

FIGHTING CHANCE

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Letter from LCA President Chris DeRose

Dear Friend of Animals,

I spend my time as an activist for the rights of the most oppressed and exploited of all populations on earth: Animals. I'm no soft-hearted sentimentalist that just feels sorry for fuzzy, furry creatures. I have never even had a pet, but I hate injustice, and one of the greatest injustices in the world right now is how we treat animals.

During 2007, supporters like you made it possible for LCA to continue fighting injustice and end animal suffering, and I THANK YOU!

"Dealing Dogs", HBO's America Undercover documentary about LCA's ground-breaking undercover investigation into the pet theft industry, was nominated for several awards this year (read about this inside). This type of recognition is important for the animals as "Dealing Dogs" continues to reach and educate a far greater audience about the unknown world of Class B dealers, pet theft and companion animals ending up in research facilities.

It has been a year since Class B dealer C.C. Baird, the subject of "Dealing Dogs", was convicted and sentenced. It was a huge accomplishment for the animals and every one of our supporters that Baird was shut down for good. In July, LCA anonymously received current photos of abandoned buildings on Baird's property, Martin Creek Kennels. The closing down of Baird's horrific facilities will save countless dogs and cats from being stolen, abused and tortured in research experiments. LCA was originally founded on vivisection and will continue the fight until all Class B dealers are out of business. Read inside how you can help get the Pet Safety and Protection Act passed which will prohibit Class B dealers from selling "random source" animals to research facilities.

On December 10th, NFL Atlanta Falcons Quarterback Michael Vick was sentenced to 23 months in prison and three years probation for his role in the "Bad Newz Kennels" dogfighting operation and his participation in the brutal killing of several dogs that did not "perform well". Because of the huge amount of press the Vick case has garnered, animal activists have an opportunity to use this case to reach out and educate a new audience on animal abuse. The Vick case has raised awareness about the prevalence of dogfighting and we must continue this forward movement to include cockfighting, pet theft, animal research, factory farming, puppy mills, and all other forms of animal abuse. Awareness, education and legislation is the key to the end of animal suffering. The growing "GREEN" trend will also bring educational opportunities in 2008 about the polluting factors of factory farming.

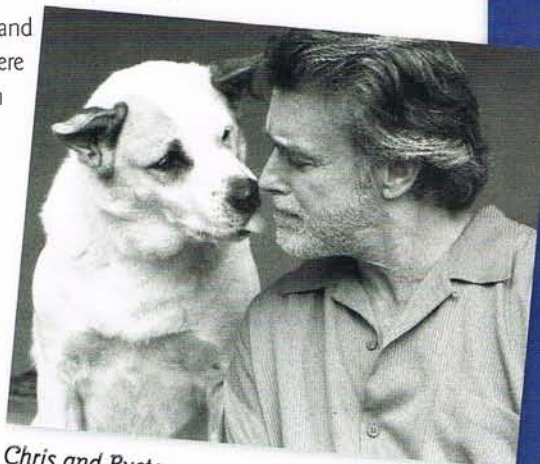
Please read about LCA's investigations and campaigns and much more inside! Thanks to your ongoing support, we were able to fight for those who can't speak for themselves. With your help, we will do more in 2008 than we did in 2007.

For the animals,



Chris DeRose
President and Founder

P.S. We have many goals for the coming year and need your financial help for the animals!
Please use the enclosed donation envelope to help us start the New Year strong.



Chris and Buster

Photo by Kim Lowell

This issue is dedicated to Gretchen Wyler!



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LCA TAKES ON ANIMAL FIGHTING



CARROLL COUNTY, VIRGINIA

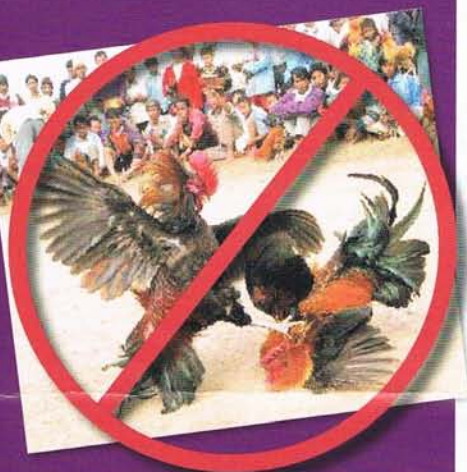
July 2007 - LCA's Special Investigation Unit (SIU) supplied information to the Carroll County Sheriff's Department on the Copperhead Ridge cockfighting facility, the larger of two cockfighting pits in Virginia, with attendance at over 250 people. This information led to the closure of the facility and the arrest of its owner. The Sheriff's Department is keeping a close eye on the facility to make sure no further illegal activity is conducted on the premises.

CRAWFORD COUNTY, ARKANSAS

May 2007 - With information supplied from LCA's SIU, 150 federal, state and local law enforcement personnel raided a crowded and popular cockfighting arena near Van Buren, Arkansas. The raid led to 127 arrests, misdemeanor cruelty to animal charges and over 70 felony charges, including criminal use of property and operating a gambling house. This is the nation's largest cockfighting bust.

Both cases are pending, for updates go to www.LCAAnimal.org

LCA is working to put Arkansas out of the cockfighting business! Cockfighting is a breeding ground for organized crime; i.e. drug dealing and gambling. Arkansas is a pivotal state in the fight against cockfighting as large numbers of people cross the border to fight where only misdemeanor charges and small fines apply. LCA will continue to provide the necessary investigative work to help make cockfighting a felony in Arkansas.



April 2007 - Investigators raided NFL Atlantic Falcons quarterback Michael Vick's home, in Surry Contry, Virginia, as part of a drug investigation involving Vick's cousin and stumbled upon a concealed dog kennel on the property.

Sixty-six dogs, mostly pit bulls, were seized along with evidence of an organized fighting operation: treadmills rigged up for training, "break sticks" that are used to pry apart the powerful jaws of fighting animals, blood-soaked carpeting that might have been used in a

fighting pit, veterinary medicines for treating wounds and "rape stands" (hideous contraptions used to restrain female pit bulls during the breeding process).

August 2007 - Michael Vick admitted guilt and entered a plea agreement stating that he took part in an illegal, interstate dogfighting enterprise. Vick stated he knew dogs that did not perform well were killed. To read the full text of the plea submitted by Michael Vick go to www.LCAAnimal.org. During this time, Vick was suspended indefinitely from the NFL.

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Chris DeRose commented on the positive result of this case, "For the first time in my life, after trying to expose dogfighting for 23 years, America is waking up to this national disgrace and reacting appropriately. Americans are learning about the prevalence of dogfighting throughout our country, and are properly disgusted and outraged. That outrage must now be turned into action."



Chris DeRose appeared on Nancy Grace three times as a consultant on dogfighting...

... and served as a script consultant to "Lying Down with Dogs", a special dogfighting episode of CSI: Las Vegas that aired Dec 13th.



PRESIDENT BUSH SIGNS FEDERAL ANIMAL FIGHTING PROHIBITION ENFORCEMENT ACT!

On May 3, 2007, the Federal Animal Fighting Prohibition Enforcement Act was signed into law by President Bush!

The Act establishes a felony-level penalty of up to three years of jail time for any interstate or foreign transport of animals for fighting purposes (until now only a misdemeanor) and makes it a crime to move cockfighting weapons in interstate or foreign commerce.

Dogfighting is illegal in all 50 states, and is a felony in all but Idaho and Wyoming where it is a misdemeanor. Cockfighting is illegal in every state except Louisiana, and is a felony in 33 states.



What You Can Do

- 1) If you suspect animal fighting is occurring in your neighborhood, contact the police immediately.
- 2) Educate your community about the cruelty inherent in cockfighting and dogfighting. Email volunteer@LCAnimal.org or call 310-271-6096 x31 for more information.
- 3) Help the victims of animal fighting! Volunteer with an animal rescue group.

For more information, contact LCA at campaigns@LCAnimal.org or at 310/271-6096 x31

"The passage of this bill is a tremendous victory for the animals and it will help give the FEDERAL authorities the tools they need to prosecute the scum that use and abuse animals for money and entertainment. This bill is a great tool for LCA. We will continue to investigate animal fighting rings across the country and help put these animal abusers behind bars!"

PTAD & PSPA

PET THEFT AWARENESS DAY - 19th annual

LCA launched the first annual national Pet Theft Awareness Day (PTAD) in 1988 on Valentine's Day to memorialize the nearly 2 million companion animals that are stolen each year and sold to research facilities, dogfighting rings and puppy mills. Every year, on February 14th, LCA celebrates PTAD along with the help of individuals and other national animal welfare/rights organizations by educating the public about the problem of pet theft and how to protect companion animals.

This year, LCA observed the 19th annual PTAD "on the go!" The Animal News Van made special appearances at Los Angeles dog parks showing "Dealing Dogs". HBO's documentary about LCA's undercover investigation into pet theft, and the LCA crew passed out information on pet theft.



PET SAFETY AND PROTECTION ACT

The Pet Safety and Protection Act (PSPA) will prevent stolen companion animals from being sold into research facilities and laboratories. Specifically, the PSPA would prohibit the use in research of so-called "random source" dogs and cats obtained from USDA licensed Class B Dealers, who sell animals acquired from a variety of sources. Such random source animals are often stolen companion animals or those acquired fraudulently through "free to good home" ads or deceptive shelter adoptions. The PSPA was originally introduced as a direct response to LCA's investigations of Class B dealers. These dealers are allowed to sell dogs and cats to research facilities, but LCA has proven time and again that Class B dealers steal family pets and sell them to laboratories at a huge profit.

Protect America's Companion Animals
Support
The Pet Safety and
Protection Act
S. 451 & H.R. 5229



*read more about
the PSPA... →*

What You Can Do

- 1) Contact your Senators and Representatives. They need to hear from you so Buck's Bill becomes law!
- 2) Educate others about pet theft! Leave LCA brochures at your local vet's office, pet supply stores, bookstores, etc.
- 3) Order LCA's "I could have stolen your pet" stickers. Help spread the word by placing these stickers on the leashes of dogs left alone! LCA's popular Stolen Pets sticker Help spread the word; place these stickers on the leashes of dogs left alone!
- 4) Get inspired! Buy and watch "Dealing Dogs" and show it to other people.

For more information, contact LCA at campaigns@LCAAnimal.org or at 310/271-6096 x31



PSPA (aka "BUCK'S BILL")

Buck at Baird's facility.

The PSPA is also known as "Buck's Bill." Buck was one of the many animals rescued by LCA during the 2003 raid of Class B dealer, C.C. Baird. Extremely ill on the day of his rescue, Buck struggled with Stage 3 heartworm disease, Rocky Mountain Spotted Fever and parasitic pneumonia. His heart was paper-thin due to the heartworm. After his rescue, he was in such bad shape that he stayed at the vet clinic for 7 months. When he was well enough, he went to a foster home where he lived until he died a few months later from internal hemorrhaging. All who knew Buck fell in love with him. "Buck's Bill" serves to honor Buck and all the dogs and cats who die due to inadequate care and abuse at the hands of Class B dealers.



Buck after rescue from Baird's facility.



UPDATE ON THE PSPA

The PSPA is moving successfully in congress as an amendment on the Federal Farm Bill. By the end of this year, the Farm Bill, with the inclusion of the PSPA, will hopefully pass and Class B Dealers will be put out of business forever!

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C.C. BAIRD'S MARTIN CREEK KENNELS THEN AND NOW



In July 2007, current photos of C.C. Baird's facility, Martin Creek Kennels were anonymously submitted to LCA.

The photos show the former B dealer's facility; the subject of the HBO documentary "Dealing Dogs", now closed, overrun with vegetation and completely void of the horrors that occurred there over the 15 years Baird ran his animal exploitation business.

These photos serve as a reminder of the abuse and neglect animals suffered at the hands of C.C. Baird and the necessity for congress to pass the Pet Safety and Protection Act (PSPA). The PSPA will keep companion animals safe from animal dealers like Baird.

Because of LCA's investigation, Baird is out of business and Martin Creek Kennels is closed forever, but there is more work to be done. For more information about C.C. Baird, Class B dealers and "Dealing Dogs" and how you can get involved, visit...

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www.DealingDogs.com

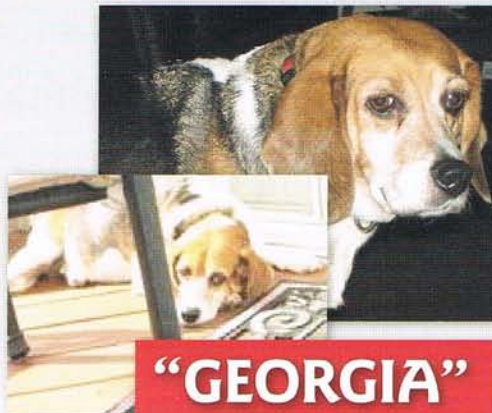
THE DOGS OF MARTIN CREEK KENNELS

“I have wanted to contact someone from your organization in reference to your “Dealing Dogs” documentary. I have adopted a dog awhile back that came from that awful place. About six months after we adopted her, the shelter in which we worked with called us and told us about the film airing on HBO. I did not want to see what she went through but thought it may help in our recovery steps to help get her well.

Here is a brief update about our wonderful dog we have adopted and a great success story:

I am the lucky owner of three amazing dogs who have each brought such an indescribable joy into my life. Although I should not pick favorites, one holds a special place in my heart like nothing else ever has in my life. She is a 9 year old beagle we named Georgia. My precious Ms. Georgia came from Baird’s horrible facility. After being seized from there she ended up at a wonderful shelter in Washington D.C. Georgia’s spirit had been broken and she trusted nobody, was extremely timid, and just trembled at all times with her tail stuck between her legs as a permanent fixture.

After being in the shelter for over eight months, I saw her profile on their website and her lost eyes just spoke to me, I knew I needed her in my life. Not many people wanted to take her into their home as she was going to require some work. I went down to meet her and fell in love. When she first came home with us she stayed huddled



“GEORGIA”

As told by her guardian

up in one corner in the upstairs of our house for about four months. She would not eat in front of us or even look at us she was so scared. We could not touch her or give her any affection,

although it was hard we knew we had to wait for her. It would take about 10-15 minutes just to get a leash on her as she did not want to be touched. After the fifth month she started sitting on the landing of the stairs and looking down at her new pack. Slowly she came around and began eating in front of us and playing with the other dogs. Then a few months later she started to let us pet her as her trust built up. It has been over a year and a half now and our little broken spirit dog is now full of life, wagging her tail, goes crazy when we come home and wants affection all the time. Her transformation and process to get her over her abuse took a lot of patience and a lot of love, but it is the most rewarding thing I have ever done. To truly learn a language on non verbal communication between a human and an animal is something I wish everyone could experience. When I look at her from then until now, there is such a special feeling of love in my heart that no words can describe.

Thank you for all the work you did at getting these animals out into loving homes. Thank you for shutting this man down. And most of all thank you for the awareness this film brought to many people!”

What You Can Do



- 1) Report Animal Abuse to SIU@LCAAnimal.org or by calling 310.271.6096 x 24! The C.C. Baird and subsequent bust started as an anonymous call to LCA’s SIU!
- 2) Order the “Rebel” official USDA tag in remembrance of Rebel and all the animals that have been tortured or lost their lives for medical research. (See page 12 to order.)

“There was one dog at the kennel that stood out to me. He was a small, brown beagle who barked anytime someone walked by his pen. The other animals ignored me, but he would run up and bite my rubber boots and gloves. Many of the dogs, including this beagle, were often dragged around the facilities by their necks. This dog, however, would set his feet in the ground and slide the whole way, resisting everything the workers tried to do to him. Because of this, I secretly named him “Rebel.”

One day, Rebel was moved to the inside kennel, a space designed to hold 50 dogs at a time, to collect a feces sample for worms testing. It was evident that Rebel had developed a tapeworm,

but the feces samples became disorganized, and as a result, all of the dogs in the inside kennel remained in their three by six-foot concrete pens with chain link walls for 10 days longer to re-collect their feces.

In his new surroundings, Rebel became bored and frightened. He was only able to lie on the cold, wet concrete all day. These elements, combined with the symptoms of his tapeworm, eventually destroyed him. He stopped barking at me or biting at my boots and, instead, cowered in the corner of his pen shivering. Rebel was later moved to the outside pen, where I found him dead on Saturday morning, February 3, 2002.



“REBEL”

As told by by “Pete,” LCA’s undercover investigator

I watched a lot of dogs die in that kennel but Rebel’s death hit me hard. Was it better or worse than death in a vivisection lab? I noted his USDA tag number (#35330) and never named another dog at the kennel again.”



DEALING DOGS Genesis Award and two Emmy nods

March 2007 – Dealing Dogs won Outstanding Cable documentary at the Genesis Awards, the only event of its kind which celebrates major news and entertainment media for showcasing animal protection issues.

July 2007 – Dealings Dogs was nominated for two Emmy Awards: Outstanding Investigative Journalism – Long Form and Best Cable Documentary.

What You Can Do

- 1) Adopt - Don't Buy! Puppy mills supply the growing number of pet stores across the country. Please go to your local shelter or rescue group to find a companion animal!
- 2) Educate others about puppy mills. Leave LCA puppy mill brochures at your vets office, pet supply store, bookstore, etc.

For more information, contact LCA at campaigns@LCAAnimal.org or at 310/271-6096 x31



LCA mobile billboard in background of young puppy mill protestors during Puppy Mill Awareness Day.



PUPPY MILL AWARENESS DAY

LCA hosted the 4th Annual Puppy Mill Awareness Day in September in Lancaster County, Pennsylvania. With LCA leading the charge, more than 20 animal groups joined in, including Best Friends Animal Society.

Lancaster County harbors the greatest concentration of dog breeders in the nation with more than 275 puppy mills and their ranks are growing. Breeders are guilty as charged of caging pups in filthy, disease-spreading environments.

More than 125 animal lovers in the county's fourth annual rally marched along Route 340 beside heavy traffic, chanting "Puppies are not for Profit" and carrying signs with messages such as "Kill the Mill."

During this years Puppy Mill Awareness Day, LCA had bus shelter ads up in the county of Lancaster and a mobile billboard roaming the streets.



"It's an issue of suffering and profits. We're going to keep coming back over and over and over again to this same issue until there is enough education via media and grassroots outreach to make a difference! Every time someone buys a companion animal, another puppy mill dog suffers and another puppy miller is richer!"

Chris DeRose

Chris DeRose confronting Amish Puppy Mill owner during Puppy Mill Awareness Day.



"Shrimp" (before) was rescued from a Lancaster County puppy mill.



"Shrimp" (after)

REPORT FROM THE FIELD

"Shrimp is a perfect example of the appalling conditions these poor animals live in and what LCA's Special Investigations Unit has documented over and over again at puppy mills across the country. These dogs are just a product to the people that run these facilities, that's why they are able to abuse and neglect them on a daily basis, because all that matters at the end of the day is the money," reports LCA's undercover investigator. "If I had enough cash, I could have walked away with any dog at any time at every puppy mill I have ever investigated. No one has ever asked if I could offer a good home or not!"



LCA's Special Investigations Unit (SIU) is known as "The FBI of Animal Rights".

The SIU functions as the investigative arm of LCA and is focused on validating information, detecting suspect activity, and exposing illegal or unethical activities and reporting them to local, state and/or federal authorities for prosecution or other disposition.

LCA AT WORK

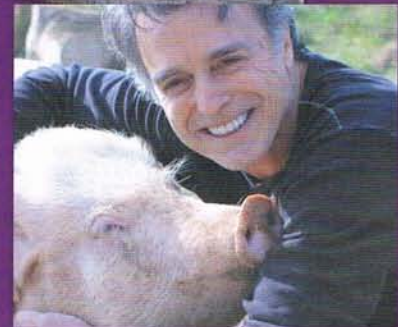


CALIFORNIA FARM ANIMAL BILL INITIATIVE

LCA is working with numerous other animal protection groups to collect signatures to get the California Prevention of Farm Animal Cruelty Act on the California November 2008 ballot. LCA volunteers have mobilized across the state collecting signatures for this groundbreaking initiative.

Pigs during pregnancy are confined in metal cages called gestation crates and are unable even to turn around for months on end. Young calves are also kept purposely confined in veal crates so small they are barely able to move for nearly their entire lives. Egg-laying hens are often kept in tiny battery cages, unable even to spread their wings. When passed, the California Prevention of Farm Animal Cruelty Act will ban gestation crates, veal crates and battery cages in California.

If you live in California, find out how you can get involved by visiting www.HumaneCalifornia.org.



Chris DeRose visiting a happy pig at a sanctuary!



CALIFORNIA ANIMAL ASSOCIATION (CAA)

LCA is part of the CAA, a coalition of animal rights and animal welfare groups working together to bring important animal legislation to the forefront of California politics. Recognizing the importance of groups forming a united front in animal politics, the number of groups involved in CAA grew in 2007. In 2008, CAA will work to pass legislation to get great apes banned from entertainment.

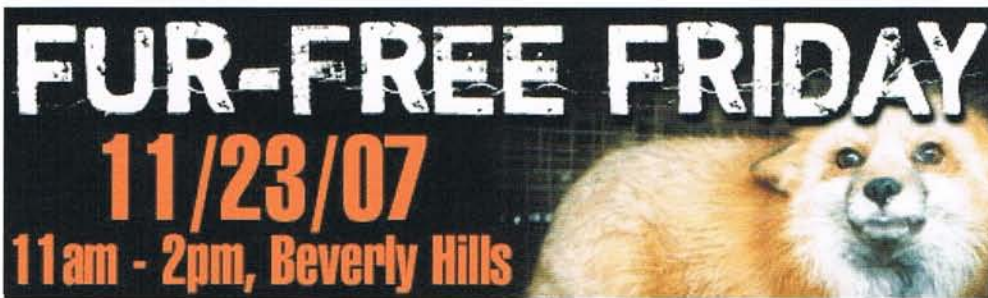
FUR-FREE FRIDAY

Fur-Free Friday, an annual event that takes place the Friday after Thanksgiving, aims to educate people about the horrors suffered by fur-bearing animals. Organized originally in 1986 by grassroots activists to abolish the fur trade, Fur-Free Friday has grown to be one of the most widely attended annual demonstrations of the animal rights movement, with protests across the country. Through protests, education, and the promotion of cruelty-free fashion, LCA gives a voice to the millions of animals who suffer and die each year.

In addition to supplying supporters across the country with posters and brochures for Fur-Free Friday protests, LCA organized and attended a protest on the streets of Rodeo Drive in Beverly Hills, CA, the home of more than 50 stores that sell fur. Over 100 animal activists walked the streets, educated the public on the fur industry and protested the stores that are complacent about the atrocities in the fur industry.



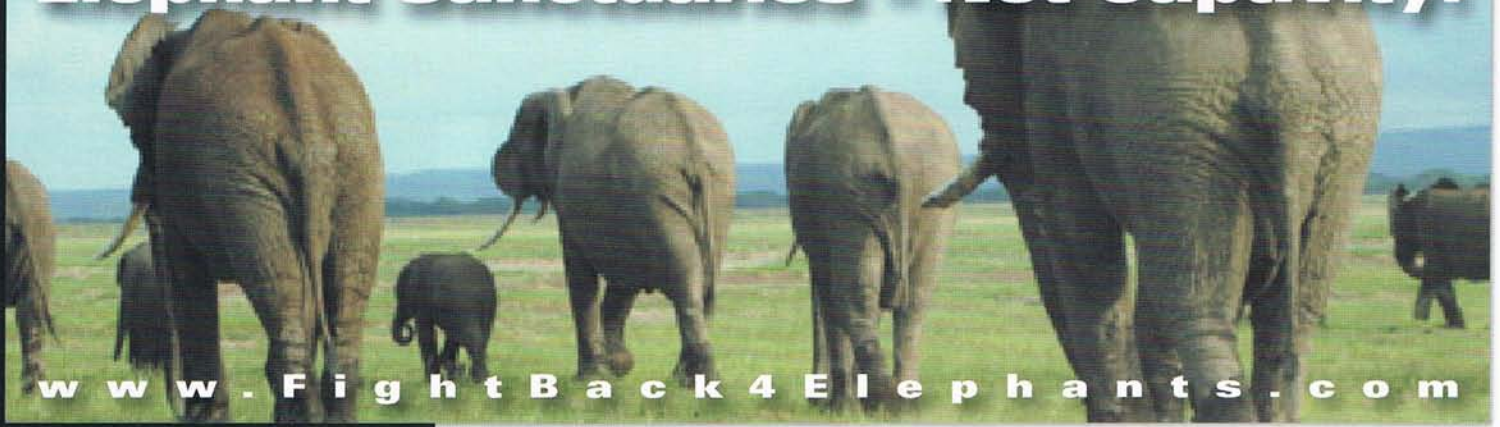
Fur-Free Friday 2007



Marching the streets of Beverly Hills

www.FurFreeFriday.com

Elephant Sanctuaries - Not Captivity!



www.FightBack4Elephants.com



Billy, now alone at the L.A. Zoo



Ruby at the L.A. Zoo before her release to PAWS Sanctuary



Ruby at PAWS Sanctuary

NEWS AT THE L.A. ZOO - RUBY ENJOYS FREEDOM! LCA FIGHTS ON TO CLOSE ELEPHANT EXHIBIT!

On March 12, 2007, after immense pressure from animal activists, the Los Angeles Zoo finally agreed to let Ruby live out her retirement at the PAWS Sanctuary in Northern California! The 46-year-old African elephant, who spent 20 years at the L.A. Zoo, made the journey on May 15th, from her small enclosure to her new home, where she will have more than 70 acres of room to roam. Ruby had been off-exhibit for years at the zoo and living alone since the death of her companion, Gita, a 48-year-old female Asian elephant, who died in June 2006.

Ruby is finally enjoying the life she truly deserves, but the fight is not over, the L.A. Zoo elephant exhibit must be permanently closed. The L.A. Zoo is currently building a new elephant exhibit at the cost of over \$40 million dollars. The exhibit will grow to 3 1/2 acres from 3/4 acres with a barn that can hold up to 10 elephants. Billy, currently, the lone elephant at the zoo, is the zoo's prize bull for the breeding program. According to sources, the new exhibit will initially hold 5 to 6 elephants, still making the exhibit smaller in space per elephant than the old exhibit.

"We will continue to educate the public on the real plight of captive elephants! If Zoos really cared about their elephants, they would release them to sanctuaries, stop all breeding programs and shut down their elephant exhibits. Zoos across the nation are starting to understand the facts; that elephants do not do well in captivity, all you have to do is look at the statistics!" Chris DeRose.

ELEPHANT TRAGEDIES ACROSS THE NATION

- May 2007 - Ruby from the L.A. Zoo was sent to the PAWS Sanctuary in Northern California, activists call for Exhibit to close, Billy is now the lone elephant.
- May 2007 - Dulary from the Philadelphia Zoo was sent to the Elephant Sanctuary in Tennessee, exhibit has been permanently closed.
- June 2007 - Carol from the San Diego Zoo, the Asian elephant who gained fame for her appearance on "The Tonight Show" and her ability to paint, was euthanized after years of suffering from painful degenerative joint disease, a condition common to captive elephants. Carol died at the young age of 40. The San Diego Zoo has no plans of closing down their elephant exhibit.
- June 2007 - Hansa, 6 years old, from the Woodland Park Zoo in Seattle, died from an unknown Herpes virus. The zoo still has 3 elephants and no plans to close down its elephant exhibit.
- October 2007 - Maggie from the Alaska Zoo was also sent to the PAWS Sanctuary, exhibit has been permanently closed.
- November 2007 - Alport dies at the San Antonio Zoo, activists call for exhibit to close, Lucky now the lone elephant.
- Since 1991, 14 U.S. zoos have closed or are phasing out their elephant exhibits. Life in captivity is killing elephants of all ages.
- Since 2000, more than half of the 56 elephants who have died at facilities accredited by the Association of Zoos and Aquariums (AZA) never reached the age of 40. A typical lifespan for elephants in the wild is approximately 70 years.

**“ELEPHANT SANCTUARIES – NOT CAPTIVITY!”
CAMPAIGN FIGHTS FOR CIRCUS ELEPHANTS**

What You Can Do



GARY MCCARTHY

Early Morning Protest

Members of the animal-rights group Last Chance for Animals demonstrated Tuesday against the use of wildlife for entertainment, as elephants and horses from Ringling Bros., Barnum and Bailey Circus were marched through the streets of downtown Los Angeles on their way to Staples Center.



- 1) Only attend animal-free circuses.
- 2) Protest circuses whenever they come to your town.

**H E L P S A V E T H E
M O U N T A I N G O R I L L A S**

What You Can Do

MOUNTAIN GORILLAS REDLISTED!

LCA raises funds every year to buy specific equipment that will help the anti-poaching rangers in Africa to protect the last of the remaining mountain gorillas. In September of this year, the World Conservation Union - the world's most respected authority on the plight of Earth's plants and animals - issued its 2007 Red List of Endangered Species. In this list, the mountain gorillas were moved from the endangered list to the critically endangered list.

- 1) Educate people about the plight of the mountain gorillas. You can make a difference by talking to your friends, neighbors and colleagues.
- 2) Make a donation to help save the mountain gorillas. Your contribution will help conserve an entire species!
- 3) To find out how you can help get elephants out of captivity Go to FightBack4Elephants.com.

There are only about 700 of these magnificent animals left in the world today. They live in small, peaceful, family groups in Rwanda's remote Virunga Mountains and Uganda's Bwindi Impenetrable national park, threatened daily by deforestation, political instability, and cruel poachers.

This year, LCA has committed to raising money to buy 80 very specialized GPS units, the eTrex Venture HC (plus batteries and re-chargers), to help the rangers pinpoint locations in the extremely rugged and dangerous conditions they work in. The total approximate cost is \$24,000. In 2006, LCA successfully raised enough funds to purchase 60 Motorola GP340 handheld radios. To learn more about the mountain gorillas and how you can participate in this important campaign, visit www.LCAAnimal.org.

For more information, contact LCA at campaigns@LCAAnimal.org or at 310/271-6096 x31



Silverback in Rwanda



Chris DeRose meeting with the UWA



Garmin eTrex Venture HC



Chris DeRose and UWA ranger



The Animal Enterprise Terrorism Act (AETA), a federal law passed in late 2006, states that an act that causes any business classified as an "animal enterprise" (e.g. factory farm, fur farm, vivisection labs, rodeos, zoos, circuses) to suffer a profit loss could be defined as a "terrorist" act. This bill, supported by associations like the Fur Commission USA, United Egg Producers, the Association for Biomedical Research and the National Cattlemen's Beef Association was designed to have a chilling effect and halt the efforts of animal activists.

KNOW YOUR RIGHTS! Animal advocates are NOT terrorists! When the AETA passed into law last year, LCA received many phone calls from activists who became afraid to speak out on behalf of the animals. **Do not be afraid!** We have the right to fight for the animals!



USE THE "AETA" TO BE AN EFFECTIVE ACTIVIST!



Always stay informed!

Read the local and national newspapers and sign up for LCA action alerts. Staying updated and well-versed on upcoming and current animal rights issues is essential in becoming an effective animal advocate.

Enlighten your representatives!

Contact your representatives about the issues that are important to you. They are frequently not aware of animal issues in their district. You can make a difference by writing a letter, making a phone call or arranging a meeting to speak on behalf of the animals. We can't emphasize this enough!

Tell the media!

One letter to an editor in response to a newspaper article, upcoming event or advertisement can reach thousands. Keep your letters brief and to the point and don't forget to include your name, address and telephone number.

Act on your passion for the animals!

Get involved in local events, volunteer at your local animal rights or welfare organization and reach out to other activists in your area. Sign up for online message boards, blogs and activity groups to meet other activists. Your commitment can make the difference!

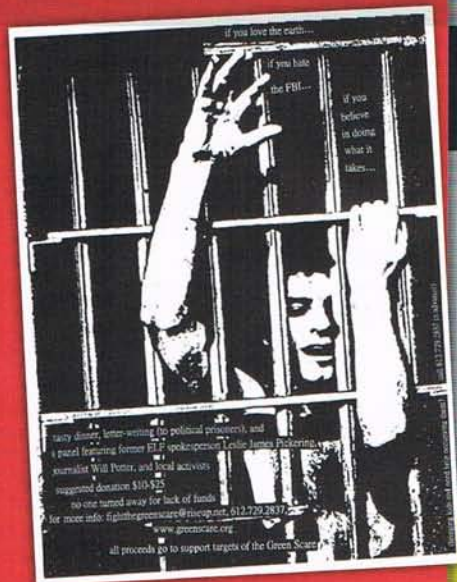
SUPPORT ANIMAL ACTIVISTS IN PRISON!

Many animal rights activists are now serving time because of their dedication to the animal rights movement. The rise of recent arrests and imprisonments is due to the "Green Scare" movement.

The term "Green Scare" refers to the federal government's expanding prosecution efforts against animal liberation and ecological activists, drawing parallels to the "Red Scares" of the 1910s and 1950s.

"Please write to animal activists who are serving time in prison. Your letters can provide a lifeline. It is so important that we don't forget those who have done amazing work in the animal rights movement." Chris DeRose

For more information on how to contact imprisoned animal activists - visit www.LCAAnimal.org and www.GreenIsTheNewRed.com.



Learn how to become an effective activist for animals at www.LCAAnimal.org

G

retchen's theatrical career spanned 50 years and encompassed many Broadway shows, including the original

"Guys and Dolls", "Damn Yankees", and "Bye Bye Birdie."

Her devotion to animals consumed most of her energy in recent decades. She began her crusade in 1966 after a visit to the animal shelter in Warwick, N.Y. The conditions there shocked her and she vowed to change them. Two years later, the new shelter opened and Gretchen managed it for 10 years. In the 1970s, she became the first woman member of the ASPCA's board of directors. She also served as vice chairwoman of the board of the Fund for Animals from 1971 to 1991.



Gretchen at the 2006 Genesis Awards

A TRIBUTE TO GRETCHEN WYLER

Gretchen Wyler, age 75, Broadway actress and animal advocate, died May 27, 2007 from complications stemming from her battle with breast cancer. Gretchen was loved by many and will be missed greatly.

"Gretchen and I knew each other for 27 years, working on many different animal issues and projects together. Though we did not agree on everything, we agreed on most things...we certainly agreed on what was best for the animals.

Gretchen has always been a big inspiration to me and many others. Many times, especially when I felt that I was fighting an uphill battle against the Class B dealer system, Gretchen would say to me, 'Darling, if anyone can make it happen, it will be you.'

She always called me her son. I will miss her, we will all miss her."



Gretchen in "Bye Bye Birdie"

She formed The Ark Trust in 1991 and ran the organization until it joined forces with The Humane Society of the United States (HSUS) in 2002. Gretchen was named vice president of The HSUS' Hollywood Office and she remained in that office until her retirement in 2006.

Gretchen created the Genesis Awards, which honors the media and entertainment industry for shining a spotlight on animal cruelty. The

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Gretchen with Kahn

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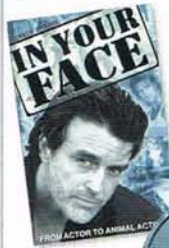
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