We have made some progress on our new building since the last newsletter. Framing and electrical wiring have been completed, and openings are being cut into the metal exterior for the doors and windows.

But our building fund is now depleted. We most urgently need $20,000 to complete enough of the interior to move the adult cats in from the unheated barn before severe weather sets in. We’ll need another $40,000 to complete the rest of the building, including the outside “catios”. (By the time spring comes we hope the cats will be able to bask in the sun out there!)

Giving Tuesday is a unique opportunity to double your donation. On November 28 starting at 7am CST, the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation will match donations up to $1000 per fundraiser, until their $2 million fund is depleted. Donate through the button on our Facebook page, or even better, set up a Giving Tuesday fundraiser for EAH on your own page! (See p. 4.) Donations to EAH can be matched up to $50,000 across all fundraisers combined!
So ap-purr-ciative of these fundraisers!

We were the grateful recipients of the proceeds from three fundraisers in October:

♥ Friends Jeff & Stayce Henry collected donations as part of their “Halloween Fundraising Bash.” We love you!

♥ Laurie of Kiss My Glass donated a portion of proceeds from sales of her beautiful jewelry during the last 2 weeks of the month. Thank you, Laurie!

♥ And members of the Ozark Mountain Parrot Head Club made a generous donation to EAH. Thank you friends!

If you would like to set up a fundraising event for EAH, please see the “contact us” box on page 4 and let us know!

Friends of the sanctuary: Patricia and Bill Goldbach

When Bill and Patricia Goldbach moved to Springfield nearly two years ago, the last of their three tuxedo cats had died at age 17. After a visit to the sanctuary, Leslie asked if they would keep two cats for them while she and Bill went on vacation. Andy and Opie quickly became part of the Goldbach family and never left.

They were the first siblings to live in their home.

“We were really unprepared for the way these two love each other. They often sleep almost wrapped around each other and will bathe each other endlessly,” Patricia said. Occasionally there is a bit of sibling rivalry and a little fur gets ruffled, but they make up quickly.

Opie is FeLV+ (see next page for information). The Goldbachs have since adopted another FeLV+ cat from EAH that they named Ernie (keeping with the Andy Griffith theme, his name comes from Ernest T. Bass). Having two FeLV+ cats makes no difference at their house. Their vet says all three are healthy and should live long lives.

Bill designed a scratching post that was successfully cat-tested by their trio. He made two more for the EAH shelter cats, who also approved. Now he has fashioned a machine to wrap the sisal around the posts and offers them for sale, with all proceeds going to EAH.

The Goldbachs also pledge monthly to EAH, donating a portion of Bill’s consulting fees to the cause of cats.

Andy, Opie, and Ernie appreciate the good life they have with the Goldbachs, and EAH greatly appreciates their support!
FeLV+ facts

A positive test result for the feline leukemia virus may strike fear into the heart of a cat owner. But there are many misconceptions about a FeLV+ result.

Although the virus is highly contagious through body fluids, it requires prolonged exposure for a cat to acquire it. (EAH tests all cats for FeLV, and keeps positive cats separated from others.)

About 30% of cats exposed to FeLV do not get infected, and 30% become infected but naturally eliminate the virus.

It’s a virus, not cancer
It doesn’t infect other species
It’s not always fatal
Vaccines aren’t 100% effective

It’s the 30% that become persistently infected that may develop health problems, including suppressed immune systems, cancer, and anemia. Kittens are most at risk of dying from FeLV.

With good care, FeLV+ cats can live happy and sometimes long lives. The oldest cat ever at Best Friends Sanctuary in Utah lived 21 years—all the while FeLV+!

Sponsor a room for paws-terity!

EAH offers room sponsorships in the new shelter. In exchange for a donation, you can name “your” room for a beloved cat, relative, or your company. Some donations include lifetime care for one or more of cats if they outlive you.

Naming & lifetime care:

♥ Lobby (4 cats): $15,000
♥ Large (3 cats): $10,000
♥ Medium (2 cats): $7,500
♥ Condo (1 cat): $5,000

Naming rights only:

♥ Laundry/storage: $2,000
♥ Quarantine room: $2,000
On the catwalk: Pixie

Pixie is a beautiful tortico girl (tortoiseshell and calico markings) with a sweet little pink nose. She is about two years old.

Pixie loves to be petted and likes to “knead” on her humans and snuggle in bed. She is also very playful.

She is not fond of other cats and would really like to be a solo kitty. She is an unbelievable mouser and will help keep them out of your house this winter!

Pixie is one of the longer-term residents at EAH, having been with us for over a year. To help give Pixie and other overlooked cats a better chance at adoption, a generous donor has offered to sponsor their adoption fees. Pixie is the first of these to be featured on “the catwalk.” Please consider her for your very own!

Support EAH

Quiz for a Cause at Lost Signal Brewing Company, Tuesday Dec. 5 @ 7pm

Enjoy a night of lively trivia and craft beer (“Atomic Wedgie” or “Church Lady” anyone?) at Lost Signal Brewing Company. Teams that donate $5 per team member to EAH will be eligible to win a cash prize! We’ll also raffle off awesome gift baskets, some for pets, some for people!

Scratching posts and t-shirts for sale

Sturdy scratching posts are custom-made by the Goldbachs (see p. 2), 1/$30 or 2/$50.

T-shirts come in heathered red or gray, youth and adult sizes, regular or women’s cut, $20.

Do holiday shopping for EAH kitties!

Amazon: http://a.co/eZu6rE2

Kuranda pet beds: https://kuranda.com/donate/14308

Set up a no-cost fundraiser for EAH on Giving Tuesday!

On Tues. Nov. 28, the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation will match up to $1000 per fundraiser for EAH! Set one up on Nov. 28 or the day before. It’s easy!

♥ Go to our Facebook page on Nov. 27 or 28

♥ Click on the Fundraisers link

♥ And then the “Raise Money” button

♥ Choose an amount (hint: $1000!)

Who are you raising money for?

Eden Animal Haven

How much money do you want to raise? 1000

When should your fundraiser end? Nov 29, 2017

♥ And explain why you are helping EAH. That’s it! Thank you!