening. So many people came together and donated their time, baskets, and bottles of wine for our wine pull. It was one of our most successful and elegant fundraisers of the year! If you have never been to our Wine Taste, make plans to come in 2020! It just gets better every year!

Estate Sale Update

The estate sale for retired educator, Regina Jenkins, brought fond memories to those who loved and admired her generosity and dedication to the cats and kittens of Angels. She will be remembered for her many years of volunteering to clean and organize the cat wing as well as her dedication to her church. The sale, which was held at Andrews Hall in September, was Regina’s final way of showing her support to both her church and Angels for Animals. Volunteers of St. James Episcopal church and the Angels estate sale committee spent many days packing, moving and displaying Regina’s abundant household items in Andrews Hall. Her collection of small animal figurines filled several tables alone. All proceeds from the sale of Regina’s household goods, car and condominium went to her estate and will be divided equally between the church and Angels for Animals. Regina Jenkins was truly an “Angel” who loved teaching, traveling and volunteering.

Mission Statement

Angels for Animals believes that animals, as living creatures, have value beyond economic measure. Our mission is to educate the people of our community about pet overpopulation and regular veterinary care for pets; cultivate an awareness and responsibility toward the needs of companion animals; provide for the well-being of our community’s animals that are abandoned or otherwise in need; and instill respect for and appreciation of all living things.
Shocking isn’t it? Heartbreaking and totally unnecessary. When I came to work for Angels for Animals, I can honestly say that I had no idea how out of control the cat population in our area and surrounding areas truly were.

I began as the feline manager on January 2, 2019, a supposed “slow” intake time of the year...but that didn’t turn out to be the case. Every month it became abundantly clear that every month the number of cats surrendered were escalating and the numbers were worse every month. Kitten season had not even started and the winter months were record breaking!

Toward the end of April we soon began to see the first of the female cats and her kittens arrive. Those numbers surrendered per day were driving daily intake numbers to an average of 25 to 30 some days. On one day alone, 60 cats or kittens were brought to us! How can this be possible? Why and how could this have been prevented?

The answer is simple...SPAY AND NEUTER! We are a shelter that offers not only medical wellness, but also our main focus is to stop the unwanted litters of kittens born with no homes. Spaying and neutering LITERALLY saves lives.

Many people bring these cats and kittens with the reasoning “it is not their cat” because they were “dropped off” on their property. They felt sorry for them and decided to put out food and water and even provide shelters for them. We applaud them for caring enough to provide care for them, but it is not enough. When that decision is made, that cat needs to be spayed or neutered! Why? Because that “one” cat, within 65 days, will impregnate or be giving birth to one to three litters and water and even provide shelters for them. We applaud them for caring enough to provide care for them, but it is not enough. When that decision is made, that cat needs to be spayed or neutered! Why? Because that “one” cat, within 65 days, will impregnate or be giving birth to one to three litters and

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We are constantly reaching out to fosters to take these cats into their homes until they can be brought back to the shelter adoption floor. Since April we have had no less than 500 in foster care in any month and even reached 612 in foster homes in August! Our foster people have loved, nursed back to health and done everything right by these beautiful and innocent souls. Some were too sick and unfortunately didn’t make it. Our fosters take on the task of caring for them, but the heartbreak is realizing that they did everything right, but sometimes nature and outside elements work against all.

We are trying to save lives. We are frustrated and heartbroken everywhere...but we need to get this message out there. We need people to spay and neuter their pets, and especially their strays before they have that first litter!

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Help us build the Angel Wing and we can save every adoptable pet!

- Increased animal holding space so no animal has to be turned away
- Full-service extended hours veterinary facility, so that all animals can get affordable care when they need it – goal to be 24/7
- Increased Spay and Neuter Capacity: Currently 10,000 per year – goal to be 25,000 per year
- Additional animal services: grooming, dog obedience, private euthanasia rooms, animal chiropractic

Buy a square foot for $200 or show your support with one of the many naming opportunities available! All donors, contributing $200 or more, will have their name displayed in the new facility. Contact Diane at (330) 502-5352 or donate at angelsforanimals.org. Be sure to specify gift is for Angel Wing.

OMG! This is the usual reaction of the tour participants when they see the interior of the new Angel Wing. This is what is said: the building looks great from the outside, but the inside is a huge surprise!

If you take a tour of the Wing with Diane, this is what you can expect. You enter at the junction of the new and current buildings. This will be the room where all employees and volunteers will enter from their new parking lot behind the buildings. Shelter staff will go to the right, medical staff to the left. Entering the Wing, you come to the umbilicus – the connector hall – where there are four offices on the left, a volunteer and staff lunchroom and a doctor’s on-call room. A meeting room is on the right. The wall in this hall will display the names of donors who have given $200 or more to the construction of the Wing.

You enter into the main lobby of the vet clinic where the large reception desk is in the center, flanked by three exam rooms to the left and two exam rooms to the right. The south wall has dogs waiting on the left, with a restroom and customer lounge. On the right is the cat waiting area and restroom. As you start around the bend, our cremation urn showroom is in the sunny corner space. As you head north you see the private entrance for owner’s pet euthanasia. There are two private comfort rooms so pet owners do not have to go through the main lobby during this difficult time.

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Inside the Angel Wing by Diane Less

Angel Wing tours are given by Diane every Saturday at 1 p.m. and also by appointment.

The third part of the facility is the animal surrender lobby. With the new procedure, all pets will start in the northeast corner lobby. From there cats will go into one of the eight feline holding rooms on the east side of the Wing. Dogs will make their way to one of our 31 dog holding runs on the west side. We also have a garage! You have to see it to believe it...there is nothing like this anywhere!

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Sponsor a square foot for the new Angel Wing and multiply the ways we care for all animals in the future.

Just fill out the information below and send it in an envelope addressed to Angels for Animals, 4750 W. South Range Road, Canfield, OH 44406.

I would like to sponsor _______ square feet of Angel Wing @$200 per square foot for a total of $_________.

I would like to pay
[ ] now
[ ] monthly in payments of $_________.
[ ] quarterly in payments of $_________.
[ ] annually in payments of $_________.

NAME ________________________________________________________________
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Despite fixing over 70,000 cats since 2006, over 50 cats per week are still abandoned at Angels. This is why we need Angel Wing! We want to save as many cats as we possibly can.
Angels for Animals is proud to recognize and thank all of our wonderful fosters who devote their time, love, and energy to helping kittens and cats find forever homes.

We could not do what we do without the support of our fosters. Your hard work and dedication to the well-being of the animals in our care is invaluable. You have made a difference in the lives of countless kittens and cats. Thank you for your tireless efforts to help make our community a safer and more loving place for our feline friends.

You are their lifeline, their guide, their protector. You are their guardians, their warriors! You gave medications, kept them warm, fed them, and made them safe. You didn’t have to do any of these things, but you did.

You didn’t have to say yes, but you did. You didn’t have to make a room just for me, but you did. You didn’t have to get up every two hours and bottle feed me, but you did. You didn’t have to stay awake all night to make sure I was going to make it, but you did.

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You wouldn’t consider yourself a hero, but you are. You gave your time for appointments and kept them safe and warm, and most of all, your love for kittens and cats. You gave so many of them safe harbor this kitten season. Some of you were past fosters, some were new. Each litter or single kitten came with its own unique challenges. Some of them were new, some were shy, some were sickly, and some were wild. Each one of them had their own needs and personalities – the shy ones, the wild ones, the sickly ones and the ones who were not the easiest to care for. You all rose to the occasion and exceeded our expectations. You worked hard in building their trust, providing them with medical care, and ensuring that they had a loving and safe environment.

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A Poem for our Fosters
by Sherry Bankey, Cat Wing Manager
This is a poem that I wrote a few years ago. I want to personally thank our fosters for your time, your tears, your smiles and, most of all, your love for kittens and cats. You gave so many of them safe harbor this kitten season. Some of you were past fosters, some were new. Each litter or single kitten came with everything going against them. While some kittens were healthy at the beginning of their foster care, some developed upper respiratory issues, eye infections, ringworm and worse, such as viral pneumonia or feline leukemia syndrome.

You are their guardians, their warriors! You gave medications, kept them safe and warm, and most of all, love. In a world where they are the unwanted and forgotten, you were their sanctuary. You gave your time for appointments and kept their space clean and inviting. Your families made them feel part of a home, an extended family. You worked hard in building their personalities – the shy ones, the wild ones, the sickly ones and more. You created an atmosphere that allowed them to blossom and become adoptable loving pets.

We are honored to tell everyone we can that you are all the best fosters! Your personal care, love, and dedication to the well-being of the animals in our care is invaluable. You have made a difference in the lives of countless kittens and cats. Thank you for your tireless efforts to help make our community a safer and more loving place for our feline friends.

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by Sherry Bankey
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Planned Giving – What’s New? by Janet Flynn

It’s never too soon to make your end-of-the-year giving plans. There are many ways to donate to Angels for Animals. Some might benefit you through tax savings and others are new digital donation ideas.

Naming Angels for Animals in Your Will
Over the years Angels for Animals has been very fortunate to be the recipient of bequests from long-time volunteers, donors and animal lovers. As you tour the Angel Wing you’ll notice the names of people who were forward thinking enough to leave a gift to be used for the future medical building expansion. These wonderful people paved the way for the beginning of the Angel Wing project by committing funds from their estates to be used by Angels for specific rooms or buildings. You too can be a part of this exciting future by naming Angels for Animals in your will. Please contact your estate planner or Diane Less at 330-502-5352 to learn more about a gift to benefit the future of Angels.

Gifts of Property and Real Estate
In some situations Angels for Animals is able to accept gifts of personal property such as collectible items, jewelry, coins, artwork, vehicles and residential or commercial property. You can choose to designate your gift of residential property now and continue to live in it for your lifetime. Please contact Diane Less at 330-502-5352 to learn more about leaving a gift to benefit the future of Angels.

Alternative Ways of Giving – What’s New? by Janet Flynn

Facebook Birthday Fundraiser
If you are one of the 170,000 Angels Facebook followers you may have noticed many people setting up Facebook Birthday Fundraisers. This is an easy and fun way to invite your friends and family to make a gift in honor of your birthday or other special event directly to Angels for Animals. Instructions for the easy set up are on Facebook and no fees are deducted. Facebook Fundraisers can also be set up as Christmas Gift Fundraisers or Wedding Gift Fundraisers. Birthdays and other fundraisers are listed on the Angels website under “Tributes”. Be creative with Facebook!

Home Savings and Loan Scheduled Donation
Repeating or one time donations can now be set up as ACH transfers directly to the Angels for Animals account at Home Savings and Loan in Youngstown. A form is available at the shelter front office for anyone interested in making monthly or yearly contributions from their checking or savings without the need to write a check and address an envelope. Contact Janet Flynn with questions at 330-716-0697 or stop in the office and ask for Robin Hetscel, office manager.

 reciprocal: enal for Charity
Do you love to sell on Ebay? Angels for Animals is an approved charity with Ebay and has been receiving funds from supporters all over the country who list items and designate a percentage to go to Angels. Go to https://charity.ebay.com/charity/Angels-For-Animals/1734188 for information on items listed and how to list your own items!

Be a Corporate Sponsor for a Breakfast or Special Event
Sponsoring a breakfast or event at Angels will give your business plenty of community recognition. Sponsors who commit to helping offset the expenses of an event will be listed on all social media advertising as well as the Angels website. If your business would like to be a sponsor or make a donation of food items please contact Robin Hetscel at 330-549-1111.

Donate a Raffle Basket or Gift Card
Many special events held by Angels for Animals offer auctions of gift baskets or gift cards. If you or your business would like to donate to one of these events please contact Robin at 330-549-1111. Gift baskets or items are always needed for the Wine Tastee, Reverse Raffle, Garage Sale, and Pancake Breakfasts. Volunteers are available to create a basket for your business or pick items up if you make arrangements ahead. Auctions significantly increase the success of these events!

ANGELS FOR ANIMALS NOW OFFERS DENTAL CARE

Now you can find reasonable rates for your cat or dog’s dental care. Call today for a consultation or to make an appointment.

330-549-5634

Outstanding Philanthropists by Janet Flynn

George and Lynn Mitchell were honored November 15th at the 2019 National Philanthropy Day Celebration by the Association of Fundraising Professionals Mahoning-Shenango Chapter.

The Mitchells have been major donors, volunteers and supporters of Angels for Animals since its inception. Lynn has served as a board member and part of the Friday morning cat wing cleaning crew for more than 25 years. They have fostered and adopted dozens of cats and kittens over the years as well as helping with numerous fundraisers. As Diane Less wrote in her nomination letter, “The Mitchells have literally been present thru it all!”

When the idea of building the Angel Wing was proposed, Lynn and George were the first to commit their gift of $1,000,000 to get the project started.

We recognize the commitment George and Lynn have to Angels for Animals as well as other organizations such as Easter Seals, YWCA and Hospice of the Valley. They have always been the first to offer help and support whenever a need arises whether it’s for animals or people.

Thank you Lynn and George for the love and support you’ve shown Angels for Animals. Your gift to the Angel Wing will continue to save thousands of lives each year.
**VOLUNTEER SPOTLIGHT:**

**RUSSELL PUGH**

**Meet Russell Pugh, Angels for Animals volunteer for the past five years. Russell started out by helping his mother Debbie and uncle and aunt Dave and Sherry Kissinger with fundraising events such as their delicious breakfasts held at our Andrews Hall. Proceeds from these fundraisers have been designated for our spay/neuter programs in our local community.

This past summer Russell assumed the responsibility for mowing our extensive lawn areas. A riding mower was purchased using proceeds from a barbecue bake-out event held early this summer. Russell hopes to earn his driver’s license in November, which will qualify him to drive a truck with a snowplow (which hopefully the Flynn Auto Group will be donating to Angels). This will allow him to plow our extensive parking areas, saving Angels hundreds of dollars for outside plowing services.

Russell is a sophmore at Beaver Local School and after graduation he hopes to start his own lawn service, which of course will include Angels for Animals as his customer. Russell, we extend our deep gratitude for your volunteer efforts and wish you success in your future endeavors.

**LEE FRAZZINI**

**We would like to introduce you to Lee Frazzini. Lee became a volunteer just a few short months ago, starting with answering our continuously ringing phones. Her customer service skills are excellent!**

A quick learner, Lee delved into volunteering at our building at the Canfield Fair, Foster Adopt-a-Thons and just about every event we have had. She has learned how to intake animals, do adoptions and just recently staffed our event at PetSmart in Niles during their quarterly National Adoption Weekend. Lee greets all with a smile on her face and has become a very valued volunteer! She always asks for more things to do and excels at them all! Welcome to our organization!

**If You Feed...Don’t Breed!**

**by Shannon McDonald**

Chances are you’re an animal lover if you are reading the Halo. Many of us have likely assisted an animal in need. Cats are often a recipient of our good deeds since it’s common to see homeless felines in our community. But did you know that feeding these animals without offering other types of assistance can actually be hurtful to them?

According to the Humane Society of the United States, the biggest issue involving cats in the U.S. is the enormous number of strays living outdoors that have not been sterilized (spayed/neutered). A female cat can become pregnant as soon as four months of age, and she has the potential to birth two to three litters each year. In turn, her kittens can also go on to have repeated litters. In seven years, one female cat and her offspring have the potential to add 420,000 more cats to the problem!

One action that contributes to this issue is the feeding of stray cats. Stray cats are also referred to as feral cats. Feral cats have varying levels of socialization, which means some may interact with humans successfully but others may behave more like wild animals. Feeding feral cats can seem helpful, but the number of cats needing food can quickly grow out of control which leads to more issues. Disease spreads quickly through a colony which leads to suffering.

Unsterilized cats will fight each other when mating and will mark territory by spraying a variety of items. I have lived near an uncontrolled feral cat colony, and the number of injuries and disease I witnessed was unsettling. If you are feeding a cat community, then efforts to get the cats sterilized is a priority. This can be accomplished by live trapping the animals, sterilizing them, and then returning them to the colony.

While the cats are under anesthesia, they can also be examined and given appropriate vaccines such as rabies. At that time, one of the cat’s ears is often “tipped”, so it’s easy to visually confirm a cat has been sterilized. This process helps because it stops, or at least slows, reproduction. Members of the colony will eventually die off due to natural causes thus decreasing the total population. If the colony is not located on your property, then partner with the people who have the colony, or with other community members if the colony is in a public place. For colonies on private property, it can take time, and a gentle touch, to establish a relationship with property owners to address the issue.

In my situation, it took awhile to form a relationship with the property owner, but once they understood the goal was to help, and not kill or remove the cats, substantial progress was made.

AFA often has live traps that can be rented and programs to assist with the cost of sterilization. If you cannot actively participate in addressing a feral cat colony, then consider donating money to the AFA programs that address these issues.
Hi! I’m **WARREN**, a handsome, happy, fellow about three years old. Everyone says I’m quite the character. They think I’m a lab/boxer mix because I show qualities of both breeds. When I first meet people though, I can be a bit nervous. I spend a lot of time sniffing and inspecting the ground, before I’m comfortable enough to say hello. However, once I say hi, there’s no going back...I want to be your best friend! I love walking, and playing outside is one of my favorite activities. I’d do best in a home where my human family is older—teenagers seem to be my preference. I haven’t had much experience with other dogs, and they can make me nervous. I would likely do okay with calmer dogs, though.

Woof, woof! My name is **PIGLET**, and I’m sure to greet you when you walk into the dog wing here at Angels. I’m still learning that not everyone likes to be greeted that way, and that tends to make people walk away without a second glance. I can’t help it! I just wish this cage was open so I could interact with you. The great people here think I’m a pit mix approximately five years old. I really like people, and we think kiddos too! You have other dogs? Bring them with you to meet me—I’m sure we’d get along fine. I’m a happy sweetheart! Since I came in as a stray, I’ve been looking for a place to call my own! Please come by to say hello and ask the staff to let me out for a visit, I’ll become the love of your life!

This unique boy is **GOUDR**. He came to us as a stray transferred from Carroll County Pound, and we weren’t sure what to think of him! Gourd has such an unnatural look to his face that we had difficulty identifying his breed. Initially we assumed he had skin or thyroid issues, and that after treatment he would look like a sheitel mix. After many visits with our vet and many unremarkable test results, we believe this cute pie is a Mexican hairless mix. It appears that Gourd is a little nervous when it comes to certain types of handling and being on a leash, but with patience he does walk with you and enjoys attention. This boy is learning what being a dog is all about. At about 6 years old, we don’t know how long it has been since he has spent time with people. For this reason we believe he’d do best in a home with calmer dogs and teenagers. Don’t let Gourd’s story scare you away— he’s eager to please and really wants to be friends!

GABBY is a beautiful tortie looking for her forever home. She is estimated to be a little over a year old. She has a very laid back personality and loves being around younger cats. It is almost like she is being a mom to them, cuddling and grooming them! Gabby loves people and would love to find her perfect family. She would do great with other cats, but she is very fearful of dogs.

This funny, odd little furball is **FLO**. She has been adopted and brought back, but we like to think she just hasn’t met the right person yet. She isn’t a lap cat, or likes to be held, but some cats are just like that. Sometimes a de-clawed cat has extra quirks that may not have been there before such a horrible thing happened to her...She loves to sit in her box under the chair in our office. Flo also loves running up and down the halls when we are closed and loves to mess with our keyboards on our desk. More than once we have had her “type” on something we are working on! Flo is a cat who would do best in a quiet home, where she is the only pet.

BRITTANY is a 4 year old dilute calico. She was brought to us from a horrible hoarding situation. She and 26 other cats and kittens came to us in April, with many having severe eye issues. Brittany has some scaring on both of her eyes, but is able to see just fine. This girl is a diva and let’s all know who is the boss! Brittany loves people and runs up to meet everyone! She’s the other cat’s kind of cat that she wants to be the center of attention!

I’m **PIGLET** and I like to be friends!

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