The Alliance for Animals

AFA is a non-profit 501(c)3 animal rights organization created to promote ethical, compassionate treatment of all animals through a variety of means including:

• Educating and increasing the awareness of the public on matters relating to the ethical treatment of animals and the philosophy of animal rights.

• Promoting veganism, which is a moral and political commitment rather than simply a diet choice.

• Bringing to public attention situations of animal abuse and exploitation

• Encouraging and supporting the efforts of pro-animal individuals and groups throughout the state.

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Alliance for Animals Believes that Early Humane Education Promotes Kindness to Animals

Who among us cannot remember our favorite teachers and remember their words and actions vividly? The seeds planted by our early teachers remain with us for the rest of our lives. As past elementary teachers, AFA’s Co-Directors Rick Bogle and Lynn Pauly know firsthand that teaching respect and kindness to all beings goes a long way in the classroom.

During the past three school years, Alliance for Animals has provided 100 elementary school classrooms in Wisconsin with subscriptions to the animal-focused classroom newsletter, KIND News, published by The Humane Society of the United States. Thanks to your donations, classrooms in Pardeeville, Elkhorn, Menomonee Falls, Madison, Cedarburg, Milwaukee, and all across the state received free classroom subscriptions. Teachers using KIND News report improvements in their students’ behavior toward their peers. Teacher Beth McLimans (pictured) at Aldo Leopold Elementary School in Madison says, “I’ve found Kind News to be a very valuable resource to use with my first grade students.” KIND News is a colorful, four-page classroom newspaper featuring puzzles, projects, fascinating articles, and celebrity interviews. A subscription includes 28 copies of KIND News, enough for every student in the class, plus a teacher’s guide every other month from September through May. Unlike the summer pig wrestling spectacles going on across our state, KIND News encourages good character, emphasizes humane values such as

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AFA Debates the Vivisectors

Public debates between animal advocates and vivisectors are rare. Only a very few such debates have occurred anywhere in the world. AFA has had unusual success at organizing these events over the years.

The most recent head-to-head public encounter was on March 16, 2010, between UW-Madison Professor Paul Kaufman, who uses monkeys in his experiments on glaucoma and myopia, and AFA co-director Rick Bogle. The event was possible only because of the interest and efforts of UW-Madison student Sean Becker.

The debate was held before a capacity crowd in the UW-Madison Memorial Union. It was moderated by UW associate professor and bioethicist Robert Streiffrer and the Medical History and Bioethics, Chair, professor Susan E. Lederer.

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A letter from Co-Directors
Rick Bogle and Lynn Pauly

Hello, and a BIG thank you to all of AFA’s incredible and compassionate supporters across Wisconsin and beyond. We feel that we know many of you, by the notes you add to your donations and by the phone calls and e-mails we receive. Thank you for taking the time to reach out. It is because of you that AFA is able to work and advocate for all the animals in Wisconsin. Without your support Alliance for Animals would not be able to continue its important work.

Our twice-yearly newsletter is intended to inform you of just some of the things we have been doing. As you will see, we’ve been active on many fronts.

Please pay special attention to the article on KIND News; our ability to keep giving classroom subscriptions depends entirely on your continuing generosity.

Please keep making good choices for all animals. We are proud to have your encouragement and support.

For all animals,
Lynn & Rick

Killdeer enjoying a dust bath in Dunn County, WI
Summer in Wisconsin brings many good things, but unfortunately it is also a time of brutality at local fairs and fundraisers. Pig wrestling, sometimes called hog wrestling or “catch a pig,” is an annual event in communities across Wisconsin.

A F A ‘ s n e w w e b s i t e , www.NoPigWrestling.org features pictures of the events and links to online videos. You can see the anger and meanness in the people’s faces as they wrestle a pig and manhandle the hapless creature into a barrel. The abject terror on the pigs’ faces is crystal clear.

And what makes all of this even worse is the plain fact that it is illegal, and it has been since 1973. According to Wisconsin’s Crimes Against Animals laws, statute 951.08(1), it is illegal in Wisconsin to stage fights between humans and other animals.

Two attorneys with experience and expertise in animal law have looked carefully at these events and the state law; they have advised us that these events are illegal. With their assistance, we have sent the organizers of each one a letter citing the state’s laws and urging them to cancel their events.

A failure to cancel their event will result in a letter to local district attorneys and possible lawsuits. You can help by writing letters to the editors when events happen in your community or by documenting these events and sending your photos to us. Please visit www.nopigwrestling.org for more information.

Should Dane County Study the Ethics of Experimenting on Monkeys?

T his is the key question the Dane County Board of Supervisors are grappling with as they consider Dane County Resolution 35: Establishing an Advisory Panel to Study the Treatment of Monkeys Used in Experiments in Dane County and the Ethics of Experimenting on Monkeys.

This potentially history-making resolution is the result of AFA’s consultations with Dane County Supervisors. It was introduced by Supervisor Al Matano and co-sponsored by twelve other supervisors. An amended version was passed with a 5 to 2 vote by the Health and Human Needs Committee on June 29, 2010.

The resolution was considered by the Executive Committee on July 8, but was not voted on in spite of three hours of testimony from supporters and university staff who were uniformly against it (what a surprise!) The resolution’s future is not clear.

This is an opportunity for you to have a strong and important effect on the treatment of animals. Contact the Dane County Board of Supervisors and let them know that you are in strong support of Resolution 35. Urge them to move the resolution to the full Board and to vote to establish a citizens’ advisory panel.

The resolution has the support of Dave Zweifel, Editor Emeritus, The Capital Times; WISC TV News Editorial Board; Baycreek Neighborhood Assoc; Unity of Madison; Unitarian Universalist Animal Ministry, Progressive Dane, and over 2000 petition signers.

Stay up to date. Visit www.MonkeysInDane.info.
Decompression prohibited.
No person may kill an animal by means of decompression.

That seems pretty easy to understand. But this simple Wisconsin State Law (951.025) was over the heads of researchers and lawyers at UW-Madison, who, after AFA filed a formal complaint with the Dane County District Attorney providing evidence that the university had been killing sheep in this manner for a number of years, argued that the law didn’t pertain to them. The DA said that the experiments were illegal, but that he wouldn’t do anything to stop them.

Thanks to the involvement and financial resources of People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals, AFA and PeTA filed a motion in court asking a judge to appoint a special prosecutor. In spite of arguments submitted by the university, Dane County Circuit Court Judge Amy Smith found probable cause to believe that university researchers violated the law when they conducted decompression experiments on sheep she appointed a special prosecutor to investigate.

As this goes to press, the special prosecutor is considering criminal charges against a number of university staff members and the university is trying to find a way to settle the case out of court.

Stay tuned.

Latest News about Igor
from Amanda at Happily Ever After Animal Sanctuary, Inc.

Our big man is doing fabulously! We love him dearly. His favorite things are canned food and belly rubs. He usually listens and doesn’t care if we handle him or his food while he’s eating and he goes to his room without any balking. He loves to lay outside rain or shine...unless he knows canned food will be waiting for him when he gets back to his room, then he is always ready to come in! I have no complaints about him. He’s a good dog.

Thank you so much to all of you who helped us in saving Igor’s life. To help sponsor Igor go to: http://www.petfinder.com/petdetail/13346017

How many animals are used in Wisconsin’s labs each year?

From the United States Department of Agriculture Animal and Plant Inspection Service (APHIS) Annual Report of Animals Used in Research For Fiscal Year 2009:

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*These numbers represent only animals covered by the Animal Welfare Act. The Act excludes all purpose-bred birds, rats, and mice and all invertebrates. A highly conservative estimate of the number of mice alone is that 30 million are used annually. Wisconsin probably uses close to 1 million annually.

**“Other covered species” includes all wild-captured vertebrate animals and other animals like ferrets, naked mole-rats, bats, etc.
Simply Vegan: for your health, for the planet, and for the animals

A FA launched our Simply Vegan campaign with a splashy billboard and several bus ads which will be seen by thousands of Madisonians every day. The stunningly beautiful and simple ads will direct people to our new website, www.simplyvegan.net.

Adopting a vegan diet is the best thing you can do for the planet, for your health, and of course for the animals. We hear people say that they would go vegan if it were easier. Our website is a perfect example of how simple it really is to embrace a plant-based diet.

The Simply Vegan billboard will appear around Madison for the entire year. The interior and exterior bus ads will be posted throughout the summer. You can purchase Simply Vegan t-shirts, mugs, stickers, etc. at http://www.cafepress.com/afa_simplyvegan.

Guest speaker Colleen Patrick-Goudreau with AFA member Rachel Pfeiffer.

Green Owl Cafe Joins Mother Fool’s as Madison’s Only Vegetarian/Vegan Restaurants

Mother Fools’ Coffee House has always been and always will be an Alliance favorite with their delicious vegan pastries. Besides their yummy pastries, Mother Fool’s has offered tasty vegan soups prepared by chef Jennie Capellaro.

Jennie has expanded her workload and is now chef and proprietor at Green Owl Cafe. This all vegetarian and vegan restaurant offers several delicious entrees including a salad bar, vegan chili, desserts, a children’s menu, and of course, soup! Located at 1970 Atwood Avenue, the restaurant is open for lunch and dinner Tuesday through Saturday, and on Sundays from 11am until 3pm. As The Green Owl’s website says, stop in and taste the love!

Please visit www.simplyvegan.net for more info on vegan dining.

Alliance Bestows Awards to Animal Supporters at Vegantines Dinner and Dance

This year’s Vegantine’s Dinner and Dance was a sold out event which brought people from all over the state to hear the inspirational and always charming Colleen Patrick-Goudreau, founder of CompassionateCooks.com and author of several vegan cookbooks. Colleen’s ability to bring humor and hope to the serious subject at hand is why she is considered “a star in the vegetarian universe.” We were honored that she was willing to travel from sunny California to the tundra of our Wisconsin winter.

Receiving our Heart of Government award was Senator Fred A. Risser, whose work has consistently promoted the interests of animals in Wisconsin. Eilene K. Ribbens received our Heart of Wisconsin award for her unstinting effort on behalf of dogs everywhere and her landmark achievement: passage of the Wisconsin Puppy Mill Bill. The Heart of Journalism award went to Bill Lueders of the Isthmus for his journalistic integrity and his sustained fair and balanced investigative reporting on the use of animals by the University of Wisconsin-Madison. And Dave Friedman, coordinator of the Madison Area Vegetarian Meetup Group, received the Heart of Madison award for establishing a large and growing vibrant social group of area residents with a common interest in vegetarian and vegan lifestyles.

Dinner, dancing, and an overall great time was had by everyone! We only hope that our 2011 event will be as successful.

Award winners, from left: Dave Friedman, Senator Fred A. Risser, Bill Lueders

Guest speaker Colleen Patrick-Goudreau with AFA member Rachel Pfeiffer.
Keeping grass mowed all the way to a lake’s edge is an irresistible invitation to Canada geese. It allows them to walk to and from the water without having to worry about lurking predators. Moreover, when there is an abundance of food, like the grasses in a watered and fertilized park lawn, geese soon gather to luxuriate in what to them must seem like a goose four-star hotel. However, after the geese arrive, settle down to build their nests, and raise their goslings, sometimes they aren’t wanted. And this is the case with the Warner Park geese and the Dane County Regional Airport.

In March, Airport officials complained to the Dane County Parks Commission that the geese are a hazard to air traffic at the airport, and the Parks Commission voted to round up and kill most of them. A Facebook page was started to save the geese, and was immediately friended by over a thousand people. The Alliance appealed the Commission’s decision arguing that alternatives had not been adequately discussed or considered. The Commission then held another hearing where an overflow crowd testified for hours about the many non-lethal ways to manage the geese. Many people, including some local pilots, questioned whether the geese were even a real hazard.

The Commission then voted to postpone their decision pending more research. As of this writing, the fate of the geese is not clear. Backroom deals have apparently been struck, and then abandoned as the birds’ many supporters keep a vigilant eye on the situation.

Stay up-to-date on the efforts to protect the geese by visiting No Madison Goose Kill on Facebook or visit http://warnerpark100.com/

Elsewhere in Wisconsin: Delavan Township Makes Hall of Shame
On June 30, with the approval of Delavan Township County Board, DNR rounded up and killed all of the geese on Delavan Lake. After Lakeland Animal Shelter volunteered to maintain the parks at no cost to the city and hundreds of citizens signed the petition against the kill only one courageous supervisor, Ryan Simons, voted to save the geese. Many thanks to Becky Stritt for all of her work in trying to motivate the community to save the geese.

Environmentalist and Animal Rights Activist Anthony Marr Guest Speaker at AFA Event

World-renowned wildlife preservationist, leading anti-hunting activist, environmentalist, author, and speaker, Anthony Marr, currently on his Compassion for Animals Road Expedition (CARE) speaking tour, will be the guest speaker at Alliance for Animals’ Fall Silent Auction and Chili Festival. This event will be held at Goodman Community Center in Madison WI on Saturday, September 25, 2010 beginning at 5:30 p.m. (see Upcoming Events). Anthony will be speaking on animal rights, hunting, environmental concerns, and the urgent subject of his second book: Homo sapiens! SAVE YOUR EARTH. Anthony Marr is the author of two books on environmental issues. A wildlife preservationist since 1995, his work in India garnered him the title of Champion of the Bengal Tiger in the award-winning TV-documentary series Champions of the Wild that aired in 20 countries on Discovery and National Geographic channels. He has conducted six previous CARE tours. He has traveled to Japan twice for the whales and dolphins, and was recently honored with the title Best All-Around Activist of 2010 by two top U.S. animal rights organizations. Anthony was also honored at the 2010 Animal Rights National Conference in Washington D.C. with the prestigious Henry Spira Grass Roots Activist Award for his outstanding contribution to animal liberation. Anthony has conducted several high-profile campaigns against the seal and grizzly bear hunts in Canada, deer culls, and sea lion exterminations in North America. He is also the founder and president of Heal Our Planet Earth (HOPE). You can find out more about Anthony Marr’s fascinating life and work at the following websites: www.HOPE-CARE.org and www.HomoSapiensSaveYourEarth.blogspot.com
In Memory

✿ In memory of Elisabeth Skowronek, mother of long time activist Ann Emerson by Jeanine Larson, Amy Kerwin, Michele Moede and Norm Lorenz, Megan Ryan, Paula Rinelli, Leslie Hamilton and Wayne Block, Deutscher Club of Madison, Bob and Dee Dee Devaul, Rick Bogle and Lynn Pauly, Sara and Dennis Klawitter.

✿ In memory of Cindy Tillman, past AFA member and founding member of Dane County Friends of Ferals, for her dedication and compassion for animals, particularly cats. By Diane Iverson, Geri Marsh, and Betsy Munro.

✿ In memory of Harry M. Nelson by Bernice Oberbeck.

✿ In memory of our friend’s rescue dog, Tupilo (Tupie). Even though he hated men he loved my husband. Oh, our boy! Mary and Don Hudson.

✿ In memory of Moonbeam, the queen of the household and companion kitty of Betsy Munro by Betsy and Betty Munro and Lesley Crocker. Your presence is missed so much.

✿ In memory of Diane Iverson’s beloved dog Brandy and cat Daisy by Lesley Crocker and Susan Krebsbach.

✿ In loving memory of Cassie, Susan and Spencer Krebsbach's beloved dog, by Diane Iverson and Betsy Munro.

In Honor

✿ In honor of Candace Randall Moore by Rachel Randall.

Friends of the AFA
Spring Fiesta/Silent Auction 2010

We are thankful to the following businesses for their generous donation to our 2010 Spring Fiesta and Silent Auction. Please patronize our supporters! These local businesses contributed generously knowing that Alliance for Animals members are good, honest, and dedicated customers. These popular local establishments have either quality gift items and services or delicious food! For links to each business, go to the Rants and Raves column of our website at www.allanimals.org.

These four businesses provided us with our delicious food and beverages! Please thank them next time you visit! And visit often!

- Chipotle Mexican Grill
- Trader Joe’s
- Willy Street Cooperative
- Mother Fools Coffeehouse

The following businesses generously donated items for our Silent Auction. Please do business with these establishments. They are our friends! And thank them for being a supporter of Alliance for Animals!

All Through the House  Kirlin's Hallmark
A Room of One's Own  Klinke Cleaners
Art Gecko  La Rocca's Restaurant & Pizzeria
Artist and Craftsman Supply  M&I Bank
Avol's Bookstore  MadCat Pet Supplies
Bad Dog Frida  Mermaid Cafe
Bandung Indonesian Restaurant  Metcalfe's Senty
The Camera Company  Michelangelo's Coffee
Capitol City Tattoo - Brian  Mimosas Books and Gifts
Chautara Restaurant  Monty's Blue Plate Diner
College Barber Shop  Mother Fools Coffeehouse
Community Pharmacy  Noodles and Co.
Deanna Devaul Designs  Nutzy Mutz and Crazy Cats
Donna Sarafin Massage  Orpheum Theater
Ear Wax Record Shop  Panera Bakery and Cafe
Fair Trade Coffeehouse  Paul's Book Store
FedEx Kinkos Mineral Point  The Peacock
Fine Posters and Prints  Rainbow Bookstore Cooperative
Four Star Video Heaven  Revolution Cycles
Frugal Muse Books, Music and Video  The Roman Candle Pizzeria
Glass Nickel Pizza  Scrapbook Superstore
Green Owl Cafe  SERRV
Hilldale Shell Foodmart  Shangri-La Collections
Himal Chuli Restaurant  The Soap Opera
Husnus Restaurant  Steep and Brew
Imperial Garden Restaurant  Sunroom Cafe and Gallery
Indus Beads  Supreme Pizza
Jamerica Restaurant  Tropic Jewel
Java Cat  Whole Foods Market
Just Coffee  Willy Street Co-op
responsible pet care and respect for wildlife and habitats, is an age-appropriate, cross-curricular teaching tool that addresses National Education Standards and incorporates lessons in all major subject areas.

We need you to help us reach even more schools across the state for the upcoming school year. Please fill out the enclosed form and envelope and help us to continue to adopt classrooms across Wisconsin. For every $25 sent you will adopt a classroom for one complete school year.

The most interesting moment may have come when Kaufman answered a question from the audience: “If you had a pet, whether it is a dog or a monkey, would you be willing to give that animal up for research?”

Kaufman: “What price are we willing to pay for the advances that we have as a result of doing these experiments? That’s one of the things this debate is about.”

Bogle: “But Paul, we’re not paying the price.”

Come visit our booths at Fighting Bob Fest on Saturday, September 11, 2010 at Sauk County Fairgrounds in Baraboo. Alliance for Animals will have two tables full of information.

“Best of the Best” Chili Fest and Silent Auction with guest speaker Anthony Marr Saturday, September 25, 2010, Goodman Community Center, Madison 5:30 – 8:30 p.m. Adults: $10  Students: $7  Children under 5: Free

This year we are lucky to have four past Chili Cook-Off Winners preparing our vegan fare: Mark Dwyer, Linda Falkenstein, Lynn Pauly, and Marcelle Richards. No competition, just kitchen camaraderie which will result in a great Chili Fest for everyone.

3rd Annual Vegantines Dinner and Dance: Saturday, February 12, 2011; Details TBA – Invitation will be mailed.

Please check our website regularly for latest event information.