Dear Friends of Animal Care Sanctuary

The year 2015, my fifth year as Executive Director, marks a personal milestone for me and a banner year for ACS.

After five eventful years, I am very pleased with our progress and as optimistic and excited as ever about the Sanctuary’s future. ACS in East Smithfield and Wellsboro has built strong, cutting-edge programs that serve our animals and our communities well. We have skilled, dedicated staff, a committed board of directors, supportive communities, healthy animals and a robust adoption program. As an organization, we have reviewed and planned our physical infrastructure and invested in staff, board and volunteer development. We are building momentum as we countdown to our 50th anniversary in 2017.

The year also contained a major challenge: failure of our aging East Smithfield waterline system, which had exceeded its 30 year lifespan and had to be completely replaced. Erosion from the waterline system and brutal winters also did serious damage to our community clinic, which operates five days per week.

We are indebted to the USDA Rural Development Program and Bradford County Commissioners, who worked with us on this huge undertaking. They provided grants to completely replace the water line system and repair the busy clinic. What a difference in staff morale to know that those frozen pipes are no longer a concern when dealing with bad weather!

The renovation also made a significant difference for our clients. In particular, improved handicapped accessible ramps help both pets and their owners get into and out of the building. Less noticeable but very important improvements were made to the roof and foundation.

Another major infrastructure problem is on the horizon. Our aging, outdated kennel in East Smithfield is in dire need of replacement, which will be a major undertaking. The Board of Directors spent considerable time this year with Shelter Planners of America, generally thought to be the most experienced and skilled shelter consulting service in the country. It is critically important to have a lasting structure that will incorporate the features of a first rate shelter while also taking into account ACS’ specific needs. We are confident that the final plan will take us well into, if not through, our next fifty years. Our constituency will be hearing much more about ACS’ shelter plans in the weeks to come.

Meanwhile, volunteers at the Community Building Weekend did an outstanding job completing furnishings on communal living environments for the East Smithfield cattery so that no cats live in small, single cages. Cats in Wellsboro will soon move to great new quarters as well, as Lewis Homes of Wellsboro generously donated a mobile home to become a separate cattery.

While this was a year of substantial challenges, it was also a year of major victories. Animal Care Sanctuary received accolades and public recognition on the local, state and national levels. It started with an amazing surprise: Grammy winning singer songwriter Miranda Lambert’s MuttNation Foundation selected ACS as the winning Pennsylvania shelter in its 2015 Mutts Across America: 50 Shelters/50 States Award! Then, I was honored to receive The Greater Valley Chamber of Commerce Business Person of the Year Award and ACS was chosen as Non-Profit Organization of the Year by SCORE, Senior Core of Retired Executives in Binghamton, New York. The International Regional Magazine Association presented its Bronze Award to Brendan O’Meara, Mountain Home Magazine, for his outstanding ACS Cover Story “Take me Home” and ACS was awarded the Pennsylvania State Director’s Shelter...
Grant by The Humane Society of the United States.

We are extremely grateful and a bit overwhelmed that so many impressive people and organizations recognize Animal Care Sanctuary and what we do for animals. All too often, the needs of people and animals in rural areas are discounted or overlooked. This is a huge issue. We at ACS maintain that it is not the numbers that are the measure, but the quality of life of the people and the defenseless animals that have no voice, wherever they reside.

In November, I had the privilege of visiting the David Sheldrick Wildlife Preserve in Kenya, Africa where I saw orphan elephants rescued after their mothers were killed by poachers. I spent time with my foster orphan who was caught in a snare and shot with a poison arrow. She was doing well when I visited but, sadly, has subsequently died. I also visited orphans being reintroduced to the wild and the Masai Mara Preserve where I spent three unforgettable days observing all wildlife.

This trip was life-changing. It made me aware just how fragile our earth and living beings are. Elephants are seriously endangered. Unless all of us take immediate steps to protect them, these magnificent creatures will be extinct within the decade.

Upon returning home, I was invited to join Operation Keystone, a coalition of elephant advocates throughout Pennsylvania. They have joined together to help pass legislation to ban the sale of ivory and rhino horn. I did so without question; it is a major personal priority for me. This wonderful species deserves to survive and live in peace. Each of us can help by making a simple phone call to our state representative and senator voicing support for such legislation where it is pending and urging that legislation be introduced where it does not exist. State laws banning the sale of ivory and rhino horn exist in New York, New Jersey and California and one is pending in Pennsylvania.

As always, thank you for caring about animals and for supporting Animal Care Sanctuary for another remarkable year.

Sincerely,

Joan Smith-Reese
Executive Director
Barbara and Kirk Jennings, of Wenonah, NJ, inveterate lovers of animals and the earth, have contributed funds for four memorial scholarships for college interns to Animal Care Sanctuary. Thanks to their generosity and foresight, Animal Care Sanctuary was able to establish the Bronson Scholarships in memory of Edythe Gaye Jennings, Kirk’s sister, and Fred M. Gerhard, Barbara’s father.

Executive Director Joan Smith-Reese noted, “The ACS internship program is to our knowledge, the only one of its kind for a companion animal shelter in the country. Being able to offer four intern scholarships is not only a wonderful opportunity for aspiring college students to gain valuable, real life experience in the shelter world but also it represents a step forward for shelter medicine. We are very grateful to Barbara and Kirk Jennings for making this exceptional opportunity available.”

Twelve interns participate in the overall program. The Bronson Scholarships will provide four annual pet companion internships with on-site housing and a cost of living stipend. Notifications of the intern scholarship opportunity are sent to all 28 of the nation’s veterinary schools. College or university students in pre-veterinary or animal science with a goal of shelter medicine or shelter management, a commitment to a no kill nation and financial need are eligible to apply.

The interns will experience all facets of shelter medicine/shelter management including advocacy and fund-raising events. They will perform a 12-week rotation through the cattery, canine care, low cost spay/neuter and wellness community clinics as well as the ACS clinic with its own animals.

The interns will have the opportunity to work with over 400 cats and 60 dogs to provide quality care, enrichment, behavior training and socialization in a program designed for optimum animal health and well-being. They will learn the admission process for animals that are owner surrendered or brought in from other shelters by ACS staff. They will also learn the techniques of a successful adoption program, matching pets with compatible, caring owners and help coordinate and attend adoption events. Finally, they will explore applying lessons learned to careers they will pursue.

Animal Care Sanctuary Scholarship in Memory of Edythe Gay Jennings

Edythe Gay Jennings, known as Gay, was loved by all who knew her. Born in Hawaii on May 20, 1941, she was one year older than her brother Kirk. She was a steadfast, loving “big” sister who was always on his side, right or wrong.

Gay and husband Wray, both University of Hawaii graduates, lived on the island of Maui and had two children, Lisa and Leland. Gay died on February 15, 1995, while doing what she loved, hiking the hills of Maui with her husband and dog.

Animal Care Sanctuary Scholarship in Memory of Frederick M. Gerhard

Everyone who knew Fred Gerhard said the exact same thing about him: he was a gentleman and a gentle man. Fred was born on July 19, 1916 in Reading, Pennsylvania and grew up there.

His love of aviation took him to California where he graduated from Boeing Aeronautical School and began a 38 year career with American Airlines. He traveled the world and enjoyed every beautiful moment, soaking in the beauty that surrounded him.

Said daughter Barbara, “I am honored to be the daughter of such a magnificently kind, gentle man.”
**Vets and Pets**

ACS was delighted when the Sayre Theatre invited the sanctuary to benefit from a first run movie “Max”. “Max” is the touching story of a military service dog in Afghanistan, whose Marine handler Kyle is killed in the war. The dog is overcome by stress and retired. He is in danger of being put down until Kyle’s fourteen year old brother Justin, helps Max begin to overcome his post-traumatic stress disorder. Ultimately, Justin adopts and saves Max.

ACS was honored to be joined by the members of six area veterans organizations: Veterans of Foreign Wars Post #1536, Sayre, PA; Beirne-Webster Veterans of Foreign Wars Post #1568, Towanda, PA; American Legion Post #442, Horseheads, NY; American Legion Post #49, Troy, PA; American Legion Post #492, Waverly, NY and American Legion Post #534, Wyalusing, PA. The posts were also sponsors of the event along with Sayre Theatre, Ted Clark’s Busy Market and Stroehmann Bakery.

One of the vets brought his support dog Saber that had been severely injured, requiring specialized surgery. Attendees provided a groundswell of contributions that evening to help defray costs of the surgery. Local media covering the benefit took up the story and raised significant additional funds.

Executive Director Joan Smith-Reese noted, “Veterans and their pets are very special. ACS does everything possible on a case-by-case basis to help keep them together and safe. Today, for example, we agreed to keep a cat for a returning vet while he and his wife seek pet-friendly housing. They were broken hearted when the current landlord would not allow the cat. ACS has helped vets with training and behavior issues, provided pet food to help them through rough times, worked with landlords to help allow responsi-

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**“Veterans and their pets save each other. Pets are symbols of hope for our veterans, proving the power of the human-animal bond.”**

“Mac” MacIntire, Chair, ACS Board

U.S. Navy veteran

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Guest of Honor Saber
One fine October day, a small band of determined volunteers, some armed with tools, others with sheer determination, came from near and far to East Smithfield and worked long hours to perform an impressive, historic feat. In the space of a single weekend, they vowed to build climbing and sleeping structures along with other cat-pleasing accessories for ACS communal living environments for cats, thus completing the furnishings of a spectacular, cageless cattery!

Led by Peter and Nancy Shoudy of West Chester, PA, the volunteer band included Nancy Wilkerson and children Kerry and Kelly from East Fallowfield, PA, Terry Pearce from Downingtown, PA, Mike Bastion from Sayre, PA and his son-in-law and daughter, Michael and Melissa Capone from Connecticut. Most of the volunteers had traveled four or more hours and worked a full two days! They were joined locally by Janet Lambert of Sayre, PA and Marge Ross of South Waverly, PA. Many of the group contributed funds and materials. One donor was from Brazil!

Transformation accomplished! No more outdated, small, single animal cages for ACS East Smithfield cats! Instead, all of them now reside in communals, which house eight cats and are the recommended method of housing by the American Association of Shelter Veterinarians. A communal is a large, chain link structure with fencing on top. Each communal contains crates, shelving, hammocks and cat trees as well as food and water bowls. Communals enable socialization with other cats and humans, and provide room to hide and climb, scratch, play and rest.

Thanks to our loyal building weekend volunteers, all communals now have multi-levels, which cats adore, enrichment toys for mental and physical stimulation and beautiful, brightly colored hand-painted furniture to give a homelike touch.

Completion of this project enables all sanctuary cats to reside in well-furnished communals except the few that require single housing for medical or other reasons.

So what is life like for the ACS cat awaiting adoption? Not bad! Kitty lives with seven companion cats that have been evaluated in advance for compatibility. The cats have ample opportunity for socialization as well as privacy. They move about the communal, both horizontally and vertically! Time to take a nap? Kitty can perch on a shelf or snuggle into an open drawer. The communal structure provides a sense of security, yet kitty has an unobstructed view of the cattery from nearly every angle.

Periodically, but not all at the same
time, the doors to communals are open and the cats move freely throughout the entire cattery. One often views them strolling about or perched atop a cleaning cart for a free ride. Then, there’s the universal favorite in the warmer months – the catio! The catio is a very large enclosed porch with comfy chairs and tables and a view from the mountain top with plenty of sunshine and trees with birds. The catio was a labor of love for another group of heroic donors and volunteers two years ago.

All in all, ACS East Smithfield cats have a very nice life in the cattery while awaiting their caring forever homes. However, we are not done yet! Unfortunately, the ceiling and windows of the aging facility need replaced immediately, along with the air exchange that has outlived its lifespan. The “pièce de résistance” will be a cat café, a comfy room where adopters can go to spend quality time with their furry friends to help them make a perfect choice.

Do not despair! Cat lovers are a resilient, determined lot. We shall prevail! We know ACS has one of the finest catteries in the United States. Making the final repairs will ensure that status. We are immensely grateful to Peter and Nancy Shoudy, our Building Weekend volunteer team and all the wonderful donors and volunteers before them who have performed magnificently to care for our felines.

But wait, there’s more! The newest members of our ACS family in Wellsboro have been there only a few years, but they are very busy making life great for their feline friends as well. Lewis Homes of Wellsboro donated a wonderful, large mobile home that will be used exclusively to house cats. It will be named “Feline Flat”.

“Feline Flat” will soon house all Wellsboro cats after they have been discharged from the intake unit in the clinic where they are medically assessed and taken care of for a minimum of 14 days. The space currently occupied by the cats will be transformed into a simulated living room for the dogs to have time out from “shelter life.” They will be able to get out of their kennels and enjoy some of the comforts they will experience in a home setting.

Wellsboro staff and volunteers will spend most of the next year seeking contributions and in-kind donations of services and materials to prepare the foundation, paint, place the flooring, install air conditioning, add a washer and dryer and install a handicapped accessible ramp and landscaping. This project is just beginning and holds the promise of an amazing environment for Wellsboro felines while preparing them for their forever homes.

“What greater gift than the love of a cat.”
Charles Dickens
Grammy winning country singer-songwriter Miranda Lambert and her MuttNation Foundation selected Animal Care Sanctuary of East Smithfield and Wellsboro as the PA winner of their 2015 Mutts Across America: 50 Shelters/50 States award.

Miranda Lambert said, “I feel so passionately about helping all animals and I’m thrilled that we have once again been able to give to phenomenal shelters all across the country. The people at these shelters do such amazing work day in and day out and are truly heroes for the animals.”

One winner from each state was chosen to receive the recognition along with a monetary award. The shelters did not know they were under consideration; there were no grant proposals, no nominations, no contests and no applications of any kind. MuttNation Foundation did an exhaustive, year-long search based upon very high standards to determine the winning shelters. For example, winning shelters had to find adopted homes for at least 90% of the animals they took in (ACS adopted 91% of the animals it took in) and had to have no more than a 10% euthanasia rate (ACS is a no kill shelter.)

Other factors included a strong presence in the community, high volunteerism, work outside the shelter to adopt out or to minister to the elderly, schools, and so forth, an up-to-date website and periodic newsletters, fiscal responsibility, high activity fundraising and to be strong advocates for spay/neuter campaigns, clinics and activities.

As one of the few shelters that has its own veterinary staff, ACS spays or neuters and microchips for identification every animal it takes in, between 550 and 600 per year. Moreover, ACS provides the only low cost wellness care for pet owners in Bradford and Tioga Counties. ACS busy community clinics perform spay/neuter surgeries and provide vaccinations five days per week in East Smithfield and three days per week at the newer Wellsboro site.

The award also required sufficient hours of operation for adoptions such as weekends, nights and/or weekdays.

Each of the shelters was praised for its exemplary work in the fight to end animals’ suffering and to accelerate pet adoptions.
Animal Care Sanctuary’s Executive Director Joan Smith-Reese responded,

“We were completely surprised and honored to be the Pennsylvania recipient of the 2015 Mutts Across America: 50 States/50 Shelters Award. Miranda Lambert and the MuttNation Foundation are to be lauded for their generosity and unflagging efforts on behalf of all of us who work to save animals.

Of course, the three thousand dollar award is very helpful, but the endorsement of ACS is priceless. We are especially pleased that the award comes just as Animal Care Sanctuary is preparing to celebrate its 50th anniversary. It is a validation of everything that we have aspired to do for half a century! We are very grateful to Miranda, her mother Bev and the hard-working team at MuttNation Foundation.”

MuttNation Foundation, MNF, is a work of love for the Lambert family. Miranda and her mother Bev co-founded MNF nearly a decade ago because of their love for their pets. Their efforts are dedicated to ending animal homelessness, neglect, abuse and abandonment and to increasing the adoption of shelter pets. In 2013, MNF conceived a plan to select a shelter in each of the 50 states and lend a financial hand. Hence Mutts Across America: 50 States/50 Shelters was launched. Coincidentally, in 2014, MNF took over its first owned and operated shelter in Tishomingo, Oklahoma when local efforts to save it failed. Fittingly, it is called Redemption Ranch!

Although many celebrities do wonderful things for animals, ACS knows of no other public figure who has launched a continuing effort based on the highest standards, to recognize and reward shelters doing a superb job in each of the 50 states. Moreover, the awards are not based on political considerations or market share. They honor shelters that care for a wide variety of animals in need such as a horse sanctuary, a disabled pet farm, an elderly/senior pet sanctuary, a blind farm and a last chance rescue for animals from other shelters.

These are shelters that are working every single day in rural and urban America. And these are shelters whose work brings the United States closer each day to becoming a no kill nation; where homeless pets are given a safe haven, made healthy and adopted to well matched, forever homes.

Janet M. Scarlett, DVM, MPH, PHD, Professor Emerita of Epidemiology, Founder and former director of Maddie’s Shelter Medicine Program at Cornell College of Veterinary Medicine and member of the ACS Professional Advisory Committee summed up:

“The MuttNation Foundation’s Mutts Across America: 50 Shelters/50 States Awards comprise a uniquely significant and extensive effort by a celebrity to recognize and encourage the efforts of highly effective shelters. Their work toward a no kill nation is the ultimate goal. May many other celebrities follow Miranda Lambert’s remarkable model!”

The entire Animal Care Sanctuary family pays tribute to Miranda and Bev Lambert for being Ambassadors for Animals in the finest sense. Miranda, you have raised your extraordinary voice to benefit shelter animals across our country that have no voice and that need our help so desperately.

For that we will be ever grateful!
Leave a Lasting Legacy

The generosity and foresight of generations past have made possible much of what our sanctuary is today. For nearly half a century, Animal Care Sanctuary has been steadfast to its commitment to rescue, rehabilitate and adopt animals instead of euthanizing them, making it one of the largest no-kill shelters in the nation. Currently home to over 500 dogs, cats, rabbits, horses, pigs and birds, ACS strives to find well-matched, lifetime homes for the animals with continuing support when needed. ACS adopters and donors come from throughout the United States.

To sustain the magnitude of work required to save a large number of animals is a tremendous and ever-present challenge. While annual giving helps sustain the organization from year to year, you can leave a lasting legacy for the animals through a bequest in your will, a trust, or other planned gifts to help ensure that animals continue to be rescued and protected. A planned gift enables you to make a significant gift for endowment, capital projects, operations or program development while also reducing the taxable portion of your estate. Planned gifts can be constructed to help you reduce or eliminate capital gains or estate taxes, obtain significant income tax benefits and provide annual income.

There are many ways to give to Animal Care Sanctuary………

The Gift by Will: Just as you arrange for the financial and personal security of loved ones including pets in a will, so can you provide for the ongoing work of Animal Care Sanctuary through a will. Gifts by bequest can assist in such areas as endowment, capital needs and program development, connecting you with the Sanctuary in a very special way for years to come. A bequest assures you of complete use of assets during life and assures that your philanthropic intentions will be accomplished while tax benefits minimize the costs to your heirs. There are several different types of bequests.

The Gift by Trust: A trust enables you to make a significant gift to the Sanctuary while receiving income from capital, securities or other property and significant tax advantages. The unitrust and annuity trust, two of the most common charitable trusts, provide income to you during your lifetime and, if you so choose, the lifetime of a beneficiary.

The Gift of Appreciated Long-Term Securities: These gifts may enable you to avoid capital gains tax while taking a charitable deduction for the full value of the stock.

The Gift of Personal Property: An outright gift of your residence, vacation home or other real estate to Animal Care Sanctuary qualifies you for a charitable deduction. This type of gift may also enable you to avoid capital gains tax on the appreciation of the property.

The Gift of Retirement Assets: Designating ACS as a beneficiary of your IRA or other retirement plan can help reduce income and estate taxes.

The Gift of Life Insurance: The gift of a new or existing life insurance policy allows you to create a substantial gift to ACS irrespective of your present assets or estate, and can help reduce income and estate taxes.

For more information about planning your gift, contact the Director of Development at (570) 596-2200 Ext: 227 or email rtwomey@comcast.net.
Lydia’s Story: The Shelter with a Soul

Lydia Klasnikov

It was my darkest hour. I had suddenly lost my dear husband of 35 years who was also my business partner and best friend. We came to the United States 23 years before from an oppressed land and built a new life. His final wish was to take his ashes and those of our wonderful dog of 19 years to the Croatian island of Krk, where our families were. This meant an extended journey of two or three months and finding a suitable, temporary home for our three beloved cats while I was away.

My darkest hour became even darker when I could find no organization in the Philadelphia area where we lived to take our cats! Several suggested that I just euthanize them! Others would take them only if I would put them up for adoption. Then, if they were not adopted within two weeks, they would be euthanized! I fully intended to pay for the care of the cats, at least what I could afford, but that did not seem to matter. The only places that would even consider boarding were outrageously unaffordable.

I was beside myself. I thought that shelters understood that pets were members of one’s family. I believed that the point was to help them be adopted – to find happy, forever homes. Not the case, at least not for the many shelters that I tried, unless it could be done in a nearly impossible time frame; otherwise, the animals were euthanized. The shelters kept getting farther and farther away from home. Finally, at my wits end, I came upon Animal Care Sanctuary. I was not familiar with it and did not know where it was, except that it was hours away from Philadelphia and it was a no kill shelter!

“Hello, this is Erin, the Adoption Coordinator. How may I help you?” a warm friendly voice asked. I dared not hope. I took a deep breath and told my story. With a voice that was full of compassion she told me how sorry she was for my loss and, while my request was not exactly within the realm of what the sanctuary did, she wanted to discuss my situation with the Executive Director to see if there were a way to help. Within minutes she came back to the phone and said, “ACS will be pleased to help you. We will take your cats for as long as necessary and send you reports on how they are doing. We will give them the same love and attention we give all of our animals, along with any medical care should they need it.” I could not believe my ears!

I drove the cats and their belongings to the sanctuary, a lovely place on a mountain top and a true, no kill shelter. We made the cats comfortable in their new home and I said my tearful farewell. I began the long sad journey back to our native land with peace of mind.

While abroad I received frequent encouraging email reports from staff; the cats were eating well and in good spirits. My time away and relocation stretched out to a long three months. Still, the reports kept coming. Then, one happy day, I was able to go up to the sanctuary to bring my precious little ones home. It was obvious that they had been well cared for. ACS was a lifesaver; not just for my cats but for me. Having my furry family back meant everything.

Words cannot describe the gratitude I feel toward ACS, the shelter with a soul. I am not a person of great means, but I do everything I can to help ACS and always will. I collect and donate all manner of items the animals need. Most of all, as an artist, I make one-of-a-kind thank you cards for the very special contributors who make it possi-
ble for ACS to save the lives of their hundreds of animals and, in doing so, give lives back to families and people like me. As they say in my land, “THE FUTURE OF HUMANITY IS IN A KIND AND CARING HEART NOT IN EXPECTATION OF GAIN.”

Lydia’s special thank you card

Beli  Speedy  Godzilla

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Richard and Cheryl Edwards

In Memory of Bubba's Christine
Kenneth and Mary Christine

In Memory of Buddy and Henry
Jean A. Bloom

In Memory of Bufalo
Douglas and Linda Robinson

In Memory of Buzz Lightyear and Charlie
G Mathew and Barbara Gordon

In Memory of Bufalo's
Gloria Morrison

In Memory of Buddy
Linda E. Young

In Memory of Bruce
Joseph and Linda Scopelliti

In Memory of Bruce's
Steven and Helene Rouse

In Memory of Bruce's Christine
In Memory of Nicholas
Laura Smith

In Memory of Bruce's Christine's
In Memory of Noelle
Joan and Carmela Moretti

In Memory of Bruce's Christine's's
In Memory of Ollit, Puddy Pie and Kitty Kat
Annette Mastroplito

In Memory of Bruce's Christine's's's
In Memory of Onyx
Debbie Fitzwater

In Memory of Bruce's Christine's's's's
In Memory of Patrice (Patch) Baker
Cynthia Spicer

In Memory of Bruce's Christine's's's's
In Memory of Penny and Razen
Cheryl Zellers

In Memory of Bruce's Christine's's's's
In Memory of Pepse
Gail Kendlewies

In Memory of Bruce's Christine's's's's
In Memory of Pete and Ginny Peterson
Peter and Betty Peterson

In Memory of Bruce's Christine's's's's
In Memory of Peyton
Winfred Perry

In Memory of Bruce's Christine's's's's
In Memory of Poco
Greg and Janice Martin

In Memory of Bruce's Christine's's's's
In Memory of Princess
East Smithfield Holistic Healthcare

In Memory of Bruce's Christine's's's's
In Memory of Princess
Elizabeth Foth

In Memory of Bruce's Christine's's's's
In Memory of Pumpkin Rawnsley
Constance Anderson

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In Memory of Ranger
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In Memory of Ray Dellinger
Megan Andre

In Memory of Bruce's Christine's's's's
In Memory of Rebel
Leon Weaver

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In Memory of Rebel
Patricia Huda

In Memory of Bruce's Christine's's's's
In Memory of Red
Theresa Antonacci

In Memory of Bruce's Christine's's's's
In Memory of Rev James W. Barrett
Layton and Elizabeth Kingsley

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In Memory of Rexford "Mike" Johnson
Ernest and Lorraine Bohart

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In Memory of Richard
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In Memory of Richard
Madeline Terry

In Memory of Bruce's Christine's's's's
In Memory of Honor of Tucker
Daniel Powell

In Memory of Bruce's Christine's's's's
In Memory of Honor of Willo
Margaret Black

In Memory of Bruce's Christine's's's's
In Memory of Honor of your black dog that quietly waited to be picked
Virginia Marques

In Memory of Bruce's Christine's's's's
In Memory of Honor of Zoey
Charles and Kathleen Shields
In Memory of Robert "Bob" Kenderdine
Mark and Linda Kenderdine
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Lois McDonald
Robert and Juanita Teeter
In Memory of Ron Sheehan
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Joseph and Marlene Stancati
Nicole Braids
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Evans and Karen Jenkins
William and Lucy Wilent
In Memory of Sally Cat
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In Memory of Samantha
Marietta Barton
In Memory of Sandy Campbell
Mary Ann Campbell
In Memory of Sally Casper
Dorothy and Stephen Kuehle
In Memory of Sasha
John and Ruth Barke
In Memory of Scarlett
Ellen Richardson
In Memory of Scoots
Diane Davis
In Memory of Scoots
Virginia Lyman
In Memory of Selena
Colleen Marshall
In Memory of Seymour "Norty" Knight
Orie and Donna Brown III
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Hue Ma
In Memory of Tucky
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Douglas and Meredith Tiiff
In Memory of Winifred Lyon
Dan and Michelle Lyon
Douglas Wilson
John Schill
Mary Young
Thomas and Kathleen Minotti
William and Teresa McCahill
In Memory of Winnie and Kelly
Susa Black
In Memory of your 13 wonderful dogs
William and Patricia Simons
In Honor Of:
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Michele Owczarski
In Honor of Agnes Rehberg
Michael and Gretchen Perdons
In Honor of Agnes Rehberg and the Brooklyn cats
Mary Dubsky
In Honor of Amy Pardo
Cliff Pardo
In Honor of the Anderson and Montague
Erl Greene
In Honor of Ann M. Brown
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In Honor of Arianna Cook
Diane God
In Honor of Berniece Haskell
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Tim Farley
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Avia Whaley
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Vaughn and Monica Hoyt
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During 2015 at ACS there were:

- **708 animals admitted**
  - 467 in East Smithfield
  - 241 in Wellsboro
- **640 animals adopted**
  - 405 in East Smithfield
  - 235 in Wellsboro
- **2718 spay/neuter surgeries performed**
  - 1818 in East Smithfield
  - 900 in Wellsboro
- **2040 clinic appointments**
  - 1637 in East Smithfield
  - 137 in Wellsboro
- **9068 hours of volunteer time contributed**
  - 3519 in East Smithfield
  - 5549 in Wellsboro

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**Statements of Financial Position**

December 31, 2015

**ASSETS**

Current assets:
- Cash and cash equivalents $110,937
- Prepaid expense and other current assets 6,859

**Total current assets** 117,796

Property and equipment, net 1,204,720
Intangible assets 16,200
Investments 1,566,180
Beneficial interest in perpetual trust 1,254,131

**Total assets** $4,159,027

**LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS**

Current liabilities:
- Line of Credit 15,000
- Note Payable 1,045
- Accounts payable and accrued expenses $156,508

**Total current liabilities** $172,553

Net assets:
- Unrestricted 2,504,901
- Temporarily restricted 156,412
- Permanently restricted 1,325,161

**Total net assets** 3,986,474

**Total liabilities and net assets** $4,159,027
January
PA recipient of Miranda Lambert’s MuttNation Award

February
Second Annual Monte Carlo Casino Night

March
Greater Valley Chamber names Joan Reese Business Person of the Year

April
ACS attends Lobby Day in Harrisburg

May
Fifth Annual Mutt Strut and Third Annual Golf Tournament a success

June
Lewis Homes of Wellsboro donates future Cattery

July
Wine & Whiskers in Wellsboro

August
“Max” Movie Premiere

September
First Annual Woofstock Music Festival on ACS East Smithfield grounds

October
Penn Foster visits ACS East Smithfield

November
Bradford County and USDA Officials celebrate improvements at ACS East Smithfield

December
Tom’s Hardware and winning customer donate $500

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