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THE PACKRAT

OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER OF WHEA, THE WESTERN HUMANE EDUCATORS ASSOCIATION, FORMED UNDER THE GUIDING LIGHT & INFINITE WISDOM OF THE HUMANE SOCIETY OF THE UNITED STATES-WEST COAST REGIONAL OFFICE



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WILD THINGS: A SET OF WILDLIFE FACT SHEETS ON CALIFORNIA BIRDS, MAMMALS, AND REPTILES. OVER 30 SHEETS! ONLY \$2.00. A TERRIFIC RESOURCE

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SEND ORDERS TO PENINSULA HUMANE SOCIETY
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ALBERT SCHWEITZER'S PRAYER FOR ANIMALS



HEAR OUR HUMBLE PRAYER, O GOD, FOR OUR FRIENDS THE ANIMALS, ESPECIALLY FOR ANIMALS WHO ARE SUFFERING; FOR ANY THAT ARE HUNTED OR LOST OR DESERTED OR FRIGHTENED OR HUNGRY; FOR ALL THAT MUST BE PUT TO DEATH.

WE ENTREAT FOR THEM ALL THY MERCY AND PITY, AND FOR THOSE WHO DEAL WITH THEM WE ASK A HEART OF COMPASSION AND GENTLE HANDS AND KINDLY WORDS. MAKE US, OURSELVES, TO BE TRUE FRIENDS TO ANIMALS AND SO TO SHARE THE BLESSINGS OF THE MERCIFUL. AMEN.

CONTRIBUTED BY ANDRA TROMPER OF FRESNO, CALIFORNIA

BORROW-A-PUP

IS A SERVICE OFFERED BY THE OREGON HUMANE SOCIETY (P.O. BOX 11364, PORTLAND, OREGON 97211). PRESCHOOLS, NURSING HOMES, & OTHER GROUPS MAY BORROW 1-4 PUPS FROM THE SHELTER FOR A FEW HOURS.

QUOTE FROM THE FLYER: "BORROW-A-PUP IS AN IDEAL WAY TO REKINDLE PUPPY-LOVING FLAMES IN A SENIOR CITIZEN'S HEART. BORROW-A-PUP IS A WAY TO INSTILL RESPECT FOR LIFE IN A YOUNG CHILD. BORROW-A-PUP IS A WAY TO REACH OUT TO A YOUNG ANIMAL IN NEED OF AFFECTION."

FOR MORE INFORMATION, WRITE TO LIZ KAYE AT O.H.S.

FUN N GAMES: A SOURCEBOOK OF GAMES FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY

THIS IS A BOOK ABSOLUTELY PACKED WITH RIOTOUS GAMES, MANY OF WHICH ARE EASILY ADAPTABLE FOR USE WITH HUMANE EDUCATION. THERE ARE GAMES FOR ANY SIZE GROUP (2 TO ZOO), AVAILABLE IN A WIDE RANGE OF NOISE-AND-CHAOS LEVELS. IT'S \$4.95 FROM THE ZONDERVAN PUBLISHING HOUSE; I FOUND MY COPY AT A LOGOS BOOKSTORE. AUTHORS ARE RICE, RYDBERG, & YACONELLI. FOR EXAMPLES OF THE HIGH CLASS CONTENTS OF THIS BOOK, SEE *WADDLE TO THE BOTTLE*, ILLUSTRATED ABOVE, OR *AMDEBA*, DESCRIBED BELOW.

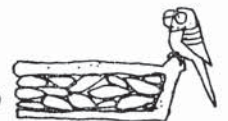


AMDEBA: DIVIDE INTO TEAMS & SIMPLY TIE A ROPE AROUND THE TEAM AT THEIR WAISTS...AFTER THEY ARE TIED, THEY CAN RACE TO A GOAL & BACK. UNLESS THEY WORK TOGETHER & COOPERATE AS A TEAM, THEY GET NOWHERE.

CONTRIBUTED BY BEV ARMSTRONG OF LOS OSOS, WHEREVER THAT IS!

PARAKEETS & PEACH PIES

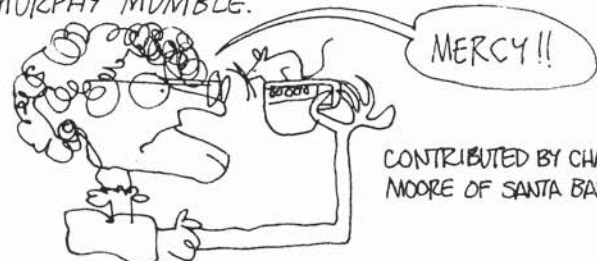
KAY SMITH
PARENT'S MAGAZINE PRESS, NEW YORK 1970



THIS IS AN EASY, FUN, READ-TO-ME BOOK - ALMOST GUARANTEED TO GET AN ENCORE (OR THREE). MATTHEW'S PETS GET INTO TROUBLE DURING HIS MOTHER'S TEA PARTY. EXAMPLE:

"YOUR PARAKEET PERCHED ON MRS. PARKER'S PIECE OF PEACH PIE AND PECKED AT THE PASTRY."

PROJECT: HAVE THE CHILDREN CONTINUE THE STORY WITH DIFFERENT PETS. EXAMPLE: MATTHEW'S MOUSE NAMED MORRIS MANAGED TO MAKE MRS. MURPHY MUMBLE.



CONTRIBUTED BY CHARLOTTE MOORE OF SANTA BARBARA

THE IMPORTANCE OF A TEACHER

A QUOTE FROM HAIM GINOTT, USED BY BARB WESTERFIELD & JOYCE MALONE OF THE CENTRAL CALIFORNIA SPCA IN THEIR TEACHER INSERVICE WORKSHOPS

"I HAVE COME TO A FRIGHTENING CONCLUSION. I AM THE DECISIVE ELEMENT IN THE CLASSROOM. IT IS MY PERSONAL APPROACH THAT CREATES THE CLIMATE. IT IS MY DAILY MOOD THAT MAKES THE WEATHER. AS A TEACHER I POSSESS A TREMENDOUS POWER TO MAKE A CHILD'S LIFE MISERABLE OR JOYOUS. I CAN BE A TOOL OF TORTURE OR AN INSTRUMENT OF INSPIRATION. I CAN HUMILIATE OR HUMOR, HURT OR HEAL. IN ALL SITUATIONS IT IS MY RESPONSE THAT DECIDES WHETHER A CRISIS WILL BE ESCALATED OR DE-ESCALATED, AND A CHILD HUMANIZED OR DE-HUMANIZED." ♥

BAT AND MOTH: A GAME

HAVE GROUP OF CHILDREN



STAND IN A CIRCLE ABOUT 15' ACROSS. SELECT 3 CHILDREN TO BE MOTHS AND ONE TO BE A BAT. BLINDFOLD THE BAT. RELEASE BAT & MOTHS INTO THE CIRCLE. BAT TRIES TO CATCH MOTHS. TO SIMULATE BAT-TYPE RADAR, BAT YELLS "BAT" AND MOTHS MUST RESPOND BY YELLING "MOTH". BAT TRACKS & TAGS MOTHS BY LISTENING TO RESPONSES. FOR MORE FUN, HAVE 2 BATS & ENCOURAGE THEM TO WORK AS A TEAM.

PRAYER OF THE GOLDFISH

FROM PRAYERS FROM THE ARK, BY CARMEN BERNOS DE GASZTOLD



O GOD,
FOREVER I TURN IN THIS HARD CRYSTAL,
SO TRANSPARENT,
YET I FIND NO WAY OUT.
LORD,

DELIVER ME FROM THE CRAMP OF THIS WATER
AND THESE TERRIFYING THINGS I SEE THROUGH IT.
PUT ME BACK IN THE PLAY OF YOUR TORRENTS,
IN YOUR LIMPID SPRINGS.

LET ME NO LONGER BE A LITTLE GOLDFISH
IN ITS PRISON OF GLASS
BUT A LIVING SPARK

IN THE GENTLENESS OF YOUR REEDS. AMEN.



A SPONGE CAN LIVE TO BE FIFTY YEARS OLD! THIS AND OTHER AMAZING ANIMAL AGES CAN BE FOUND IN THE BOOK OF LISTS. A SLUG IS OLD AT 1½. WHAT A PITY.

WHO DID IT?



THE SIMULTANEOUS HOUSEBREAKING OF TWO SIMILAR-SIZED DOGS CAN BE FRUSTRATING, AS THEY WILL RARELY CONFESS TO THEIR CRIMES, AND ONE HATES TO TAKE THE RISK OF BERATING THE WHO DIDN'T DO IT. TO IDENTIFY POTENTIAL GUILPTS, DOSE ONE DOG'S DINNER WITH BLUE FOOD COLORING. THE RESULTANT EVIDENCE SHOULD BE HONORED IN ANY COURT OF JUSTICE.

CONTRIBUTED BY MARIAN COCKRELL OF THE VENTURA CO. HUMANE SOCIETY



THE PACKRAT DEPENDS ON YOUR CONTRIBUTIONS FOR ITS EXISTENCE! THE MORE STUFF WE GET, THE MORE PACKRATS WE'LL PUBLISH. SEND IN ANYTHING THAT HAS BEEN HELPFUL TO YOU AS AN EDUCATOR: FACTS, RESOURCES, ACTIVITIES, WHATEVER.

WHILE WE'RE AT IT, HERE'S A LOUD **HURRAH** TO ALL OF YOU WHO HAVE CONTRIBUTED, AND A SPECIAL HUG TO CHAR DRENNON WHO HAS FOSTERED THIS GREAT SPIRIT OF SHARING, CARING, AND COMRADESHIP AMONG US. WE HAVE SO MUCH TO GAIN & LEARN FROM EACH OTHER.

SEND PACKRAT CONTRIBUTIONS TO BEV ARMSTRONG,
1439 SIXTH ST. LOS OSOS, CALIF. 93402



FANTASTIC FREEBIE

SUSAN CHERNAK OF THE MARIN HUMANE SOCIETY HAS WRITTEN SOME TERRIFIC ANIMAL QUIZZES FOR THE CHILDREN'S PAGE OF THEIR "ANIMAL TRACKS" MAGAZINE. SHE SAYS THAT WHEA MEMBERS CAN WRITE TO THE SHELTER FOR COPIES OF "ANIMAL TRACKS", AND USE THESE TO MAKE RE-PRINTS FOR THEIR EDUCATION PROGRAMS. HERE'S THE ADDRESS:

MARIN HUMANE SOCIETY
171 BEL MARIN KEYS BLVD.
NOVATO, CAL. 94947

THANKS, SUSAN ☺!

EXTINCTION IS THE NAME OF A GOOD GAME SOLD BY THE CAROLINA BIOLOGICAL SUPPLY COMPANY (BURLINGTON, N.C. 27215); THEY ALSO HAVE A GOOD FILMSTRIP/CASSETTE PACKAGE ON ENDANGERED SPECIES AND AN EXCITING "OBSERVATION BEEHIVE". UNFORTUNATELY, THE SAME COMPANY ALSO SELLS THOUSANDS OF (DEAD) PIGS, FROGS, RATS, ETC. FOR DISSECTION IN BIOLOGY CLASSES, SO FOR THIS REASON YOU MAY NOT WISH TO PATRONIZE THE COMPANY. ANDREA TAYLOR (MONTEREY CO. SPCA) SUGGESTS WRITING A LETTER OF COMPLAINT ABOUT THAT PART OF THE BUSINESS IF/WHEN YOU ORDER EDUCATIONAL MATERIALS FROM THEM.