

SPAYING AND NEUTERING IT FORWARD
A YEAR SPENT IN SERVICE FOR SPAY NEUTER ASSISTANCE PROGRAM OF GALLIA COUNTY

DECEMBER 2023 NEWSLETTER

Another year has passed, and we are so blessed to have the support of many people and small businesses in our community, enabling us to continue our efforts in reducing the number of homeless cats and dogs by spaying and neutering.

We are beyond grateful to French Town Veterinary Clinic, Help for Animals Spay Neuter Clinic, and Kirkpatrick Animal Hospital, for providing our organization with low-cost spay and neuter procedures. Our program is available to those who qualify (income-based), with an affordable copay, but we would not be able to provide this invaluable assistance without the help of our local, veterinarian partners.

BY THE NUMBERS

This year, 382 cats and 27 dogs have been spayed or neutered. Since September 2010, when SNAP was established, a total of 4,719 cats and 507 dogs have been spayed or neutered. Sadly, we've issued far more discounted vouchers, but people chose not to use them. Despite this, our successes inspire us to push on, providing a community service to reduce the needless suffering of animals.

HOW YOUR DONATIONS ARE SPENT

We pride ourselves on spending the vast majority of donations on veterinary costs, and little on anything else. How is this possible? We have no paid employees; our website is managed at no cost; we have no telephone or vehicle; a volunteer donates their computer, internet service, and printer, for office needs.

Out of necessity, this year, our organization did purchase new traps for our humane trapping of feral cats so they could continue to be safely transported to veterinarians for spaying and neutering. Volunteers used their own vehicles for any transport, and though we don't have many volunteers, the ones we do have are dedicated individuals who truly care about our mission.

The income we receive consists of donations from individuals and businesses; yard sales; bingo and other small fundraisers; Gallia County Charitable Foundation; Gift of Love; and a grant from the Ohio Pet Fund, made possible by additional money paid by those purchasing a pet license plate in this state.

HOW TO CONTACT US

If you need to send us an email, you may go through our website: snapofgalliacounty.org. Donations and other materials can be mailed to PO Box 86, Gallipolis, Ohio, 45631. Follow us on Facebook for the latest information on fundraisers, community outreach and general updates.

WHO WE ARE

Our board of directors is Gail Belville, Mary Floyd, Chris Myers-Cozza, Angie Queen, and Jill Strauch.

CLOSING MESSAGE

We extend to you and your family a healthy and happy New Year!

We appreciate everyone who supports our program, whether it's a monetary donation, yard sale or bingo donation, or by volunteering. We would not exist without your help and we

THANK YOU!

Acquisitions Fine Jewelry

Marge Adkins, *in memory of Daisy*

Aaron's Rentals

Angell Accounting

Anonymous, *in memory of Betty Plymale*

Diana Ash

Gail Ball

Craig & Donna Barnes

Stacey Barnes

Sally Barnette

Bill & Joy Beaver

Gail Belville, *in memory of Buster and Maggie Mae, beloved pets of Bernice Wells*

Diane Bennett, *in memory of Georgia Richie*

Barry, Kristi, and Emily Best

Scilvie Blackburn

Phyllis Edmiston Brown

Daylight Donuts

Bob Evans Farm Festival

Kathy Bockbrader, *in memory of Georgia Richie*

Barbara Buck, *in memory of Shelly Hager*

Sean & Tracy Call

Peggy Callihan, *in memory of Jo Garbesi*

Lois Carter

Mary Chipman

Mabel Copley, *in memory of her beloved dog, Bubba*

Jon Cook & Heidi Rose

Paul & Christine Cozza, *in honor of Jim Cozza's birthday, in honor of Chris Myers-Cozza's birthday*

Jim & Chris Myers-Cozza, *in memory of Betty Long, Shelly Hager, Georgia Richie, David Maskew, and Joan Kimmel*

Jane Crouch

Bess Culpepper, *in memory of Betty Long*

Tammy Davison

Ashley Delaney

Stephanie Dixon

Julie Dragoo

Elite Look

Dottie Esque

Vickie Follett, *in memory of Georgia Richie*

French Town Veterinary Clinic

Margaret Evans & David Smalley

Rose Mary Evans

Mary Floyd

Lisa Foley
French City Press
Gallia County Charitable Foundation
Gallipolis Chiropractic Center, Devin Lane
Judy Gannon, *in memory of her parents, and in honor of her sister's birthday, Peggy Callihan*
Debra Edmiston Grant
Gift of Love Foundation
H&R Block, Jeannie Saunders
Help for Animals Spay & Neuter Clinic
Holzer Gift Shop
Nancy Hood
Charlie & Peggy Huber
John & Carol Jackson
Beverly Kirkman
Linda Lear, *in memory of Betty Long*
Jerry Lucas
Sandra McFarland
McKean's Farm
Sandi Maskew
Robert & Valerie Merry, *in memory of Shelly Hager*
Jane Miller
Marlin & Beth Mooney
Anita Moore
Judge Tom Moulton
Lisa Neal
New Life Lutheran Church
Barbara Nicholas
Ohio Valley Bank
Ariel Theatre
Maxie Oliver
Lisa Osborne
Julie Ours
Virginia Owens
Charlotte Patrick
Cindy Perkins
Mary and Bill Plants, *in memory of Barry Thompson*
Mike & Linda Plymale
Jackie Proffit
Cliff & Angie Queen
Carolyn Queen
Katie Queen
Juanita Rainey
Penny Ratliff
Debbie Marcum Rhodes
Cliff & Fran Richie, *in memory of Betty Long*

Crystal Richie
Bob Rothgeb
Winston & Cindy Saunders
Dave & Charlotte Seamon
Beth Sargent
Sara Sheets
Pat Sheline
Brenda Shrader
Tom & Glenda Skinner
David Smith, DDS
Shake Shoppe
Seraphia Snodgrass
Matt & Mona Sprague
Andrea Strauch
Gary & Jill Strauch
State Farm Insurance, Beau Sang
Kathy Stone
Beth Hawks Suter
Deanna Syrus
Thomas Do-It Center, Autumn Thomas
Danny & Amilda Thompson
Tope Furniture
Becki Viall
Jack & Charlene Wade
Sylvia Wade
Walmart
Bernice Wells
Craig & Jennifer White
Charla Whitt Whobrey
Tonya Williams

OSU Basketball Raffle

A special THANK YOU to Jerry Lucas for the donation of the autographed Ohio State University basketball. We raffled it (with his permission) and raised \$1490. We are very grateful for Mr. Lucas' generosity. Martha Roderick of Gallipolis, Ohio was the winner. Congratulations!

Ohio Pet License Plate Fund

If you live in Ohio, you can get a "Cat Friendly," "Dog Friendly", or "Pet Friendly" license plate. It's only \$25 extra when you renew your plates and that money goes into a special fund specifically for spaying and neutering. The fund has helped to spay and neuter thousands of pets in Ohio over the last 15 years. We have applied for this grant for three years and have been awarded funds. It's just another way you can help reduce the number of unwanted dogs and cats. You can get your plate at the Bureau of Motor Vehicles or at oplates.com.

OVB Debit Card

We appreciate Ohio Valley Bank's commitment to our community. If you have an account and have a debit card, please ask for one that has our logo on it. It costs \$10 but \$5 goes to our program. Sweet!