Patrick Lemke sold iced tea from this stand and donated the money to help animals.
What did you do this summer?
THE NATIONAL HUMANE EDUCATION CENTER, WATERFORD, VA.

An animal shelter that houses stray and unwanted animals of nearly every kind and description is also the headquarters of KIND, the young people’s humane society. In addition to the regular influx of dogs and cats, the Center takes in unusual animals from time to time. A lion, an ocelot, several kinds of monkeys, birds, and other animals have all found a haven here. If we can find a good permanent home for any of these, with someone who is skilled in their care, we’re extremely happy. But homes like that are hard to find.

Some animals, like raccoons, are usually brought to us when they are still young enough to be released in our wildlife refuge. They revert to the wild most successfully. Other animals, however, such as skunks, have usually been de-scented by their former owners. Because they have lost their only means of self-defense, they can never be returned to life in the wild. Perhaps the most pathetic example of animals that cannot be returned to a life of freedom are those that have been raised as pets and have learned to trust humans.

Reddy the fox is a good example. Found wearing a red collar and playing on a street corner with several boys and their dogs, Reddy was brought to the Center when he was a young kit. He obviously thought he was a dog and wagged his tail whenever he saw one.

Unafraid of people, Reddy would walk up to anyone and want to play. If he were set free, the person he walked up to might be a hunter with a gun. He would also never understand being chased by foxhounds, because dogs were the best friends he ever had. But this is fox hunt country, where some people still think killing foxes is a fashionable status symbol. Fox hunters claim the fox is seldom caught or killed, but they find it necessary to import foxes periodically to ensure that there will be enough foxes to chase. Imported foxes, not adapted to this region, often become susceptible to rabies and other diseases. When there is a rabies outbreak, the State traps the foxes. Then the rodent and rabbit populations multiply and cause crop damage. The fox hunters then import more foxes.

Because Reddy cannot be released to live free, we have provided a large pen for him. An Arctic female fox soon joined him, when a girl who bought her in a pet shop realized that keeping a fox as a pet was a great deal of trouble. Ruff and Reddy have been companions for nearly a year.

Now another Arctic fox and a grey fox have joined them. All were raised by humans and cannot be released to live free.

Other than making such animals as happy as we can, we can also urge people not to buy or raise wild animals as pets. Perhaps in doing this we can save many other animals from such a fate.
the bird who is a champion long-distance runner? He doesn't fly very well, but friend roadrunner will race nearly anyone - and probably win. He lives in the southwestern desert areas and in Mexico. He needs to be able to run fast, to catch the lizards, snakes, and insects he depends on for food.

Friend roadrunner is a fun-loving clown. Often he just runs in circles or around things, playing by himself. He's a member of the cuckoo family and, in fact, is sometimes called the ground cuckoo. Roadrunner, whose proper name is Geococcyx californianus, grows to 24 inches long. His feathers are streaked brown and white. His call is something similar to the cuckoo's call, although some people claim it sounds more like "beep-beep."

Alligators Protected by Federal, But Not State Agencies

Q. C. Plott, from Atlanta, Georgia, one of the most notorious dealers handling the largest numbers of alligator hides, has pleaded guilty to illegal selling and shipping of hides. He was sentenced to six months in prison, his son to 90 days in jail, and both placed on five years' probation.

Plott admitted to shipping 4,788 raw alligator hides to New York during a period of only six months. He claims his business handles $800,000 a year. Action to bring Plott to justice was taken by federal agents.

Meanwhile, just two states away in Louisiana, the state Wild Life & Fisheries Commission has announced a 13-day alligator hunt. The federal government lists animals that are endangered, but unless a specific law is passed to protect them, their protection is left entirely to the states where they are native. The action of the Louisiana state agency in scheduling an alligator hunt shows how little they care about the future of an animal whose survival is threatened. You can write and protest the alligator hunt to Louisiana Senator Russell B. Long, Senate Office Building, Washington, D.C. 20510.

A New Airplane Designed to Protect Animals

Many animals have died of suffocation during air shipment. Unless baggage is packed against their crate, the lack of sufficient air usually occurs on the ground. During flight, the cargo holds are pressurized and adequate air is available.

The new Douglas DC 10 has special "pet vents" installed in its cargo holds, so animals in shipment can get enough air to breathe while the planes are on the ground. Braniff has been concerned enough about the lives of animals in shipment to drill holes in the forward holds of their DC 8 planes, to help pets breathe.
HELPING ANIMALS
Patrick Lemke (center of cover photo, in dark shirt, with his hand on top of stand), sold iced tea from this stand. He also did other jobs, such as packing groceries and helping shoppers to their cars with their groceries. Half of the total he earned this summer was sent to KIND for helping needy animals. Write and tell us what you did to help animals this summer.

A BAN ON CRUEL TRAPS
Florida has now enacted legislation to ban the saw-toothed leg hold trap. The Missouri legislature has been considering similar legislation, and hearings were held on it, but no decision has yet been reached.

A SANCTUARY FOR WHALES
Grey whales winter in Mexico, where their calves are born. The President of Mexico, Louis Echeverria, has dedicated the Laguna Ojo de Libra as a sanctuary where grey whales will be protected.

ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI
Hundreds of years ago, a monk taught people to be kind to animals. His teaching represented a "way-out" philosophy in those primitive times, and he became well-known for his strange views. KIND is based on much of the teaching of St. Francis of Assisi, refined and expanded by other philosophers during later times. October 4 is the day on which we honor St. Francis.

A TUNA BOYCOTT
Greenwich, Conn. --The Board of Education has voted approval of a student petition to ban tuna from the menu in all Greenwich school cafeterias this year. They are protesting the destruction of dolphins that follow schools of tuna and die when caught in the tuna nets.

YOUR PET’S DIET
Some commercial canned cat and dog foods are all meat, with no cereals, grains, vegetables, or other foods at all. Just as you would not be as healthy if you ate nothing but meat, your pet needs the vitamins and minerals obtained from other foods, too. If you occasionally feed an all-meat food, mix it with left-over vegetables or other foods, so your pet will have a balanced diet.

DEFENDER CLASS CLUBS
Watch for the chance to tell your teacher about KIND, and how your entire class can join as a Branch Club. Send us your teacher's name and address, and we'll send her the information on class clubs.

TIME TO RENEW
Membership renewal time is during the last four months of each year. Send your $2 dues in now for 1973.
There are so many puppies and kittens born in this country that few of them find permanent homes. The rest of them lead lonely, suffering lives—often cut short under the wheels of a car or in the death room of a pound.

Don't be responsible for more suffering and needless death. Have your pet spayed or neutered.

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