MORE VOICES

POLICING ANIMAL ABUSE

Editor
Nation Magazine

I'm glad you gave some space to the animal rights issue (*Nation*, Aug. 4), but your coverage was more than a little one-sided. It is simple-minded to say it's either some dog or your child who will pay the price. The majority of animal experiments have no practical application to humans—especially the so-called psychological experiments; i.e., how much pain can an animal endure before it goes insane? You also fail to mention the many safe alternatives to using animals in research that are available today.

Your article would have done well to present the side of the issue that says, "Work not evil that good may result." And, if evil is worked, there had better be an unavoidable, compelling reason for it. The fact that scientists now have to be more accountable for their procedures on animals is a small step in the right direction.

Kathryn L. Boyne
AA-VS Member

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REPORTING ON SILVER SPRINGS MONKEYS

Dear Mr. Cave,

In reference to your letter of October 22, 1986, 63 monkeys were moved to Buena Vista Exotic Animal Paradise in Strafford, MO on October 17. We had 11 females sterilized by oviduct ligation and left 9 females intact. The females were sterilized to control population growth rates within the enclosure. I would have been happier had all of the monkeys been sterilized and released to live out their lives in their own habitat. Unfortunately, we just did not have the political clout to get that done. The Buena Vista Exotic Animal Paradise was the best deal we could find for the monkeys.

That news release you sent me was very prejudicial. The monkeys that were sent to the Buena Vista Exotic Animal Paradise were neither manic nor troublesome. They were the monkeys who survived the massive trapping two years ago in which 217 monkeys were sold to biomedical research. In the last two years, the monkeys had caused no problems—they had not been out on the highway nor had anyone been bitten.

The problem ahead is to protect the remaining monkeys from the Florida Game and Fresh Water Fish Commission (FGFWFC). There are 100 monkeys in the southside troop, which is part of the tourist show of Silver Springs, and an unknown number of monkeys who live in the Ocala National Forest and bother no one. The FGFWFC would like Silver Springs to cage its 100 monkeys even though for the time being it has said that the monkeys can remain free-ranging. However, for the monkeys in the Ocala National Forest, FGFWFC is proposing to trap, shoot or poison them. This proposal to trap, shoot or poison the monkeys is what we are now fighting. If any of your members would like to help in this project (i.e., get petitions signed), please contact Tish Hennessey, Foundation for Environmental Awareness, P.O. Box 723, Oklawaha, FL 32679. If it hadn't been for Tish, the monkeys would have been killed already. She has just been wonderful. Thank you for your continued interest in the Florida's Silver Springs monkeys.

Sincerely,
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PLEASE CONSIDER GIVING THIS MAGAZINE TO A FRIEND.
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INFORM OTHERS OF OUR ANIMAL RIGHTS CAUSE.

BEQUESTS

Through the years we have operated successfully because of the support received from many kindly disposed persons—especially those who remember our Society in their Wills. Persons wishing to become benefactors of The American Anti-Vivisection Society should consult an attorney or incorporate the following provisions in their Wills:

"I bequeath to The American Anti-Vivisection Society, Suite 204 Noble Plaza, 801 Old York Road, Jenkintown, Pa. 19046-1685, the sum of ..... to be applicable to the general purposes of the Society." (Or, if so desired, "to be applicable solely to its Restricted Fund for Development of Alternatives to Animals in Research.")

TRIBUTES

A donation in any amount as a loving tribute to a relative, friend or pet will enable us to list in this column the person or pet so honored.

DEAR "LUCKY" Dog and "MR. C" Cat: Christmas, with all its joy, is fast approaching. It would be wonderful if only you were here to join us. In our memory, we see you both staring at the twinkling lights and playing with the balls and tinsel on our Christmas tree. Rest well little pets, because we shall never forget your loving devotion and the happiness you brought us.

Margaretta and Richard McDevitt
Petersburg, VA

IN MEMORY OF "CHICO I."

Larry Miller
Carpinteria, CA

IN LOVING MEMORY of my darling "GINGER," who was taken from me December 5, 1985. I will love and miss her forever. She was my constant, faithful companion for eight years. Nothing could ever take her place in my heart.

Wanda K. Humphrey
S. Charleston, WV

IN MEMORY of my beloved husband, RICHARD F. MULHOLLAND, who was called to the eternal happiness on December 13, 1983. He loved all God's creatures and respected and upheld their rights. Sleep peacefully, my beloved, 'till we meet . . .

Margaret C. Mulholland
Broomall, PA

I MISS MY LITTLE dog-child, a 6½ pound Min Pin giant, March 5, 1969 to October 8, 1986.

The sun's gone down
The moon's turned black
I lost my "GOLLIWOGG"
She won't be back.

Elynir Goldberg
Philadelphia, PA

IN MEMORY OF DENZIL SOLAN.

Joey Seamans
Denver, CO

IN LOVING MEMORY OF "JUD," who was the whole world to me. Another year has passed, and I still miss you deeply, and long for you barking and running at my side. Since you've been gone there's been nothing to take your place, and life for me is still a sea of pain without you.

Henry Hutto
Eugene, OR

IN MEMORY OF "CHI CHI," loving dog of Laurence and Beatrice Michaels of Spokane, Washington. Many, many happy moments spent together.

Amy H. Polischuk
El Toro, CA

IN LOVING MEMORY OF MY MOTHER, DENZIL SOLAN.

Judy Solan
Denver, CO

IN MEMORY of my first dog, "MISTY MORNING," my beloved Norwegian Elkhound, on this first anniversary of her death on November 9, 1985. For twelve years her love, devotion and understanding developed my consciousness of our true kinship with animal life. Day after day, the joy that was "MISTY" is dearly missed.

Gregory Gorney
Toledo, OH

IN MEMORY OF "TEDDY," my little white Poodle who gave much joy in life and sadness with his death. July 17, 1973—October 13, 1986.

Priscilla Shank
Warren, PA

IN LOVING MEMORY of dear little "SUZI" and beautiful, sweet "SYLVESTER." I loved them both and they loved me in return. I shall always treasure the precious years we spent together.

Lillian J. Peska
Chicago, IL

IN LOVING MEMORY of "BEEP" and "THUMPER," our beautiful German Shepherds. Though time has not dimmed either our love or our loss, neither time nor death can truly separate us. In our hearts we still see your eyes smiling and your tails wagging. Thank you both for touching our lives with love.

Dawna, Mary, and Tony Maydak
Elizabeth, PA

IN HONOR OF "SPARKY," "WILLOW," "RAVEN," "COCO," "BOOTSY," "NEXIUS," "PAULA," "IONA," "RUBY," "FLICK," and "AMBERLE," those brave cats at the University of Oregon, and all of your kittens. And to "SIRE," who spent nearly six years in that cage.

We vowed to you that we'd return to take you away from Gordon-Lickey. We kept our promise. Hope you enjoy your new homes. If we'd had homes for the primates we would have taken them as well.

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I FIRST BECAME aware of the name, FLORENCE LOPES, through her many tributes in *The AV Magazine*. I was so impressed with this caring person that I wrote a tribute to her. Her joy and surprise were gratifying and we became pen pals. Our friendship was short-lived because Florence died suddenly on October 22nd. And so with tears in my eyes, I pen a final farewell to a very loving person.

Florence Brown
Coopersburg, PA