

NAAHE: A National Focus for Humane Education

Can you have a humane education program without materials specifically designed to teach the concepts of kindness and mercy toward animals? Can you have a humane education program without teacher training in the ways to instill humane values and attitudes? Can you have a humane education program without studying what it is that needs to be taught? Can you have a humane education program without the cooperation and encouragement of the local schools?

The answer to all of those questions is "no". That is why The HSUS created The National Association for the Advancement of Humane Education (N.A.A.H.E.). Through NAAHE, The HSUS provides a platform for the development of educational materials, an organization for educators, a vehicle for sharing educational techniques and philosophies, and focus for the many and varied humane education efforts now being pursued all across the country.

You can take advantage of NAAHE's programs by enrolling you or your society in NAAHE. For more information about NAAHE's efforts, write: Dr. Stuart R. Westerlund, NAAHE, The University of Tulsa, 600 South College, Tulsa, Oklahoma 74104.

HSUS Workshops Set Tone for Nation

Animal control agents, humane society leaders, municipal officials, shelter workers, and educators throughout the nation continue to benefit from HSUS's roving workshops, "Solving Animal Problems in Your Community." Headed by Phyllis Wright, HSUS participants made presentations ranging from "Efficient and Effective Use of Volunteers" to "Euthanasia Handling and Restraining." Recent workshop locations included Tonawanda, NY and Vancouver, WA.

In a return visit to Wilson, NC, Phyllis met with the Animal Control Board and worked with them on plans to build a new animal shelter to replace their inadequate structure.

She was asked to speak at a public meeting in Fort Walton Beach, FLA urging beefed up animal control ordinances. "I favor a citation system that would make the offending pet owner pay, not the pet."

Animal control wardens in Guilford County,

Shorts

- **Humane Education in New York . . .** NY state's education law, Section 809, enacted in 1948, was recently implemented to give instruction "in every elementary school under state control in the humane treatment and protection of animals and birds and the importance of the part they play in the economy of nature." Nice going!
- **New College Course Introduced . . .** Believing humane education is invaluable for institutions of higher learning as well, Christine Rosner, Ph.D. taught what may be the first and only college level course. Dr. Rosner's three-week course, *Man Kind? We and Other Animals*, was conducted at Elmira College, Elmira, New York.
- **Gonnerman on the Go . . .** HSUS's Midwest representative, Ann Gonnerman, sought to save 65 hogs from cruel treatment in Clay County, Missouri. Responding to a plea from concerned neighbors, Ann found the hogs confined in a filthy barn with absolutely no food or water. Gonnerman quickly went into action notifying the Sheriff and Health Department. The owner was arrested on a misdemeanor charge.
- **Rodeo fails in Dunellen, NJ . . .** Extensive protest and anticruelty publicity helped to eliminate future rodeos because the promoters "lost too much money with the small crowd."

NC and Little Rock, AR each invited Phyllis to conduct workshops for them this past fall.

HSUS and the Michigan Federation of Humane Societies held a joint workshop "Perspectives in Animal Welfare" for approximately 135 humanitarians.

Phyllis Wright received a surprise award "in recognition of her efforts to raise the level of efficiency and humaneness of animal control shelters in the State of Michigan."



Miss Wright

UPCOMING WORKSHOP

February 25 & 26--New Orleans, LA. Sheraton Inn, New Orleans International Airport. 2150 Veteran's Memorial Blvd., Kenner, Louisiana. Room rates—\$22 for single, \$28 for double. Phone 504-722-3111, or write to Phyllis Wright c/o HSUS.