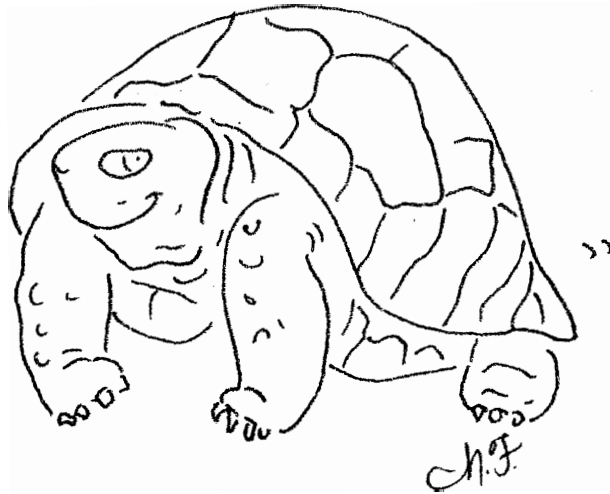


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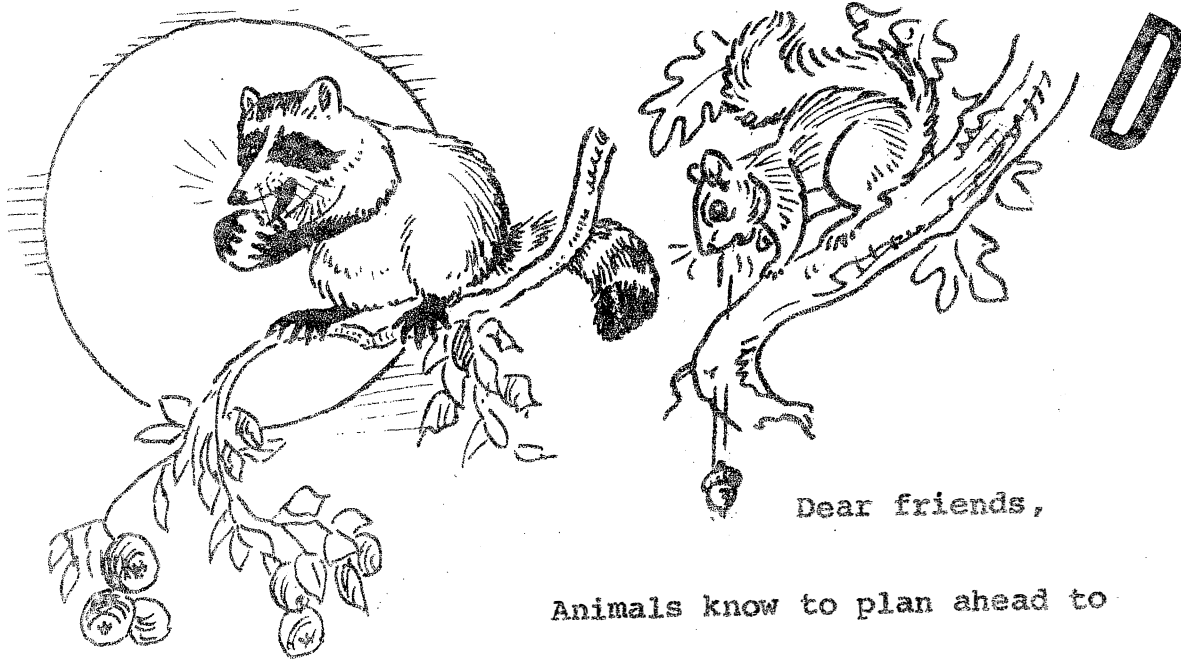
KINDNESS CLUB letter



KINDNESS IS HELPING FRIEND TURTLE LIVE SAFE AND FREE

OCTOBER 1970

PLAN AHEAD



Dear friends,

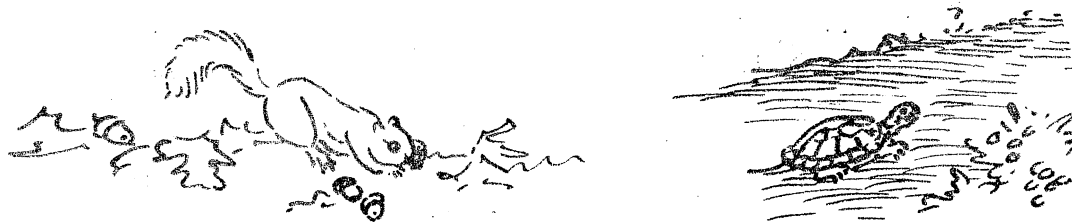
Animals know to plan ahead to

survive during winter in places where it gets very

cold and food is scarce.

Today I helped friend turtle across a road, looking

carefully to be sure no traffic was coming. Never



put yourself in danger of traffic if you help a turtle.

Get an adult to help you. And be sure friend turtle is

set down in the same direction he was going. Otherwise

he will just cross the road again. Friend turtle will

soon be hibernating for the winter.

Nature has planned for the best fruits and grains and

nuts to ripen, just when animals need them to store fat

on their bodies for winter.

Some fruits like persimmons taste best after a frost. Raccoons and opossums know this. No one bothers the persimmons at my place until there is a frost. Then I have to pick some quickly if I want any, because they feast on them all night long.

When nights get cooler, and nuts are plentiful, the squirrels begin to hide nuts as their winter food.

People get along better when they plan ahead, just as animals plan ahead for winter. Do you make plans for what you will do each day after school? Try it. You'll get lots more done, and have more fun.

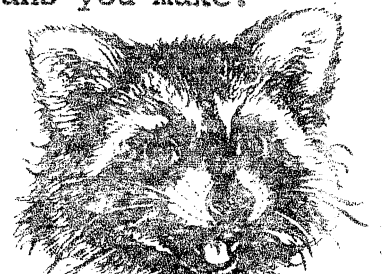
Best wishes and good luck with the plans you make.

Your friend,

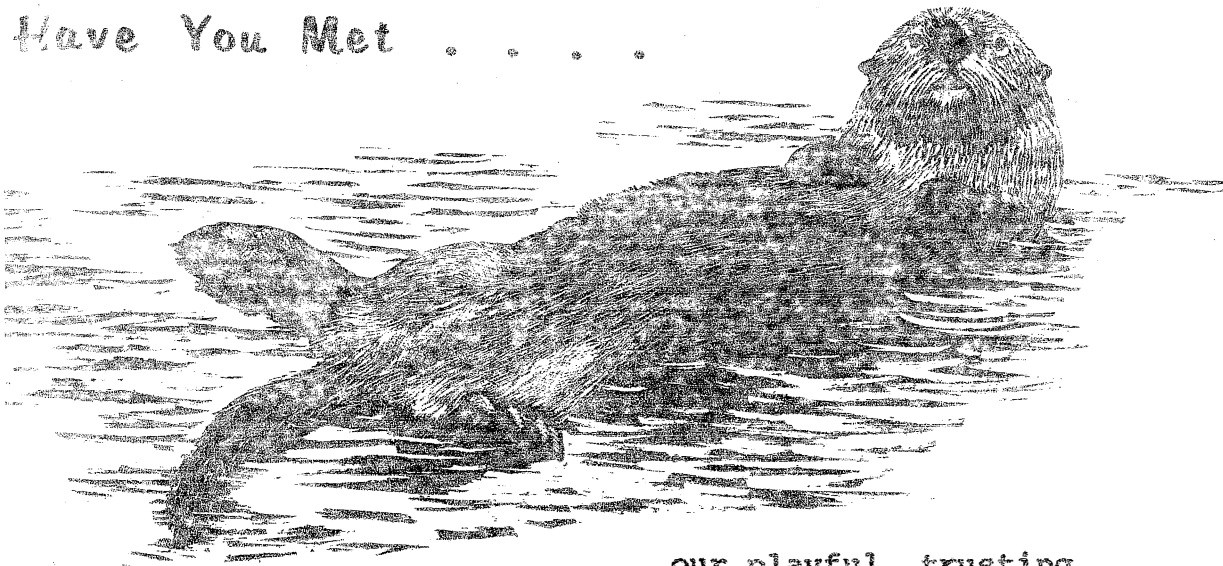
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Have You Met



our playful, trusting, intelligent friend, the sea otter? Seaweed beds called kelp are the homes of this furry friend whose hind feet are webbed, but whose front paws are used just like hands. The otter's proper name is *Enhydra lutris*, but he and his family are often called 'children of the sea'.

Otters spend much of their time floating on the ocean. A favorite game is to make a raft. As many as 70 otters tie themselves together with strands of kelp, and just float together in a group called a pod.

Since pups just born cannot swim, mother otter anchors her pup with a piece of kelp wrapped around his chest. She leaves him floating while she dives for food. When she finds a shellfish, she brings it to the surface, along with a small stone. She floats on her back, holding the stone on her chest, and strikes the shell against the stone to open it.

Otters' fur is beautiful and very special. It keeps them warm with tiny air pockets, only if it is kept groomed and cleaned all the time. Any kind of pollution in the sea could harm the otters' fur, and they might die of the cold.

Otters are in danger because they eat abalone that fishermen want to catch. But they also eat spiny sea urchins that destroy kelp beds; kelp is an important source of vitamins and minerals for people.

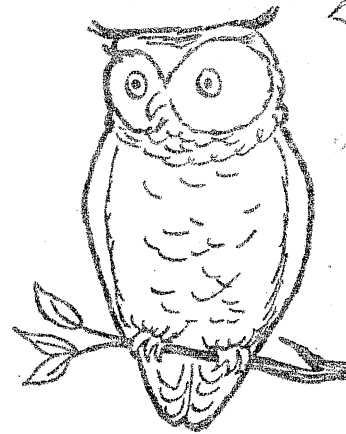
TREAT and TREAT on HALLOWEEN

Some people play tricks on other people on Halloween. Playing tricks on people isn't kind.

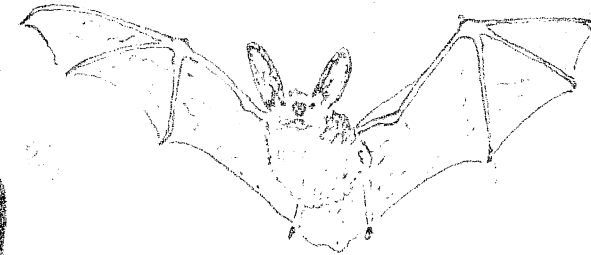
Try TREAT and TREAT instead.

If you wear a Halloween costume to visit your neighbors, you are giving them a treat to see your costume. Most neighbors will thank you by giving you a treat when you visit them. If someone doesn't, there may be a good reason---perhaps he didn't have time to buy treats for Halloween. That's no reason to play a trick on him.

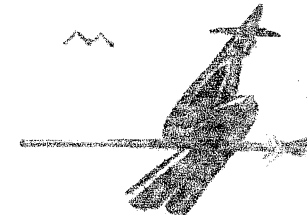
Wear your Kindness Club pin on your Halloween costume. Explain why you don't believe in playing tricks on people. IT'S FAR MORE FUN TO BE KIND!!



Owls aren't spooks, just because their hoots sound scary.



Bats don't get caught in people's hair.



Black cats don't bring bad luck.

There are no witches. Only people who may need KINDNESS.

These are good friends to celebrate at Halloween.

Kindness in Action

ANIMAL SHELTER REPORTS

Jo Ann Murphy

Judy Meisner

YOUR KINDNESS CLUB MEMBERSHIP

Soon it will be another year and time to renew your membership in The Kindness Club. Kindness Club members can renew their membership for the coming year now. Check the number beside your name on your newsletter. If it is 70, you need to renew your membership for 1971. If it is 71, you are a member in good standing until December 31, 1971.

CHRISTMAS GIFTS FOR YOUR FRIENDS

Why not give your friends a membership in The Kindness Club for Christmas? They will appreciate this gift all year long as they learn about animal friends and work on projects. Perhaps you can work on projects together when they are members too.

BRANCH CLUB REPORT

Arthur Godfrey's farm "Beacon Hill" will be the scene of a campfire-picnic given by the Palomino Kindness Club of Leesburg, Va. They are inviting guests to recruit new members for the club. Toasted marshmallows are on the menu, to be cooked over the open fire. The club has rescued many animals. From a Christmas sale of home-made items last year, they bought humane bits for 70 horses and mules in North Africa. This is an all boys' club.

Dear Arahkun,

I would like to thank you for your most gracious effort to help me with my problem - my dog barking. Your suggestions proved good and now my dog does not bark as much anymore. I would like to thank The Kindness Club for one of the busiest summers I ever had. I completed my project manual in half the summer. I really am having fun in The Kindness Club.

Lone Raccoon
Margaret Murphy
Byrnesville, Ga.

Dear Arahkun,

I am 13 and would like to know how I may save wildlife. Around my area woods are being chopped down and wild life is being chased away. Please send me information on how to save wildlife.

Sincerely yours,
William Apfl
Warminster, Pa.

Dear Arahkun,

I am a girl eleven years of age. I would like to know more about The Kindness Club. I am very fond of animals. Right now I have a dog, rabbit, parakeet, turtle, and around 10 minnows. I feed them all and they are very healthy. I would like to be kind to all animals. Please send me some information.

Thank you
Claire N. Bremer
Wilmington, N.C.

Dear Arahkun,

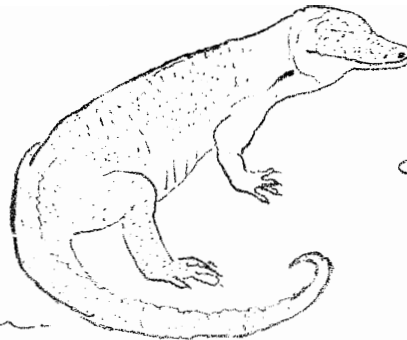
I would like to join The Kindness Club and I enclose \$2.00 for a Kit. I will start a club. The meetings will be held in my backyard where my cat, dog and 2 hamsters can watch. Please deliver the Kit soon.

Lone Raccoon
Mary Beth Macini
Bellerose, N.Y.

RELATIVITY

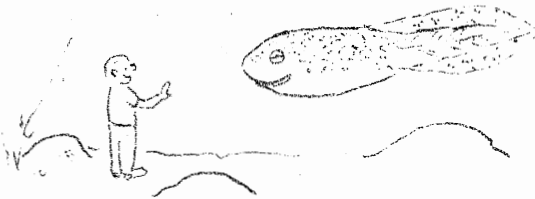
A lizard might seem
like a dragon to you

Were you the size
of a fly.



And a tadpole just like
a whale in the sea

Were it to go
swimming by.



A task that seems great,
by tomorrow,

Will seem a bit smaller,
it's true,

For you see, how you judge
the size of things

All depends
on the size of you.



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