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ADLC Website: www.ncf.ca/animal-defence

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 a vegetarian or vegan diet, 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 8 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 10 for Donation/Membership form.)

IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN HAVING US COME AND SPEAK to your students, group or event please contact us by telephone: 613-233-6117, or email: animal-defence@ncf.ca. We will travel up to 50 km from Ottawa to you.

ARF GRANT NO. 8 TO UNIVERSITY OF WINDSOR: February 2019 *Animal Defence League of Canada (ADLC)* issued our eighth non-animal-using Alternative Research Fund (ARF) Grant to the *Canadian Centre for Alternatives to Animal Methods (CCAAM)*, **University of Windsor**, Windsor, Ontario. Please see page 6 for more information. *CCAAM* brings together the academic, industry, government and public sectors to advance human-centered science in Canada. Also, with their *Canadian Centre for the Validation of Alternative Methods (CaCVAM)*, their goal is "to work in partnership with Canadian regulators – primarily **Health Canada** – to expedite the development, validation, and regulatory acceptance of new approach methodologies (alternatives to animal testing) to modernize toxicity testing in Canada. ..." (Ref: www.uwindsor.ca/ccaam/303/canadian-centre-validation-alternative-methods-cacv...)

"... Experimental animals continue to serve as the gold standard in biomedical research today, but many breakthroughs in research labs do not make it into our clinics – 95% of drugs tested to be safe and effective in animals fail in human clinical trials. Similarly, for evaluating the safety of chemicals, the legacy animal-based methods are not sufficiently reliable to accurately predict adverse outcomes on human health and the environment.

From the Americas to the Far East, countries across the globe have already established national centres dedicated to non-animal alternatives and approved legislation to shift away from animal testing, but Canada has lagged behind, until now – our Centre is the first-of-its-kind in Canada. ..." (Ref: www.uwindsor.ca/ccaam/)

ADLC'S NON-ANIMAL-USING ALTERNATIVE RESEARCH FUND (ARF): By donating to our non-animal-using Alternative Research Fund you can end the suffering of many horses, pigs, monkeys, goats, cats, dogs and other animals in biomedical laboratories and trauma research. You will free the animals by supporting first rate biomedical work which relies on **ethical clinical research** with humans, simulators, human tissue and organ culture, epidemiology, computer science, and more. Several ARF grants have been issued to date, to researchers and schools at: **Health Canada's Environmental Health Centre, Laval University, University of Saskatchewan, the Advanced Trauma Life Support Program at Ottawa Hospital and University of Ottawa Skills and Simulation Centre, and most recently to the University of Windsor's Canadian Centre for Alternatives to Animal Methods.**

The numbers of animals being used in research, teaching and testing continue to rise. According to the **Canadian Council on Animal Care's (CCAC)** annual Animal Data Reports, **www.ccac.ca**: **2017 – 4,415,467** animals were reported used; **2016 – 4,308,921**; **2015 – 3,570,352**; **2014 – 3,750,125** and **2013 – 3,023,184** were reported used in **CCAC**-certified institutions. In institutions that choose not to be **CCAC**-certified, numbers of animals used are unknown.

“... **CCAC** certification is a condition for Canadian institutions to receive research funding from Canada's major national funding agencies (**Canadian Institutes of Health Research** and the **Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council of Canada**) and other research funding bodies. Other **CCAC**-certified institutions may not receive this funding but choose to participate in the **CCAC** program to ensure they meet national standards of animal ethics and care and for public accountability. ...” (Ref: “**CCAC** Animal Data Report 2017”, Ottawa, ON)

In 2017-2018 “**197** public and private sector institutions belonged to the **CCAC** program” and “**4** institutions were placed on probation”. (Ref: “**CCAC** FACTS & FIGURES” flyer, revised October 4, 2018, **www.ccac.ca**)

The **CCAC** guidelines DO NOT HAVE THE POWER OF LAWS unless provincial legislation requires compliance. **Please consider making a donation to the *League's* Alternative Research Fund.** See page 10.

ADLC'S SPAY/NEUTER FUND AND ANIMALS IN DISTRESS FUND: *ADLC* does not subsidize cats/dogs with poor veterinarian's prognosis – but we help with the cost of euthanasia in some cases. *ADLC* does not subsidize if there is no committed foster/permanent home or caretaker. From January to July 2019 we helped two cat rescue groups with 5 cat neuters, different medications, deworming and defleaing treatment; and an individual with the spaying/neutering of 8 barn cats; and we helped four individuals with having their dogs evaluated and treated, plus one individual with some of the cost of having their sick cat treated.

We continue to do our monthly cat/dog food deliveries to **Parkdale Food Centre, St. Joe's Women's Centre** and **St. Joe's Supper Table**, all in Ottawa. The **Supper Table** shares with a second centre they run on Wiggins Private. **Without your support this assistance would not have been possible. We thank you.**

SPAY/NEUTER PROJECT: We are now covering the cost of spaying/neutering a limited number of dogs of Ottawa residents who live in Ottawa Community Housing, or are receiving help through the Ontario Disability Support Program or Ontario Works and go to the **City of Ottawa Spay/Neuter Clinic**. From January to July 2019 we have paid for a total of **20** dog spays/neuters through this latest spay/neuter project. We continue to help with the spay/neuter cost of cats and dogs being sheltered/cared for by *SafePet Ottawa*. *SafePet Ottawa* contributes \$50.00 towards each surgery and we pay the balance. So far this year we have not been billed for the cost of any *SafePet Ottawa* cat/dog spays/neuters. Our thanks to the **Ottawa Spay/Neuter Clinic** staff for all their help in making this project possible.

To DONATE to *ADLC's* Spay/Neuter Fund or Animals in Distress Fund, see page 10.

OTTAWA SPAY/NEUTER DAY, February 26, 2019: Once again, we wrote to Ottawa's **Mayor Watson** asking him to proclaim the day which he did. We placed an ad in *The Ottawa Citizen* on February 22, 2019 thanking the Mayor for declaring the day, and we encouraged the public to spay and neuter their cats and dogs. On that day we also paid for the neuter of **3** dogs/**1** dog spay and **4** cat neuters/**1** cat spay of individuals who are clients of the *Community Veterinary Outreach* organization in Ottawa.

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 ADVERTISING: “BE KIND TO ANIMALS. Don’t exploit them.” is the heading of an ad we placed in the January/February, February/March and Spring 2019 editions of *The Leveller*, a **Carleton University** newspaper serving the Ottawa/Gatineau area. It also appeared in the annual *Vancouver Jewish Seniors Directory*.

ADLC’S SPAY/NEUTER FUND AND ALTERNATIVE RESEARCH FUND: A full page ad was placed in the annual 2019 *ULTIMATE GUIDE to Retirement Living*, Ottawa edition. Our ad promoted our Spay/Neuter Fund and our non-animal-using Alternative Research Fund. Spring/Summer 2019 *Seniors Activities & Services Directory*: We placed our combined 2/3 page advertorial and 1/3 page ad in this Directory which is distributed in areas in Ontario such as Kingston, Merrickville, Lanark, Almonte. 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*.

INFORMATION TABLE: We were invited to have an information table at **Ren’s Pets**, Innes Road, Orleans (suburb of Ottawa). On Saturday, July 20, four of us were there for 4 hours, with flyers on hand. We talked with store customers and a few added money to our donation box. The store kindly gave us some cans of cat food, and one person donated a bag of dry cat food, for our local cat/dog food delivery program (see page 2).

HELP STOP CANADA’S CRUEL EAST COAST COMMERCIAL SEAL SLAUGHTER: It just makes good financial sense for the Canadian government to stop funding the struggling east coast commercial sealing industry. Global markets have been disappearing for the last decade. **Fisheries and Oceans** scientists have stated that harp seals are not impacting cod recovery.

Our Federal government’s continued financial propping up of this cruel industry that causes such great suffering to many seals prior to their deaths isn’t in the best interests of hardworking, taxpaying Canadians, or our global image.

Every spring, in Canada, seals are dying needlessly during the brutal east coast commercial seal hunt. Seal pups between 3 weeks and 3 months of age are shot, clubbed and skinned. 35 countries have banned seal products. Our federal government continues to subsidize this cruel industry despite disappearing global markets for seal products. **WHAT YOU CAN DO:** Please let your federal **Member of Parliament** and **Senators** know you support a legislated end to the horrifyingly cruel 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. **PLEASE WRITE TO:** Prime Minister Trudeau, 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 go to: **www.Senators and Members – Parliament of Canada** or telephone 1-800-622-6232. No postage required when mailed in Canada.

“**End the Atlantic commercial seal hunt**”: Below is the text from the *International Fund for Animal Welfare’s* (IFAW, Ottawa, ON) on-line Petition to Canadian Prime Minister Justin Trudeau,
<https://action.ifaw.org/page/34658/action/1?ms=CONDG190405002&cid=7012A000001...>

“It’s time for the **Government of Canada** to stop funding the commercial hunt, and to work on alternatives for those few remaining fishermen who still participate.

The commercial seal hunt is cruel, unnecessary and wasteful.

Cruel: Independent veterinary review has consistently shown that the commercial seal hunt is inhumane.

Unnecessary: Products from the East Coast commercial seal hunt are not needed. While we used to use seal oil to light lamps, for instance, we don’t need to kill tens or hundreds of thousands of wild animals for trinkets or luxury goods.

Wasteful: 92% of the meat from the hunt is wasted, according to Canada’s **Department of Fisheries and Oceans**. And in the last five years, the landed value has been 9 million, but the government has spent 20 million to prop it up. There is so much more we could be doing with this money, from libraries to schools to healthcare funding.

It is time for the non-Inuit, commercial seal hunt to end. I urge the **Government of Canada** to help sealers transition into the future, by buying out sealing licenses and putting resources into helping rural communities in Newfoundland and Labrador.

It is time to stop subsidizing the largest slaughter of marine mammals on earth.”

“MEAT AND THE ENVIRONMENT: DO CANADIANS KNOW WHAT’S AT STAKE?”, *CBC News*, Technology & Science – What on Earth?, posted April 19, 2019, website: www.cbc.ca/news/technology/meat-and-the-environment-do-canadians-know-wha...: “... Meat production is indeed one of the biggest culprits for greenhouse gases. According to the **United Nations’ Food and Agriculture Organization**, livestock accounts for nearly **15 per cent of worldwide emissions**. The emissions are produced through a variety of factors, including energy use (which often requires fossil fuels) and methane from the animals themselves.

Derek Gladwin, a fellow of the **UBC Sustainability Initiative** at the **University of British Columbia**, said the largest chunk of these emissions – 11 per cent – comes from ‘unsustainable forms of mass-scale factory farming.’ **Gladwin** said as much as 70 per cent of the Amazon has been deforested for factory-farmed beef. ...

Evan Fraser, director of the **Arrell Food Institute** at the **University of Guelph**, noted that for reasons of health, animal welfare, cost, convenience and selection, more people are willing to give non-meat proteins a try. A study released in October estimated **that more than six million Canadians restrict their meat intake**, and a third are thinking of reducing their meat consumption over the next six months.

... **Fraser** said one major sign of change is the fact that **Maple Leaf Foods**, one of Canada’s most recognizable purveyors of meat, now offers a variety of plant-based options (e.g., soy- and pea-protein hot dogs) through its **Lightlife** brand. ...

Fraser said it’s hard to discern a single driver of this eating trend. It seems that health, variety and the environment are all a part of consumers’ decision-making processes. ‘It’s a bit of everything, in my sense,’ **Fraser** said. But he said one thing is clear: ‘We’re at a point of major disruption.’”

MORE GOOD NEWS: “**Beyond Meat IPO sees market value fatten to US\$3.83B**”, *The Ottawa Citizen*, Ottawa, ON, May 3, 2019: “... Earlier this week, the fast food chain [**Burger King**] announced that it would start testing the **Impossible Whopper**, made with a plant-based burger from **Impossible Foods**, in additional markets after its month-long test in St. Louis proved successful. Meanwhile, **Ikea** says it’s working on developing a plant-based Swedish meatball, which it says it plans to test with customers early next year. ...

Beyond Meat touts environmental benefits as well. The company says a plant-based burger takes 99-per-cent less water and 93-per-cent less land to produce than a beef burger, and generates 90-per-cent fewer greenhouse gas emissions. ...”

“**Methane, explained**”, on-line posting by **National Geographic**, January 23, 2019, www.nationalgeographic.com/environment/global-warming/methane/: (Paraphrased:) The majority of methane in the atmosphere is attributed to human-influenced sources such as increased demand for dairy and beef (an estimated 1.4 billion cattle in the world), plus other agricultural endeavors, gas and oil drilling, and waste in landfills and sewage treatment centers.

“... methane’s chemical shape is remarkably effective at trapping heat, which means that adding just a little more methane to the atmosphere can have big impacts on how much, and how quickly, the planet warms. ...”

“**Beyond Meat sees boost as Tims gets on board**”, *The Ottawa Citizen*, June 13, 2019: “... **Tim Hortons** announced Wednesday that starting immediately, the chain’s 4,000 sites across Canada are offering the [plant-based] **Beyond Meat** breakfast sandwiches ‘We’ve listened to our guests and are excited to be able to offer three delicious breakfast sandwiches that vegans, vegetarians, flexitarians and meat lovers can feel good about,’ **Tim Horton’s** chief operations officer **Mike Hancock** said in a statement. ...”

It has never been so easy to be a vegetarian or vegan. For those who are not yet, consider going meatless one day a week (i.e. **MEATLESS MONDAYS**). By cutting down on or eliminating meat from your diet, you can greatly reduce the suffering and death of many animals raised for food while improving your health and the environment.

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MINUTES OF THE ANIMAL DEFENCE LEAGUE OF CANADA’S AGM, March 24, 2019, 1:40 pm: President R. Farley chaired the meeting. A quorum of members was present. Paraphrased/excerpted reports follow:

MINUTES FROM THE MARCH 25, 2018 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING (AGM): **MOTION:** The March 25, 2018 AGM minutes be accepted as presented. **MOVED** by R. Farley. **SECONDED** by R. Bélair. **CARRIED** with no objections.

TREASURER'S REPORT: 2018 Financial Statements: J. Bélair presented the Review Engagement Financial Statements report prepared by **Baker Tilly Ottawa, LLP** (formerly known as Collins Barrow Ottawa LLP) for the year ending December 31, 2018. **MOTION:** Accept the Review Engagement Financial Statements report prepared by **Baker Tilly Ottawa LLP** for the year ending December 31, 2018. **MOVED** by J. Bélair. **SECONDED** by E. Klein. **CARRIED** with no objections.

Appoint a Public Accountant: MOTION: The Directors of *ANIMAL DEFENCE LEAGUE OF CANADA* appoint **Baker Tilly Ottawa LLP** to be our accountants for the 2019 financial year. **MOVED** by R. Farley. **SECONDED** by R. Bélair. **CARRIED** with no objections.

Have Appointed Public Accountant Conduct a Year-End Review Engagement for 2019: MOTION: The Directors of *ANIMAL DEFENCE LEAGUE OF CANADA* are authorized to have **Baker Tilly Ottawa LLP** conduct a year-end Review Engagement for 2019 and prepare our Financial Statements Report and tax forms for 2019 on behalf of the *ANIMAL DEFENCE LEAGUE OF CANADA*. **MOVED** by R. Bélair. **SECONDED** by E. Klein. **CARRIED** with no objections.

J. Bélair presented an outline of *ADLC's* 2019 General Operating Budget and Projects Budgets (prepared by **ADLC**) which had been previously approved by the Board.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE'S REPORT: 2019-2020 ADLC Directors: R. Farley presented the list of candidates to serve as Directors on the **ADLC's** Board for 2019-2020: J. Bélair [Treasurer], R. Bélair [General Secretary], B. Bernhardt, N. Evans, R. Farley [President]. **MOTION:** The list of candidates be accepted as presented. **MOVED** by J. Bélair. **SECONDED** by R. Farley. **CARRIED** with no objections.

COMMITTEE REPORTS: COMPANION ANIMALS: ADLC'S SPAY/NEUTER FUND AND ANIMALS IN DISTRESS FUND: **ADLC** does not subsidize cats/dogs with poor veterinarian's prognosis – but we help with the cost of euthanasia in some cases. **ADLC** does not subsidize if there is no committed foster/permanent home or caretaker. From January to December 2018 we helped two rescue groups with the cost of neutering 5 cats, dental work for one cat, special cat food needed, one euthanasia, medications, flea treatment and a diagnosis; we helped one cat rescuer, who looks after outdoor cats, with some of the cost of one neuter and medication; two cat colony caretakers with spaying/neutering 5 semi-wild cats and euthanizing 2 feral cats, and several individuals with having their dogs examined/treated for: a loose nail, eye infection, upper lip problem, and a bladder infection, and one sick dog was euthanized; an individual with their cat's injured paw pad. We continued our monthly cat/dog food deliveries to **Parkdale Food Centre**, **St. Joe's Women's Centre** and **St. Joe's Supper Table**, all in Ottawa. The **Supper Table** shares with a second centre they run on Wiggins Private.

SPAY/NEUTER PROJECT: In 2018 we covered the cost of spaying/neutering cats and dogs of Ottawa residents living in Ottawa Community Housing, or were receiving help through the Ontario Disability Support Program or Ontario Works and go to the **City of Ottawa Spay/Neuter Clinic**. From January to December 2018 we have paid for a total of **117** cat spays/neuters and **98** dog spays/neuters through this latest spay/neuter project. We continued to help with the spay/neuter cost of cats and dogs being sheltered/cared for by *SafePet Ottawa*. They foster "companion animals for women and their children who need to exit from domestic violence into the safety of local **Violence Against Women (VAW)** shelters." *SafePet Ottawa* contributes \$50.00 towards each surgery and we pay the balance. We helped with the cost of **2** *SafePet Ottawa* cat neuters and **2** dog spays/1 dog neuter.

OTTAWA SPAY/NEUTER DAY, February 27, 2018: Once again, we wrote to Ottawa's **Mayor Watson** asking him to proclaim the day which he did. We placed an ad in *The Ottawa Citizen* on February 23, 2018 thanking the Mayor for declaring the day, and we encouraged the public to spay and neuter their cats and dogs. On that day we paid for the neuter of **1** cat, the spay of **5** cats and **2** dogs of individuals who are clients of the *Community Veterinary Outreach* organization in Ottawa. They hold pro bono veterinary clinics at homeless shelters, drop-in centres and community centres.

ADLC ADVERTISING 2018: "**BE KIND TO ANIMALS. Don't exploit them.**" is the heading of an ad we placed in *The Ottawa Citizen* on June 1, 2018. It also appeared in the January/February, February/March, Spring, September/October, October/November and November/December 2018 editions of *The Levegger*, a **Carleton University** newspaper serving the Ottawa/Gatineau area. This ad also appeared in the October 2018 *Toronto Jewish Seniors Directory*; and the September and December 2018 editions of *Young at Heart*, a newspaper for those who are fifty-plus, distributed in Ottawa and the Ottawa Valley. **ADLC Recycle Bin ad**, on Somerset near Bank Street, Ottawa, for a fourth year in August 2018. Along with our name, logo and contact information the message reads: "**BE KIND TO ANIMALS. Don't exploit them. Become a supporter/member.**"

ADLC'S SPAY/NEUTER FUND AND ALTERNATIVE RESEARCH FUND: A full page ad was placed in the March/April, September and December 2018 *FIFTY-FIVE PLUS* magazine that was distributed in various Ontario cities and towns such as Greater Toronto area, Ottawa, Ottawa Valley, Peterborough/Lindsay, Kingston/Quinte. This ad also appeared in the Spring 2018 *OTTAWA FAMILY LIVING* magazine and the annual 2018 *ULTIMATE GUIDE to Retirement Living*, Ottawa edition. Our ad promoted our Spay/Neuter Fund and our non-animal-using Alternative Research Fund. Spring/Summer and Fall/Winter 2018 *Seniors Activities & Services Directory*: We placed our combined 2/3 page advertorial and 1/3 page ad in this Directory which is distributed in areas in Ontario such as Kingston, Merrickville, Lanark, Almonte. 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.

SPAY/NEUTER: We placed an ad in the *Arnprior Chronicle-Guide* the week of April 26 that was co-sponsored by a member, and in the *Smiths Falls Record News* that was sponsored by a member. May 24 ads in the *Almonte/Carleton Place-Canadian Gazette* and *Renfrew Mercury* were sponsored/co-sponsored by a member. We placed an ad in the *Kemptville Advance* on June 28, and a second ad placed in the *Perth Courier* was sponsored by a member. (*Star Metrolandmedia* weekly newspapers in communities not far from Ottawa.)

"[Inter]NATIONAL FERAL CAT DAY – October 16, 2018", heading of an ad we placed on October 11, 2018 in the *Smiths Falls News* and the *Perth Courier*, *Star Metrolandmedia* weekly newspapers in communities not far from Ottawa.

EXPERIMENTATION/ARF: The *Animal Defence League of Canada (ADLC) Alternative Research Fund (ARF)* exists for the purpose of developing and promoting excellent alternatives to the use of animals in biomedical research, testing and training. ARF does not fund projects which use any animals or animal tissue.

ARF GRANT NO. 8: On February 20, 2019 we were pleased to issue to the **University of Windsor's Canadian Centre for Alternatives to Animal Methods (CCAAM)**, (**Dr. C. Chandrasekera**, Executive Director), our **ARF** Grant of \$70,000 Canadian towards the purchase of a Virtual Dissection Table for the CCAAM Training Laboratory to promote alternatives to animal dissection.

The Virtual Dissection Table

- Despite the existence of modern technologies that offer superior or equivalent educational merit – and international ethical guidelines stating animals must be replaced whenever possible – Canada has not made any measurable progress to systematically end classroom dissection, as seen in many other countries.
- The *Canadian Centre for Alternatives to Animal Methods* at the **University of Windsor** is establishing a training laboratory with diverse animal-free platforms to implement programs to modernize anatomy education by working closely with school boards and universities across the country. The first pilot project, set to begin in April 2019, is called **"From Fetal Pigs to Virtual Humans: 21st Century Dissection for the 21st Century Classroom"**.
- This Grant from ADLC supports the CCAAM purchase of a state-of-the-art Virtual Dissection Table for the training laboratory, which will provide hands-on experience in human anatomy education.

[Also see ADLC **Advertising 2018** report on page 5 and **ARF Grant No 8 to University of Windsor** on page 1.]

FOOD ANIMALS: PREVENTING BARN FIRES BY MAKING BARNS SAFER: June 28, 2018 we sent a letter to the **Minister of Innovation, Science and Economic Development** and to the **Minister, Agriculture and Agri-Food**. We pointed out that in Canada more than 470,000 animals died in barn fires between January 2015 and November 2017. Sprinkler systems, smoke/fire detectors that are monitored 24/7, and fire walls need to be added to new and existing barn structures. Regular, mandatory fire inspections would also help catch potential problems. [See Fall/Winter 2018 Bulletin #192, pages 2 and 3.]

We received a response from **Iain Stewart**, President, **National Research Council of Canada**, dated July 30, 2018. Excerpt follows: "... The National Model Codes, published by the **National Research Council**, set the standards for building construction and fire safety across the country. They are overseen by the **Canadian Commission on Building and Fire Codes (CCBFC)** – an independent committee of experts. The **CCBFC** develops the Codes, however, it is the Provinces and Territories who are responsible for adopting and enforcing them. An updated National Building and Fire Codes, including barn safety measures, will be released to the Provinces and Territories in 2020.

The 1995 National Farm Code (fire safety, structural safety, etc.) is being incorporated into the National Building and Fire Codes.

Under certain circumstances, the safety measures being considered include protection features such as sprinklers, fire alarms, and fire separations. Although this might not directly protect the animals in barn fires, the building safety measures have been updated and improved which are expected to benefit the animals.

... I would encourage you to connect with the **National Research Council's** Program Director for **Construction Research**, **Philip Rizcallah**, who could speak to you about the **CCBFC's** process, and how to go about submitting a formal code amendment. He can be reached at **Philip.Rizcallah@NRC-CNRC.gc.ca**. ..."

December 27, 2018 we submitted our recommendations to **Codes Canada, National Research Council**, Ottawa. January 14, 2019 we received an email informing us that our letter has been forwarded to the **Chair of the Canadian Commission on Building and Fire Codes** for consideration.

Some of the points we raised were: Reducing the size of barn structures, having basic safety features such as sprinklers, fire extinguishers at each exit plus some placed in between, industrial-grade smoke detectors and video surveillance both monitored 24/7, rate-of-rise heat detectors in the mechanical room, all should be mandatory.

Firefighters, farm workers and the animals are more at risk when there are fires in enormous factory-farm structures. There were 142 barn fires in Ontario in 2016 according to the **Ontario Fire Marshall**, and "... In the past five years, there have been 40 injuries and one death related to barn fires reported to the **Office of the Fire Marshal and Emergency Management (OFMEM)**. ..." (Ref: **Ontario Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs**, in their "Electrical Systems in Barns" factsheet #16-043, revised November 2018.)

Animal Defence League of Canada's Final Comment: When updating Canada's National Farm Building Code we urge you to please take into consideration the welfare and safety of the animals. Too many farmed animals are dying in barn fires in Canada – more than 470,000 between January 2015 and November 2017.

Barn structure improvements are going to cost money but fires cost more and can result in a horrible death for the animals trapped inside burning buildings.

We urged the **National Research Council** to please improve fire safety in existing and new barn buildings because the lives of firefighters, farm workers and animals depend on it. [See Spring/Summer 2019 Bulletin #193, page 1.]

E-1452 (BUILDING CODE), House of Commons E-Petition: May 14, 2018 we signed on to this petition to the **Minister of Innovation, Science and Economic Development**, that asked the Minister "... to direct the **National Research Council** to revise its policy and add protection of animals from fire as an objective in the updated National Farm Building Code." (See Fall/Winter 2018 Bulletin #192, page 3.)

ADVERTISING: "**MEATLESS MONDAYS**" is the heading of an ad we placed in *The Ottawa Citizen*, April 26, 2018. We are trying to get the public thinking about how millions of food animals are raised (on factory farms), and that by cutting down on or eliminating meat from your diet, you can greatly reduce the suffering and death of many animals raised for food while improving your health and the environment. TRIBUTE AD placed in *The Ottawa Citizen*, September 26, 2018, to honor **WORLD VEGETARIAN DAY – October 1, WORLD FARM ANIMALS DAY – October 2 and WORLD ANIMAL DAY – October 4.**

INHUMANE GLUE TRAPS: April 4, 2018 we sent a letter to: **Walmart Canada Corporation**, Mississauga, ON; **Canadian Tire Corporation**, Toronto, ON; **Lowe's Canada**, North York, ON; and **The Home Depot Canada**, North York, ON. Not one company wrote back. [See Bulletin #192, page 2.)

We explained that mice and rats become stuck and die long, slow, horrific deaths due to glued eyes, mouths and noses, and starvation, dehydration and exhaustion. That these inhumane glue traps can indiscriminately catch birds, squirrels and other small animals.

We offered some humane options and suggested they consider making available in-store pamphlets listing some non-lethal solutions, and placing them near where humane traps are located, would be helpful.

We urged them to please remove all glue traps from their stores and instead promote humane non-lethal methods to deal with rat and mouse problems.

OUTREACH: GUEST SPEAKER INVITATION: The one hour presentation took place on Monday, December 15th, in the auditorium at **École secondaire catholique régionale de Hawkesbury**. **ADLC** President R. Farley, and retired Director and past President E. Klein, spoke to approximately forty students, mostly from grade ten.

Talked about the *ADLC*, our mission (education/advertising), our beliefs (against all cruelty), and our work (spay/neuter programs, ARF fund, etc.); Victories for the animals over the years (from 5 to 1 furrier store in Ottawa, less whaling, increase in vegetarianism, etc.); Types of cruelty (factory farming, trapping, shearing, Draize test, etc.); Reason the animals need you (we must be their voice); Actions you can take to help the animals (sign petitions, write letters and emails, speak/complain to store managers (fur), etc.

The 2-hour round trip commute was worthwhile, and the presentation was productive and fun. These students are the next generation of animal welfare defenders.

We are now offering to travel up to 50 km from Ottawa to speak to students, groups or events. [See page 1 for more information.]

ANNUAL SOCIAL JUSTICE FAIR: We accepted an invitation to host an information table on Friday afternoon, September 7, 2018, **University of Ottawa's** downtown campus, thanks to the **Student Federation of University of Ottawa**. Three of us were there to answer questions, hand out flyers, copies of our ads, and our newsbulletin.

BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE COMMITTEE REPORTS, OTHER BUSINESS, GENERAL DISCUSSION AND ADJOURNMENT: General discussion relating to Business Arising from the Committee Reports and other animal-related issues and *ADLC* issues followed. **MOTION:** The meeting be adjourned at 3:40 pm. **MOVED** by R. Farley. **SECONDED** by J. Bélair. **CARRIED** with no objections.

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IN MEMORIAM

We received a Bequest from the Estate of Margaret Constance Morgan, Vanier/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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ADLC'S WEBSITE: Our sincere thanks to Brenda Campbell who has 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.

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.

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.

KNOWLEDGE IS STRENGTH – BE INFORMED: To keep up with issues and developments worldwide in the animal-concerned movement, we strongly recommend that our readers check out the six website listings below.

ANIMALS 24-7, edited by Merritt and Beth 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 FARMED 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.org.

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.

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!!

**THE ADLC DOES NOT MAKE ITS MEMBERSHIP LIST
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(We are a non-profit organization.)

Name _____ Telephone # _____

Address _____

City _____ Prov. _____ Code _____

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

Membership: Life \$75.00
 Annual \$15.00
 Senior \$ 5.00
 Student \$ 5.00

Donation: General _____
 Spay/Neuter Fund _____
 Animals in Distress Fund _____
 Alternative Research Fund _____

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 11.

Please send me:

- ☐ **ADLC** Vegan Cookbook – limit of 3 per address (Cost to **ADLC**: \$2.60 each.)
- ☐ Vegetarian Option Paper ☐ Live Well Booklet
- ☐ 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.