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The Love an Angel Foundation (LAAF) June/July 2018 Volume VII, Issue II

E-Mail Concerns & Changed Hours

Our email account **info@loveanangel.org was hacked in May**. We sent out an email warning everyone. We have a new email account: <u>mail@loveanangel.org</u>. This is why everyone is receiving this newsletter by mail. Please add our new email to your email address list to receive our newsletter and updates by email. If we do not have your email, or it has changed, please notify the office and save us a stamp.

Our Growth Administrator has been notified that she will have a schedule change with her other employer and we are working to accommodate her new schedule. This may mean a change in our office hours. Watch our website for these updates.

Updates from our Executive Director

Gathering Place Playground:

Our goal for receiving the building permit in May and then groundbreaking the end of June suffered a setback. :(

We were simply unaware of the county's backlog for permit review. Once everything is submitted, we expect about a 30-day review process with a groundbreaking hopefully 60 days after.

As far as construction of the building, we are communicating with interested contractors, but their schedules are currently full. Efforts continue!

Our playground design is exciting and we are working out details of its placement in the building.

We are still in need of financial assistance as additional expenses are encountered with the building, e.g., handicap friendly restroom, electricity, septic, etc. Grant writing and fundraising efforts are ongoing.

Biking for Angels Spin-a-thon: Time to "Put the Pedal to the Metal" and Keep in Motion for a Good Cause. Watch for our "Save the Date" and special details for the 7th Annual LAAF Biking for Angels Spin-a-thon in our next Newsletter and on our website.

Shop & Save Acme Receipts: Thursday, August 9, 2018 begins Acme Fresh Market's Community Cash Back program. This is Acme's way of supporting nonprofit organizations and we have certainly benefitted from Your support in saving and sending us your receipts.

Yours for Our Angels, Patti Weber

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Dates to Keep in mind:

- Biking for Angels date TBA
- Reverse Raffle
 2/9/2019

Current Office Hours: Mon & Tues: 10 AM to 2 PM Wed thru Sun by

appointment only Our office hours will change in the next few weeks. Watch for the change on our website. So, please call before stopping by. 234-678-7466

Volunteer Needs: Office assistant

Item Donation Needs: A Window Air Conditioner (Our office does not have AC)



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We are sad to be announcing that one of our Angel Families is leaving our area. Matthew & Rebecca Cantwell, parents to Angel Nayla, and her 4 siblings still at home, Derrick, Emily, Gracie, and Lilly, are leaving

for Utah, Rebecca's former home. She and Matt feel the need for reconnecting with their family.

This is a wonderful opportunity for them, as they will find strength in numbers as family assists them with the care of Nayla and little



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Please call our office at 234-678-7466 if you would like to discuss how you can become more involved.

To Provide <u>Comfort</u>, <u>Assistance</u>, <u>Relief</u>, and <u>Encouragement</u> to those touched by Angelman Syndrome.

Gracie, who has experienced health problems from birth. They are also excited about the children being together with grandparents, uncles, aunts, and cousins.

Although busy with her family, I could count on Rebecca for her input concerning the needs of our Angels and others with disabilities. She has volunteered at many of our fundraisers, and faithfully attended our February Dinner/Reverse Raffle/Silent Auction.

This amazing family of faith continually triumphs through both good and difficult times. Rebecca's calming tone is reflected in everything she does, I have never heard her voice elevated under any circumstance. It has been my pleasure to visit with the family on many occasions and I consider her my dear friend. Cantwell's, your LAAF family and its supporters wish you ALL a fond Farewell.... Rebecca's goodbye letter:

"As our family embarks on a new adventure out west, we are so grateful for the love and support we have received through the Love an Angel Foundation throughout our many years in Ohio. It was thru Madeline Weber and this organization that we were able to receive an accurate diagnosis of Angelman Syndrome for Nayla, and meet other families who have shared wisdom and resources and become friends.

Thank you for your hard work and for your dedication to our kids!

We look forward to seeing how this Foundation will continue to grow.

With Love, The Cantwell Family"