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ADLC has worked for more than 50 years for animal welfare and animal rights. Through newspaper ads, information flyers and our website we raise public awareness of humans' oppression of animals and how to prevent and alleviate animal suffering. We oppose all forms of animal exploitation, cruelty and neglect as occur in biomedical experimentation, factory-farming for food or fur, trapping, hunting, sealing and whaling except for subsistence, and we oppose zoos, circuses, rodeos and aquariums.

We promote vegetarianism, encourage spaying and neutering of cats and dogs to prevent animal homelessness. We have established a non-animal-using Alternative Research Fund (ARF) which has issued 6 grants to date. The ARF supports excellent biomedical research projects which rely on ethical clinical research with humans, human tissue and organ culture, simulators, computer science, film education, epidemiology and other non-animal-using methods. In support of compassion and ethical considerations for animals, we submit recommendations to government for better legislation to protect animals, contact news media including Letters to the Editor, and publish this Bulletin twice annually about our activities and current issues.

Your donations to the Spay/Neuter Fund, Animals in Distress Fund and Alternative Research Fund promote and make possible their objectives.

General donations pay for media advertisements, information flyers and publications, part-time office help, accounting, office equipment and supplies.

YOUR MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS AND DONATIONS ENABLE ADLC TO CONTINUE OUR EFFORTS ON BEHALF OF THE ANIMALS. (See page 9 for Donation/Membership form.)

BETTER TREATMENT NEEDED FOR FOOD ANIMALS IN CANADA: 2015 Meeting of Federal, Provincial and Territorial Ministers of Agriculture: Below is our June 22, 2015 letter to Federal Agriculture & Agri-Food Canada Minister Ritz, with a copy to the following Agriculture Critics: NDP MP Malcolm Allen and Liberal MP Mark Eyking:

The welfare of farm animals is a critical issue for many Canadians. The 2015 meeting of Federal, Provincial and Territorial Ministers of Agriculture presents a crucial opportunity to discuss the development of a national approach to improving the welfare of food animals raised in Canada.

Recent exposés have showcased the desperate need for improvements in how food animals are housed, handled, transported and slaughtered in Canada. As the welfare of food animals is a shared jurisdiction between federal, provincial and territorial governments, agriculture ministers at all levels have a responsibility to improve the welfare of food animals.

We hope you will put the development of a national farm animal welfare strategy at the top of the federal, provincial and territorial meeting of Ministers of Agriculture this summer.

Looking forward to hearing back from you concerning the above.

Canadian Animal Transportation Regulations Need to be Strengthened: Below is our June 22, 2015 letter to Prime Minister Harper, with a copy to the following Agriculture Critics: NDP MP Malcolm Allen and Liberal MP Mark Eyking:

We urge you to take immediate steps to publish draft updates to the *Health of Animals* regulations concerning the transportation of animals in Canada.

Canada's current animal transport regulations are inadequate and outdated. Allowing food animals to be transported continuously and without access to food, water, or rest for 36, 48, 52 and even 72 hours within Canadian borders causes unnecessary and extensive animal suffering. Also the lack of minimum loading densities and the weak definitions for unfit animals must be addressed.

It is unbelievable that regulations allow animals to be transported in open trucks, in sub-zero temperatures, and allow animals to be beaten during loading or unloading. Every year millions of food animals in Canada die while being transported. **Why is our government allowing this to continue?** Commercial businesses of any type (not limited to agri-business) should not be allowed to mistreat animals with impunity.

In addition to stronger regulations, better inspection and enforcement activities are urgently needed to protect these animals. Steps can and need to be taken to minimize animals' pain, distress and suffering as much as possible.

It is wrong to keep the draft updates to the regulations concerning the transport of animals in Canada hidden from the public. **CANADIANS CARE** about animals and should be given the opportunity to comment on this important draft document that affects so many millions of animals raised for food.

We await your reply and hope it will include a copy of the draft updates to sections of the *Health of Animals* regulations concerning the transportation of animals in Canada.

STOP CANADA'S EAST COAST COMMERCIAL SEAL SLAUGHTER: **International Fund for Animal Welfare (IFAW)** on-line article (ifaw.org/canada/get-involved/end-cruel-and-wasteful-seal-hunt?ms=CONDG...): "... Year after year, tens of thousands of [harp and hooded] seals are killed during Canada's commercial seal hunt. The animals are skinned, and sometimes their flippers are cut off. ... Almost all of the animals – 92 percent in 2013 – are dumped on the ice or tossed back into the ocean once their fur has been removed.

[WHAT YOU CAN DO:] **We need answers from the Canadian government.** ... [IFAW has] prepared a template email for you to send. If you prefer, you can personalize this copy to make it more effective. Please ensure that you are polite at all times. ...

Members of Parliament

Do you support the wasteful seal hunt?

The **Department of Fisheries and Oceans** claims that it supports 'full utilization' of the seals killed at the commercial seal hunt on Canada's East Coast. The reality, however, is far from it. Statistics from the **Department of Fisheries and Oceans** indicate that nearly all of the meat from seals killed in the course of the commercial seal hunt is wasted.

Despite the millions of taxpayer dollars spent to attempt to develop markets for seal meat over the past two decades, the amount of meat landed accounts for only 8 percent of the seals killed. This kind of waste goes against the principles of conservation, and is not allowed in other hunts. So why are seals treated differently?

The commercial seal hunt is an unnecessary and horrifying waste of life. I'm writing to ask you – do you support this waste?

Sincerely,"

Please let your federal Member of Parliament and Senators know you support a legislated end to the annual east coast commercial seal hunt. Urge them to support a federal sealing industry buyout. By compensating fishermen for their sealing licenses and developing economic alternatives to help the communities that would be affected by ending Canada's cruel commercial seal hunt, this would cost much less than the Canadian government spends to keep the annual commercial hunt going. If you cannot electronically submit your letter, PLEASE WRITE TO: Prime Minister Harper, House of Commons, Ottawa, Ontario, K1A 0A2; **Fisheries and Oceans Minister, House of**

Commons, Ottawa, Ontario, K1A 0A6. For **Members of Parliament/Senators** names and contact information visit the **Government of Canada** website: www.canada.gc.ca (Links listed under "Our Governance"), or telephone 1-800-622-6232. No postage required when mailed in Canada (when Parliament is sitting).

"REPORT: CANADIAN GOVERNMENT WANTS TO MARKET SEAL PENISES", **IFAW** on-line article posted **June 17, 2015** (ifaw.org/canada/news/report-canadian-government-wants-market-seal-penises): "... Earlier this month, **IFAW** received through the Access to Information Act a shocking report commissioned in 2013 by the government of Canada, revealing a grisly plan to kill tens of thousands of grey seals. ...

Among the more bizarre details the report proposes: • grinding up seal carcasses to make 'slurry', which would be used to make seal hotdogs, meatballs, and other processed meat products; • marketing seal-meat protein powder as a weight loss product; • using seal pelts as welding aprons and extreme weather shields for military applications; and • selling seal penises as sexual enhancement products to Asian buyers

Most outrageous of all: The government's seal penis plan will cost Canadian taxpayers more than \$20 million dollars! ... For over two decades now, the Canadian government has financially supported the development and marketing of seal products. ... Few people seem to want – or need – these products, and with markets disappearing, the seal slaughter should be coming to an end. In 2014 just **82** of a **60,000** animal quota were killed. ...

Please take action ... and tell the government of Canada to stop slaughtering seals for their sex organs."

ONTARIO ENDING ACQUISITION AND BREEDING OF KILLER WHALES: **On-line NEWS Release from the Ontario Ministry of Community Safety and Correctional Services, May 28, 2015:** "... Today the province passed the *Ontario Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Amendment Act*, which will prohibit the acquisition and breeding of orcas (killer whales) in Ontario effective immediately. ...

[T]he bill contains a number of other measures to improve the oversight and well-being of all marine mammals in Ontario. ...

- ... require facilities that house marine mammals to have qualified veterinarians with expertise in marine mammal medicine to oversee preventive and clinical care
- Penalties of up to \$60,000 and/or two years in prison on first conviction for breaches of the Act

The province is also working on setting specific standards of care for marine mammals which will reflect advice from an expert report by **Dr. David Rosen**, a **University of British Columbia** marine biologist, and recommendations from a technical advisory group. When introduced, Ontario will be the first jurisdiction in Canada to set specific standards of care for marine mammals. ..."

"CIRCUS TO END ELEPHANT ACT", *The Ottawa Citizen*, **March 6, 2015:** "The **Ringling Bros. and Barnum & Bailey Circus** will phase out the show's iconic elephants from its performances by 2018, saying public concern about how the animals are treated led to the decision. ..."

WILDLIFE/HUMAN CONFLICTS: **Below is our July 28, 2015 letter that we sent to responsible territorial/provincial department Ministers and Premiers, RE: Consider options other than killing wildlife.**

The recent killing of a mother bear near Port Hardy, BC, has left two black bear cubs orphaned. We understand the mother bear went back to the freezer a couple of times but did not hear she was aggressive or threatening towards anyone.¹ She was hungry and now is dead. This has highlighted, once again, the issue of how conservation officers and police deal with wild animals in conflict with humans.

Shooting should not be the first or only choice. We realize there may be situations when wildlife poses an imminent or immediate threat to human safety that the animal has to be killed.

Wildlife is, more than ever, under threat from habitat destruction, climate change, sport hunting, controlled kills, poaching; residential, agricultural, recreational and industrial activity; motorized vehicle kills and death by conservation officer/police shootings.

When conservation officers are not able to get to a problem site quickly, local police should have officers who are well trained to deal with animal/human conflicts. These officers should have 24/7 access to

expert advice from conservation officers or veterinarians experienced in dealing with wildlife.

We urge you to more aggressively implement non-lethal, humane and responsible resolutions to wildlife/human conflicts, and [educate] people about how to avoid attracting undesirable wildlife to their backyards and communities.

We await your reply.

¹⁴Understanding Bears How do Bears React to People? Internet article, *Bear With Us*, sanctuary in Ontario, www.bearwithus.org: "... Full-blown attacks by black bears are rare. ... The 500,000 black bears in North America kill fewer than one person per 3 years, on the average, despite hundreds of thousands of encounters. To put this in perspective, for each death from a black bear across North America, there are approximately 17 deaths from spiders, 25 deaths from snakes, 67 deaths from dogs, 150 deaths from tornadoes, 180 deaths from bees and wasps, 374 deaths from lightning, and 90,000 homicides in the United States alone (data from the National Center for Health Statistics, 1980-1983). ..."

ONTARIO TO LIMIT SEEDS TREATED WITH CHEMICAL, *Metro News, Ottawa, Ontario, June 10, 2015*: "... On July 1, [Ontario] will become the first jurisdiction in North America to begin reducing the number of acres planted with neonicotinoid-coated corn and soybean seeds. ... The pesticide [which makes plants toxic to pests and is designed to kill what tries to eat it] hinders the ability of bees – and 400 other pollinator species like birds and butterflies – to navigate, feed, or reproduce. It's also blamed for making them more susceptible to illness. ..."

As of next month, new rules will be in place for the sale and use of neonicotinoid-treated seeds. Only farmers who can provide evidence of pest problems will be permitted to use them. ... But the phase-out will be a challenge – almost all the corn seed and 60 per cent of soybean seed sold in Ontario is currently treated with neonicotinoid insecticides. The reduction measures are to take effect in time for 2016 planting season. *TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE*"

"IN U.S., MORE SAY ANIMALS SHOULD HAVE SAME RIGHTS AS PEOPLE", *Gallup, May 18, 2015, Internet article* (gallup.com/poll/183275/say-animals-rights-people.aspx): "... Washington, D.C. – Almost a third of Americans, 32%, believe animals should be given the same rights as people, while 62% say they deserve some protection but can still be used for the benefit of humans. The strong animal rights view is up from 2008 when 25% thought animals' rights should be on par with humans'."

... for the first time, **Gallup** asked Americans about their level of concern for the treatment of animals in various settings. The percentage saying they are 'very' concerned ranges from 33% for animals used in research to 21% for animals in the zoo. When combined with those 'somewhat' concerned about each, Americans are most concerned about animals in the circus, animals used in competitive animal sports or contests and animals used in research, with just over two-thirds expressing concern about each. They are least concerned about the treatment of household pets, with 46% saying they are very or somewhat concerned. ...

Overall, Americans are a bit less concerned about the treatment of marine animals in amusement parks and aquariums (62% are very/somewhat concerned) and animals in the zoo (57%) than about the treatment of circus animals. ... [animals mainly used for human food] Americans show relatively less concern for how these animals are treated, with 54% at least somewhat concerned, including 26% very concerned. While the fewest Americans are concerned about the treatment of household pets, still close to half are very or somewhat concerned. ...

Animal rights have been top of mind for Americans in recent years because of an increasing number of films and news stories depicting the poor treatment of animals. **Congress** requested a review of a government-funded animal research lab in late 2014, and cosmetics testing on animals was banned in the **European Union** in 2013. **Ringling Brothers** recently announced that it will retire its circus elephants by 2018 Organized segments of the American public are very vocal about protecting animal rights

... [I]t is clear that Americans have become more likely to believe that animals should have the same rights and protections as people, though this still remains the minority viewpoint. ..."

SYNTHETIC SKIN COULD REDUCE DRUG TESTING ON ANIMALS: *Epoch Times, Ottawa edition, July 3-9, 2015*: "... A new 'synthetic skin' developed by researchers at the **University of Guelph** ... could greatly reduce testing

in both animals and humans for drugs such as wound treatment medications. ... The 'wound model' created by **Neethirajan** [an engineer at the **University of Guelph**] and his team took two years to develop and consists of an artificial skin-like substance made up of amino acids and proteins that can function similarly to the skin of an animal or human.

'We have come up with a model which mimics all of the conditions – the biomechanical, the physical, chemical, and biochemical – of local skin tissue,' says **Neethirajan**. 'It is built on glass slides ... and it can be placed under a microscope to visualize.' The method was designed to mimic testing in guinea pigs, mice, rabbits, and sheep, and allows researchers to watch interactions between bacteria and the drugs being tested. Currently, drug companies testing wound treatment medications have to wound the animals, collect swabs, and monitor healing, all of which takes time and adds to the expense.

Neethirajan says the model he and his team developed can not only reduce expenses for drug companies but also eliminate some of the ethical issues related to animal testing. ... **Neethirajan** and his team hope their technique will be mass-produced for use by scientists worldwide. ..."

ADLC ADVERTISING: We placed a full page ad in the March/April 2015 *FIFTY-FIVE PLUS Magazine* that was distributed in the Greater Toronto area, Ottawa, Ottawa Valley, Peterborough/Lindsay, Kingston/Quinte, reaching approximately 385,000 readers. This ad combined information on our Spay/Neuter Fund and our non-animal-using Alternative Research Fund. The same ad also appeared in the Spring 2015 *Ottawa Family Living Magazine* with a distribution of approximately 30,000, and in the 2015 *Ultimate Guide to Retirement Living*. A full page ad was also placed in the Spring/Summer 2015 *Seniors Activities & Services Directory* which consisted of a combined 2/3 page advertorial and 1/3 page ad. The advertorial was about our Spay/Neuter Fund and non-animal-using Alternative Research Fund, while the 1/3 page ad was a general write-up about the **ADLC**. Ontario distribution area includes 32 communities such as: Ottawa, Kanata, Arnprior, Perth, Merrickville, Brockville, Gananoque and Kingston. We began placing our monthly "NOT ENOUGH HOMES FOR CATS AND DOGS" spay/neuter ads (some sponsored/co-sponsored): April 23, 30 and July 23 – *The Renfrew Mercury* and the *Manotick News*; May 28 – *Arnprior Chronicle-Guide* and *Perth Courier*; June 25 – *Almonte/Carleton Place* paper and *Perth Courier*; August 20 – *Almonte/Carleton Place* paper and the *Arnprior Chronicle-Guide* (weekly *Metrolandmedia* newspapers distributed in communities not far from Ottawa).

ADLC Ad on a Recycle Bin, on Somerset near Bank Street, Ottawa, for one year starting August 15, 2015. Along with our name, logo and contact information the message reads: "**BE KIND TO ANIMALS. Don't exploit them. Become a supporter/member.**"

HOW TO SPONSOR ONE OF ADLC'S SPAY/NEUTER ADS: Sponsoring requires a minimum \$130 contribution. Co-sponsoring requires a minimum \$65 contribution. Sponsor's/co-sponsor's name appears on the ad if desired. See membership/donation section at the bottom of page 9.

ADLC'S SPAY/NEUTER FUND AND ANIMALS IN DISTRESS FUND: **ADLC** does not subsidize cats/dogs with poor veterinarian's prognosis – but we cover the cost of euthanasia in some cases. **ADLC** does not subsidize if there is no committed foster/permanent home or caretaker. From January to August 2015 we contributed towards the cost of euthanizing an individual's elderly dog and 4 rescue shelter cats; spaying/neutering/vaccinating 2 shelter cats and the neutering of an individual's cat; meds for 2 shelter cats and towards a cat's post op exam. Contribution to help with animal feed/veterinary care of animals at a refuge. We contributed towards the purchase of cat food needed by a cat shelter. Also see **OTTAWA SPAY/NEUTER DAY. CAT/DOG FOOD DELIVERIES:** At the end of April 2015 we began monthly deliveries of cat/dog food to **St. Joe's Women's Centre** in downtown Ottawa (operates a day program for disadvantaged women, emergency grocery program; operates a soup kitchen); and to the **Parkdale Food Centre** in Ottawa's Hintonburg area (food bank, cooking workshops, used clothing exchange). Both Centres have clients who have companion animals, some who would rather go without themselves so their animals are not going hungry. There is a need for this help, and it is greatly appreciated by both Centres. **Without your support this financial assistance would not have been possible. We thank you.**

OTTAWA SPAY/NEUTER DAY: At our request, **Mayor Jim Watson** declared Tuesday, February 24, 2015 "OTTAWA SPAY/NEUTER DAY". February 19, 2015 we placed a newspaper ad in the *Nepean/Barrhaven News* and the *Ottawa West News* to publicize the day. Besides placing newspaper ads, we wanted to do more. We approached the **Community Veterinary Outreach** organization in Ottawa (they hold pro bono veterinary clinics at homeless shelters, drop-in centres and community centres) about the possibility of our paying for spays/neuters

completed close to February 24. We paid for 1 cat neuter/2 cat spays and 3 dog neuters/1 dog spay done on February 25, 2015.

"ANIMAL SHELTER STATISTICS 2013", report published on December 16, 2014 by the **Canadian Federation of Humane Societies (CFHS)**, Ottawa, Ontario: Excerpt: "... [A CFHS online survey was] sent to the 172 Canadian humane societies and SPCAs to complete .., and 90 complete responses were received. ...

Adoption In 2013 adoption rates were very similar for cats and dogs at 47% and 45%, respectively, relative to the total shelter population Adoption rates for cats have increased in 2013 relative to previous years and are at the highest levels yet observed

Euthanasia Euthanasia numbers for cats and dogs continued to differ markedly in 2013. On the positive side, significantly fewer cats were euthanized in 2013 than in 2012. In 2013, 38,000 cats and 8,000 dogs taken in to shelters were euthanized ... compared with over 52,000 cats and almost 9,000 dogs in 2012 (**CFHS**, 2013). In general the euthanasia rates appear to be decreasing relative to 2007 and 2008 levels, particularly for cats Unfortunately, euthanasia rates for cats have been consistently twice as high as those for dogs over the last 20 years. This dire situation reflects the cat overpopulation crisis in Canada, which is described extensively in **CFHS's Cats in Canada** report (**CFHS**, 2012). ..."

CAT FOSTER HOMES NEEDED (OTTAWA AREA): **CAT RESCUE NETWORK:** Several feral colony caretakers and others who rescue homeless cats in the Ottawa area formed **Cat Rescue Network**. Foster and permanent homes are always needed. Also needed: outdoor cat shelters, outdoor runs and humane cage traps. If you have humane trapping experience or can transport cats to foster homes or veterinary appointments, please call 613-820-7088.

ADLC'S WEBSITE: **Our sincere thanks to Brenda Campbell of webhomesbydesign.com who spent a great deal of time redesigning and updating our National Capital FreeNet website. We invite you to check it out at: ncf.ca/animal-defence.**

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MINUTES OF THE ANIMAL DEFENCE LEAGUE OF CANADA'S AGM, March 29, 2015: **President R. Farley** chaired the meeting. A quorum of members was present. Paraphrased/excerpted reports follow:

MINUTES FROM THE MARCH 30th, 2014 AGM: R. Farley moved the 2014 AGM minutes be accepted as presented. Seconded by E. Klein. CARRIED with no objections.

TREASURER'S REPORT: J. Bélair presented the Review Engagement Financial Statements Report prepared by Collins Barrow Ottawa LLP, for the year ending December 31, 2014. J. Bélair moved it be accepted. Seconded by B. Bernhardt. CARRIED with no objections.

Appointment of Accountants: R. Farley moved that the Directors of **ANIMAL DEFENCE LEAGUE OF CANADA** are authorized to have Collins Barrow Ottawa LLP conduct an audit and prepare our Financial Statements Report and tax forms for 2015 on behalf of the **ANIMAL DEFENCE LEAGUE OF CANADA**. Seconded by H. Patterson. CARRIED with no objections.

J. Bélair presented the **ADLC's 2015 Budget** (prepared by the **ADLC**), which had been previously approved by the Board.

NOMINATIONS FOR DIRECTOR: R. Farley presented the list of candidates to serve as Directors of the **ADLC** for 2015-2016: J. Bélair, R. Bélair, B. Bernhardt, J. Burke, N. Evans, R. Farley. Moved by H. Patterson. Seconded by J. Bélair. CARRIED with no objections.

COMMITTEE REPORTS: COMPANION ANIMALS: Animals in Distress (AID) and Spay/Neuter (S/N) Assistance: From January to December 2014, we helped with the cost of 1 dog spay and 29 cat spays/neuters (several were feral cats, a few were individuals' cats, most were cat rescuers' animals); 13 cat/3 dog vaccinations, dental work for 1 cat/1 dog, four cats' and two dogs' medical treatment and 3 cat euthanasias (majority were rescue animals). We contributed towards the cost of cat food for a cat rescue shelter and we purchased/delivered 6 large bags of dry cat food to an Ottawa area feral cat colony caretaker. Once again we sponsored one of **Quagga Stray-Cat Rescue's** (Winnipeg, Manitoba) Feline Immune Deficiency Virus (FIV) cats plus a little extra towards their costs to care for abandoned cats.

Ads: February 20, 2014 we placed a spay/neuter ad in the *Nepean/Barrhaven News* and the *Ottawa West News* (Ottawa area community EMC newspapers) announcing that Mayor Watson declared February 25, 2014 OTTAWA SPAY/NEUTER DAY. We had asked the Mayor to proclaim the day. Other spay/neuter ads, sponsored and co-sponsored by ADLC members, were placed in the *Perth EMC*, April 24 and June 26; the *Almonte/Carleton Place EMC*, May 29 and July 24 (Ottawa area community newspapers). August 28 we placed an ad in the *Arnprior* and the *Manotick EMC* (both in Ontario, not far from Ottawa). October 16 we placed our “[Inter]National Feral Cat Day October 16, 2014” ad in the *Nepean/Barrhaven News*, the *Kanata-Kourier*, *Stittsville News* and the *West Carleton Review EMC* newspapers (not far from the Ottawa area). In November (1, 15 & 29) and December (13 & 20) we placed two different spay/neuter ads in the “Dogs” column, classified section of *The Ottawa Citizen*. Ads also appeared in the *FIFTY-FIVE PLUS Magazine* in September and the Winter 2014 *Ottawa Family Living Magazine* and in the Fall/Winter 2014 *Seniors Activities & Services Directory* (Spay/neuter shared ad space with our non-animal-using Alternative Research Fund.)

WILDLIFE PROTECTION: November 25, 2014 we wrote a letter to the following Government of Quebec Ministers: **Stephanie Vallée**, Ministère de la Justice; **David Heurtel**, Ministère du Développement durable, de l’Environnement et de la Lutte contre les changements climatiques and **Pierre Paradis**, Ministère de l’Agriculture, des Pêcheries et de l’Alimentation urging their government to take much stronger and swifter action in dealing with the massive animal cruelty uncovered at **Jean-Luc Rodier’s** factory-fur farm south of Montreal. **Rodier** was charged with 6 counts of neglect and animal cruelty. January 5, 2015 **Jean-Luc Rodier** pleaded not guilty to six counts of animal cruelty and neglect. He is to be back in court on April 13, 2015. He could face up to 18 months in prison, fines of up to \$10,000.00 for each offence, as well as a lifetime ban on having custody or control of an animal. [See ADLC Bulletin #185, page 1.]

We have been trying to obtain photos of legal traps currently used by the trapping industry/professional trappers in Canada, as well as Canadian factory-fur farm photos. We have not yet found the right photos for an ad. We will keep searching.

ADOPT-A-PARK REPORT: In 2014 we spring and fall cleaned St. Paul’s Park in east-end Ottawa (a dog friendly park). We picked up litter, raked leaves, swept the wading pool and sidewalks. Also we reported anything that needed city attention. In return, the city posts a permanent sign in the Park with the **League’s** name on it. The City also issues to us a certificate of recognition for cleaning the park.

General discussion relating to Business Arising from the Committee Reports and other various animal-related issues and ADLC issues followed. R. Farley moved the meeting be adjourned at 3:43 pm. Seconded by J. Bélair. CARRIED with no objections.

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IN MEMORIAM

We recently received a Bequest from the Estate of Aileen Sheilagh Rennie, Nepean, Ontario; and from the Estate of Margaret Forsey, Ottawa, Ontario. The compassion and generosity of such bequests provides much needed support for our efforts on behalf of the animals. It is greatly appreciated.

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BEQUESTS: Persons wishing to help the work of the **League** could put this provision in their wills: “I bequeath to the **Animal Defence League of Canada**, Ottawa, Ontario, ___ % of the residue of my Estate to be applicable to the general purposes of the organization.” Another way of wording this could be: “I bequeath to the **Animal Defence League of Canada**, Ottawa, Ontario, ___ % of the residue of my Estate to be applicable to the Spay/Neuter Fund, [and/or] ___ % of the residue of my Estate to be applicable to the Animals in Distress Fund, [and/or] ___ % of the residue of my Estate to be applicable to the Alternative Research Fund, [and/or] ___ % of the residue of my Estate to be applicable to the general purposes of the organization.”

DONATIONS IN MEMORIAM: When donations in memory are sent to the **League**, if the donor would like it mentioned in our bulletin that they (donor’s name) gave a donation in memory of (name of person or animal), we will publish this in our news bulletin. We will not automatically do this for In Memoriam donations; it must be requested in writing. The family of the deceased will be notified of your In Memoriam donation to the **League**.

DONATIONS IN HONOUR OF ...: When donations to honour someone are sent to the **League**, we will notify the honouree of your donation.

THANKS TO ALL OF YOU FOR sending us clippings about animal-related matters. Please mark on each clipping the name of the publication in which it appeared, as well as the city and date. We need this information if we're to follow it up. Thanks for sending us copies of replies received from government and industrial/commercial representatives in answer to your letters of inquiry or protest: these are extremely useful. Our sincere thanks to all of you who faithfully send us these copies. We regret that we are unable to write and thank you personally. We are almost all volunteers, who are working to our limit in this cause. Thanks for your understanding!

MEMBERS: Is your membership renewal due? Please check your card, and renew!
We regret that financial considerations do not allow us to continue mailing bulletins to non-members.

To be a member in good standing, for the purpose of voting, the individual is required to have paid the membership fee at least six months prior to the date of the vote being taken. If any annual membership fee is not paid within four months of their renewal date, the individual shall automatically cease to be a member

KNOWLEDGE IS STRENGTH – BE INFORMED: To keep up with issues and developments worldwide in the animal-concerned movement, we strongly recommend that our readers subscribe to: **ANIMAL PEOPLE Newspaper**. This publication offers short news sections to keep you up-to-date on all aspects of animal protection; excellent history and analysis; photographs and banner stories to bring you news about critical animal issues as the news happens. Write them at **Animal People**, PO Box 960, Clinton, WA 98236-0960, E-mail: anmlpepl@whidbey.com, Website: www.animalpeoplenews.org.

ANIMALS 24-7, edited by Merritt Clifton, is a comprehensive animal-concerned issues and news on-line publication. Website: www.Animals24-7.org, e-mail: Animals24.7@frontier.com, Telephone: 360-678-1057 or 360-969-0450; **Animals 24-7**, P.O. Box 101, Greenbank, WA 98253.

WORLD ANIMAL PROTECTION (is now the operating name of **World Society for the Protection of Animals (WSPA)**): **Through field projects, education campaigns and representation at government level, World Animal Protection works worldwide to eliminate the suffering and exploitation of animals.** It is UN affiliated, with headquarters in the UK. Telephone: 1-800-363-9772. Websites: www.worldanimalprotection.ca and www.worldanimalprotection.org.uk.

CANADIANS FOR ETHICAL TREATMENT OF FOOD ANIMALS (CETFA): This excellent group “is a volunteer society whose purpose is to promote the humane treatment of animals raised for food. ... **CETFA’s** goal is to provide accurate, factual information about Canada’s Food Industry and to educate the public about the horrendous cruelty which has become ‘accepted practice’ in the factory farming industry.” Contact **CETFA** at: Box 18024, 2225 West 41st Avenue, Vancouver, BC, V6M 4L3, Website: www.cetfa.com.

CANADIAN COALITION FOR FARM ANIMALS (CCFA): Excellent group working to raise awareness about factory farming and its impact. Contact **CCFA** at: 131 Bloor Street West, Ste. #200/140, Toronto, Ontario, M5S 1R8, Telephone: 416-920-4984, Website: www.humanefood.ca.

PEOPLE FOR THE ETHICAL TREATMENT OF ANIMALS (PETA): A very active, courageous and effective organization. Request their publication: 501 Front Street, Norfolk, VA 23501, Website: www.PETA.org.

PHYSICIANS COMMITTEE FOR RESPONSIBLE MEDICINE (PCRM): To learn about activism for animals, good, ethical health promotion for humans, research and education which does not exploit animals, we recommend that you subscribe to “**GOOD MEDICINE**”. Contact **PCRM** at: 5100 Wisconsin Avenue NW, Ste. 400, Washington, DC 20016, Telephone: 202-686-2210, Website: www.pcrm.org.

“CAUTION: SOME WILDLIFE GROUPS SUPPORT KILLING [ANIMALS]”, from *The Fur Bearers* Newsletter, June 6/2002, No. 109, Association for the Protection of Fur-Bearing Animals, Vancouver, BC: “... Watch for phrases like ‘wise use’, ‘sustainable use’ or ‘conservation’ in reference to wildlife. These often mean killing is part of the plan.”

CAUTION: If you are considering buying **Canadian Wildlife Federation (CWF)** merchandise or a membership: The **CWF** originated as the umbrella organization for Provincial and Territorial hunter and angler associations. To our knowledge, their support of hunting and trapping is unchanged.

CAUTION: WORLD WILDLIFE FUND (WWF) POSITION STATEMENT ON HUNTING, September 1999, Toronto, Ontario: Excerpt – “... **WWF** does not oppose the sustainable consumption of wild animals, including regulated sport hunting [ADLC emphasis].” In a March 23/2000 letter from **WWF**: “It is true that **WWF** does not take a stance against hunting, unless that hunt is expected to affect the survival of a population or species. We are a conservation organization In most cases hunting is an animal welfare issue” To our knowledge, their position is unchanged.

DUCKS UNLIMITED CANADA – WHOSE SIDE ARE THEY ON? DUCKS OR HUNTERS?: Ducks Unlimited Canada (DUC) on their ‘We’ll teach you to hunt’ web page (ducks.ca/resource/hunters/mentoredhunt.html) states: “... Since the 1970’s the number of Canadian waterfowl hunters has dropped by more than 70 per cent. To support waterfowlers, **DUC**, along with our partners, deliver a program to teach novice waterfowlers how to hunt. Our primary goal is to have new waterfowlers learn and enjoy the waterfowling tradition and thereby increase the number of responsible conservation-minded hunters. ... **DUC** invites all youth ages 12 to 17 who have successfully completed the Hunter Safety course to learn how to hunt.”

“ONTARIO WILDLIFE FOUNDATION [OWF]: An Important Notice”, Take Action, Spring 2001, Vol. 10, #1, Animal Alliance of Canada, Toronto, Ontario: “... the leaders of [**OWF**] are or have held leadership positions with the **Ontario Federation of Anglers and Hunters** and/or **Ducks Unlimited** (both of these groups are pro-hunting). ... The **OWF** describes itself as being involved in wildlife conservation. On their web page ... they state: ‘Fish, wildlife, and their habitats ... are the sources of ... recreations such as bird watching, fishing, hunting [ADLC emphasis], The **Foundation** will work to ensure that Canadians continue to have ample opportunity for such recreations in all corners of the province.’”

“Know where your gifts go”, from Animal People, December 1997, Vol. VI, #10, Clinton, WA: [Editor’s NOTE: For many years Animal People has been monitoring the spending (“... where the money goes, how much goes to further fundraising, and how much goes into their pockets”) of major animal and habitat protection groups, and publishing their findings.]

RAISE MEDIA SENSITIVITY TO ANIMAL ISSUES: Keep near your phone a list of TV and radio station phone numbers and addresses. When something bad for animals is on the air, phone in your protest immediately; follow up with a letter or e-mail.

Now that you have finished reading this Bulletin, why not pass it on to a friend!!

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NEW Your e-mail address if you would like paperless bulletins in the future: _____

Membership: Life	\$75.00	Donation: General	_____
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Student	\$ 5.00	Alternative Research Fund	_____

I would like to sponsor a Spay/Neuter Ad (\$130.00). My cheque for \$130.00 is attached. _____

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PLEASE NOTE – As we are NOT a registered charity, we cannot issue receipts for income tax purposes.

() Mail me an acknowledgement receipt () Save the postage, don’t send me a receipt

To request information flyers and stickers, please see page 10.

Please send me:

- ADLC** Vegan Cookbook – limit of 3 per address (Cost to **ADLC**: \$2.60 each.)
- Vegetarian Option Paper
- List of Hidden & Obvious Animal Derived Products & By-products
- The Pig Paper Intensive Poultry Farming
- ADLC** Comments on the DRAFT Code of Practice for the Care and Handling of Pigs
- rBGH information package Rethink the Way We Live ...
- The Meat Industry's Cover-Up: Canada's Most Censored Story?
- Farming and Animal Rights
- Genetic Engineering and the Threat to Farm Animals
- Working for Animal Rights on Lobbying and Ethics
- Animal Rights Versus Human Rights *The inherent right of all living beings to freedom from oppression*
- Bookmark: one side promotes **ADLC's** Alternative Research Fund, the other side promotes Spay/Neutering
- Discussion Paper on the Use of Animals in [Biomedical] Research
- Cosmetics testing information package and testing protest postcards
- Testing Protest Postcards
- Paper on Pharmaceuticals and Vivisection Ethical Biomedical Research
- Clear the Cages Plan information package
- Clear the Cages/Alternative Research Fund Postcards
- ARF compassion button Brief on Pound Seizure, June 1983
- Brief RE: Disposal of Primate Colony (Cost to **ADLC**: \$3.32 each.)
- ~~PMU~~ Non-Animal Using Hormone Replacement Therapy flyer [Bio-identical Progesterone]
- Humane Alternatives to Dissection Package
- Xenotransplantation: **ADLC** Opposes Animal-to-Human Organ Transplants
- Circus Animals flyer Circus Colouring Book
- The Wolf Paper Bullfighting Paper
- Angling – The Neglected Bloodsport, and Fish Farming
- Policy Statement: Native People and the Fur Trade Trapping flyer
- Wildlife Mismanagement package Anti-trapping posters
- Groundhog/Gopher Killingfest Pigeons in Cities flyer
- Support for the **Wild Bird Care Centre**, Nepean/Ottawa, Ontario, City Hall Presentation
- Ottawa's Proposed Animal Care and Control By-Law, City Hall Presentation
- Cat Control & the Community Brief Spay/Neuter Brief to Ottawa City Hall - 2006
- Why You Should Spay/Neuter Your Cat or Dog
- Position Statement: Euthanasia and Spay/Neutering of Cats and Dogs
- Feral Cat Information
- ADLC** Letter to BC Municipality of North Cowichan re Feral/Unwanted Cats
- Proposed Bylaw Concerning Companion Animals and Other Animals Kept Outside
- Position Paper on Pet Shops Puppy Mill package
- All Animals Need Legal Protection (Cost to **ADLC**: \$2.00 each.)
- ADLC** Submission re: Ontario Bill 50, Provincial Animal Welfare Act, 2008
- Children Helping Animals Through Understanding I CARE button

DECALS: (Please don't place stickers on public property or on other people's property.)

- Food Animals Murder of Animals
- Are You Really that Hungry?
- LOBSTER Boiled Alive Served Dead Join the Vegetarians
- WARNING: Animal flesh can be dangerous to your health Join the Vegetarians
- BE KIND TO ANIMALS DON'T EAT THEM Join the Vegetarians

- () Thank You for Not Wearing Fur () What Price Did They Pay for Your Fur Coat?
- () Furs are Beautiful ONLY on Animals – bumper sticker
- () “SAVE THE ANIMALS!” “DON’T BUY FUR!” – set of 2 bumper stickers
- () EMERGENCY “Animals to Rescue” Window Decal (To alert rescuers in emergencies that animals are inside.) (Cost to **ADLC** to produce the EMERGENCY decal – .80 cents each.)
- () SPAY/NEUTER = Less cats/dogs having to be destroyed () Spay/Neuter
- () TOO MANY CATS AND DOGS – NOT ENOUGH HOMES
SPAY/NEUTER YOUR CAT AND DOG (Cost to **ADLC** - .55 cents per bumper sticker.)

Have your cats and dogs spayed or neutered. This reduces the number of cats and dogs being euthanized or dying on the streets because there aren't enough homes for them. This will HELP stop the killing.