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ADLC ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING (AGM)

Will be held on Sunday, March 29, 2020, 1:30 pm, Meeting Room A (*If the weather is bad, it will be held on Tuesday, March 31, 7:15 pm, Meeting Room A*), both dates at the McNabb Recreation Centre, 180 Percy Street at Gladstone Avenue, Ottawa, Ontario. OC Transpo bus route #14. You can call us to confirm the date at 613-233-6117.

<u>MEMBERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO ATTEND.</u> If you hold a current membership card please bring it with you. Voting eligibility requires your membership fee to have been paid at least 6 months prior to the AGM date.

Election of Directors, approve 2019 AGM minutes and 2019 Financial Report, appoint a public accountant, vote on having a Review Engagement of our 2020 financial records done and our 2020 Financial Statements Report (and tax forms) prepared; and Committee Reports.

This meeting is open to the public. We look forward to seeing you.

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

ADLC'S ARF GRANT #8 UPDATE: February 2019 we 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. Our grant enabled the purchase of a Virtual Dissection Table for the *CCAAM* Training Laboratory to promote alternatives to animal dissection. (See Fall/Winter 2019 Bulletin #194, pages 1 and 5.)

We received the following December 1, 2019 email from **Dr. Chandrasekera**, Canadian Centre for Alternatives to Animal Methods and the Canadian Centre for the Validation of Alternative Methods:

"... Our '21st Century Dissection for the 21st Century Classroom' project has been successful beyond my expectations!

We launched this program early Fall within the Windsor-Essex Catholic District School Board (WECDSB) and held our media release last week. <u>Please see below</u> for coverage from all major media outlets in Windsor (*Windsor Star, CBC Windsor, ... etc.*).

In partnership with *CCAAM*, the **WECDSB** is fully engaged in a 2-year project to phase out all animal dissection within the entire school board—phasing out grade 10 frog dissection this year and grade 11 fetal pig dissection by next year.

This is the first school board in Canada to eliminate animal dissection across the entire board!

I am thrilled to say that student responses have been tremendous throughout the semester so far-the *Windsor Star* article below gives you a glimpse into their typical responses (they are excited and engaged, not grossed out).

The **Board's** commitment to this project was clearly displayed by the vast support from teachers to science consultants, all the way to their higher administration and their board of trustees. **Mr. Dan Fister**, the **Board's** Executive Superintendent for Innovation and Experiential Learning, said this during the press conference:

'If students can achieve the same learning expectations as traditional methods with similar or superior results without harming any animal, then why would we remain shackled to a 100-year educational practice?'

Building on this success—and as outlined in my strategic plan—I will continue to work tirelessly to spread this program regionally, provincially, and ultimately across Canada.

Thank you very much for your generous contribution that made this work possible!"

Official Press Release

https://www.wecdsb.on.ca/about/news/new_era_in_science_education

UWindsor Daily News:

https://www.uwindsor.ca/dailynews/2019-11-28/virtual-methods-replace-animal-dissection-secondary-schoolscience-classes

The Windsor Star:

https://windsorstar.com/news/local-news/villanova-students-try-hand-at-virtual-frog-dissection

CBC Windsor:

https://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/windsor/animal-dissection-technology-windsor-wecdsb-1.5375409

AM800 Windsor:

https://www.iheartradio.ca/am800/news/local-catholic-school-board-introduces-virtual-dissections-1.10277335

... Windsorite:

https://windsorite.ca/2019/11/catholic-school-board-to-phase-out-animal-dissection/"

<u>ADLC'S NON-ANIMAL-USING ALTERNATIVE RESEARCH FUND (ARF)</u>: 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.

CALGARY'S SHAMEFUL STAMPEDE: July 29, 2019 we sent the following letter to **Warren Connell**, Chief Executive Officer, **Calgary Stampede**, Box 1060, Station M, Calgary, Alberta, T2P 2K8, and did NOT receive a reply:

It is shocking that this year six horses lost their lives at the **Stampede**. At least **100** animals have died in **Stampede** events since **1986**. The numbers of practice animals that were used behind the scenes during training sessions to perfect rodeo skills, that were injured or died, are unknown. For rodeos, <u>animal injuries and deaths are the price of doing BUSINESS</u>.

Coercion is used to make the unwilling horses and bulls perform. Calf-roping, steer-wrestling, team-roping, bucking and chuckwagon racing cause animals to unnecessarily suffer, and in some cases die, for frivolous entertainment and prize money to competitors (\$2 million).

Such cruel and exploitive use of animals in public encourages and promotes that it is okay to cause suffering to animals. Suffering and cruelty to animals is NOT ACCEPTABLE.

The only way these rodeo animals will be safe is to **STOP** the events that exploit them. Human acts such as featured in **Cirque du Soleil** and other similar theatrical shows are very popular. Why can't the **Stampede** choose to develop similar alternatives to using animals?

We look forward to your reply.

¹Marc Bekoff, Ph.D., Ecology and Evolutionary Biology, University of Colorado, Boulder, Colorado, USA, in an undated letter to Montreal Mayor Coderre regarding the proposed Montreal rodeo in August 2017 (Source: *Montreal SPCA's* website in 2017).

July 29, 2019 we wrote to **Dr. Terri Chotowetz**, President, **Canadian Veterinary Medical Association (CVMA)**, 339 Booth Street, Ottawa, ON, K1R 7K1:

Please use your association's influence, and veterinary knowledge of animals and their well-being, to send a strong desist message to the animal-using rodeo/stampede communities (more than 100 professional and semi-professional rodeos in Canada).

The annual **Calgary Stampede** in particular meets the criteria of **CVMA's** "Use of Animals in Entertainment and Recreation – Position Statement '... The **CVMA** opposes activities, contests, or events that have a high probability of causing injury, distress, or illness.'" Rodeo events such as calf-roping, steer-wrestling, chuckwagon racing do cause fear, stress and sometimes injury, pain and death to some of the animals. At least **100** animals have died in **Calgary Stampede** events since **1986**. Six horses died at the **Stampede** in 2019.

Your association's strong message to these rodeo/stampede organizations and organizers of such cruel, inhumane and frivolous spectacles that the **CVMA** is opposed to events involving animals such as calf-roping, steer-wrestling, team-roping, bucking and chuckwagon racing just might help the animals.

We look forward to your response.

We received a disappointing response (d. August 7, 2019) from **Dr. M. Hicks**, President of **CVMA**. They had recently approved two position statements: "Animals in Sport and Competition" and "Animals in Entertainment and the Arts". The position for "Animals in Sport and Competition" states that "... the **CVMA** accepts humane and ethical use of animals in competition and sport. The **CVMA** strongly supports progressive implementation of strategies to mitigate risks involved with the care and management of animals used in sport and competition, to promote sound physical, social, and psychological health and well-being of the animal, and to find alternatives which end avoidable harm and suffering. ...

The **CVMA** encourages further work on the welfare implications of specific practices and the continued development and adoption of national standards and policies for the housing, management, husbandry, training, transport, and biosecurity of animals used in events and activities in sports, competition, entertainment and the arts. ..."

July 29, 2019 we sent a letter to **Premier Kenney**, Office of the Premier, 307 Legislature Building, 10800 – 97 Avenue, Edmonton, Alberta, T5K 2B6; and a similar letter to **Mayor Nenshi**, Office of the Mayor, The City of Calgary, PO Box 2100, Station M, Calgary, Alberta, T2P 2M5 and to each **City Councillor**, The City of Calgary, Office of the Councillors (8001), PO Box 2100, Station M, Calgary, Alberta, T2P 2M5 (asking they enact a by-law banning animal performances). No reply received. Below is our letter:

Please use your elected position to better protect the animals being used in the entertainment business. For example, the City of Vancouver and the District of North Vancouver have banned rodeos, as well as the UK, Holland and several US and European jurisdictions.

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Such cruel and exploitive use of animals in public encourages and promotes that it is okay to cause suffering to animals. Suffering and cruelty to animals is NOT ACCEPTABLE.

Please help end the senseless cruelty, suffering and deaths of animals by enacting legislation banning animal performances. We look forward to hearing from you concerning the above.

¹Marc Bekoff, Ph.D., Ecology and Evolutionary Biology, University of Colorado, Boulder, Colorado, USA, in an undated letter to Montreal Mayor Coderre regarding the proposed Montreal rodeo in August **2017** (Source: *Montreal SPCA's* website in 2017).

MONTREAL BANS HORSE-DRAWN CARRIAGES, *The Ottawa Citizen*, Ottawa, ON, December 30, 2019, excerpt: "... As of Jan. 1, the city [Montreal] has banned horse-drawn guided carriage tours, citing heightened concern over animal welfare and a series of high-profile incidents involving the horses that spawned a wave of outrage and concern from citizens. ...

'With heat waves in summer, climate change, extreme cold in the winter, construction and the number of vehicles on the road, we have a serious question on the animals' safety,' **Coun**. **Sterling Downey** told reporters recently at City Hall. ... **The Canadian Press**" **BRAVO Montreal.**

ONTARIO'S BILL 156, SECURITY FROM TRESPASS AND PROTECTING FOOD SAFETY ACT, 2019: December 10, 2019 Canadian Coalition for Farm Animals, Toronto, Ontario, emailed an alert to us asking readers to please write to your MPP about the possibility of Bill 156 being passed. They included a form letter that made it easy to do. We altered their first and last paragraph, and inserted a new second last paragraph to personalize our December 16 emailed letter to: The Honourable Ernie Hardeman, Minister of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs, Toronto, ON, <u>ernie.hardeman@pc.ola.org</u>; Mr. John Vanthof, NDP MPP, Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs critic, <u>jvanthof.qp@ndp.on.ca</u>; Mr. Mike Schreiner, Green Party MPP, <u>mschreiner-co@ola.org</u>; Ms. Amanda Simard, Independent MPP, <u>asimard@ola.org</u> and Mr. Jim Wilson, Independent MPP, jwilson@ola.org. We are waiting for responses to our concerns. Below is our letter:

We, as many Ontarians, value the welfare of animals and do not believe agriculture should be exempt from consumer oversight. We strongly object to Bill 156 and urge you to vote against it. It seems to have been written solely for the benefit of animal agriculture in order to hide practices in factory farms, transport trucks and slaughterhouses. The very fact that the industry is pushing for this law proves they have something to hide.

It is critical that consumers, many of whom advocate for animals, be allowed to have the oversight of agriculture that is made possible through whistleblowers—in the same way such oversight exists in other industries.

Some key considerations in Bill 156:

- Ontario currently has Trespass to Property laws. Why should farms and slaughterhouses have the privileged exemption of an additional law?
- Bill 156 does not define the distance in its "animal protection zones": This means, for example, that a slaughter facility could deem a 5-mile radius as an "animal protection zone" and people would not even be allowed to view trucks bringing animals for slaughter.
- An employee of a farm or slaughterhouse could be arrested by the owner if he or she is suspected of being a whistleblower. It is only through the courage of whistleblowers that cruel practices have been uncovered and regulatory changes made to protect animals. Whistleblowers are truly working to safeguard the welfare of these animals and put in place protections that make their lives better.
- The owner of a farm or slaughterhouse, or a truck driver, could make a "citizen's arrest" using "reasonable force". Citizens' arrests are not new; however, this would empower the industry to use them arbitrarily and decide what is "reasonable force".

Gag legislation like this has no place in a free, democratic place like Ontario.

Bill 156 protects the "foxes guarding the hen houses" and does nothing to protect the animals from cruelty. It is highly unlikely the animal abusers will turn themselves in. Without the public and the whistleblowers speaking out, who is left to truly be the voice of the voiceless?

We urge you to vote against this bill, and we look forward to hearing from you on this matter.

Bill 156 proposes fines of up to \$15,000 for the first offence, and up to \$25,000 for subsequent offences.

"<u>NEW YORK CITY TO BAN FOIE GRAS</u>", *The Ottawa Citizen*, Ottawa, ON, November 6, 2019: "New York City Council recently voted 42-6 to ban foie gras in the city's restaurants, *Reuters* has reported. The delicacy, usually sourced from geese or ducks, is made by force feeding the fowl, via feeding tubes stuck down their throats, which causes their livers to swell up to 10 times regular size. The ban won't begin until sometime in 2022, leaving the roughly 1,000 restaurants in the city serving foie gras – which means fatty liver in French – plenty of time to change their menus."

INTERNATIONAL AQUACULTURE PROJECT: August 27, 2019 we were contacted by *World Animal Net*, Boston, MA, about possibly collaborating with other organizations "to improve international policy that affects the welfare of fish and other marine animals. For example, we have drafted a letter to international development banks discouraging them from supporting animal aquaculture. ..." We were impressed with the information we received and joined this project.

Below is the November 19, 2019 letter that was sent to 16 international **Development Banks**. They altered the first paragraph to personalize their letter to each **Development Bank**, so we have left it out:

Excerpt: "... We would be grateful for the opportunity to share with you some thoughts regarding aquaculture that we hope your institution may find relevant when considering financing any projects in that sphere. We are troubled by many of the impacts of animal aquaculture and we believe that plant-based aquaculture has far greater positive potential.

Small-scale aquaculture projects raising fish or arthropods have had an uncommonly high rate of economic failure, while larger projects have failed to provide much economic benefit to low-income community members and often harm coastal environments. ... the **BOAD** guidelines [published by the **West African Development Bank**] point to the following, among many other, potential risks and adverse impacts:

- Clearing or development of coastal wetlands for the construction of fish ponds.
- Erosion and siltation problems during the construction phase.
- Competing demand for water resources and land allocated to breeding ponds.
- Acidification of pond waters due to the formation of hydrogen sulfide.
- Decline in local stocks of larvae and fry.
- Water pollution from effluents (rich in nutrients and containing a variable number of chemicals, depending on the intensity of production ponds).
- Introduction of exotic species likely to harm native species, due to increased competition, predation, and spread of diseases and parasites.
- Spread of diseases among stocks living in ponds and wild stocks when their populations become too numerous.

... Last year, the Editor-in-Chief of **World Aquaculture** stated that 'Up to 75 percent of antibiotics used in aquaculture may be released to the surrounding environment.'

... in contrast to animal aquaculture, seaweed aquaculture can be a great boon for coastal communities, providing economic benefits for residents of coastal areas while helping reverse major forms of environmental degradation, rather than exacerbating them. A 2016 **World Bank** report: <u>Seaweed Aquaculture for Food Security, Income Generation and Environmental Health in Tropical Developing Countries</u> emphasized the potential for long-lasting rapid growth in the sector with vast ancillary benefits including pollution remediation and carbon sequestration. ...

If, despite the many hazards, the **Bank** proceeds with financing animal aquaculture projects, we would appreciate reassurance that any such support would be contingent on:

- No prophylactic use of antibiotics
- Compliance with the **World Organization for Animal Health's** Aquatic Animal Health Code, including standards for the welfare of farmed fish during transport, stunning, and slaughter
- Effective documentation regarding health management plans, handling activities, mortality, and water quality within suitable limits for good welfare of the specific species
- Minimised demand for fish-based fish feed other than trimmings

• Breeding programmes that prioritize the robustness of fish, their well-being under farming conditions.

We would welcome any opportunity to discuss these issues with your staff. Thank you for your consideration. ..."

The letters were signed by *World Animal Net* (<u>worldanimal.net</u>) and *Eurogroup for Animals* (<u>eurogroupforanimals.org</u>), plus a list of 45 international organizations, including *ADLC*, that joined in support and signed the letter, was attached.

From their website: "*World Animal Net (WAN)* was established to improve communication and coordination among the world's animal protection groups. Today, *WAN* is the world's largest network of animal protection societies, with over 3,000 affiliates in more than 100 countries and Consultative Status at the **United Nations**. *WAN* works from offices in the United Kingdom, The Netherlands, the United States, and South Africa. Join us!"

"21,000 FARMED SALMON ESCAPE FOLLOWING FISH FARM BLAZE" in British Columbia: Excerpt from The Ottawa Citizen, Ottawa, ON, December 23, 2019: "A fire at a fish farm near Port Hardy at Queen Charlotte Strait has resulted in the escape of more than 20,000 farmed Atlantic salmon. Fish farm company Mowi ... said in a statement divers are investigating the damage ... at its salmon farm at Robertson Island. Mowi said it has notified federal regulators and area First Nations about the fire and the subsequent escape of the estimated 21,000 Atlantic salmon from the damage net pen. The Canadian Press"

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 August to December 2019 we helped three cat rescue groups with some of the cost of 7 cat spays and 8 cat neuters (7 of the cats were quite wild), different medications, defleaing treatment, a toe amputation, 1 euthanasia, treating a runny eye, as well as an eye and sinus infection; two individuals with their dogs: one was euthanized and one had an eye/ear problem; and an individual's cat that had cold-like symptoms. 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.

<u>SPAY/NEUTER PROJECT</u>: We covered 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 August to December 2019 we have paid for a total of **17** 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 9.

CANADIAN CAT/DOG POPULATION FIGURES: According to the **Canadian Animal Health Institute** (January 28, 2019 **Press Release**, **www.cahi-icsa.ca/press-releases/latest-canadian-pet-population-figures-released**): "... From 2016 to 2018, the Canadian dog population has continued to grow while the population of cats has stabilized. Cats continued to outnumber dogs with 8.3 million cats considered household pets in 2018, down slightly from 2016. Dog population figures for 2018 increased to 8.2 million, up from 7.6 million in 2016. The Canadian dog population is now nearly equal to the cat population for the first time since these measures were established in 2004. ..."

<u>CAT FOSTER HOMES NEEDED (OTTAWA AREA)</u>: <u>**CAT RESCUE NETWORK**</u>: 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 September/October, October/November and November/December 2019 editions of *The Leveller*, a Carleton University newspaper serving the Ottawa/Gatineau area. <u>ADLC'S SPAY/NEUTER FUND AND ALTERNATIVE RESEARCH FUND</u>: A full page ad was placed in the September and November/December *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. Our ad promoted our Spay/Neuter Fund and our non-animal-using Alternative Research Fund. Fall/Winter 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.

the *ADLC*. [INTER]NATIONAL FERAL CAT DAY – October 16, 2019 was the heading of an ad we placed on October 10, 2019 in the *Perth Courier* and the *Smiths Falls Record* (*Star Metrolandmedia* weekly newspapers in communities not from Ottawa). <u>TRIBUTE AD</u> placed in *The Ottawa Citizen*, September 27, 2019, to honor WORLD VEGETARIAN DAY – October 1, WORLD FARM ANIMALS DAY – October 2 and WORLD ANIMAL DAY – October 4.

INFORMATION TABLE: We were invited to have an information table at **Ren's Pets**, Innes Road, Orleans (suburb of Ottawa). On Saturday, October 5, four of us were there for 3 hours, with flyers on hand. We talked with store customers and a few added money to our donation box.

August 2019 the store kindly gave us 4 very large bags of dry dog food which we passed along to **St. Joe's Supper Table** and the **Parkdale Food Centre**, both part of our cat/dog food delivery program (see page 6 paragraph 5).

<u>ADLC'S WEBSITE</u>: 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: <u>ncf.ca/animal-defence</u>.

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; <u>it must be requested in writing</u>. 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.

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.

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

<u>ANIMALS 24-7</u>, edited by Merritt and Beth Clifton, is a comprehensive animal-concerned issues and news on-line publication. Website: <u>www.Animals24-7.org</u>, e-mail: <u>Animals24.7@frontier.com</u>, 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. Websites: www.worldanimalprotection.ca and www.worldanimalprotection.org.uk. Telephone: 1-800-363-9772.

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: <u>www.cetfa.org</u>.

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: <u>www.PETA.org</u>.

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**.

<u>CHECK OUT THE GROUPS THAT YOU CONSIDER SUPPORTING</u>: We suggest you write to them and ask for a written statement of their position on hunting, fishing, whaling, zoos and aquariums, vivisection, vegetarianism. Depending on what they reply to you, you can decide whether you wish to support them.

Various groups raise money for people suffering from physical or mental problems. One may wish to support efforts to provide services, counselling or care to patients, but not want to financially support research which involves the use of animals. Below is sample text which could be sent to soliciting organizations:

Your organization has requested my financial support. I would like to support your cause, but ONLY if you can write to me with assurance that you do not financially support any research using animals.

Apart from services of various kinds provided directly to patients, I support only ethical clinical research with humans, epidemiology, and in-vitro research.

Your early reply would be appreciated.

<u>"CAUTION: SOME WILDLIFE GROUPS SUPPORT KILLING [ANIMALS]</u>", 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."

<u>CAUTION</u>: 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, <u>including regulated sport hunting</u> [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."

<u>"ONTARIO WILDLIFE FOUNDATION [OWF]: An Important Notice"</u>, *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.'"

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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Membership:	Life	\$75.00	Donation: Gene	ral
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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 () 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
- () Brief on Pound Seizure, June 1983) ARF compassion button
-) 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 Colouring Book
-) Circus Animals flyer
-) The Wolf Paper
-) Angling The Neglected Bloodsport, and Fish Farming
-) Policy Statement: Native People and the Fur Trade
-) Wildlife Mismanagement package
-) Groundhog/Gopher Killingfest
-) 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 () Spay/Neuter Brief to
-) Cat Control & the Community Brief
-) 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

- () Bullfighting Paper
-) Trapping flyer
-) Anti-trapping posters
- () Pigeons in Cities flyer

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-) 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 <u>HELP</u> stop the killing.

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