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To fulfill wishes for terminally-ill adults throughout Ohio

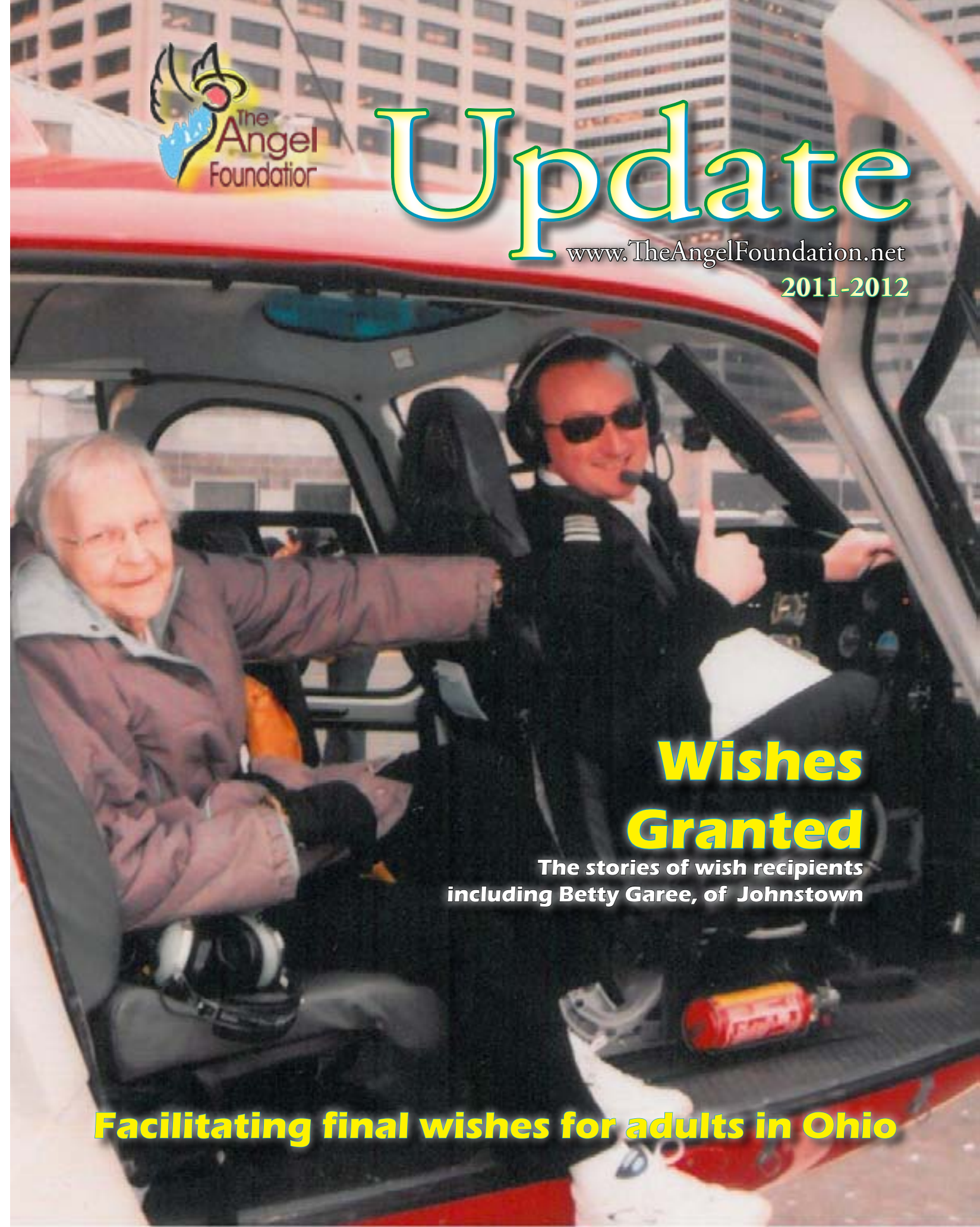
“Hope deferred makes the heart sick, but a longing fulfilled is a tree of life.”
-Proverbs 13:12, NIV

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Wishes Granted

The stories of wish recipients including Betty Garee, of Johnstown

Facilitating final wishes for adults in Ohio

Trip fulfills “bucket-list” item

Twenty-two year old Michelle (Shelly) Green of Medina has always reached for the stars since the beginning of her battle with Cystic Fibrosis at three-months old.

Growing up, Shelly has been involved in many activities ranging from cheerleading, track and basketball with her favorite sport being woman’s ice hockey.

Her goal after high school was to attend Ohio State University and play for the Women’s Club Ice Hockey team.

Even though she did accomplish her goal for a short time, her health began to decline and resulted in a hospital stay as well as the realization that she would have to withdraw from college.

Over time, Shelly has tried to return to college, but her health has prevented her in being able to do so along with confining her more to home.

Realizing that she was getting weaker, Shelly, with help from her social worker, began to compile a “Bucket List” of things she wanted to do and/or see.

At the top of the list, was the desire to go somewhere warm so that she could walk on the sandy beach while enjoying the sounds and feeling the warm breeze.

The Angel Foundation made arrangements for Shelly and her parents to spend four days and three nights in St. Augustine, Fla.

During her trip, Shelly was able to dream away some hours and forget about her health issues, even if only for a short time. She was also able to enjoy time with family members that lived nearby.

***Shelly is in need of a double lung transplant to give her a second chance at life. She has been on the waiting list for almost a year at the time of printing this newsletter.*



Sun, sand and lots of fishing

For 41-year old John Thompson of Hamilton, the desire for warm weather and fishing became a reality in December of 2010.

John had been fighting a long, hard battle with Lung Cancer and the very thought of a short trip instantly put a smile on his face. With the assistance of The Angel Foundation, John and his wife

Janet were able to spend four days at a villa next to the ocean in Florida on a secluded Island.

During their visit, they walked the sandy beach, collected many seashells, and enjoyed a fishing charter with Captain Mark Bennett. They caught so many fish that they lost count.



John and Janet wrote a letter of their sincere appreciation upon their return: “thank you again for making John’s wish come true. Wishes really do come true thanks to The Angel Foundation.”



Renewing wedding vows after 20 years

Gene Gilleo of Celina was diagnosed with end-stage heart disease and for the most part, was confined to his home.

When his home health care social worker, informed him about The Angel Foundation, his first choice was to renew his wedding vows with his wife of 20 years, Lisa.

Gene and Lisa are very devoted to each other and have always survived difficult times by leaning on each other.

Within two weeks of the request, Gene’s wish came to fruition. Several people from the area came together to make this wish come true.

Mercer County Council on Aging donated its van, and the driver donated his time to transport Gene safely to the site.

The Moose Lodge in Celina donated its banquet room for the event and a local pastor performed the ceremony.

The pastor spoke about Gene and Lisa’s unconditional love for each other. The wedding cake and many of the room decorations were also donated.

Dinner was prepared for close friends and family by Jackie Coburn of Celina.

Professional photographers Adam and Mindy Andrews and their daughters, donated their time and took over 800 pictures of Gene and Lisa’s special day.

Mums were donated by The Angel Foundation for Gene and Lisa to give to family members as gifts for sharing the day with them.

After looking through the pictures from the event, Gene and Lisa enjoyed an afternoon of laughter, smiles, and reuniting of family members.

(The Angel Foundation would also like to thank Rosie Cox, Joyce Runyon, and Mary Beougher for their help to make Gene’s wish come true).



A day at the zoo

Barb Scholten, 65 of Van Wert had been admitted to an inpatient hospice center due to the progression of COPD disease.

After speaking with the social worker, Barb expressed the desire to spend the day at the Fort Wayne (Ind.) Children’s Zoo with her daughter and two grandchildren.

The Angel Foundation made arrangements for a van rental, admission to the park, and a nurse to assist Barb in her animal adventure.

During their visit, the family enjoyed watching the sea lions, otters, monkeys and



kangaroos. They also took a log canoe ride. The staff at the zoo were accommodating to Barb’s needs and provided a safe, secure and comfortable place for her to receive necessary treatments throughout the day.

(The Angel Foundation would like give special thanks to Valerie Johnson, LPN; Denise Barker, and All American Car Rental for their assistance in making Barb’s wish come true).

Dream trip with friends

Renee Muhlenkamp, 41 of Celina was nearing the end of her journey with cancer and longed to have one more vacation.

She had enjoyed trips in the past with her friend and her friend's family and she desired to have one more vacation with these good friends.

Her friends already had a condo in Florida, but Renee needed assistance with the airline tickets for her and her friend.

The Angel Foundation flew Renee and her friend to Florida for what Renee called her "Dream Come True Vacation."

Renee was able to enjoy the warm weather and the beach. "It was a time to be playful with friends," she said.

"After being sick for so long, the change in routine and surroundings was renewing." She said the sound of the waves helped her relax and breathe through her cancer pain, and visiting the ocean helped her feel closer to God.

"Now I am more at peace about my own death," she wrote. In all, the trip was physically therapeutic and emotionally and spiritually rejuvenating.



The Angel Foundation Remembers:

The following recipients who died this past year:

- ❖ Paula David
- ❖ Betty Garee
- ❖ Dennis Garland
- ❖ Rachel Greenwalt
- ❖ George Jenkins
- ❖ Renee Muhlenkamp
- ❖ Salvatore "Sam" Salupo
- ❖ Barb Scholten
- ❖ Patricia Self
- ❖ Eric Sizemore
- ❖ John Thompson



Special visit/time at home

Dennis Garland, 49, married his high school sweetheart, Candy and was a very loving husband. He enjoyed mountain biking, fly fishing, hiking, skiing and spending time with family and friends while they lived in Colorado for 10 years.

Lately however, a brain tumor has kept him confined to a nursing home requiring around the clock care. Dennis' desire was to make a return visit to Colorado, but with this health failing, he was too weak to make the trip.

The next best thing would be to bring his sister-in-law, Babbitt, to Ohio for a visit with him and his

wife. Dennis also wanted to return to his home in Troy for a short stay to enjoy his sister-in-law's visit.

The Angel Foundation made arrangements for Babbitt to fly home for a few days to spend time with Dennis and Candy. During her stay, they played games, enjoyed home cooked meals, and reminisced about "old times."

Dennis was able to stay at home a little while longer following Babbitt's stay because his health improved for a short time. The high school sweethearts were thankful for the extended time at home together.

Getaway to the woods

George Jenkins of Cleveland loved spending his time outdoors enjoying the sounds of nature with his wife, Margaret.

A lung cancer diagnosis combined with other family demands, had made it difficult for George and Margaret to have time away together.

George expressed his desire to spend a few days at nearby Punderson State Park with his wife. With the assistance of his social worker and The Angel Foundation, his wish became reality.

George and Martha enjoyed an overnight stay in a beautifully furnished cabin in the woods at the park. Both expressed their sincere appreciation to The Angel Foundation for their special time together.

Helicopter ride around the Statue of Liberty

Betty Garee of Johnstown had always wished to see the Statue of Liberty. Lady Liberty held a special place in her heart since she was a little girl, when her father talked frequently about passing the Statue on a troop ship embarking for Europe during World War I.

Her father would tell her the story of when he was leaving to go off to war. As his ship passed by the Statue, her father shouted out, "look at me now cause you are never going to see me again!"

Betty's father did however see that Statue and his country again. To him the Statue of Liberty became the symbol that he had made it home. Betty has always wanted to see the statue that was so symbolically important to her father.

With the assistance of The Angel Foundation, Betty's wish came true in February 2011. Along with her very special friend Penny, Betty flew to

New York City to take a helicopter tour of the Statue of Liberty and some of the sights of the Big Apple.

On behalf of The Angel Foundation, we would like to express our sincere appreciation to Liberty Helicopters, Kismet Limousine, Jeri Slone and the staff of Northview Senior Living Center for their assistance in making Betty's wish of a lifetime come true.



Dad/family enjoy getaway

Being able to provide for his family has always been a top priority for Eric Sizemore of Tipp City. He was blessed with a very loving wife, Jill, and three precious children, Ricky, Samantha, and Madison as well as a granddaughter, Felicity.

After being diagnosed in 2008 with Melanoma and fighting his battle for two long years, he was no longer able to work. Eric wanted to spend quality time with his family away from the monthly doctor's appointments and treatments.

With spring break right around the corner, he wanted to take his family to Great Wolf Lodge.

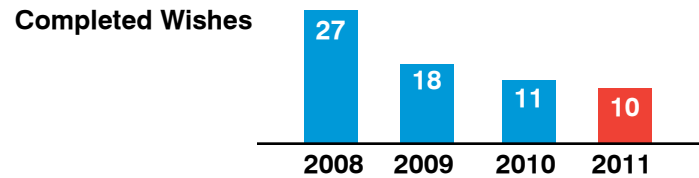
Arrangements were made by The Angel Foundation for the family to spend three days and two nights at the lodge. The family had a wonderful time hanging out "pool side" and watching movies together.

Eric played in the water and even rode the water rides with the kids. Madison and Felicity enjoyed getting their faces painted while dad had a cancer ribbon painted on his arm. Jill wrote to The Angel Foundation: "Thank you so much for giving us a wonderful last trip together for us always remember."



2011 Annual Report

The Angel Foundation completed 10 wishes from Oct. '10- Sep. '11. Additional wish requests are received each year that cannot be fulfilled. Sometimes the request is made too late, when the recipient only has a few days remaining; other times, the recipient's health quickly deteriorates or they expire.



Ohio Counties Served in 2011

- Butler County
- Cuyahoga County
- Licking County
- Medina County
- Mercer County (3 - wishes)
- Miami County
- Van Wert County

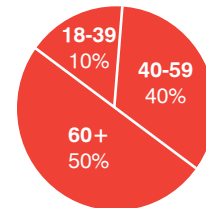
The Angel Foundation facilitates wishes in all 88 Ohio Counties

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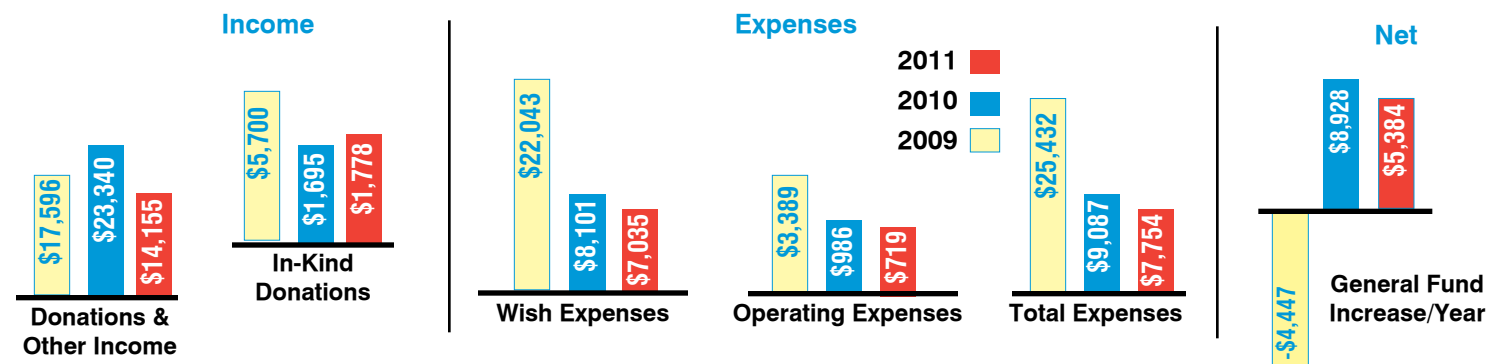
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Ages Served



Financial Reports



The Angel Foundation had another positive financial year, netting a gain in the general fund for a second consecutive year. Donations and income were down 39% from 2010. Wish expenses decreased by 13%. The average cost per wish was \$703, down 13% from 2010. In-kind donations increased slightly (5%).

Operating expenses continued to be low and the general fund gained \$5,384 for the year. The decision to suspend Disney wishes (our most expensive wish), and limit the number of wishes for certain portions of the state has contributed to a lower number of wishes per year and helped stabilize our finances.

Your financial support is always appreciated since we are completely reliant on private, individual, business and organizational donations. The attached envelope makes it convenient to send in your tax-deductible gift. You can also donate on-line at our website www.TheAngelFoundation.net.

Your continued financial support is appreciated. Thank you!

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In Honor of:

♦ Grandchildren-Gabriella, Anthony, Zach, Andrew, and Alyssa
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Commorating:

♦ Mildred Drake, my mother 92nd birthday
 Connie Drake

♦ 35th Wedding Anniversary
 John & Pam Shumaker

♦ O. G. Gamble 50th Family Reunion

Thank you dinner for family caregivers

Salvatore "Sam" Salupo, 61, of Mendon had been battling pancreatic cancer and his health was beginning to decline.

He was very grateful for all that his wife, brother, and sister-in-law had done for him throughout his illness and wanted to take them out to dinner to show his appreciation. The Angel Foundation made arrangements for the two couples to eat at Sam's favorite place, Bella's Italian Grille in Celina.

Venetian Gardens also graciously donated a flower bouquet and delivered them to the restaurant so that Sam could give them to his wife when they arrived. Everyone had a wonderful time laughing and visiting.

***The Angel Foundation would like to express their appreciation to Bella's Italian Grille and Venetian Gardens for going above and beyond to make Sam's dinner with his family an occasion that his loved ones will always treasure.*