Life’s most persistent and urgent question is...

What are you doing for others?

- Martin Luther King Jr.

Find out what these folks are doing for others on page 11.

Become Re-Inspired Through Happy Trails!
Dear Friends Of Happy Trails,

Re-inspired. To me that’s a really thought provoking word. To me it means that you were once enthusiastic about making a difference. Maybe making a difference meant getting involved in some way with animal rescue, but often day to day frustrations or through the out-of-sight-out-of-mind reality of life, you lose your sense of inspiration. You get distracted by other things. You have good intentions but maybe you didn’t make time to attend a fundraiser or you forgot what a difference your support makes to the animals. Let us re-inspire you.

Allow me to introduce you to some of the people who are making an incredible difference in the lives of abused, neglected and abandoned animals — people who choose the avenue they think will be most beneficial to the animals and the sanctuary, and the thing that will fit in most easily with their own lives. I believe that getting to know them will re-inspire you to get involved, to support and donate, to sponsor, to adopt, to join the internship program, to spread the word, to dedicate time to a committee, to make a difference in some way in the life of a mistreated creature who relies on us for care, kindness and compassion.

If you are re-inspired to make a difference, let us know. With everyone working together, we are making a huge difference in the world of farm animal abuse through education, prosecution, and creating awareness that the food, clothing and product choices we make affect the lives of animals.

Who re-inspires me when it’s been a long day, when I’ve seen some really bad things on a rescue, when I get frustrated with a court case, or when we lose a furry or feathered friend who I thought we could save? The people on the front cover and many, many others like them who support our work, who jump in and help, who want to make a difference. You, and everyone who supports Happy Trails, are my heroes and the people who re-inspire me daily.

With kindness and compassion for all animals,

Annette Fisher
Executive Director

P.S. I’d also like to extend a very sincere and heartfelt thank you to everyone who sent notes, cards and donations for the animals in memory of my mom who passed away in February. I appreciate each and every one of you. Your thoughtfulness was overwhelming and I am grateful.

Giving Tree Program Gearing Up For The Holidays

If you have a little extra space in your store or office and would like to support Happy Trails, consider participating in the 2013 Giving Tree Program, which begins the weekend after Thanksgiving and ends the weekend after Christmas.

A Happy Trails representative would set up a small Christmas tree in your retail store or high traffic office area, complete with ornaments featuring beautiful photos of the rescued animals. If you own a retail store, items from our wish list would be marked on the back of the ornaments. Shoppers can then buy these items from your store to donate to the sanctuary. Customers can take the ornaments home with them to proudly hang on their own tree as a thank you.

If your business is an office, the ornaments would have items listed on them that workers could purchase elsewhere and then bring back into the office. A Happy Trails representative would stop by once a week during the Giving Tree Program to pick up any items that are being donated. A complete list of businesses participating in this year’s program will be featured in the next newsletter. For more information, contact Amy at 330-296-5914.
Ten bucks might not seem to go too far these days. We easily throw out a ten at a fast food restaurant and are lucky if we get more than two and a half bucks in change. A lot of folks absolutely LOVE Happy Trails and the work we do, but are hesitant to donate because they don’t think a small donation goes very far. “What can you do with ten dollars,” one person asked me, “when the cost to care for the animals is so great?”

Well, I’m here to tell you that you would be amazed at what you can do with ten dollars!

If everyone receiving our newsletter was kind enough to send in ten bucks, we would have about $50,000 this year to apply to animal care. So don’t be fooled for one moment into thinking that a small donation doesn’t matter.

What can Happy Trails buy for ten dollars?

Here are a few items just off the top of my head: a container of SWAT (a pink goo that we put on wounds and on the tips of ears to keep flies and maggots away); a heat lamp bulb to help keep very thin animals or animals without fur warm during bitter cold temperatures; two bales of hay which will feed one emaciated horse for four days; a fly mask for a horse who just had eye surgery; one tube of paste dewormer, which needs to be administered to horses about every eight to ten weeks; five rolls of vet wrap, a bandaging material for areas for some of the muddier animal yards. And THREE ten dollar donations put together will get us a bottle of Bute, a type of horse aspirin, used to treat inflammation; a heated water bucket; three rolls of gauze bandaging; several sheets of plywood to repair an animal shelter and one gallon of paint to paint that shelter. And the list could go on and on.

A ten dollar donation can mean the world of difference to a rescued animal.

animals who have injured legs that need to be wrapped; two bales of straw, which will provide dry bedding for about four pot belly pigs for the entire week; a bottle of solution to rinse out the eyes of animals who have eye trauma; and a container of delousing powder to delouse rescued chickens, ducks, geese and turkeys.

Put TWO ten dollar donations together, and we can pay for: hoof trims for one horse (hooves need trimmed every six weeks); a bottle of Banamine for colic emergencies; a small container of liquid joint supplement for arthritic horses; a bottle of Meloxicam, which is a pill-form of a joint supplement for senior citizen pot belly pigs; a new set of goat hoof trimmers; enough tubes of caulking to repair a leaky barn roof; two tons of gravel to provide drier...

Teetonka, abandoned in Ashtabula County, is a special needs pot belly pig because she has a condition called “mule foot”. A pigs normally has split hooves, basically two toes on each foot. A mule-foot pig has deformed hooves where the split in the hooves did not form and the hoof appears to more like a horse’s hoof. This causes other leg deformities and early arthritis in the joints of the leg. Teetonka is sweet, loving, and gentle, and her Native American name means, “talks too much”, for Teetonka is always talking about something.

3,000 spent laying hens were rescued from a factory farm where they lived packed in battery cages their entire lives and were destined to be gassed to death. 240 of them were brought to Happy Trails, where they experienced grass, dirt baths, warm sunshine and blue skies for the first time in their lives. We have already placed about 150 of them in caring homes.

Please know that a ten dollar donation, combined with other ten dollar donations, is what keeps us going. Happy Trails operates on private donations.

Just as you rely on us to drop everything and leave at a moment’s notice when a humane officer calls needing help with an abused farm animal; to sit in the barn all night with a sick horse; to carry animals too weak to stand up on their own, up a hill and into a waiting rescue trailer, we too, rely on you to make these rescues possible.

Together we are a great team, you and Happy Trails. Please consider sending a minimum ten dollar donation in today, knowing that you are making a tremendous difference!

It’s true. Big things do come in small packages. Big things are accomplished at Happy Trails with all of us working together — with everyone playing a small part.

(Donation info on inside back cover.)
**ANIMAL UPDATES: Recent Rescues**

**ALPACAS**
Happy Trails assisted the Portage Animal Protective League with the removal of 14 alpacas suffering from malnutrition. Since this is a very recent and current court case, details cannot be released quite yet.

**POT BELLY PIGS**
**HERSHEY** is a sweet boy who came in from the Solon area. His dad was wanted by the FBI for embezzlement, causing a great deal of heartache and hardship for the rest of the family. The animals in the family had to be placed elsewhere immediately, and Happy Trails was called in to assist with the placement of Hershey and two beautiful hens.

**COCOA** came to Happy Trails via the Trumbull Animal Welfare League after having been abandoned in a hotel room. Cocoa weighed in at nearly 300 lbs. She is getting her weight down with a healthy diet and daily exercise. A vet visit to OSU in Columbus helped her get her nails trimmed and an overall health exam. She has lost a great deal of weight and is becoming quite affectionate with her foster mom. Cocoa is an indoor piggy. Cruelty charges have been filed against her owner in this case.

**TEETONKA** is a little pink girl who is under a year old. She was abandoned on a doorstep in Trumbull County with a note attached to her crate that said, “Please find me a good home.” The sweet little princess was placed in a dog kennel where she lived on a concrete floor (not a good thing for a mule-footed piggy who has crippled hoof issues) at a vet’s office for about six months before being placed with Happy Trails. I am now personally fostering this precious girl and she is a great indoor pig - potty trained and great with people and other pigs.

**RALPHIE** was brought to Happy Trails from the Summit County Animal Control. He was discovered wandering the streets in the area of Green, and was picked up as a stray pig. Three year old Ralphie is quite opinionated, recently neutered, and LOVES attention.

**POULTRY**
I think we need to rename Happy Trails “Chickens R Us”. After accepting 240 spent white Leghorn hens from our friends at Animal Place Sanctuary in California and Farm Sanctuary in New York, chickens seem to be showing up one at a time. One recent call brought in a stray chicken from the Summit County Humane Society, and another call brought in a big red hen from Akron Animal Control. Happy Trails still has an entire flock of red hens living the good life at the sanctuary. They were just recently released due to a plea-bargain that resulted in their owner not being allowed to own animals for the next two years as well as other punishments. The spent laying hens and the two stray hens are indeed available for adoption. You can read more details about the mass rescue, their trans-Atlantic flight from California to Watkins Glen, New York, and the final leg of their journey to Ohio, on the website at www.happytrailsfarm.org.

**HORSES**
A sadly malnourished black and white paint stallion is making a remarkable recovery at Happy Trails, and had gained enough weight to be recently gelded. This handsome six year old sweetheart who we named Ahote, (pronounced uh hoe tay) is now available for adoption. Applications are now being accepted for Ahote. Sadly, we were unable to save the emaciated tan and white mare (below right) who arrived with Ahote. Her health issues were far too great, and the vet helped her cross the Rainbow Bridge. We named her Pai, and saved a braid from her mane to help us remember this kind horse who we could not heal.
Happy Trails New

Open in time for the holidays!

As we prepare for the holidays, Happy Trails continues to try to find creative ways we can raise funds for the care of the rescued animals.

The old office area has been repainted and is becoming a rather nicely-put-together gift shop that will feature some great gift ideas just in time for the holidays.

100% of the proceeds from every purchase will go directly for the care of the rescued animals.

Logo apparel will include hoodies, jackets, long sleeve shirts, and an assortment of tops, pullovers, t-shirts and more.

Stocking stuffers include logo items such as magnets, book marks, key chains and more.

Name That Hen!

Thanks to everyone who so very kindly donated $2 to name a rescued hen.

The animals are not just numbers to us. Each one of the 240 hens that came in have a unique personality, different likes, dislikes, and funny quirks. The money raised from naming the hens went directly toward tons of chicken feed, dewormer medication, bedding, and medical care.

Here are the names that you have chosen for some of the girls — we hope you see the names you picked. We tried to get everyone’s names listed correctly. If we’ve missed yours, we apologize and please let us know so we can add them in the next newsletter. The person’s name who sponsored a hen is in italics.

Honored to have a name:

• Bridgette, Daisy, Mariah, Ginger, Victoria, Molly, Jessica, Angel, Lola and Brittany (Debra S)
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• Lillian, Sadie, Divina, Maggie Mae, and Sabrina (Vanessa R)
• Hadley and Chicklet (Brittany G)
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• Winkie (Jill M)
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• Kathi (Kathi J)
• Ming Ming (Erin K)
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• Genevieve,

Double (Or Even Triple) Your Donation!

As the new Happy Trails gift shop emerges to help the sanctuary become more self-sufficient, we are able to purchase logo apparel and logo merchandise at some really great deals. When you make a donation to be used to purchase items for our gift shop, we are able to double or triple your donation through the retail mark-up on merchandise, making your donation go even further. If you are business savvy and want to see Happy Trails Gift Shop succeed and bring in additional funds to help the rescued animals, you may want to specify that your donation be used to stock our store with logo items that will bring in even more money for the animals.

Gift Shop

5623 New Milford Rd., Ravenna, Ohio

November - December

STORE HOURS

Wednesday Nights .. 5pm to 8pm
(Open Closed Christmas Day)

Saturdays ............... 10am to 4pm

Sundays ............... 12pm to 4pm

Also open the FRIDAY
after Thanksgiving — Nov. 29th — 10am to 6pm

Treat yourself to something special or find great gifts.
Either way the rescued animals benefit!

Happy Trails Gift Shop

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Thanks to several very kind donors, Happy Trails just completed construction on our new storage building. This structure will allow us to safely store hay, straw, and sawdust for winter. The dimensions of the building are 24’ wide by 32’ long by 16’ tall in the front. This height will allow our dump truck to back into the barn and easily dump loads of sawdust. Donations enabled us to purchase the lumber and metal sheeting, and an all-volunteer crew constructed the building in about six busy weekends. The volunteer construction crew included hard workers Kevin Bragg, Bentley Hudson, Tony Pappas, Walter Shields, Keith Lepley, Alex Hale, Gary Jaffe, Jason Wolboldt, Carl Ehmann and Tom Ehmann.

The last step to complete the building is to pour the concrete for the floor. The cost of the concrete is generously being donated by Barb Miller and Pete and Donna Lillo. And a special thanks to John Rock of Rock Concrete for giving us such a reasonable price on the concrete.

We are extremely grateful to everyone who made this project possible!
Can’t take a rescued horse home?

Become a Guardian Angel for an abused or neglected horse through our monthly sponsorship program.

The horses featured here are in the Happy Trails Foster Home Program. This means that they are being housed and cared for temporarily at a private home, usually for a specific reason. Often a foster home may be able to give an individual horse more personal attention, address specific needs, or work with it regarding training and trail riding. Foster homes may generously donate the use of their facilities and barn space, big pastures, and devote their time to the tedious daily care of a big, rescued animal.

However, Happy Trails is still responsible to pay for vet bills, grain, hay, bedding, hoof trimming, vaccinations, teeth floating and deworming for all the horses in foster care until we find a permanent adoptive home for them.

So if you love horses but might not have room to adopt one and take it home with you, please consider joining the Happy Trails Guardian Angel Sponsorship Program to help us care for the rescued horses in foster care.

- Butch Whitefeather
  Currently residing in a foster home in the Macedonia area, Butch Whitefeather has special needs because of his limited eyesight. Butch came to Happy Trails through our Amish Horse Retirement Program, and he is waiting to find a home who understands the care required of a horse with limited vision. This big Percheron draft horse has learned to be very confident at his foster home and he can maneuver his way around like a champ!

- Hiroki
  Hiroki is like a Grandpa horse. He is 20+ years old and had been left in a field without being cared for because he was “the wrong color”. He is doing phenomenal at his foster home and he hopes to find a home where he can be a buddy for another horse. We promised he will be appreciated someday by a special new mom or dad for simply being the gentle soul that he is, no matter what his color.

- Sonic
  Eight starving Thoroughbreds were brought to Happy Trails from a neglect case in the Village of Orange. Only three survived. Sonic is one of them. He is now healthy, happy, trail safe, and ready to be adopted. In the meantime, Happy Trails pays for his care at his foster home in the Alliance area.

- Red
  Red is a Happy Trails icon. Once an Amish horse, he retired in 2004 along with his hitch-team buddy, Tony. They are ambassadors for Happy Trails, never to be adopted. We lost Tony to colic in 2010, and will continue to care for Red throughout his senior years. He is 26 years old now, pretty old for a draft horse. He is retired at a foster home near Happy Trails.

- Galaxy
  This Appy mare was recently returned. In order for her to receive extra time and attention, she was placed in foster care in the Mogadore area where she is ridden and handled daily. She is a very smart cookie and hopes to be adopted soon!

- Zagato
  Currently residing in a foster home in Ravenna, this sweet Standardbred buggy horse came in through our Amish Horse Retirement Program. He is a very special-needs boy and until he can find a permanent adoptive home, he was placed where he can receive daily special attention and careful monitoring of his grain and supplements. Zagato appears to be thriving at this foster home and is ever-so-slowly beginning to show progress with his recovery.

Sign up today to become a monthly Guardian Angel sponsor of a rescued horse using the donation form on the inside back cover.

Shown here are only some of the rescued horses placed in foster homes.
Thank You Thank You Thank You

The number of people who support Happy Trails in so many different ways is nothing short of amazing. We could fill an entire newsletter with articles of good deeds, unique ways of showing support, inspirational notes and thank yous. Though we can’t highlight every single wonderful and amazing person who makes Happy Trails the strong and well-respected organization that we’ve become, we like to mention as many as possible. Here are some people who have re-inspired us!

Thanks to these folks for re-inspiring us...
• ...Cathleen Christopher for donating a golf cart (and for putting in new batteries and making sure it worked!) in order for us to help visitors who might have trouble walking on a tour
• ...Cintas FAS for donating LOTS of bags of work gloves through Happy Trails volunteer, Alex Hale
• ...Mike Thorne for handling break line repairs on the Happy Trails utility truck, and for donating his time and supplies to work do an oil change and other repairs on the Happy Trails logo truck
• ...Carl Rohrer and his son, Blaise Rohrer, for painting the walls in the old office/new gift shop
• ...Bentley and Mary Hudson for donating gutters for one of the buildings
• ...Barb Miller for volunteering many hours of her time to not only stain the new privacy fence near the poultry barn, but also for purchasing the mass quantities of stain for this project
• ...Pete “Pete The Printer” and Donna Lillo for donating t-shirts, baseball hats and jackets with the Happy Trails logo
• ...St. Luke’s Church in Copley for including Happy Trails in their Blessing Of The Animals event in October
• ...Dr. Gary Riggs (Barberton Veterinary Clinic and Wadsworth Animal Clinic) and his staff for helping us address pot belly pig health issues and for REALLY helping us out with the roosters
• ...Leslie Ungar for sponsoring the adoption fee for Princeton, a retired Amish buggy horse
• ...everyone who visited us at the Taste Of Hudson event in September

• ...The Portage APL and The Humane Society of Columbiana County for letting us borrow crates and cages for the multiple cockfighting rescues this year
• ...Farm Sanctuary in New York for handling transportation for us to move 35 roosters to another sanctuary, and to Vine Sanctuary in Vermont for being that other sanctuary who agreed to help us out by taking in 35 of our rescued cockfighters
• ...Katie Costello and the Learning Dog Training & Enrichment Center for networking with us and finding some absolutely phenomenal homes for roosters
• ...all of our wonderful adoptive homes! Thanks to so many of you, a tremendous number of animals will have the opportunity to experience being part of a loving, caring family. We are truly blessed with incredible people coming forward to adopt rescued farm animals.

MISC. NEWS

2013 COMPASSIONATE THANKSGIVING

This was a crazy, busy, fast-paced year for all of us here at Happy Trails, and unfortunately there was not enough people or enough time available to plan a Compassionate Thanksgiving event for this fall. We are hoping to form a committee now so that we can come back with an amazing Compassionate Thanksgiving in 2014 that is going to be bigger and better than ever. If you enjoyed attending Happy Trails previous Compassionate Thanksgiving events, please consider helping us plan the big event for 2014. Contact Amy via email at amywc@happytrailsfarm.org.

SANCTUARY TOUR SEASON CLOSES

We hope that everyone who came out to Happy Trails for a tour this year enjoyed their opportunity to meet the rescued animals up close and personal.

Tours aren’t ideal to do in the winter because heat lamps are hanging in the animal shelters to keep them warm on bitter cold days. Every time their door opens to allow people into the animals’ homes, the little heat that they have escapes. Also, walking conditions become muddy and/or icy, and not to mention the freezing temperatures.

The 2013 tour season ends on October 27th and will resume in May 2014. We hope you’ll come back again in the spring to see what new things are going on and to show your support!

BLANKET DONATIONS

Please keep collecting OLD heavy blankets, sleeping bags and comforters for the rescued animals, and a big thank you goes out to everyone who has donated them! We use these items to line pet porters when transporting smaller animals; for pot belly pigs to warm up with under their heat lamps; and as bedding on the floor of the truck when transporting smaller goats or mini-horses inside the truck.

But please DON’T BUY new blankets! We have a wonderful supply of used blankets coming in constantly thanks to many caring people, so the purchase of new blankets is not necessary.
Happy Trails Participates In Northeast Ohio Wildlife Benefit

Friday, November 15th, 2013 @ 6:00 pm – 9:00 pm

The Greater Cleveland Aquarium
2000 Sycamore Street, Cleveland, OH 44113

$20-Adults $16-Children
TICKETS FOR SALE ON-LINE
@ www.Wild4Ever.com
Be sure to designate Happy Trails when purchasing tickets and half of each ticket purchased will go directly to Happy Trails.

The other half of each ticket sold supports the spotted turtle project directly.
So this fundraiser is a win-win situation for all animals!

Questions: Contact Wild4Ever at 330-825-2434.

Experience a great evening of fun for the whole family at the Cleveland Aquarium.
There will be wild animal educational presentations, live music, visit the Conservation Expo, participate in the “Explore The Wild” silent auction, and be sure to visit the Happy Trails representatives and booth!

Please consider joining us for this great event.

Jolie Thrives After Cancer Surgery

This is one good example of why hands-on contact is beneficial to the animals as well as calming to the people working with them. During a recent belly-rubbing session with beautiful Jolie, a pot belly pig, we discovered a mass under her stomach area that was soft and lumpy located near one of her teats. Since several different animals had a variety of medical needs, a trip was scheduled to OSUVMC (Ohio State University Veterinary Medical Center) in Columbus, where our group cost would save us money in the long run.

It was a scare when Jolie was indeed diagnosed with, well, basically breast cancer. Luckily we had caught it in time, and the vet said surgery would be her best option.

We had already included Dulce, Jolie’s best pig friend in the whole world, to OSU with her on this trip for moral support. The two dearly love each other. We decided to leave Dulce at OSU with Jolie during her ordeal to help keep her spirits up. The two shared a stall at the vet hospital and instantly won the hearts of the staff members and vet students alike.

Surgery went very well, and the vet believes that she was able to remove all the cancer. The two affected teats did have to be removed, so Jolie had a partial mastectomy. Jolie (and Dulce) spent the following week in recovery at OSU to make sure that she didn’t get an infection. The cancer nodules and gland were submitted for histopathology, and the cancer type was determined to be adenocarcinoma.

Today I am happy to report, that Jolie is cancer free! This little piggy loves life SO very much, has tons of fans, and we are honored to have her at Happy Trails. She is always the first animal to meet and greet visitors, to come over to see how your day is going, and to share her beautiful smile.

Thank you to everyone who donated toward Jolie’s surgery and medical expenses, which came to a total of $622.45 (plus gas expenses which added $100). Dulce’s boarding fee came to $102.50. We didn’t quite raise enough to cover all the expenses associated with Jolie’s care and the trips to and from the hospital. If her story touches your heart or you can relate to Jolie as a cancer survivor, maybe consider making a donation in her honor to help with the rest of her medical expenses and continued care. Everyone who donates to her care will be invited to meet this very special pig in person.
Meet Dennis Kirimid, Summer Intern From Hiram College, And His New Pig Friend, Hershey

During our long, hot summer, Dennis Kirimid, a student at Hiram College, helped care for the rescued animals and lent a helping hand with a variety of projects at Happy Trails. Dennis is one of many college interns gaining great work skills and experience in practical animal care at Happy Trails. Dennis used to care for animals at his home in Kenya, Africa, so he was a natural and fit right in with the Happy Trails crew. Here Dennis gives a relaxing belly rub to Hershey the pot belly pig. The two of them had become great friends! Thanks Dennis, for choosing Happy Trails as your internship experience!

Fantastic Adoptions

People with hearts as big as all outdoors have stepped forward to adopt rescued animals.

Congratulations to the following animals who have been adopted:

- Theodore the pony
- Edition, a Standardbred
- Diamond, a draft mare
- Roy and Cabrio, Standardbreds
- Princeton, a Standardbred
- Avis, Pecora and Cordero, sheep
- White Leghorn Chickens
- Roosters (ex-cockfighters)
- Appalonia, a pot belly pig
- Rosebud, a farm pig
- Dozer, a pot belly pig
- Marge the turkey
- Balou and Henry (two ducks)
- Sandradee, a Thoroughbred mare

Interesting Facts

FACT
1. Several studies show that a plant-based diet increases the body’s metabolism, causing the body to burn calories up to 16% faster than the body would on a meat-based diet for at least the first 3 hours after meals.

FACT
2. In 2012, the Los Angeles city council unanimously approved a resolution that all Mondays in the City of Angels will be meatless. The measure is part of an international campaign to reduce the consumption of meat for health and environmental reason.

FACT
3. Several researchers argue that a vegetarian diet can feed more people than a meat-based diet. For example, approximately 20,000 pounds of potatoes can be grown on one acre of land. Comparatively, only around 165 pounds of beef can be produced on 1 acre of land.

FACT
4. The grain fed to the 7 billion livestock in the U.S. could feed 800 million people. Approximately 25 gallons of water are needed to produce 1 pound of wheat. Around 2,500 gallons of water are needed to produce 1 pound of meat. Many vegetarians argue that more people eating a meat-free diet would lower the strain that meat production puts on the environment.

FACT
5. The number of animals killed for meat every hour in the U.S. is 500,000. (Let me repeat that for you. The number of animals killed for meat every hour in the U.S. is 500,000. Every hour.)

FACT
6. Studies show that a vegetarian diet could feed more people than a meat-based diet. For example, only around 20% of the corn grown in the United States is eaten by people, with about 80% of the corn eaten by livestock. Additionally, approximately 95% of the oats grown in the U.S. are eaten by livestock. Studies show that the number of people who could be fed by the grain and soybeans that are currently fed to U.S. livestock is approximate 1,300,000,000.
Retired With Time On Your Hands?

Happy Trails just might be the perfect solution to getting you re-inspired about making a difference!

There are a lot of ways that retirees can get involved with animal rescue. If you can fit a pet porter or small animal crate into your vehicle, you can help drive animals to and from vet appointments, foster and adoptive homes, and other animal shelters. Physical activity that you can do at your own pace includes raking the yards, mowing grass, cleaning water bowls and cleaning cobwebs out of the barns. Administrative work includes helping out in the office or the gift shop, meeting and greeting guests, or assisting with sanctuary tours during tour season. Maybe you’re a people person and would like to help plan fundraisers or participate in community events.

If you are a retiree and would to dedicate time to volunteer in animal rescue, give us a call at 330-296-5914.

Who Re-Insipres Us? (Front Cover)

Front cover (clockwise) from top center:

Sarah Kay, a student at the University of Akron, is doing an Animal Welfare Internship with Happy Trails, and is responsible for the goat and sheep barn among other areas. Here she visits with one of her teachers, Odessa, a beautiful rescued goat who had to have one eye removed due to severe neglect. Sarah re-inspires us daily with her dedication to the program and to the animals, and in her enthusiasm for learning and providing top level care for the rescued animals.

Julie Shuman is a new adoptive mom, and she has opened her heart and home to welcome a big pasture ornament into her life. Editon was saved from being purchased by the meat buyers at the Mt. Hope Auction last October. He was 20 years old and promoted as a “good buggy horse”, but due to his age, no one wanted him and he was destined for slaughter. He now has a new career of being a friend to Julie’s other horse, Super. Julie re-inspires us by being a reminder that there are caring, compassionate people out there who are willing to adopt senior citizen animals and expect nothing of them in return.

Amy Wagar-Cinch is Happy Trails newest staff member, handling animal sponsorships, the holiday Giving Tree Program, promoting sanctuary tours, and helping out in the office and gift shop. Amy re-inspires us with her dedication to leading a vegan life-style and making the conscious choice to make sure that no animals suffer because of her choice of nutrition, clothing or household products.

Carl Ehmann has become a die-hard volunteer at the sanctuary, and when he works, he gives the animals his very best efforts! Carl re-inspires us because he is a volunteer who is truly working for the needs of the animals. He has no personal agenda, nothing he wants to accomplish for himself, and no matter what the animals needs are, he is there to help them and make their lives better.

Pam Seltz drove to Happy Trails from Pennsylvania to adopt two precious little white hens. A lot of people might ask, can’t you get chickens locally? Well, Pam could, but she wanted to make sure that she opened her home to rescued animals, and these hens needed her. To see people like Pam drive from far away to adopt hens showed us that people will indeed go that extra mile for animals, and working with Pam was not only re-inspiring, but very heartwarming!

Tony Pappas was getting soaked in the pouring rain balanced high up on top of the new storage building, hanging off the side as he carefully placed a metal screw into the sheet metal and drilled it into place. “Are you having fun yet?” I joked with him. Anyone else would have muttered about the dropping temperatures and the soggy clothing and the slippery and dangerous trusses. Not Tony. With a big, typical Tony smile, he thought for a minute and then replied, “Strangely enough, I am!” As a Happy Trails volunteer, Tony enjoys every minute of the work he does for the animals, and he constantly tells us how much he is learning in the process. Talk about someone who can re-inspire you on a bad day!

Melissa DelSignore is a student at Youngstown State University, and is enrolled in a marketing internship with Happy Trails. Melissa is determined that she will help us promote the covered arena campaign and will make this very special project happen for the rescued animals at Happy Trails. She is full of drive, ambition, enthusiasm, and is devoted to the cause. Her energy is contagious and she plans to raise funds for non-profit organizations as her career. Making other people’s dreams come true is her own dream. How about that for re-inspiring us?
A special shout-out goes out to Larry Thompson and Thompson Electric for their continued support!

Many thanks to Kenny Swift and the guys at Rivers Garage & Body Shop in Ravenna for their support, repair services, and for donating two new tires and labor for the Happy Trails logo truck.

(Seems to be a year of tire problems, which are hopefully all solved now!)

We LOVE The Kent B.P.O. Elks #1377!

Happy Trails is blessed with the support of many wonderful community organizations, and the Kent B.P.O. Elks #1377 is one of them! We truly appreciate the fact that they continue to choose Happy Trails as their non-profit organization of choice to be the beneficiary of funds from their instant bingo proceeds.

We're thrilled and honored to receive your support!

Thanks to our correspondent and Elks Secretary, Rich Aber, and all the kind and compassionate folks at the Kent Elks.

On-Line Auction To Benefit Happy Trails Begins Nov. 11th

Thanks to the good folks at NeoFill, E-Commerce Solutions, who are donating their time and efforts, an on-line auction to benefit Happy Trails will be taking place from November 11th beginning at 8am and runs through November 18th at 6pm.

The auction includes art, books and jewelry.

So beginning on November 11th, have some fun, find some great holiday gifts, and spoil yourself and the animals at the same time. Go to xhtfarm.neofillbids.com and start bidding!

A few good things to know: you need to register with NeoFill before you can place bids. You can register by going to xhtfarm.neofillbids.com or by calling NeoFill at 1-866-311-9806. All sales are final.

The really great news is that 100% of the proceeds directly benefit Happy Trails! (Be sure to tell your friends!)

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Visit The Happy Trails Website At happytrailsfarm.org
Yes, it’s that time of year again when you’ll want to start saving your Acme receipts. Turn your grocery shopping experience into cold hard cash for Happy Trails and the rescued animals through the Acme Community Cash Back Program, which began on Sept. 21, 2013 and ends on Feb. 8, 2014. Please save your receipts that are stamped between these two dates and turn them in to Happy Trails at 5623 New Milford Rd., Ravenna, Ohio 44266.

ANIMAL CARE
• Heat Lamps (20+)
• Infrared Heat Lamp Bulbs (30+ to replace bulbs throughout the winter)
• Stall picks (5 @ $15 each)
• Pitch forks (5 @ $18 each)
• Muck tubs (7 @ $12 each)
• Leaf rakes (3 @ $7 each)

OFFICE SUPPLIES
• large mailing envelopes (9x12 or 10x14)
• clear (Scotch-like) tape
• black permanent markers
• pens

GIFT SHOP
• Display shelving
• Jewelry displays, small and large
• Card tables or folding tables

FOR VOLUNTEERS
• Bottled water (we go through a lot)
• Tea bags and styrofoam cups with lids (cold weather is coming and our volunteers will be freezing!)
• Hand and foot warmers

GIFT CARDS
• Pettigrew Feed & Hardware
• Tractor Supply Co.
• Big D’s Tack
• Western Reserve Farm Co-op
• Giant Eagle (we get the animal’s prescription medications here)
• Gas Cards
• Home Depot
• Lowes

SPONSORSHIPS
• Five other pot belly pigs will need their hooves trimmed, which means putting them under a light anesthesia. While they are under they will also be examined, have their ear canals cleaned and their teeth checked. Each pig’s vet cost will be approximately $225.

• Teetonka the pig with “mulefoot” needs to have a spay surgery, which will cost approximately $350.

• Ahote the stallion-turned-gelding has a vet expense of being gelded with vet fees amounting to $275

SPECIAL PROJECTS
• More wooden fence posts to replace metal stakes as we continue to make the fencing safer for the animals. $350
• A type of fencing called hog panels, which are 16’ long by 3’ high, to replace broken panels of fencing. $26 per panel, and we need approximately 30 panels for a total of $780.
• Rental of an auger (twice) to install wooden fence posts $85 per rental for a total of $170
• Rental of a stump grinder to remove the tree stumps from the horse turn-out area $250
• Happy Trails covered outdoor arena. See Happy Trails website for details.

EQUIPMENT
• A large open stock trailer for hauling sheep, goats, cows, emus, or larger numbers of any farm animals (good condition/used is approximately $8,000)

BIG DREAMS
• 100+ acres of donated land to expand the sanctuary
• Paved walkways and driveways at Happy Trails for visitors in wheelchairs, for guests who have baby strollers, to make tours safer, to eliminate muddy areas

TO DONATE
We will always honor a request for your donation to go toward a specific need, which you can write in on the donation form on the inside back cover. If you have a donation you would like to drop off, please call 330-296-5914 to make arrangements for a representative to meet and greet you!
Planned giving is a way to include Happy Trails Farm Animal Sanctuary in your overall estate and financial plan. Depending on your giving strategy, there could be immediate or future tax benefits for you.

PLANNED GIVING OPTIONS:

**Gift of cash**
Gifts of cash provide an income tax deduction for the year in which the gift was given.

**Wills and bequests**
Bequests can be made in a new will, or an existing will can be easily amended to include a bequest to Happy Trails. An unrestricted bequest is one that allows Happy Trails to direct your gift where it will have the greatest impact. A restricted bequest allows you to designate what you would like the gift to be used for.

**Gifts of Stock**
Gifts of stock can be made in two ways. You can call your financial advisor and transfer shares of stock directly from your account to Happy Trails, or you can give stock certificates. You will receive a tax deduction for the full amount of the current value of the gift on the day on which the gift was given, and if the stock has appreciated significantly, you will avoid paying the capital gains taxes due if you were to sell the stock.

**Charitable Remainder Trust**
A Charitable Remainder Trust (CRT) allows you to gift a highly appreciated asset, such as stock or a vacation home, to a trust for which Happy Trails is the beneficiary (or one of several beneficiaries). In the trust document, you designate what income you want to receive from the trust. The CRT sells the gifted assets and reinvests the proceeds to provide you with income as stated in the trust document. You do not pay the capital gains tax on the sale of the appreciated asset, and you receive an immediate tax deduction for your gift to the trust. As a beneficiary of the CRT, Happy Trails receives the gift, or a portion of the gift, upon the death of those indicated in the trust document.

**Charitable Lead Trust**
A Charitable Lead Trust (CLT) also allows you to gift a highly appreciated asset, such as a stock or a vacation home, to a trust for which Happy Trails is the beneficiary, or one of the beneficiaries. With a CLT, however, the beneficiary first receives distributions for a number of years as stated in the trust agreement. At the end of the stated time period, the remainder of the trust is distributed to whoever is designated in the trust document. Because the ultimate recipients of the trust proceeds must wait a number of years before receiving the gift, the amount of the gift is calculated in a manner that could be extremely favorable to the donor. This strategy may be very effective in minimizing or eliminating the gift taxes that would be associated with an outright gift.

**Life Insurance**
If you would like to give an insurance policy directly to Happy Trails, and would like it to qualify as a gift with the IRS, you will need to make Happy Trails the owner and the beneficiary of the policy. If the policy is paid up, your charitable tax deduction is usually the cost basis or the replacement value of the policy, whichever is less. If the policy is not paid up, the premiums that you continue to pay on the policy would also qualify for charitable deductions. This is an extremely effective way to leverage your gift to Happy Trails. Depending on your individual situation, incorporating an Irrevocable Life Insurance Trust (ILIT) into your plan may also be beneficial.

We are happy to discuss your charitable objectives with you. If you have questions, please contact Happy Trails representative Attorney Alan G. Segedy at 330.434.1166 or via email at AlanGSegedy@juno.com

**ANIMAL SPONSORSHIPS**
Many animals in the Happy Trails rescue program would greatly benefit from the support of a sponsor. Some have special needs. Some are more difficult to place in permanent homes and reside at the sanctuary for quite a while. Animal sponsorships are a great way to show you care. You can give an animal sponsorship as a gift for a birthday, holiday, wedding or anniversary, or any other special occasion. You may just want to sponsor an animal whose story tugs at your heart strings as your own personal sponsorship. Sponsors, and the folks who receive sponsorships as a gift, are invited to sponsor days throughout the year to meet their sponsored animal up close. Let Happy Trails Animal Sponsorship Representative Amy Wagar-Cinch help you pick out the animal who is right for you.

For more details about the Animal Sponsorship Program, email Amy at amywc@happytrailsfarm.org or call the office at 330-296-5914.

Though Tootsie is healthy and available for adoption, her aggressive personality makes it difficult for us to find her a permanent home.

Suvali is a permanent resident due to health issues.
Do you want to stay up all night in the cold barn monitoring the starving horse that just arrived... ...or do you want us to?

If you’re like most people, you appreciate the animal rescue services provided by Happy Trails but you certainly wouldn’t want to see or handle the cases that we deal with daily.

There’s the pig who came in with acid burns and open wounds over 80% of her back. There was a white goat who was so emaciated and weak that she couldn’t even stand up, and though we did everything possible, we still lost her a week later. Then there was the hen that had a large gaping hole in her back where she was being cannibalized by other chickens when they were locked in a barn and had nothing else to eat. (By the way, she survived and made a complete recovery.) And what about the turkey found in a ditch who had been attacked by stray dogs? She was discovered on a brutally hot summer day and this sweet turkey had maggots crawling out of her wounds which we had to treat. (She too healed and was adopted.)

I am going to go out on a limb here and guess that most of you wouldn’t want to be the person to tend to the animals described above, but I also believe that you appreciate the fact that we do tend to them here at Happy Trails. With that thought, please consider becoming a monthly donor. Even a $10 a month pledge makes our work possible, so together we can continue to save lives — us from the field, and you from the comforts of your own home.

Together, we make a great team!
Happy Trails Farm Animal Sanctuary Inc. is a non-profit 501(c)(3) organization that rescues, rehabilitates, and provides an adoption program for abused, abandoned, and neglected farm animals such as horses, ponies, potbellied pigs, farm pigs, chickens, ducks, turkeys, sheep, goats, and cows. Happy Trails serves the entire state of Ohio and any other state requesting our help, and works in cooperation with county humane societies, animal protective leagues, and local and state law enforcement officers. Animals in our program must have been removed from a situation of abuse, neglect or abandonment by law officials, and cruelty charges must be filed against the person(s) responsible for the crime.

Covered Arena Campaign Takes The First Steps

We are still working on raising funds to construct a covered arena for the rescued horses to recover from leg and eye injuries in a dry, safe environment under cover from rain and snow.

We continue to move forward with faith believing this will happen, even though we don’t have “the full staircase” quite yet. In fact, we are so certain that this project will take place, that we have begun removing the old sand riddled with stones out of the arena to make way for new, safer footing. There is a lot of information to share about this particular project and why it’s crucial to the recovery programs and the sustainable future of the sanctuary.

Please take time to check out the details on our website at www.happytrailsfarm.org.

Corporate sponsorship opportunities are available for businesses wishing to show their support. We would be honored to partner with sponsors who believe in our work and understand our passion for continuing to improve the animal rescue and rehabilitation services provided by Happy Trails. Thank you for considering supporting this worthy cause.

Faith is taking the first step even when you don’t see the full staircase.
— MLK

Our Mission

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