



# Heartland News



June 2019

## GIRL SCOUTS MAKE GENEROUS DONATION

Local Girl Scout Troop 1552 invited Penny Kreuzsch to their May 13th meeting. They had something for the cats, and she was speechless when they handed her a check for \$1000.00! This was money raised from cookie sales and fundraisers. Our community can be very proud of these young girls. It warms our hearts that they think of the homeless kittens and wanted to help us buy new cages for them. What awesome young ladies!!! Felix and Punky went with Penny and she didn't know who had more fun, the kitties or the girls!! Remember these hard working girls when they approach you to buy Girl Scout cookies.



### Rescue cats are the best breed!



The perfect one is just waiting to go home with you.

### Happily Ever After - Asher

Asher was one of our sweet kitten adoptees. This awesome boy was a favorite of everyone who met him, and he brought laughter and fun to his new family. His parent, Alyssa says, "Since day one he's been running the household. He's the most energetic, fun loving kitten. He absolutely loves his canine brothers, and his favorite thing to do is sit in the window sill and watch the birds outside. We couldn't be happier with our decision in adopting him." Way to go, Asher!



*Editors note: If you adopted one of our sweet kitties, and would like to share their story, please email a photo and a paragraph or two to: [admin@heartlandpetwelfare.org](mailto:admin@heartlandpetwelfare.org).*

### Volunteer Spotlight

Diane Ritenour is our featured volunteer for this issue. Diane has been volunteering for over three years. She has a full time job and still gives of her time to the shelter. It is because of volunteers like Diane that Heartland cats are loved and well-cared for.



Heartland Pet Welfare would like to thank all the volunteers, and everyone who donates their time and money for shelter improvements and renovations.

## The Stress of Kitten Overload



Want to experience stress? Try volunteering at a rescue group, shelter, or humane society during kitten season. At this very moment, these facilities are completely full of kittens due to an overwhelming number of them born again this year. The phones are ringing constantly with individuals desperately trying to place these animals. Even the fosters have maxed out what they can handle and still there are way too many kittens. The reality is these organizations have a limit as to how many they can house and afford to rescue. Please help spay and neuter all felines - personal pets, strays, or feral cats. This really is the only solution to the feline overpopulation problem. Thank you!

Reminder.... Heartland has a GoFundMe page. This is for needed repairs as well as replacement of the present cages and work that needs to be done. Please share this with your animal loving friends. Donations and local fundraisers fund our operating expenses but we have some big ticket items that we need extra help with. We operate with volunteers so all money donated is used for the kitties and SO appreciated. The kitties thank you.

Heartland Pet Welfare is pleased to announce it has been awarded a \$2500 grant from the Petco Foundation to support its 2019 Cat Rescue and Rehabilitation (R&R) program. The Petco Foundation investment will help support Heartland's lifesaving mission to enhance the well-being of companion animals and feral cats. The grant will be used to help implement the 2019 Heartland R&R program which includes adoption preparation for rescued cats at the Heartland shelter. Specifically, the grant will help pay for necessary medical treatment and testing, vaccinations, spay/neuter surgeries and routine animal care.

Support for Heartland Pet Welfare provided in part by:



## DONATION CARD

- Yes, I can volunteer
- \$10 a month Sponsor-a-pet
- \$20 Yearly membership
- \$50 Initial vet check/check-in for one kitty
- \$125 Initial vet check & spay or neuter for one kitten
- \$200 Shelter supplies
- \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Other

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